



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
**TUCKER**

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5th Annual

# Singin'

*with*

**"Dinner on the Grounds"**  
**Sunday, November 3, 2019**

featuring

**FBC Tucker Choir &  
Druid Hills Billys**

**Please Bring a Covered Dish to Share**

## THANKSGIVING

Join us for fellowship

## BANQUET

**Mark Your Calendars for the Thanksgiving Banquet  
on Sunday, Nov 24th! See Page 7 for Details.**

(for more information visit [www.fbctucker.org](http://www.fbctucker.org) or call (770) 938-1688)

### In This Month's Issue



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME ENDS NOV. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
CLOCKS "FALL  
BACK" ONE HOUR**

## TUCKER COMMUNITY BINGO

**Wednesday, Nov. 20th! See Page 3.**



**It's that Time of Year Where Several  
of Our Christmas Missions Kick Off.  
Please See Pages 4 & 5 for Details  
on Ways You Can Help.**

**Women's Advent Bible  
Study Begins.  
Won't You Join Us?  
See Page 6 for  
More Information.**



**Meet Miss  
Mary Grace!  
Congratulations  
are on Page 7.**

*If you call FBC Tucker your  
faith community, we ask that  
you pray about giving finan-  
cially to support, and grow our  
ministries. You can give online  
by visiting [www.fbctucker.org](http://www.fbctucker.org)*





Vangie Rodenbeck  
Director, Main Street  
Preschool

## FBCT's Main Street Preschool (MSPS)

Main Street Preschool • Monday-Friday • 8:30AM-1:30PM • 1st Floor Building A

*I've been working in and around education long enough to have heard the success of schools attributed to many factors. Some appeal to donors or funding as the source of success, but I've seen underfunded schools achieve great things. Others give acclaim to high achieving students and dedicated parents. Those are important factors, to be sure, but I am not sure they*

*deserve complete credit for a school's achievements. In my experience, the heart of a school is its teachers and staff. As we enter this season of gratitude, I cannot help but reflect on my appreciation for the champions that I work alongside at Main Street Preschool.*

*Naming what I see on a daily basis will seem trite on the surface. Unless you've experienced the disquiet of a child for 2 solid hours, you can't appreciate the way that **Melanie Philo** never breaks her smile when comforting a distressed baby in our Parent's Day Out classes.*

*Sending a text to a parent that says, "All is well. Please don't worry. She is playing now," seems inconsequential, but **Lynn Baldwin** knows the value of this to a parent who wants to know their child feels safe in our 2 Year Old's Class. Lynn's 30+ years of teaching experience have taught her that "a word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in setting of silver." (Proverbs 29:11)*

**Barbara "Babs" Fortenberry** is vigilant each morning in serving as our "Carpool Nurse," checking temperatures with care and love that makes each child feel as if they are being given a special hug for the start of the day instead of monitored for illness.

**Sharon Bulla** has served not only as a guardian of our space, but as an instructor here for more years that she would probably have me mention. Her tried and true instruction has seen children come into her class with no knowledge of numbers or alphabet and leave fully equipped for the next level of instruction. Leigh Escalante serves by her side three days a week, faithfully and patiently reinforcing each concept—always offering praise at the smallest sign of progress.

**Pamela Ross** and **Fana Fikreyesus** are new to our team this year. This dynamic duo has changed the face of our Pre-K classroom. Both certified teachers, each offer a wealth of talent and experience in the classroom. Each offer individualized instruction to our students, ensuring that every child will be Kindergarten ready at the end of this Pre-K year. Best of all, they do it with smiles and songs while teaching about the love of Christ for each child.

**Vicki Westbrook** teaches our Kindergarten children with an enthusiasm that has recently been described by a parent as "the best" and her classroom as "exceptional." Children report that she makes learning a fun process, one of our primary values at Main Street Preschool.

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## FBCT Children's Corner with Lauren Woodson Armstrong



The kidzone kids are working through lessons each week in discovering God's unconditional love. Each week, we read a bible story, watch a video, and create an art project for the bible story. The kids are loving and remembering the stories each week. Come enjoy the fun on Sunday morning at 9:30am!

Love to all!

