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Caught Up!

Dr. Brian Stowe, Senior Pastor

Last Things Series: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

September 15, 2019

*The Lord does not delay his promise, as some understand delay, but is patient with you,
not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance."*

2 Peter 3:9

1. The _____ vv 14-17

A. Basic _____ about the rapture.

1. _____? What is the _____?

a. "To _____ **away speedily.**" Acts 8:39

b. "To _____ **by force.**" John 6:15.

c. "To _____ **for one's own self.**" Rapture from our Lord's point of view

d. "To _____ **to a new place.**" 2 Corinthians 12:1-4

e. "To _____ **from danger.**" Acts 23:10

2. _____? _____ **only.**

3. _____?

Are there some other events that must happen before we can look for the Rapture of the Church?

When will the rapture take place: before the Tribulation, in the middle of the Tribulation,
or at the end of the Tribulation?

• 1 Thessalonians 1:10

• 1 Thessalonians 5:9

• 2 Thessalonians 2:3-8

• Revelation 5-19

4. _____? Where will the _____ go?

"This is a triumphal gathering in open defiance of the devil right in his own stronghold!"

William MacDonald, Believer's Bible Commentary

5. _____? **God** _____ **His Word.**

6. _____? _____!

B. The main question for each person is: Are you _____ for the rapture?

2. The _____ vv 13-14, 17

A. Because of Christ - crucified, buried and resurrected - we have _____.

B. Because of Christ - crucified, buried and resurrected - we will be with Him _____!

3. The _____ v 18

A. These truths must be _____ with others.

B. Are you _____? With whom do you need to _____ this encouraging news?

What now?

1. Be _____.

2. Be _____.

3. Be _____.

4. Don't go _____.

Our Pastor



Dr. Brian Stowe came to First Baptist in 2013. He and his wife Bonnie have four children: Sarah, Hannah, Andrew, and Elizabeth. Pastor Brian earned his Doctorate in Ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He also holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
PLANT CITY



1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Dear Church Family and Friends,

Welcome to First Baptist Church. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning as we continue our series, *Last Things*. Over the next several weeks we will explore what the Bible says about the end times. Make no mistake, God's Word is clear about what is to come in the last days of this Earth as we know it. The Lord is coming...are you ready?


Guests, we want you to be a part of church life here at First Baptist Church. There are many activities taking place each week. Use this worship guide, the church app, or the website to find out more information. Also, please plan to stop by and see me following either of the morning services at the east end of the Commons.

- Pastor Brian

WELCOME

We're glad you're here!

September 15, 2019

 First Baptist Church Plant City exists to lead people beyond just good enough to experience L.I.F.E. in Christ. We do this by helping you to **WORSHIP, GROW, SERVE** and **REACH**.



Join us for **The Path: Belongers!**

This is a 4-week study on life within the Body of Christ.

Wednesday | 6:00 PM | Modular 1

For more info contact Jay Strike at jstrike@fbcpc.com.



FOR HURRICANE DORIAN
fbcpc.com/dorian

Want to be a part of the disaster relief effort for Hurricane Dorian?

There are three ways to be involved:

- **PRAY:** for areas affected by the storm
- **GIVE:** to North American Mission Board (NAMB) Disaster Relief : <https://www.namb.net/give/> (This is the best way to ensure that supplies and resources get to those who need them.)
- **GO:** to effected areas & volunteer (For more info, contact Charlie Cox, (813)507-0992.)



JOIN US!

Want to help reach our community for Christ? Join us for dinner, fellowship, and key information! RSVP to Susan Venning at 813-752-4104 ext. 1003 or svenning@fbcpc.com.

Monday, September 16 | 6:00 PM | Commons

MISSIONS
MINUTE

Giving YTD - \$258,654

Stop by the Global Connections Center to learn more about the Unreached People Group that our church has adopted:

The Meskhetian Turks

Upcoming Events



New Women's Bible Study

Room 110

• **Finding God Faithful** by Kelly Minter

Three classes to choose from:

- Wednesdays, starting September 18 at 6:15 pm
- Fridays, starting September 20 at 9:00 am
- Sundays, starting September 22 at 4:00 pm

For more info on this new study, visit <https://www.fbcpc.com/womens-ministry>.



