



FIRST BAPTIST JONESBORO



A WORD FROM PASTOR MEL

The Apostle John described Jesus with these words: "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men" (John 1:4). Jesus is light and life. It is not something He has, it is something He is. Everywhere Jesus goes, He brings light and life to the situation. Some people welcome the light and find life, and others reject the light and remain in darkness.

Let me ask a question: Does the light of Christ dispel darkness? Yes, absolutely! Let me ask it another way: Does the light of Christ in you dispel darkness? Does the presence of Christ in your life impact the lives of people when you walk into the room? Jesus said, "let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

Either we block His light, or we shine His light. Either we distort His truth, or we clarify His truth. Be the person that brings light and life into the world, because you are walking in a love relationship with Jesus Christ. Be the person who points people to Him by allowing Him to shine through your life in this world of darkness. He will be glorified, and you will be blessed.

To God be the glory,
Pastor Mel Blackaby

CURRENT SERMON SERIES:

Recalibrate: God's View is the Real You | Ephesians 1-3

UPCOMING EVENTS

**YOUTH ROC BASKETBALL
REGISTRATION**

Now - Nov. 13

MEDICARE INFO MEETING

OCT. 9

GRIEF SHARE

OCT. 12

**MARRIAGE SEMINAR:
REKINDLING THE ROMANCE**

Oct. 15

*For more info and to register, visit
www.fbcjonesboro.com or call 770-478-6710



Christmas in Haiti - We collected enough to provide backpacks, gifts, hygiene products, and school supplies for 300 students, their parents, and the school faculty.



Candy Collection for the Family Fall Festival - drop donations off at the Kid's building, the ROC, Coffee Bar Area, or the Church Office during the week.

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

You are invited to our Family Fall Festival on Saturday, October 23rd, from 1-4pm! There will be games, bounce houses, basketball competition, a magic show, petting zoo, trunk-or-treat, snacks, and more! Activities will be located in front of the church and the AO House yard. Parking will be in the Cloud St. and the Kid's parking lots.

This is a great opportunity for you to initiate gospel conversations with your friends and neighbors and invite them to church! We will have a special time when the gospel is presented and we will have our Go Teams available to talk and pray with people.

*Non-scary costumes are welcome!

ONeWAY

OneWay is an FBJ Ministry that gathers together to praise and worship God, meet in small groups, and hear a testimony or teaching. In small groups, real issues in people's lives such as drug, alcohol and porn addictions, anger and unforgiveness, and anything you may be struggling with are discussed with the main focus being Jesus as the solution. The scriptures say in Matthew 1:21 that Jesus came to save us from our sin. That is Good News for all. You will receive a full curriculum for ongoing Biblical discipleship on your very first gathering. Family members are welcome and childcare is provided.

We meet Fridays @ 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall!

CHURCH WIDE PRAYER CONCERNS

- Healing for those in our church and community with COVID 19.
- Personnel needs we are trying to fill.
- Evangelistic engagement in our community.
- God's Spirit to fall upon His people in Jonesboro.
- Preparation and practice for Christmas @ Jonesboro outreach.
- The Deacon ministry that serves and ministers to our church.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Men's Night of Prayer & Worship** - Oct. 4, 6:30pm @ the Historic News Daily Building,
- **Pregnancy Care Center Banquet @ FBJ**-Oct. 7
- **GriefShare** - starts October 12
- **Family Fall Festival** - Saturday, October 23
- **GA Baptist Pre-Convention Rally | Special Sunday Night Service** - Nov. 7
- **Georgia Baptist Convention @ FBJ** - Nov. 7-9
- **The Well | Women's Event** - Nov. 16
- **Haiti Mission Trip** - Dec. 6-10

BIBLICAL CARE CENTER

Anxious? Depressed? Need to speak with someone? We are here for you. Call the Biblical Care Center for biblical counseling at (470)525-4300.