- Lauren Woodson Armstrong





# Spiritual Formation with Phill Nall



Lunch on Main is Now Tucker Community Events

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

TUCKER  
COMMUNITY  
LUNCH  
& LEARN



RESERVATIONS REQUIRED  
11:30 a.m. Lunch  
(\$7 per person)

Noon: Lunch & Learn  
Presentation

Road to Wellness:

**Part 2 – Mind**

« **Presenter: Larry Minnix**

Author Larry Minnix was CEO of Wesley Woods, a comprehensive senior organization, and CEO of LeadingAge, a national association of nonprofit providers. Minnix is a speaker on healthy aging.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

TUCKER  
COMMUNITY  
BINGO

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED  
11:30 a.m. Lunch  
(\$7 per person)

Noon: B-I-N-G-O!

NO ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27



NTO NOVEMBER LUNCH MEETING

PROGRAM:

**THE RAY FAMILY**



**Tuesday, November 12th  
at 11:30 a.m.**

**Main Street Fellowship Hall**

**Lunch—\$7 per person**

**Meal: Turkey, Dressing &  
All the Trimmings**

The Rays have been singing as family ever since they could carry a tune. Peggy and Kathy grew up singing with their immediate and extended family, and their niece, Katy, inherited this family tradition.

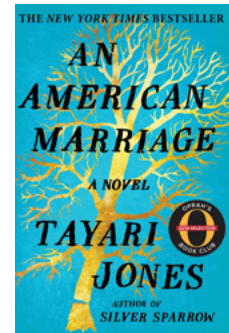
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**TUCKER BOOK GROUP**

**Thursday, November 21st**

10 a.m. in LaVista Fellowship Hall

THIS MONTH'S BOOK:



**"An American Marriage"**  
by Tayari Jones



# Spiritual Formation with Phill Nall



## FBC TUCKER MISSION UPDATES

### Good Neighbor Christmas – sponsored by NETWorks

The Good Neighbor Christmas Gift Shop is an opportunity for parents in Northlake-Embry Hills-Tucker to provide Christmas gifts for their families while preserving their pride and dignity. We collect **new**, donated toys and sell them at deep discounts, instead of giving them away, believing that families would prefer to provide for themselves if given the opportunity to do so. Proceeds from the event benefit next year's shopping budget, allowing us to grow the store's inventory.

**Where:** 2367 Main Street, Tucker  
(First Baptist Church Gym)  
**When:** December 13-15, 2019  
Fri: 6-9pm, Sat: 10am-5pm, Sun: 1-4pm

Please bring **new, unwrapped** toys to the  
NETWorks office, 2380 4<sup>th</sup> St., Tucker, GA 30084.  
Here are a few gift suggestions:



**NET**works

#### Toys

Legos  
Lincoln Logs  
Action figures

Remote control cars  
Race track sets

#### Toddler & Baby

Sesame Street  
Thomas the Train  
V-Tech toys

#### Sports Equipment

Athletic equipment  
Bicycles & tricycles  
Helmets/safety gear  
Scooters  
Skateboards  
Skates

#### Toys

Baby dolls\*  
Barbie dolls\*  
Disney toys  
Doll houses/accessories  
Jewelry & make-up kits  
*\*The majority of shopping families would prefer dolls reflecting cultural diversity.*

#### Other Items

Board games  
Books  
Arts & crafts  
Gift cards  
MP3 players  
Video games  
Glove & hat sets

Amazon wish list:  
<http://amzn.com/w/26IO2F4TR9MNL>

Please visit [www.NETWorkscoop.org/christmas](http://www.NETWorkscoop.org/christmas) for information on how to make cash donations, shop through Amazon, or volunteer.

