

# First Baptist Church of Ruskin

## OUR MISSION

MANY OF TODAY'S CHURCHES ALWAYS SEEM TO BE FOLLOWING THE CURRENT TRENDS. AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF RUSKIN, WE BELIEVE THAT GOD WANTS US TO PRESENT AGELESS TRUTH, NOT THE LATEST TRENDS. WE DON'T WANT TO BE OLD-FASHIONED, BUT RATHER WE WANT TO PRESENT THE AGELESS STORY OF GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE TO US THROUGH HIS SON, JESUS CHRIST. WE ARE SO GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US TODAY AS WE STUDY GOD'S PRECIOUS WORD.

## SERVICES

### SUNDAY

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING - 7:30 AM

BIBLE CLASSES - 9:30 AM

WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

AWANA (SEPT-MAY)

## STAFF

DR. BARRY RUMSEY | SENIOR PASTOR

REV. JIM FARR | ASSISTANT PASTOR

MRS. VICKI RUMSEY | CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

BRO. JOSH CORTEZ | YOUTH DIRECTOR

REV. MIKE MELONE | RCS ADMINISTRATOR

MR. ROBERT O'NEILL | MUSIC DIRECTOR

## RCS

MRS. JENNIFER DESANTO | ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

MRS. LISA HEERDT | PRE-SCHOOL SUPERVISOR

RCS - AGES 2 THROUGH 12TH GRADE

PAST SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE AT

[WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG](http://WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG)

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# WELCOME

We are happy to see you!

**Church Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

813-645-6439

I would like more information about your church

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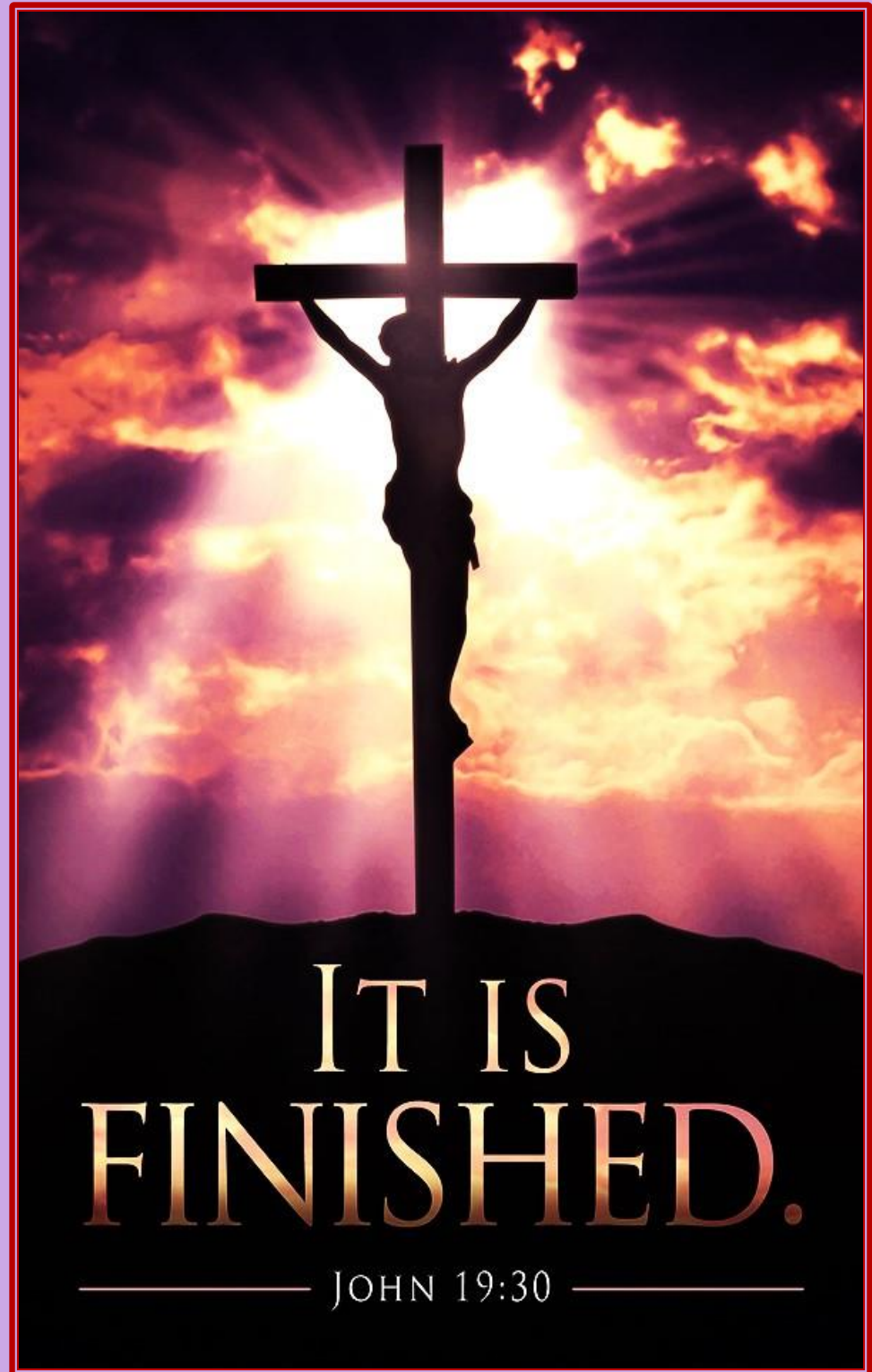
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March 31, 2024







