

# THE SPIRE

Volume 67 • No. 3 • January 31, 2020

## Global Missions Breakfast FEATURING: Rick and Ellen Burnette Sunday, February 9th 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the Dining Room

Join us as we kick off the Offering for Global Missions emphasis. Rick serves as CBF's manager of Domestic Disaster Response and together with Ellen have invested their gifts in agriculture development ministry.

Share the abundant life of Christ by giving to the Offering for Global Missions

**Our Goal: \$34,000**



OFFERING FOR  
GLOBAL MISSIONS

## FROM OUR PASTOR

Missions has long been one of the main commitments of most Baptist churches, and that has certainly been the case with First Baptist Church of Rome. Along with our many local and regional partners in mission, we also have a main global partner which is the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF). We partner with our brother and sister churches in the CBF in many different ways, and one of the most important and impactful ways we partner together is through the Offering for Global Missions (OGM).

This year's theme for the OGM is *Share Abundant Life*. When we share out of our abundance, God is able to use those resources to give new and abundant life where there was despair. When we give to the offering for global missions, we help keep our field personnel safely and securely in their places of ministry and mission around the world. What a gift to be able to use the gifts that God has so richly blessed us with to make a difference for the cause of Christ

in the world, and to share that abundantly!

Our church's goal for this year for the Offering for Global Missions is \$34,000. Last year we met our goal, and we hope to meet our goal again this year. Every day these partners of ours serve on our behalf in places and in ways that we never could, and we are proud of the work that they are doing. We have heard reports from some of our field personnel in Africa and in Asia already this year, and we will have a guest speaker in worship in February who will share more about what the OGM is doing this year. Be praying about what you will give through the Offering for Global Missions in the weeks ahead, and thank you in advance for helping to *Share Abundant Life!*

With Gratitude,



## WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

### WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL: 2020-2021

It's time for Weekday Preschool Registration! We are excited to announce that we have added an Infant Class (6mos-11mos) on Monday/Wednesday for next year (2020-2021)! We would love to have your child join us at FBWP! Registration for those currently enrolled & their siblings began January 27. Church members can register beginning February 3 and registration opens to the community on February 5. Want to schedule a visit? Contact Melissa Wood at [mwood@fbcrome.org](mailto:mwood@fbcrome.org) or 706.295.1150 for more information.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### RETREAT TIME

Our 6th grade retreat is February 7-8th in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Cost is \$50. Contact Kristen at [kpope@fbcrome.org](mailto:kpope@fbcrome.org) if you haven't reserved your spot!

### TALENT SHOW & SILENT AUCTION

Tickets for our 3rd Annual Silent Auction, Talent Show, Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser will go on sale Sunday March 1st. Tickets are \$10, with a \$30 cap per family. The event is on Sunday, March 22nd from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Come support our families!

If you have connections with a business, artist, restaurant or other vendor that would be willing to donate an item/gift card/experience to the auction, please email Kristen at [kpope@fbcrome.org](mailto:kpope@fbcrome.org). We are grateful for your support!

## YOUTH NEWS

### SENIOR MISSION IMMERSION SPIRITUAL PARTNERS

The senior class of FBC Rome will travel and serve in Puerto Rico, May 30 - June 5. We are seeking four spiritual partners for each senior. Those partners will get to know, pray for, and financially support the seniors who participate in this experience. If you are interested in becoming a spiritual partner, please contact John.

### BBQ ORDERS

Pick up Saturday, February 1st, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Church Parking Lot.

### COLE LANDRUM'S LIFE VERSE:

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and  
with all your soul and with all your strength."

Deuteronomy 6:5

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS

Throughout February, we will give attention to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Offering for Global Missions. The missions personnel who serve through CBF actually serve on our behalf. The Great Commission of Jesus instructs his disciples to "Go into all the world." Cultural, language, and geographical challenges may prove that we are not the best equipped to live and serve among many peoples of the world. However, others are: Our gifts to the Offering for Global Missions make their ministries possible.

This year's goal is \$34,000.

Join us for a Global Missions Breakfast on Sunday, February 9, at 8:30 a.m. as Rick and Ellen Burnette share with us about their work with CBF.

Join us for a Global Missions Breakfast on Sunday, February 9, at 8:30 a.m. as Rick and Ellen Burnette share with us about their work with CBF.