TOY DONATIONS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 10



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**Kathy Ray** brings  
Music and Library

*into our classrooms each week to enrich our students' experience Building a love of literature has become so much a part of who we are at Main Street that children are often checking out books, checking them back in, and checking out another all in the same day!*

*I left **Judy Tsegaye** for last because she is perhaps the most challenging to describe in a short sentence. Serving in Parent's Day Out three days a week, Judy lends her patience and expertise in not only caregiving for children, but acting as an ambassador to young parents. Her willingness (along with Fana to serve as translator to families needing assistance with English has proved invaluable to us this year and truly sets us apart as a school that cares for its community.*

*Working alongside these women each day has already proved a tremendous blessing in my life. Because of them I consider myself, and Main Street Preschool, rich indeed.*

—**Vangie Rodenbeck**  
FBC Tucker's Main Street  
Preschool Director



## Spiritual Formation with Phill Nall



***It's Shoebox Time Again!  
Change The Life of a Child  
with a Simple Gift...***

**NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>**  
• **DEDICATION DAY, NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>** •

*From among the millions of shoebox gifts distributed across the world, God guided this shoebox into the hands of a child who now considers God's Word his greatest treasure.*

*Alex prayed to receive Jesus not long after graduating from The Greatest Journey. "Now, I know I will go to Heaven," he said. "All the Bible stories I learned during The Greatest Journey were new to me. My favorite lesson was about Jesus' death and resurrection."*

**BRING YOUR FILLED SHOEBOXES** to the church office now through Nov. 24th, or bring them to the church sanctuary on **DEDICATION DAY, NOVEMBER 17th**. Pre-printed boxes, flyers and information on what to pack are available in the Gathering Room. Remember, new this year, **NO CANDY AND NO TOOTHPASTE.**



## DDM Christmas Stocking Project

Our church is again stuffing stockings for the residents of **Developmental Disabilities Ministries (DDM)**. Each stocking contains a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card as well as other useful items. If you can provide one or more of the \$25 gift cards, please make your check payable to **Tucker**

**First Baptist Church**, put it (or cash) in an envelope marked "DDM Stocking Project", and turn it in to the church office. If you prefer, you may purchase **\$25 Wal-Mart** cards and **turn them in to the church office by November 24**. Be sure to properly mark your envelope so that you will receive credit on your church giving record. I hope you will join me in supporting this worthwhile cause!

Thank you!

— **Nancy Thurman**



## Apple & Leaf Trip

Thursday, November 7

**9 AM DEPART FBC TUCKER**

Enjoy the scenery as we drive to Blue Ridge, Georgia!

Apples at Mercier Orchards

Lunch at Southern Charm Restaurant, Blue Ridge

Shopping in Blue Ridge

4:30 p.m. Arrive back at FBC Tucker





## Spiritual Formation with Phill Nall



### Ladies' Bible Study

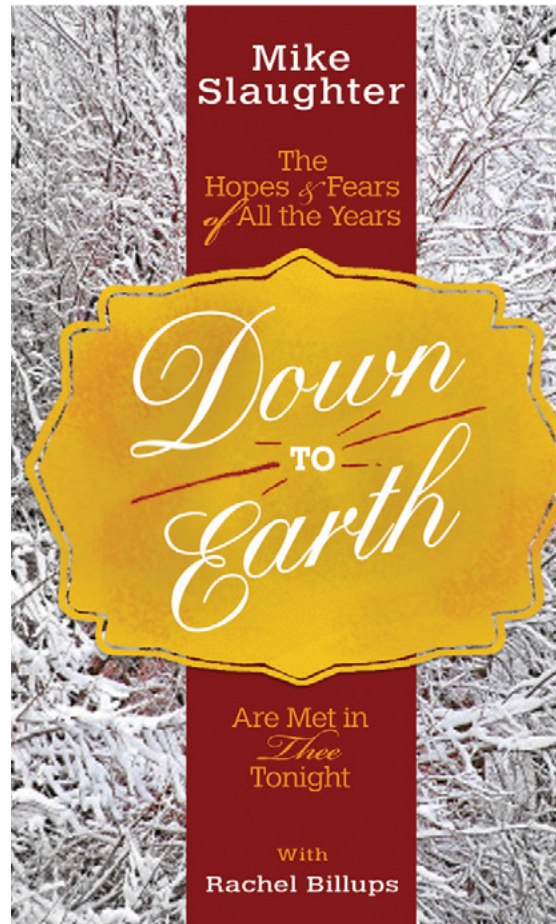
Meets Tuesdays at 6:30 pm OR Wednesdays at 10:00 am  
in the FBC Tucker Small Group Room

This 4-week Advent study will meet on the following dates:  
Tuesdays: Nov. 19, Dec. 3, 10, and 17  
Wednesdays: Nov. 20, Dec. 4, 11, and 18

### **Down to Earth: The Hopes and Fear of All the Years are Met in Thee Tonight** by Mike Slaughter

When Heaven Comes Down to  
Earth, Greatness Gets  
Redefined.

