

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:

Association Executive Committee

Leadership:

Chairperson/Leaders: Dave Snyder and Ross Lankford

Church-Wide Ministries Supported by this Committee:

This Committee supports Pastoral Ministries.

Biblical References for this Committee:

“Where there is no guidance, the people will fall, but in abundance of counselors there is victory.” Proverbs 11:14

“Without counsel, plans are frustrated. But with many counselors they succeed.” Proverbs 15:22

“But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously, and without reproach, and it will be given to him.”
James 1:5

“Do not be called leaders, for One is your Leader, this is, Christ.”
Matthew 23:10

Purposes, Expectations, and Anticipated Accomplishments of this Committee:

To keep FBCP informed about and involved in the activities and events of the Associations.

Specifically,

- To represent FBCP at the Southern Baptist Convention, the Florida Baptist Convention, and the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association Executive Committee meetings.
- To attend the Southern Baptist Convention, the Florida Baptist Convention, and the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association meetings.
- To represent FBCP in deliberations and activities and to report to FBCP results of discussions and actions, especially how such discussions and actions affect FBCP.

Members of this Committee:

Currently, there are up to two members plus ministerial staff. Members of this Committee must be members of FBCP and have an interest in and an understanding of issues related to the Southern Baptist Convention, the Florida Baptist Convention, and the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association.

See FBCP Committees/Ministry Teams Chart ([Here](#)) for the current year listing of members.

Organization of this Committee:

The Committee members elect a Committee Chair.

Meetings, Meeting Agendas, and Work Schedules:

The Committee meets as necessary to review Convention agendas and issues and to plan attendance and participation in Convention activities. Committee members rely heavily on the advice and counsel of FBCP Ministerial Staff and Administrative Council as they consider issues to be discussed and voted on at the three Conventions.

Records of Meetings:

The Chair of the Committee maintains records and notes of Committee participation and Convention activities and reports the results to the FBCP congregation. Contact the Committee Chair for additional information about this important Committee.