

First Baptist Church of Pensacola  
Ministry Organizations

**First Baptist Church of Pensacola Mission Statement:**

At FBCP, we glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in telling the story of Jesus.

We seek to do this by leading people to...

- Discover personal faith in Jesus as their Savior.  
(Evangelism)
- Devote to Christ as their Lord. (Worship)
- Develop into mature followers of Jesus. (Discipleship)
- Demonstrate Christ-like love in attitudes and actions.  
(Fellowship)
- Deploy into the world as witnesses and servants of Jesus.  
(Missions)

**FBCP Beliefs and Biblical References for our Mission:**

We believe the local church is the Body of Christ made up of baptized believers, and it is God's will for every believer to be a member of one for mutual fellowship, edification, and mission.

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel and seek to extend the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This church is an autonomous body whose members are equally responsible. The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

*“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is part of it.”*  
1 Corinthians 12:27

*“God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.”* Ephesians 1:22-23

We believe the Church should observe Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as the two ordinances Christ gave to His Church.

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer’s faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior; the believer’s death to sin; the burial of the old life; and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. The Lord’s Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

*“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”* Acts 2:38

*“Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?”* 1 Corinthians 10:16

We believe it is the duty and responsibility of every Christian and church to deliver the good news of Jesus Christ and to make disciples for Him.

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of

all nations. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life. It is the duty of every child of God to seek continually to win the lost to Christ by personal effort.

*“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age.”* Matthew 28:18-20

**Many FBCP Ministry Organizations support the congregation in accomplishing the FBCP Mission. Following is a description of one of those Ministry Organizations:**

### **Wednesday Night Prayer Service Ministry Team**

#### **Leadership:**

Leader: Dave Snyder

#### **Church-Wide Ministries Supported by this Team:**

This Ministry Team supports the Worship Ministries.

#### **Biblical References for this Team:**

“Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gathered in my name, there am I with them.” Matthew 18:19-20

“Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a

prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven.” James 5:14-15

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be made for all people – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.”  
1 Timothy 2:1-2

“Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Whatever happens, give thanks, because it is God’s will in Christ Jesus that you do this.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.” Acts 2:42

“Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.” James 4:10

“Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” 2 Timothy 2:15

“All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17

### **Purposes, Expectations, and Anticipated Accomplishments of this Team**

The Team Leader plans Wednesday Night Prayer Services.

Specifically, the Team

- Develops long-term and short-term topics for the Wednesday Night Prayer Services, including sermons, music, and special emphases.
- Plans weekly Prayer Service schedules (ingredients and orders of services), including

1. Music Leader and Pianist

2. Congregational Music Selections
3. Greetings of Guests and Members of the Congregation
4. Highlights and Opportunities for the Week (Announcements)
5. Review of Prayer Concerns
6. Ministerial and Congregational Prayers
7. Special Music Presentations
8. Pastoral Message and Challenge
9. Other Special Events such as Church Business Conferences, etc.
10. Coordination with Church Staff and Volunteers in the development and distribution of notifications of Wednesday Night Prayer Service plans to participants via social media and other distribution methods
11. Coordination of Wednesday Night meals with the Kitchen Staff and the Kitchen Ministry Team

### **Members of this Team**

Members of this Team include the Team Leader and other Ministers and volunteers who are involved in Wednesday Night Prayer Services.

### **Organization of this Team**

The Team Leader is responsible for coordinating all activities of this Team.

### **Meetings, Meeting Agendas, and Work Schedules**

The Team Leader meets with the Church Ministerial Staff every Monday to review activities and results of the previous Sunday and Wednesday Services and to plan the next week(s) services. The Team Leader schedules additional planning sessions, as appropriate.

### **Records of Meetings**

Informal records of Team meetings are kept by the Team Leader and members of the Team. Formal records of Wednesday Night Services, including weekly "News and Notes" (prayer lists and announcements), and periodic documents such as

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- Congregation Meeting reports
- Proposed Budget Documents
- Deacon Nomination Forms
- Special Events Notifications
- And other periodic handouts

are kept in the Church Office archives.

Electronic communications, such as reminders of Wednesday Night dinner menus and Bible Study Topics, are kept in publications files, available in the Church Office.

Contact the Team Leader for more information about this important Ministry Team.