A virgin birth. God's son...a  
helpless baby. Fleeing certain  
death. Nothing about the  
Christmas story is ordinary.  
In his book, *Down to Earth*,  
Slaughter presents a four-  
week Advent study that opens  
up God's Christmas surprise  
to us and examines how it  
changed everything.



Contact for information:

Becky Fortenberry (Tues.) 404-452-3493; [b2fortenberry@yahoo.com](mailto:b2fortenberry@yahoo.com)

Kathy Ray (Wed.) 770-605-2498; [Kathy.ray1955@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.ray1955@gmail.com)

Or contact the church at: (770) 938-1688



## Congratulations to...



**David & Elaine Harris** on the birth of their 14th Grandblessing, **Mary Grace Combs**, on September 4. She weighed 8 lbs. and 15 oz. and was 19 1/2" long. Parents are **William & Liz Combs** and big sister is **Kennedy Combs**.



On Sunday, November 24, we will have a Thanksgiving banquet for the entire church. This will be a time for us to celebrate what is happening at FBC and in our lives. We invite members, former members and future members to join us in this time of celebration.

## The Work Out Room is OPEN

The Work Out room located in room 7 of the Main Street Fellowship Hall (old dance room) is open. The cost for use is \$20.00 per month and you can sign up in the church office. We also have a trainer who will provide a free assessment for anyone who would like (Appointment Only—contact **Katie Phillips** at [workoutkate@yahoo.com](mailto:workoutkate@yahoo.com) or text at 678-984-3060). Please stop by and take a look and enjoy this beautiful new facility.



## Sympathy to...

» **Dannell Irving and Family** in the loss of her husband, **Jimmy Irving** in Mississippi on October 10. Jimmy and Dannell are Pam Woodson's sister and brother-in-law.



## Sunday Mornings at FBCT

9:30AM BIBLE STUDY • 11AM WORSHIP

**November 3**

*Singin' & Dinner on the Grounds*



**November 10**

*"Sparky"*

Micah 6:8, Romans 13:8-10

**November 17**

*"On Being Graced"*

Joshua 24:1-13, Joshua 24:14-15

**November 24**

*"Is It Better..."*

Matthew 26:6-13



Dr. Darrell Watson will be pulpit supply for Nov 10, 17 and 24. Darrell and his wife, Pat, live in Loganville. He has been a senior pastor for 28 years, and they have two grown children.

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## FBCT OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The church office will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, November 27 and 28, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.





## COMING IN NOVEMBER 2019

Walking "The Healing Place" Ministry is Every Monday - Friday from 9 - 11:30AM and Saturdays from 9 - 10:30AM in the GYM

### Friday, November 1st

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Saturday, November 2nd

8:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM Adult A Ladies Class - LFH



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME ENDS - CLOCKS  
"FALL BACK" 1 HOUR**

### Sunday, November 3rd

**11:00 AM Singing with Dinner on  
the Grounds**  
12:15 PM Church Conference - MSFH

### Monday, November 4th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:00 PM Kingfisher - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Tuesday, November 5th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:00 PM NTO Council - LFH  
1:45 PM NTO Singers Rehearsal - CR  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study - SGR

### Wednesday, November 6th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study - SGR  
10:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
11:30 AM Tucker Community Lunch  
& Learn - MSFH  
5:00 PM Great Banquet - MSFH  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Thursday, November 7th

**All Day Apple & Leaf Trip**  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM Men's Bible Study - SGR  
12:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
4:15 PM Intown School Sports - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
7:00 PM Care Groups - LFH

### Friday, November 8th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Saturday, November 9th

8:00 AM GAHI - MSFH  
8:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Sunday, November 10th

11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary  
5:30 PM Rental Reservation - MSFH

### Monday, November 11th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:00 PM Kingfisher - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Tuesday, November 12th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
11:30 AM NTO Luncheon - MSFH  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Wednesday, November 13th