### TOGETHER, WE WORSHIP UPDATE

One of the recommendations for *Together, We Worship* was to provide weekly worship previews to help church members be more prepared as they enter the worship service. We have a plan! Beginning March 1 the worship preview will be on our church website, or you can ask to be put on a weekly mailing list to receive it. The preview will include information about the service, a link to the scripture and something to ponder before you come to worship. If you are interested in being on this list please contact Keith Reaves at [kreaves@fbcrome.org](mailto:kreaves@fbcrome.org).

### ORGAN RENOVATION UPDATE

We continue to explore the possibility of having exposed pipes in the Sanctuary. At this point, the engineers and construction experts are looking at how the pipes and chambers can be attached to the walls in the choir loft and a graphic artist is working on a professional rendering of what it would look like after the renovation. Once all of these steps are completed we will look at what to do next. The main objective is that the installation be aesthetically pleasing and will add to the beauty of our sanctuary and the worship experience. Watch for more news and how you can have a part to bring this exciting project to fruition!

## SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

### SENIOR ADULTS TO TRUIST PARK

The Senior Adult Ministry is sponsoring a trip to tour Truist Park, home of the Atlanta Braves, on Thursday, March 19. We will depart at 9:00 a.m. The tour will include the Press Box, Hank Aaron Terrace, Monument Garden, Delta SKY360° Club, the dugout and more. Following the tour we will have time for lunch and shopping at The Battery. Cost is \$35 per person, which includes the tour and transportation. Make your reservation now with Karen in the church office.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROME

100 East 4th Avenue Rome, GA 30161 706.291.6850 [www.fbcrome.org](http://www.fbcrome.org)



# WELCOME TO THE CHURCH FAMILY



PLEASE  
WELCOME:  
Hudson Hoyt

## MISSIONS MINISTRY

### COMISSION

*Together, We Serve* is hosting an emphasis on service and missions from January 12 through February 16th. In worship and on Wednesday nights, we will pay homage to the past and consider a paradigm shift in missions. Plan to join us during the series and see how God can challenge each of us to grow as disciples.

### SAVE THE DATE

#### MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES LUNCH & FORUM SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST AFTER WORSHIP

We will provide lunch, a brief program, and an opportunity to connect with ALL our local partners!

## SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, February 2, are given to the glory of God and provided by the Jo Huffman Flower Fund.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 2, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry Dempsey, Sr. by Elaine Dempsey and Family.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, February 9, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilbur Keene on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by Buddy and Ellen Keene.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 9, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents by Earl and Mary Rolan.

## GIVING TO GOD

### Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed	\$662,633.52
Support Received	\$649,715.09

Meals & More, World Vision, and CBF World Hunger Relief	\$1,398.49
------------------------------------------------------------	------------

2019-2020 Total Budget Commitments to Date	\$1,182,949.48
--------------------------------------------	----------------

February 1 - February 14

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Saturday, February 1

Minister on Call	Tamara Tillman Smathers	706.266.7141
Prayer Group, Prayer Rm.		11:00 am
BBQ Pick Up, Church Parking Lot		3:00-5:00 pm

### Sunday, February 2

Youth Chapel Choir, Choir Suite	9:00 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Youth Small Groups, Host Homes	5:00-7:00 pm

### Monday, February 3

Centering Prayer, Prayer Rm.	9:30 am
Women's Bible Study, Dining Rm.	10:00 am
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Suite	5:15 pm
<i>Together, We</i> Disciple Team Mtg., Conf. Rm.	5:15 pm
Women's Small Group, Comm. Rm.	5:30 pm

### Tuesday, February 4

Men's Bible Study, DR	12:00 pm
-----------------------	----------

### Wednesday, February 5

First Choice Dinner, FH	5:00 pm
Choir Ladies Small Group, Rm. 305	5:45 pm
Youth Hangout, YR	5:45 pm
Children's Choirs	5:45 pm
Young Women's Bible Group, Rm. 300	5:45 pm
Prayer Time, FH	6:00 pm
Youth - Wednesday's Connection, YR	6:15 pm
CoMission Session, DR	6:20 pm
Children on Mission	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Rm.	6:45 pm

