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**Come celebrate
Mom with us on
Sunday,
May 11
during the
morning
service.**

Vacation Bible School!



**Monday through Friday
June 9 – 13, 2025
8:45 am – 12:00 Noon each day**

For Grades 4K – Grade 6

Amy Bryant, Director

VBS Parent Night: Friday, June 13, 6 pm
in the church sanctuary.
Everyone is invited to Parent Night!

BIBLE READING PLAN MAY

- ☐ 1. 2 Peter 1:5-7
- ☐ 2. 2 Peter 1:8-9
- ☐ 3. 2 Peter 1:10-11
- ☐ 4. 2 Peter 1:12-15
- ☐ 5. 2 Peter 1:16
- ☐ 6. 2 Peter 1:17-18
- ☐ 7. 2 Peter 1:19
- ☐ 8. 2 Peter 1:20-21
- ☐ 9. 2 Peter 2:1-3
- ☐ 10. 2 Peter 2:4-11
- ☐ 11. 2 Peter 2:12-13
- ☐ 12. 2 Peter 2:14-16
- ☐ 13. 2 Peter 2:17-19
- ☐ 14. 2 Peter 2:20-22
- ☐ 15. 2 Peter 3:1-2
- ☐ 16. 2 Peter 3:3-7
- ☐ 17. 2 Peter 3:8
- ☐ 18. 2 Peter 3:9
- ☐ 19. 2 Peter 3:10-13
- ☐ 20. 2 Peter 3:14
- ☐ 21. 2 Peter 3:15-16
- ☐ 22. 2 Peter 3:17-18
- ☐ 23. Jude 1-2
- ☐ 24. Jude 3-4
- ☐ 25. Jude 5-7
- ☐ 26. Jude 8-11
- ☐ 27. Jude 12-13
- ☐ 28. Jude 14-16
- ☐ 29. Jude 17-19
- ☐ 30. Jude 20-23
- ☐ 31. Jude 24-25

THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you for:

Honoring God's Word as it is, not as if from man. – 1 Thessalonians 2:13

Providing a comfortable, spacious, and equipped parsonage.

Accepting and working with me as your pastor.

Accepting and loving us as your friends.

Giving so willingly and regularly to support missions and people in need.
(Operation Christmas Child, Annie Armstrong, IMB and Send Relief, Lottie Moon, Christ Central, Life Choices Pregnancy Care, and individuals).

Regularly attending, volunteering, and participating in our services.

Praying – both privately and in public.

Allowing me to be imperfect and to be transparent in preaching and worshipping. I felt no need to pretend or hide my emotions about what means so much to me.

Loving my wife.

Allowing (even expecting) me to preach what I felt God led me to.

Being so generous in salary and benefits and in many individual ways.

Joining in Sunday night and Wednesday night services of testimony and praise and worshiping with awe and prayer.

Studying God's Word especially on Thursday morning with humility before the Lord and before each other. What a fellowship!

Supporting our following God's leading into a semi-retirement phase of ministry back in our hometown area.

Our lives have truly been enriched as your pastor and pastor's wife. Our time with you is treasured and we thank God for this blessing.

Richard and Karen



May Bulletin Board

Baby Bottle Campaign

Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center is an impact ministry in our community. Their mission is 3-fold: save the life of the unborn, equip mothers & fathers with life skills to be caring, effective parents and to teach a Biblical worldwide view on relationships and life. God is moving through this ministry to impact these moms, dads & families for generations.

To continue providing services in our community, **LCPPC is inviting us to partner with them.**

As a Christian ministry, they rely on the generous donations of churches, individuals & families.

Our congregation is a part of this vital ministry by participating in their "Baby Bottle Campaign Fundraiser."

We will have baby bottles available to fill with change at the back of the sanctuary, in a basket, on Mother's Day. You will have until Father's Day to fill one up and turn it back in. If you would rather give cash or a check, you may use one of the envelopes provided in the pews.

Summer Blitz Community Event – July 12, 2025

You can still get in on helping to prepare for this community outreach event on July 12. Please contact Lorraine Webb if you can help.
Phone 803-770-9426.

East Building Fund

We have a fund to support needed work on the East Building which includes the Sunday School Rooms, Nursery, and Fellowship Hall. Our goal was \$30,000 (which has been reached), but due to rising costs and updated estimates, we have had to increase the goal to \$50,000. Work has begun, but we welcome your continued contributions which may be made at any time by designating an amount for "East Building" and using an envelope in the back of the pew.

We are now about \$18,500 away from our new goal (as of 4/28/2025).

All donations are tax deductible.

Adults on Mission

Adults on Mission will meet on Monday, May 12 at 10:00 am in the Golden Circle Classroom.

All adults are invited to attend.

Shoebox Item for May

We are collecting toys again for **girls only** during the month of May for the Operation Christian Child Shoebox Ministry.

King's Kids Club & YouthZone **Every Wednesday at 6 pm**

All children ages 5K through Grade 12 are invited. King's Kids Club meets in the Staff House across Pine Street from the Main church building. YouthZone meets in the Fellowship Hall.