**March 31st, 2024**  
**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**LAUREN JONES-** (member) Lauren had abdominal surgery last week. She developed an abscess in scar tissue resulting in another trip to the hospital. Pray the antibiotics do their job and make her well!

**LARRY DAVIS-** (member) Last week Larry fell, hit his head, and suffered another TIA stroke. He was admitted to South Shore Hospital. Please pray testing will reveal the cause of these mini-strokes and the proper treatment needed.

**GEORGI CHATTIN-** (member) Georgi had a total knee replacement last Wednesday. Pray the surgery is successful, and her physical therapy goes well.

**DREAMA HAGER-** (member) Dreama has been in South Shore Hospital this week with her oxygen level problems. She needs our continued prayers for better days.

**ED PRATT-**(member) Ed is at home recovering from his knee replacement surgery. However, he is having a lot of pain in other joints in his body and has been referred to a specialist. Pray this problem can be addressed and the proper meds prescribed.

**CHERYL EMULES-** (member) Cheryl has found a memory care facility for her mother, Verda Foster, who is being admitted there Friday afternoon. This has been a very difficult time and decision for this family, and they need our prayers.

**JOSH WELLS-**This is the nephew of Joey and Cheryl Whidden's son-in-law. He has been diagnosed and treated for leukemia. Testing was done after a series of treatments which revealed that his leukemia is not in remission. He is now looking at a bone marrow transplant. Pray a donor will be found, and the procedure will be successful.

**Members with Health Concerns**

Jim & Betty Ballard	Shirley Ruthven
Sharon Davis	Allen Scheffler
Dreama Hager	Jim & Amella Short
Paul Harget	Jerry & Jane Smith
Helen Holstein	Les Taylor
Gail Letzring	Betty Wears
Larry & Linda Mostello	Ron & Donna Welsh

**Members Battling Cancer**

Terry Horton	Tim Way	Ron Welsh	David Zurlinden
		Ken Thompson	

**SERVING THE USA**

Bob Bryant	Michael Lipford	<i>Garrett Rushing</i>
<i>C.J. Cartwright</i>	Andy Meyrahn	Maggie Russell
Charles Clerc	Christ Oliver	Jonathan
Jen DuBois	Audrey Penny	Schweinshaupt
Elijah Gulotta	Remiah Reza	Nathan Thomas
Zachary Kennedy	Andrew	Amanda Unruh
Riley Kennedy	Richardson	Mike Williams
Amber Kennedy	<i>Josh Rumsey</i>	<i>Levi Wynn</i>
Max Lipford		

\*FBC Members are in blue italics.

**NO ONE HAS EVER SINNED  
 THEMSELVES BEYOND THE  
 LOVE OF GOD!**

**THE LATEST UPDATE FROM BRO. JOEL DESIR  
 OUR MISSIONARY IN HAITI**

Dear Church Family,

During the last month, I have been really sad to see what is going on in Haiti where the gangsters control 80% of the population. They kill, they rape, and even kill police. They have burned down many of the police stations in Port au Prince. They broke into two prisons where they allowed 5,000 prisoners to escape. Some of them are very dangerous. Most of the churches have closed. Many of my church members are scared and have left town because it is no longer safe. The prime minister flew out of Haiti three weeks ago, but the gangsters will not allow him to return. Now he has resigned because he is scared. The gangsters' plan is to take over the government and have their own president.

Even with all those things happening, we keep preaching the Gospel and going soul winning. Over the last two months, we have seen 80 people saved and 18 baptized.

Because of the danger and instability, my wife and girls will stay in the United States while I travel back and forth to make sure everything is under control. My national Pastor who graduated from our Bible Institute will take over the ministry when I am out of the country. Please pray for peace to be restored in Haiti.

In Christ,  
 The Joel Desir Family

**Note from Baptist International Outreach:** We want you to know that we are 100% behind Joel's decision. We appreciate the wisdom God has given Joel along with his steadfast commitment to the Lord. Furthermore, we are pleased that Haitian believers are standing and serving faithfully during this grave time. God is using this terrible situation to grow and strengthen His people in Haiti.