

A monthly newsletter for members and friends of  
First Baptist Church of Painesville - February 2019

# CHURCH LINK



## FROM THE PASTORS DESK

### Happy New Year!

Everyone loves to celebrate a new year, but starting it right is another matter. Of the people who make New Year Resolutions, only eight percent actually keep them. To make matters worse, many of us discover that by the time January rolls around, we are too physically and emotionally exhausted to even try to make positive changes in our lives.

This year can be different though. I challenge you to make one significant change in your life this year that I know will yield tremendous value to your walk with the Lord. I want you this year to start a practice of picking up your Bible and reading it every day. I promise you that making a habit of this will save you from unnecessary heartache, protect you from foolish mistakes, and give you more wisdom than anything else can. And that's exactly what we need in order to revive our spirits for the coming year.

If you are not in the habit of reading the Bible each day, then you are running on empty, spiritually, and need to ask yourself why hearing from the Lord is not that important to you. Sometimes there is a disconnect between what we know in our hearts and what we actually do. Even though we acknowledge that God's Word is our source of strength and provision, we act as if the physical and material aspects of life are more important than our spiritual lives.

Our actions reveal that we don't really believe we need to hear from God because we can handle life without Him. Yet this is so far from the truth. This year I am asking all of us to make an attempt to see the value of God's Word so that it can motivate each of us to fill ourselves up with it daily.

Let's look to God's Word this year, let's learn from God's Word this year, and finally let's live out God's Word this year. There is no greater investment than a lifelong habit of reading and learning His Word. As you begin a new year, remember to look to the Bible to be safe, learn from it to be wise, and live out God's Word to be holy. If you will do this every day, you'll establish a habit which will benefit and transform your life more than any other resolution you could make.

Prayerfully yours,  
Pastor Edwards



### February Birthdays

Ralph LaRue	2
Samantha Estep	2
Chloe Namestnik	5
Cathy Benko	9
Brandee Masterson	20
Lucille Thompson	25
Abigail Namestnik	28

### No February Anniversaries

If you are not included in our birthday and/or anniversary lists and would like to be, please call the office at 440-354-4454. Thank you!



## Nursery/Toddler Volunteers (9:50 am)

- 2/3 Caregiver: Wendy Fredebaugh  
Helper: Jackie Dwyer
- 2/10 Caregiver: Sandy Namestnik  
Helper: TBA
- 2/17 Caregiver: Amy Terrill  
Helper: Judy Whipple
- 2/24 Caregiver: Toni Walker  
Helper: Alexis Richner

## Wednesday Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

Come at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday and join in with others who are seeking God's face, praising Him, and then interceding on behalf of others. We are currently studying the book of Romans.

*1 John 5:14 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.*

## Worship Service Scripture Readers

- 2/3 Bob Wolf
- 2/10 Bev Smith
- 2/17 Ingrid Balstad
- 2/24 Peggy Ryan



## Hospitality Volunteers

### Greeters

### Welcome Center

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|----------------------|----------------|
| 2/3 Anna Samples     | Jackie Dwyer   |
| 2/10 Judy Whipple    | Lindy Leathers |
| 2/17 Arlene Silbaugh | Jacquie Wolf   |
| 2/24 Anna Samples    | Peggy Ryan     |

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## A big THANK YOU...

We are grateful for your food donations. We helped 3 families during January. Please check the expiration dates before bringing your donations to the church and give only items which have not expired, please. We cannot give out expired food. Thank you.



# February

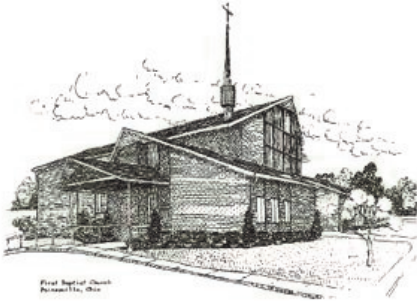


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>  7:00 p.m. Painesville Friday (AA)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Blast & ABF 10:00 a.m.. Praise Practice 10:30 a.m. Worship, Commu- nion 7:00 p.m. Kensing- ton Sunday (AA)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  7:00 p.m. North Coast Historical Recovery	<b>6</b>  6:30 p.m. Bible Study/ Prayer Meet- ing	<b>7</b>  10:00 a.m. Marry/ Martha Prayer Circle	<b>8</b>  7:00 p.m. Painesville Friday (AA)	<b>9</b>
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<b>17</b> 9:00 a.m. Bible Blast & ABF 10:00 a.m.. Praise Practice 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 1st Baptist Singers 7:00 p.m. Kensington Sunday (AA)	<b>18</b> "Link" Reports Due	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  6:30 p.m. Bible Study/ Prayer Meet- ing	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>  7:00 p.m. Painesville Friday (AA)	<b>23</b>
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Return Service Requested

**Guest**



**Weekly & Monthly Events & Meetings**

**Bible Blast, Youth & ABF** - Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

**Praise Practice** - Sundays, 10:00 a.m.

**Worship** - Sundays, 10:30 a.m.

**Communion** - First Sunday of each month, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**1st Baptist Singers** - 3rd Sunday of each month, 12:30 p.m.

**Hosanna Circle** - First Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (October, November, February, March, April and May); 6:30 p.m. - (December & June)

**Bible Study/Prayer Meeting** - Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Mary/Martha Prayer Circle** - 2nd Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

**“Link” Reports Due** - 18th of each month