WORTHY OF YOUR NAME Christmas Program Drama Meeting

September 29 | 12:00 pm | Worship Center

Interested in being a part of the Drama cast for this year's Christmas Musical? Then join us for an informational meeting in the Worship Center following the Modern Worship Service!



Annual Business Meeting

September 22 | 6:00 pm

Worship Center

Items of business: election of officers and teachers, budget proposal, and ministry/committee reports.



Commissioning Service

for Lauren Morris

September 29 | 6:00 pm

Worship Center

Join us as we commission Lauren Morris to the gospel ministry on the international mission field. A dessert reception will follow.



Women's Holiday Indulgence

SAVE THE DATE! November 2

If you are interested in being a table hostess or decorating a tree, please call the church office or email Kay Morris, kmorris@fbcpc.com.

Vitals

NEW MEMBERS:

By Baptism

Matt & Teresa Addington
Anica Lara
Allie Williams
Marlee Howard

By Letter

Miguel & Sara Lara
Susan (Hays) Cranor
Susan Gedney

By Statement

Adrienne Williams
Mary Jane Panolini
Brady Draper
Bob Wladyka
Sharon Updike
Haley Updike
Dylan Bacon

IN HONOR OF:

Mark & Felicia McDonald
McDonald Small Group Members

BEREAVEMENT:

Our Pastor & Church Family extend their deepest sympathy and love to:

Norma Lundy & family on their loss of **Paul Lundy**.

Barbara Dykes & family on their loss of **Terry Dykes**.

David Sullivan & family on their loss of **Chuck Sullivan**.

THANK YOU:

To Claude Walker & Church Family for your prayers and support during Bill's illness and passing.
- **Pat Reed & family**

CONGRATULATIONS:

To **Jesse & Tori Wall** on the birth of their son, **Elijah Hudson Wall**.

STATISTICS (09.08.2019)

Small Group Attendance: 1309

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| Budget Rec'd: | \$83,234.73 |
| Budget Req'd: | \$76,119.98 |
| To Date Budget Rec'd: | \$3,915,175.12 |
| To Date Budget Req'd: | \$3,805,999.04 |

destination
next
Isaiah 43:19

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| Pledges: | \$4,037,871.88 |
| Rec'd 09.08.2019: | \$13,466.10 |
| Rec'd to Date: | \$1,109,525.68 |

Giving

Giving is an expression of our love for God and His ministry and mission through First Baptist Church. You can give in person, on the website (fbcpc.com), or through the FBC Plant City app.

This Week

SUNDAY 09.15.2019

8:00, 9:00, & 10:30 am | Small Group Bible Study
9:00 am | Blended Service | Worship Center
10:30 am | Modern Service | Worship Center
12:00 pm | Reflecting the Gospel | Commons
12:00 pm | Italy Missions Meeting | Room 111
6:00 pm | College Small Group | The Landing
6:00 pm | Young Pro's Small Group | The Helm's home (Text for directions or more info, 813-943-8894.)

MONDAY 09.16.2019

10:00 am | Library Open | 503 N. Palmer St.
6:00 pm | REACH Kick-off | Commons

WEDNESDAY 09.18.2019

10:00 am | Library Open | 503 N. Palmer St.
5:00 pm | Children's Choirs | Rooms 200 & 208
6:00 pm | The Path: Belongers | Room 1
6:00 pm | Financial Peace University | Room 3
6:00 pm | GriefShare | Room 6
6:00 pm | Single Moms Ministry | Room 7
6:00 pm | AWANA
6:15 pm | Men's Ministry | Room 2
6:15 pm | Women's Ministry | Room 111, 112
6:15 pm | Wednesday in the Word | Room 114
6:15 pm | First Student Worship | The Landing
7:30 pm | Adult Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal
7:30 pm | College & Young Pros | Midweek Building (105 E. Baker St.)

THURSDAY 09.19.2019

6:30 pm | Co-Ed Bible Study in English*
7:00 pm | Biker Bible Study | Krazy Kup

MINISTERIO HISPANO

LOS DOMINGOS:

9:00 am | Servicio en Español*

11:00 am | Escuela Dominical*

6:15 pm | Servicio en Español*

LOS MIERCOLES:

6:15 pm | Estudio Biblico en Español*

* = Fellowship Hall, 503 N. Palmer St.

For more info on upcoming events, please visit fbcpc.com/events.

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