

# Volume 8, Issue 3 March Newsletter of Petal First Baptist

Dear <&lt;First Name>>,

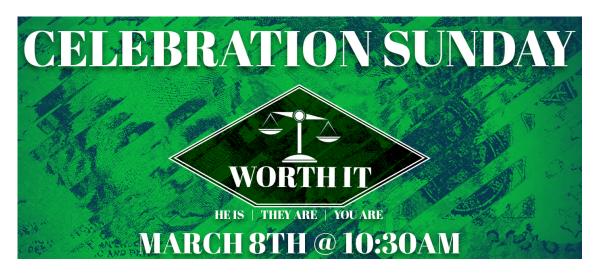
What a stretch of a lot of cloudy, dreary, and rainy days that could leave one a tad on the depressed side and a little blue. In the middle of all that, there is some sunshine happening amidst those clouds at Petal FBC. And it's found in our WORTH IT EMPHASIS! We've already seen a lot of people saving that first \$1,000 and others beginning to pay off debts whether it be credit cards, car notes, or medical bills, freedom is being found. We are beginning to discover together that it is indeed worth it for HE is worth it, THEY are worth it, and YOU are worth it. And there are others who are already past that point and starting to work on those next steps of having a 3-6 month savings account, and still others moving onto steps 4 -7. I look forward to sharing some of those stories on our Celebration Sunday, March 8th. The amazing news is just the beginning of the great things that will happen as a result of us setting aside this time and energy to devote to FPU and the Worth It Series. There is much more to share, but had to give you a sneak peak of what's been happening. I am praying that you will stay with it and not give up or quit even when the financial days may seem cloudy, difficult, or even down right depressing. Keep pressing ahead and know that the Lord is with you and you can make it. It will be so worth it in By the way, if you have a story that you'd be willing to share, whether anonymously or publicly, we could use your story in a video. Please contact me ASAP at <a href="mailto:brad@petalfbc.com">brad@petalfbc.com</a> if you would be willing to participate!! Let's celebrate together all that God has done and will continue to do.

Also, 2 big moments in the life of our church will happen in April - celebrating Easter Sunday together and the Annie Armstrong Easter offering will be collected. Make sure you mark those dates down for Sunday, April 12th, and begin to pray now about who you can invite and bring, and what sacrificial gift you will give that Sunday for North American missions.

I can hardly wait to see each of you this coming Sunday at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, 9 a.m. for LifeGroups and 10:30 for Worship. Let's come ready to see what the Lord is going to do in the life of Petal FBC in 2020 and beyond!

In Christ Alone,

Brad



We are in the final weeks of Financial Peace University! Don't stop now and be sure to finish what you started!! This Sunday will be week 8 and next Sunday is week 9 where we will celebrate all that the Lord has done over these past 10 weeks and what we anticipate Him doing in the future. Pastor Brad will also complete his message series entitled Worth It. Be sure you are here!





Join us for a free breakfast THIS SUNDAY at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. It will be a come and go continental style breakfast, so come before you head to LifeGroups. We hope to see you there!



Easter is just around the corner... who will you invite to come and join you at one of our 2 identical Easter services here at Petal FBC? Pastor Brad will begin this **new message series "Easter Changes Everything"** on Sunday, March 22nd. Plan on being here to celebrate with us!



Join us as we read through the New Testament together as a Church Family in 2020. Let's continue to dig into His Word and allow it transform our lives. See March's reading plan below.

- Monday March 2nd: Mark 16
- Tuesday March 3rd: Luke 1
- Wednesday March 4th: Luke 2
- Thursday March 5th: Luke 3
- Friday March 6th: Luke 4
- Monday March 9th: Luke 5
- Tuesday March 10th: Luke 6
- Wednesday March 11th: Luke 7
- Thursday March 12th: Luke 8
- Friday March 13th: Luke 9
- Monday March 16th: Luke 10
- Tuesday March 17th: Luke 11
- Wednesday March 18th: Luke 12
- Thursday March 19th: Luke 13
- Friday March 20th: Luke 14
- Monday March 23rd: Luke 15
- Tuesday March 24th: Luke 16
- Wednesday March 25th: Luke 17
- Thursday March 26th: Luke 18
- Friday March 27th: Luke 19
- Monday March 30th: Luke 20
- Tuesday March 31st: Luke 21



