The Vision Newsletter of first Raptist Church July 15, 2019 SENIOR PASTOR WEEKEND WE ARE EXCITED FOR YOU TO MEET OUR SENIOR PASTOR CANDIDATE. RYAN TABER. AND HIS FAMILY. SATURDAY, JULY 27TH 10AM - NOON MEET & GREET We will be having a "pot luck" snack social in the youth room. Bring your favorite appetizer, brunch item, snack or dessert & meet the Taber Family. 2 - 4PM YOUTH HANG OUT The youth will be having a fellowship that afternoon after the meet & greet. Location TBD. SUNDAY, JULY 28TH 10 AM WORSHIP SERVICE Ryan will be preaching the Sunday morning service in view of a call. 6 PM EVENING SERVICE

In accorance with the bylaws, we will have a special meeting in the evening at 6:00 PM. There will be at Q & A session with Ryan followed by a vote.

Dear Church Family,

It is with great sadness that I submitted my letter of resignation. This last year has been a hard and trying time for the church as a whole, but especially for my wife and I as we stepped in to serve the church here at FBC Piedmont. I need to start off by saying, that even though this year has been difficult, I have learned a great deal and appreciate my time here. Many of you have been loving, supportive and encouraging. And to that, we are thankful for you.

Since I have been here, I have seen a great deal of division and a struggle for power. It has been my focus and intention to work through this division as this is not what we as believers have been called to be. Instead, we have been called to love (as we have learned while we went through 1 John recently as a church).

My prayer for you is as Paul writes in Ephesians 4:1-3 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace

HÚMILITY. GENTLENESS. PATIENCE. LOVE. UNITY. PEACE.

Those are the words that stand out to me. In this transition, I am praying that unity will become the goal of the congregation. The people will seek to rid the body of divisions and pursue peace. That the church (YOU.) would be for of humility, gentleness and patience as you work together, not seeking to get your own way or arrive at your own idea, but seeking what is true, honorable, and glorifying to God. Above all, that this church (the people) would love one another.

I know some will rejoice at my leaving, others will be sad. Either way, know that we who serve the Lord, serve Him together. I will continue to pray for FBC Piedmont (the people) as the transition continues. May God be glorified in any and all conversations that happen here on out.

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love. **Ephesians 4:15-16**

Tim & Kathryn Thomsen



We had a great group of kids come out and join us "In The Wild" for VBS! Thank you to all those who were involved in the preparing, the pulling off, and the praying for this awesome week of "Amazing Encounters with Jesus." Ask the kids you see around the church what they learned about Jesus and see if they can quote the verse from memory (John 20:31). You might also notice some new families visiting in the weeks to come; make sure to welcome them to our church and into our lives. We hope many families will come, but let's always remember that our mission is not the growth of FBC Piedmont; it is the growth of the family and the kingdom of God.

Grace and peace,

Timothy David Livingston

&

Jennifer Robinett

Children's Pastor

Preschool Director

Adult Choir starts back on <u>August 7!</u>



6:30-8:00pm in the music suite Qualifications: a desire to worship the Lord, encourages and prays for others, willing to sing with others (it's not hard ()) This is a GREAT time to join us!





\$160 PER ROOM (DOUBLE BEDS) SIGN UP BY THE FRONT OFFICE AT THE CHURCH

Weekly Activities

<u>Sunday</u>

8:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service Children's Church 6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer 6:30 p.m. "Elevate" (youth) 6:30 p.m. Worship Choir *THE RECORD* <u>June 9, 2019</u> Offering: \$17,145.59 SS Attendance: 200 <u>June 16, 2019</u> Offering: \$12,838.13

SS Attendance: 226

New Members:

Eli Cadena



July 2019						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 GROW	Blood Drive 12-5pm	3	4 4th of July	5 Office closed	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
VBS Music Preview 5pm Children's parent	Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:30pm Meal at 5:30pm					
mtg.@ 5pm	No GROW					
14 Deacon's Mtg.@5pm	15	16	17	18	19	20
Business Mtg. 6:30pm	World Changers Mission Trip					p
	GROW			3rd Thursday Lunch		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	GROW					
28	29	30	31			
NO ADULT CHOIR FOR THE MONTH OF JULY						

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