### Thursday, February 6

Bridges Out of Poverty "Getting Ahead" Class, Comm. Rm.	6:00 pm
------------------------------------------------------------	---------

### Friday, February 7

Finance Meeting, Conf. Rm.	12:00 pm
6th Graders depart for Chattanooga Retreat	5:00 pm

### Saturday, February 8

Minister on Call	John Uldrick	706.766.0430
6th Graders return from Retreat		

### Sunday, February 9

Global Missions Breakfast, DR	8:30 am
Youth Chapel Choir, Choir Suite	9:00 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Youth Small Groups, Host Homes	5:00-7:00 pm

### Monday, February 10

Centering Prayer, Prayer Rm.	9:30 am
Women's Bible Study, DR	10:00 am
Ruble-Whitworth Mission Group, Comm. Rm.	11:00 am
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Rm.	5:15 pm
Women's Small Group, Comm. Rm.	5:30 pm

### Tuesday, February 11

Men's Bible Study, DR	12:00 pm
-----------------------	----------

### Wednesday, February 12

First Choice Dinner, FH	5:00 pm
Choir Ladies Small Group, Rm. 305	5:45 pm
Youth Hangout, YR	5:45 pm
Children's Choirs	5:45 pm
Young Women's Bible Group, Rm. 300	5:45 pm
Prayer Time, FH	6:00 pm
Youth - Wednesday's Connection, YR	6:15 pm
CoMission Session, DR	6:20 pm
Children on Mission	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Rm.	6:45 pm

### Thursday, February 13

Bridges Out of Poverty "Getting Ahead" Class, FH	5:00 pm
--------------------------------------------------	---------

## THIS WEEK: FEBRUARY 2

COMMISSION: A NEW WAY TO SERVE  
(A WORSHIP SERIES)

SERMON: "We've Come To Learn"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

COMMISSION TESTIMONY: Claudia Hamilton,  
LivingProof

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 18:1-6

ANTHEM: *The Yearning...* arr. Craig Courtney

SPECIAL MUSIC: Children's Choir

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Laurie Douglas, Susan Fitzpatrick and  
Joan Goss

1'S & 2'S: Julie Waguespack and Holly Amerman

3'S & 4'S: Mary & Ty Ethridge

FIRST CHOICE MENU

**FEBRUARY 5**

Baked Chicken with Rosemary

CHILDREN'S OPTION

Beef & Tomato Casserole

MINISTER ON CALL:

Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

## NEXT WEEK: FEBRUARY 9

COMMISSION: A NEW WAY TO SERVE  
(A WORSHIP SERIES)

SERMON: "We All Have Needs"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

COMMISSION TESTIMONY: Rick Burnett, Cooperative  
Baptist Fellowship

SCRIPTURE: Luke 5:17-26

ANTHEM: *Lord of the Small...* arr. Dan Forrest

SPECIAL MUSIC: Youth Choir

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Kristen, Marin & Kallan Kinsey

1'S & 2'S: Laurie & Bruce Jones

3'S & 4'S: Genise & Robert Sturdivant

FIRST CHOICE MENU

**FEBRUARY 12**

Assorted Homemade Pizzas

CHILDREN'S OPTION

Cheese Pizza

MINISTER ON CALL:

Matt DuVall 706.254.1323

# THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

BROADCAST LIVE ON  
COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND  
VIA [WWW.FBCROME.ORG](http://WWW.FBCROME.ORG)

## WOMEN OF THE CHURCH



### ALL THAT JAZZ - FAT TUESDAY DINNER

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 P.M.

Join us for a "Mardi Gras" (Fat Tuesday) themed event, complete with a variety of savory and sweet crepes.

Traditionally, the day before Ash Wednesday became known as "pancake day" because they were a way to use up rich foods before the season of Lent when many embrace a diet of simpler foods. Please call the church office to reserve a spot, and also let us know by February 20th if you need childcare. Cost per person: \$5.00

Please visit us for more information:  
[www.fbcrome.org](http://www.fbcrome.org)

The Spire (U.S.P.S. 613-160) is published bi-weekly.  
First Baptist Church of Rome  
100 East 4th Ave., Rome, GA 30161-3120  
Postmaster: Send address changes to The Spire  
P.O. Box 1189, Rome, GA 30162

