



FIRST BAPTIST JONESBORO



A WORD FROM PASTOR MEL

Growing in the Knowledge of God

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Him I will trust." Psalm 91:1-2

In troubling times, when dangers are all around, it is good to have a place of refuge. God's presence is a place of security, peace, and rest. But don't just turn to Him in distress - abide with Him at all times. Seek Him each morning and walk with Him throughout the day. Make it your determined purpose to know Him more and more. For the greater your knowledge of God is, the stronger your faith will be.

The best place to grow in your knowledge of God is through regular group Bible study. Individual quiet time is important, but so is studying with other believers where you can learn from one another. Join a Life Group on Sunday morning. Get involved in a discipleship class throughout the week. Also consider a community group as a place where you can strengthen your relationship with God and other believers.

We are in this together! So, join us each week as we study the Bible and experience God in our daily life.

To God be the glory,
Pastor Mel

CURRENT SERMON SERIES:

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES
SEPT. 25

YOUTH ROC BASKETBALL
REGISTRATION
SEPT. 27 - Nov. 13

MEDICARE INFO MEETING
OCT. 9

GRIEF SHARE
OCT. 12

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL
OCT. 23

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



Kelli Bryan, Pastor Mel's new Executive Assistant.

Long Sleeve "Better Together" Shirts - Comfort Color, sizes small-2XL. \$15 each, available at the Welcome Desk.

GET CONNECTED - SERVE

You are invited to check out our new **Serve Portal** on our website. This new tool will showcase all of our current opportunities to serve within our church and allow you to sign up for more information.

After you sign up, you will be contacted by a church staff member about the next steps to serving in that area of ministry. We are excited about this new feature and how it will help our church family get connected to serving! You can find the portal on our website under the Serve tab.

Start praying now about what serve opportunity God might be calling you to fill.

THANK YOU FROM PAMELA

I am overwhelmed and humbled by the countless expressions of love in celebration of my retirement. It was a privilege to serve the Lord, three wonderful Pastors: Dr. Charles Carter, Dr. Dean Haun and Dr. Mel Blackaby and you – my church family -for 45 years! A special thank you to Pastor Blackaby and Marcia Pundsack for their coordination on the many recognitions, gifts, and beautiful reception.

The song "My Tribute" best sums up my heart. "To God be the Glory...let me live my life, let it be pleasing, dear Lord to Thee, and if I gain any praise, let it go to Calvary...To God be the Glory for the things He has done."

It has been a joy to serve Christ with you!

Pamela T. Kirkland

CHURCH WIDE PRAYER CONCERNS

- Healing for those in our church and community with COVID-19.
- Community groups that have begun gathering across our region.
- Personnel needs we are trying to fill.
- Evangelistic engagement in our community.
- For wisdom and direction for our church leadership.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **ROC Basketball Registration** - Starts Sept. 27
- **Pregnancy Care Center Banquet @ FBJ**-Oct. 7
- **Men's Night of Prayer & Worship** - Oct. 11, 6:30pm
- **GriefShare** - starts October 12
- **Marriage Retreat** (on Campus) - October 15
- **Family Fall Festival** - Saturday, October 23
- Candy collection starting Sept. 26
- **The Well | Women's Ministry Event** - Nov. 16

THE AVENUE: YOUNG ADULTS

The Avenue connects our young adults ages 17 and up who desire to center their lives around knowing God and making Him known (Matt. 4:19). If you desire to have great fellowship, be trained in evangelism, study God's word and make disciples, come join us! We meet each week on Thursdays @ 7pm and Sundays @ 9:30 in the AO House. For more info, email Pastor Tee at tuzoigwe@fbcjonesboro.com and follow him on Facebook at Tarvoris Uzoigwe.