North American culture is at a crossroads, with millions of people in spiritual brokenness. The need for the gospel has never been more urgent. When you give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, you bring the gospel to communities in desperate need of Jesus whether through church planting or compassion ministries. Petal FBC, pray now about what your gift will be towards **our Goal of \$15,000** to help the estimated 273 million people, in 14 different religions where 350 languages are spoken, hear the good news of Jesus Christ. **Our Ingathering Sunday is April 12.** 



Adults and older teens (40-50 total) are needed to mentor students, K-6th grades, through the **Panther Partners Mentor Program**. Applications are available in the lobby. Contact Brad or Rebecca for more details.



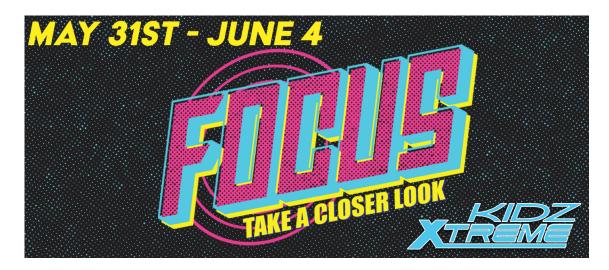
Calling all volunteers of all ages! We will host a trip to the Mississippi Delta July 18-24 to work in construction, VBS and a variety of other ministries. A \$75 deposit is due March 8. Total cost is \$420 per person. Go to https://www.butgodministries.com/jonestown-ms/ for info on the ministry.



SET UP A BOOTH FOR \$20 601-545-3198



A garage sale for Haiti Missions will be held Saturday, February 29, starting at 7 a.m. The cost is \$20 to set up a booth. All proceeds will benefit teams going to Haiti. If you are interested in setting up a booth, complete a form found on the table in the church foyer. Come support our Haiti Mission Teams!



**KIDZ EXTREME 2020** is set for May 31st - June 4. We will need lots of volunteers, adults and high school students, to help make this the biggest week in the life of Petal FBC. See Denise Inmon, email, or call the church office to get signed up to volunteer. We need you! By the way, this will be our 10th Kidz Extreme week so we are praying for it to the biggest and best yet!





**FAMILY FRIENDLY WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES** start with supper at 5:30 p.m. followed by opportunities for the entire family at 6:15 p.m.: Zip for preschoolers, TeamKid for children, Intersect for 6th graders, Refuge for students, and Refuel for adults. Impact for college students meets at 7:45 p.m. We hope you'll join us!



## MARCH WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU

#### March 4:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chip Variety
Brownies

## March 11:

BBQ chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans
Banana Pudding

#### March 18:

SPRING BREAK - NO ACTIVITIES

## March 25:

Tacos, Rice Cupcake Variety



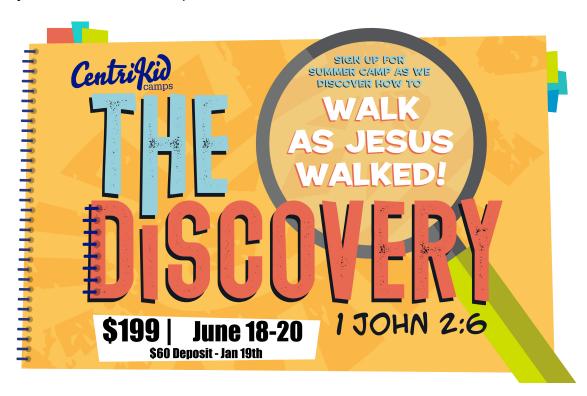
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PARENTS: Be sure to get those deposits in for MFUGE and CentriKid. Students are going to Ridgecrest in North Carolina June 13-17 and children are headed to Pulaski, MS June 18-20. There are limited spots so get your non-refundable deposits in NOW!





Don't forget to set your clocks ahead when we Spring Forward. Be sure to move your clock before you go to bed on Saturday for Sunday, March 8!!



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Click the link to access the monthly church calendar!





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