**All Day GAHI Board Meeting -  
MSFH-Conference Room**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
5:00 PM Great Banquet - MSFH  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
6:45 PM FBC Choir Rehearsal - CR

### Thursday, November 14th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM Men's Bible Study - SGR  
12:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
7:00 PM Care Groups - LFH

### Friday, November 15th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Saturday, November 16th

8:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Sunday, November 17th

All day Rental Reservation - MSFH  
11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary

### Monday, November 18th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:00 PM Kingfisher - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Tuesday, November 19th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:45 PM NTO Singers Rehearsal - CR  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study - SGR

### Wednesday, November 20th

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
10:00 AM Women's Bible Study - SGR  
11:30 AM Tucker Comm. Bingo - MSFH  
5:00 PM Great Banquet - MSFH  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
6:45 PM FBC Choir Rehearsal - CR

### Thursday, November 21st

**All Day MSPS Thanksgiving Feast!**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM Men's Bible Study - CoR  
10:00 AM Tucker Book Group - LFH  
10:30 AM Tucker Art Guild - SGR  
12:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
4:00 PM Arbor Montessori - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR  
7:00 PM Care Groups - LFH

### Friday, November 22nd

**All Day MSPS Thanksgiving Feast!**  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Saturday, November 23rd

8:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Sunday, November 24th

11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary  
**12:00 PM Thanksgiving Banquet**

### Monday, November 25th

**MSPS Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:00 PM Kingfisher - G  
5:00 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Tuesday, November 26th

**MSPS Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
1:45 PM NTO Singers Rehearsal - CR  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

### Wednesday, November 27th

**MSPS Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday  
Church Office Closed**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
5:30 PM AIN Meetings - CoR

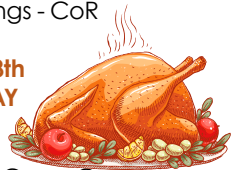
### Thursday, November 28th

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

**MSPS Closed**

**Church Office Closed**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G  
10:30 AM Haakmeester Thanksgiving  
Dinner - MSFH



### Friday, November 29th

**MSPS Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday**

9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

### Saturday, November 30th

8:00 AM AIN Meetings - CoR  
9:00 AM Walking in Gym - G

KEY

CR - Choir Room CoR - Community Room  
LFH - LaVista Fellowship Hall GL - Gym Lobby  
G - Gym MC - Ministry Center NTO - Never Too Old  
SANC - Sanctuary SGR - Small Group Room  
MSFH - Main St. Fellowship Hall LC - LaVista Chapel







## Atlanta Intervention Network (Community Room)

Sundays 4-7 pm • Mondays 5-9 pm  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 pm  
Saturdays 8:30 am-12 Noon

**CA Care Group**  
Thursdays 7-9 pm (LFH)



## Notary Services Available WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS

AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TUCKER

**Contact Lois Alexander**  
lalexander@fbctucker.org  
(770) 938-1688 ext 210

## Community Mission Opportunities:

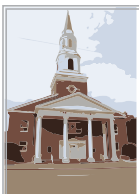
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NETWorks Item:

**Good Neighbor Toy Drive**

NET Pantry Food Items:

**Egg Noodles, Canned Vegetables,  
and/or Canned Baked Beans**



**Regular Church Office Hours**  
**Monday ~ Thursday**  
**9am until 5pm**  
(closed 12 noon until 1 pm for lunch)



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### In Case of Emergency (Nights & Weekends)

Please contact the on call ministry staff member as follows:

1st Sunday/1st Week of the Month

**Phill Nall 770-938-1688 x222, cell 770-757-0527**

2nd Sunday/2nd Week of the Month

**Phill Nall 770-938-1688 x222, cell 770-757-0527**

3rd Sunday/3rd Week of the Month

**Pam Woodson 770-938-1688 x214, cell 678-760-3969**

4th Sunday/4th Week of the Month

**Pam Woodson 770-938-1688 x214, cell 678-760-3969**

5th Sunday/5th Week of the Month

**Lois Alexander 770-938-1688 x210, cell 404-550-3870**

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Eddie Freeman, Audio/Video

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