Ladies' and Men's Bible Studies

We thank Pastor Richard and Karen for leading the Thursday Bible studies during their time at FMBC. By all accounts everyone who attended benefitted greatly from time spent in those studies. We will be continuing the studies, and you are welcome to join us!

New Ellenton Christ Central Needs

Our local Christ Central can always use the following canned goods. You may leave your donations in the box by the vestibule (near the front sanctuary door).

(Easy-to-open/Pull tab Cans, Please.)

Canned Peaches, Fruit Cups

Green Beans

Chicken Noodle Soup

Tomato Soup, Vegetable Soup

Rice Soup

Beef Stew

Vienna Sausages

Spam

Baked Beans

Chili Sauce

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members' Health Concerns

Tommy Braswell
Edna Hanna
Phyllis Hutto
Kay McKinney
Louise Parrish
Bunny & Steve Raper
Donna Robinson
Gloria Shaw
Jennifer Watkins

All Seniors & Caregivers

Friends/Family Health Concerns

Our Bereaved

Thomas Jones, 4/3/25
(Louise Parrish's brother)

Other Requests

Visitors & Families
Our Community & Other Area Churches
New Ellenton Christ Central
Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center
Aiken Baptist Association
Aiken Schools, Teachers & Students
Our Country, State & Local Leaders
Grant Ensley (Jennifer Watkins' son)
First Baptist Church-Jedburg
(Summerville SC)
Pastor Richard & Karen's retirement

Church Leaders/Ministries

Deacons, Trustees, Ministry Asst.
All visiting pastors and leaders
Foreman Future Team
Sunday School Teachers/Leaders
All FMBC Committees
Adults on Mission
YouthZone
King's Kids Club
Ladies' & Men's Thursday
Bible Studies
Saturday Men's Prayer Breakfast
Baby Bottle Campaign 5/11-6/15
Vacation Bible School, 6/9-13

For more details, please go to our Website at www.foremanbaptist.com and click the Prayer List link.

FINANCIAL REPORT – APRIL 2025

TITHES & OFFERINGS: \$18,265.87 EAST BUILDING FUND: \$31,532.00 (Adjusted Goal \$50,000)

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING: \$2,775 (as of 4/28/25)

Thank you to Pastor Richard & Karen

Our dear Pastor Richard and his wife, Karen, submitted a letter of resignation at the end of March, that was effective at the end of April.

We thank them for the two and a half years they have been with us and pray God speed as they retire and return to their hometown of Glennville, Georgia. We pray God's blessings follow them home as they both have blessed us here.

LETTER FROM THE DEACONS

As you, Richard and Karen, leave New Ellenton, we want to express our sincere gratitude for your years of service and wish you well in your next chapter. May God bless you both as you go back home and serve the Lord. We will cherish the memories we have had together.

"Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other." 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 NIV

Go now and do God's will. As you have been a blessing to us all in the congregation, we know you will be a blessing to others wherever you both go. We know you will witness faithfully in word and deed to the love and salvation that is known to us in Christ. For your guidance, wisdom, and unwavering faith, we are forever grateful.

Shared with the congregation present by Chairman Robert Grigsby after the March 31 service.



Pastor Richard in the FMBC pastor's office. April 2025

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

Thank you for reading the FMBC News! We covet your prayers and support. Please contact the church office if you know of anyone who wishes to **subscribe** — the subscription is free. We always welcome and encourage new subscribers! To **unsubscribe** please either:

- Mail a request to 207 Smith Ave, New Ellenton SC 29809
- Send email to: fmbc.church@outlook.com
- Personal Message on Facebook
- Call the church office at **803-652-2242** and leave a message.


Thank you!
Wendy Grigsby, Editor

P.S. WE NEED NEW SUBSCRIBERS! IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO OUR MAILING LIST, PLEASE LET ME KNOW!



2025

SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM Bible Study Classes ♦ 11 AM Worship Service ♦ 5 PM Worship Service
WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 PM Prayer & Bible Study; YouthZone Grades 6-12; King's Kids Grades K-5
THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study and Men's Bible Study
SATURDAYS: 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The 2025 <u>Baby Bottle Campaign</u> begins Mother's Day, May 11 and ends Father's Day, June 15				1 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	2	3 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
4 9:45 – SS. 11 – Worship 4 – Finance Comm. 5 – Worship	5 6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds	6	7 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	8 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies 7:00 PM Aiken Singers Concert St. John's MC, Aiken	9	10 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
11 <i>Mother's Day</i> 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship No PM Activities	12 10:00 AM Adults on Mission	13	14 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	15 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	16	17 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
18 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 12 – Church Meeting 5 – Worship	19	20	21 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	22 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	23	24 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
25 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 – Worship	26  MEMORIAL DAY Church Office Closed	27 Church Office Open 9am – 4 pm	28 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	29 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	30	31 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

Regular FMBC Church Office Hours: Monday & Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (1-2 Lunch break)
If Monday is a holiday, then the office is open on Tuesday.