

First Baptist Church of Pensacola
Ministry Organizations

First Baptist Church of Pensacola Mission Statement:

At FBCP, we glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in telling the story of Jesus.

We seek to do this by leading people to...

- Discover personal faith in Jesus as their Savior.
(Evangelism)
- Devote to Christ as their Lord. (Worship)
- Develop into mature followers of Jesus. (Discipleship)
- Demonstrate Christ-like love in attitudes and actions.
(Fellowship)
- Deploy into the world as witnesses and servants of Jesus.
(Missions)

FBCP Beliefs and Biblical References for our Mission:

We believe the local church is the Body of Christ made up of baptized believers, and it is God's will for every believer to be a member of one for mutual fellowship, edification, and mission.

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel and seek to extend the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This church is an autonomous body whose members are equally responsible. The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is part of it.”
1 Corinthians 12:27

“God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.” Ephesians 1:22-23

We believe the Church should observe Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as the two ordinances Christ gave to His Church.

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer’s faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior; the believer’s death to sin; the burial of the old life; and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. The Lord’s Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2:38

“Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?” 1 Corinthians 10:16

We believe it is the duty and responsibility of every Christian and church to deliver the good news of Jesus Christ and to make disciples for Him.

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a

spiritual necessity of the regenerate life. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort.

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20

Many FBCP Ministry Organizations support the congregation in accomplishing the FBCP Mission. Following is a description of one of those Ministry Organizations:

Prayer Ministry Team

Leadership:

Chairperson/Leader: Comer Knight

Church-Wide Ministries Supported by this Team:

This Team supports the Pastoral Ministries.

Ministerial Contact:

Senior Pastor

Biblical References for this Team:

“Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” Matthew 26:41

“And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.” Matthew 21:22

“If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?” Luke 11:13

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance for all saints.” Ephesians 6:12,17,18

“And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.” John 14:13

“Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds.” Colossians 4:3

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and without finding fault; and it shall be given to him.” James 1:5

“I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day.” II Timothy 1:3

Purposes, Expectations, and Anticipated Accomplishments of this Team:

That God's guidance and will for our lives will be revealed. That we will be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Specifically:

- To pray during the Contemporary Worship Service for our worship services and for the ministries of the church and for the needs of the congregation.
- To become aware of prayer needs of the body of Christ and then engage in intercessory prayer.

Members of this Team

There are several regular participants in this Prayer Ministry Team. Anyone may join and everyone is encouraged to join the Team in prayer on Sunday Mornings in the Prayer Room.

Organization of this Team

The Prayer Team Leader is appointed by the Placement Committee.

Meetings, Meeting Agendas, and Work Schedules

The Team meets each Sunday at 8:30 in the Prayer Room. Team members spend about an hour praying for people and events listed on the prayer lists distributed the previous Wednesday Nights, for those listed on the daily e-mails from the Church who were on the hospital visitation lists, for those listed by members of the Prayer Team, and others who requested prayer during the week.

Records of Meetings

The Team Leader maintains a list of people and events prayed for each week and on Sunday afternoons sends a report of that day's list to the ministerial staff, deacons, and others. Please contact the Prayer Team Leader for additional information about this very important ministry.