## First Baptist Church of Laurel Hill

## **Homecoming 2016 Year in Review**

Pastor Rev. Mike McVay Music Director Bro. David Jackson

Last year's homecoming was held on October 11, 2015. Bro. Jerry Everage was our guest speaker for the morning service. A rich, bounty of food was enjoyed by all after the AM service. The group Lookin' Up sang at 5PM.

Our annual Fall Festival was held on October 31st at 5PM. A good time was had by all who attended. We had our usual games, candy, hayride, and plenty of good food.

The annual Harvest Dinner was held on Wednesday, November 18th. Magnolia Baptist presided over the event. Their pastor, Bob Smith, gave the devotion. 7 churches were represented with over 90 people in attendance.

The Laurel Hill Leadership Annual Food Drive was held during the first part of November. Canned/dried goods were brought to the church and then delivered to the school for disbursement.

Our church began sponsoring the Blood Mobile May 14th and have continued every 8 to 9 weeks.

We collected \$668.00 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Bro. Mike's birthday and his and Ms. Runae's Anniversary was celebrated on Sunday, February 28th. We all enjoyed lunch after the AM service.

Our annual Easter Sunrise service was held on Sunday, March 27 at 6:30 AM at Gene Clary Park with Pastor David Williams from First Assembly giving the devotion. Afterwards a hearty breakfast was cooked and served at the church.

We collected \$275.00 for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

We held Pastor Appreciation Day for Bro. Mike on Sunday, May 1st followed by lunch after the AM service.

Angel Meeks from Elie's Voice spoke during the AM service on April 24. She was there to inform us about what Elie's Voice is all about and to ask for our support in this endeavor. Our church later voted to give \$600 a month toward this cause.

The National Day of Prayer was held on May 5th at 6PM. We walked and prayed from City Hall to the school.

We collected \$520.00 for the Florida Baptist Children's Home Mother's Day Offering.

Baccalaureate for the graduating seniors was held on Wednesday, June 1st at 6PM. We provided a meal for all the graduates and their families after the service.

VBS was held June 5-10 from 6-8:30PM. Our theme for this year was Submerged. We had an average attendance of 70 for the week. \$1,000 was collected for missions. There was a "tie" between the boys and girls, so Mr. Lance Holifield and Mrs. Angie both "got the pies" in the face.

Good News started up again on September 28th where grades K-6th meet after school on Wednesday's to learn about Jesus.

FCA sponsored "See You at the Pole" was held on October 5th.

Baptisms: 3

## In Memoriam

Bill Ansley Carl Gay

Earl Jernigan Helen Reeves

Donald Ray Stokes Zelma Tyner