

First Baptist Church Weekly Newsletter

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September 17th-23rd, 2023



Birthdays this Week

18th Kevin Law
19th Ray Voegle
22nd Pat Ivey
23rd Judy Wittmeier

ABC Dakotas Biennial Meeting

The region Biennial, scheduled for this weekend, September 15-16, at Camp Bentley **has been postponed** to an uncertain future date and place.

Lay Speaker Class

Pastor Preston is offering a class on Saturday, September 23rd at 10:00 am for those who would like to be a lay speaker.

If you are interested, please let the Pastor know.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Saturday, September 23rd
8:00 am



Prayer For Those Growing Old

Lord, Thou knowest I am growing older. Keep me from becoming talkative and possessed with the idea that I must express myself on every subject.

Release me from the craving to straighten out everyone's affairs.

Keep me from the recital of endless detail. Give me wings to get to the point.

Seal my lips when I am inclined to tell of my aches and pains. They are increasing with the years and my love to speak of them grows sweeter as time goes by.

Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be wrong.

Make me thoughtful but not nose-y; helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom and experience it does seem a pity not to use it all. But Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.

**Autumn shows us
how beautiful it is
to let things go.**



ABW Ministries

Monday, September 25th, 2023
1:30 pm in the Pioneer room.

**All First Baptist Church Women
are welcome to join us.**

"Notice, we never pray for folks we gossip about, and we never gossip about the folks for whom we pray. For prayer is a great deterrent." Leonard Ravenhill

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday Evening Bible
Study Class.

Wednesday, September 20th,
2023 in the Pioneer Room at
7:00 pm.

Please join us!



Thank you!

*"Thank you for your birthday wishes
and to all who sent me a card. Your
thoughtfulness is appreciated."*

Pastor Preston

Three important Ingredients for effective prayer are:

1. You must pray with **HUMILITY**. God does not listen to the voice of the proud ... when you pray, remember your own past infidelities ... Realizing what you are, beg the help you need from the mercy of God.
2. You must pray with **CONFIDENCE**. Trust in the mercy of God and believe that if you pray, you will receive the grace you need.
3. You must pray with **PERSEVERANCE**. You must continue to ask for the grace you need ... until [you] receive the favorable sentence of eternal life.