

# **EG First Ministry in Action**

## **EG First Ministry Reports for January - March 2019**

April 17, 2019

### **Student Ministry**

Pastor Matt Jackson

The student ministry has been in a few months of preparation, targeted discipleship, fundraising, and more. The end of winter and beginning of spring seems to be some of the most chaotic and busy months of the year. Immediately following our winter discipleship and ski retreat, we turned our attention to preparing for 2 camps and a mission trip to Ecuador. This summer will be a whirlwind of experiences for our students.

On June 16-23, 14 students and 3 adults will be attending SWO Leadership camp which has a heavy emphasis on discipleship and creating student leaders. The camp is held in Andrews,



North Carolina and is a fun filled week of worship, fellowship, discipleship, and outdoor adventure. Please be in prayer for the students and adults attending this camp. It literally has major impacts on the future of student ministry here at Eau Gallie! We want to see our students become disciples who are making disciples by the time they graduate high school.

On May 31-June 8; 14 students and adults will be heading down to Ecuador, South America for the (Continued on the next page)

#### **7 Ecuador Mission Trip Facts**

- 1) Mission teams from Eau Gallie First Baptist have been traveling to Ecuador every year since 2005, with well over 250 participants over those 14 years!
- 2) Eau Gallie First Baptist Church supports ministries and outreach to a small village in the jungle called Machacuyaku with your missions giving to Ecuador and VBS offerings. We are able to send the entire children's population to Christian Summer Camp as well every year!
- 3) In 2010 and 2011, our church gave over \$12,000 to Machacuyaku to build a church building in the jungle.

  Those years, youth and college groups from our church assisted in the construction of the church.
  - 4) The village population has become mostly Christian including many men who never used to attend the church.
  - 5) While most of Ecuador is still Roman Catholic, Evangelical Christianity is growing through outreach, discipleship, and Christian Education.
- 6) The missionaries we work with are Steve and Carol Thompson. Steve and Carol have been serving in Ecuador since 1988. They work in areas of church planting and leadership development in the central mountain and central jungle regions. The Thompsons work alongside Ecuadorian pastors and ministry leaders in a church planting network through the ministries of 2 Camp/Training Centers: Camp Chacauco, located near Patate in the central mountain region where they live, and Camp UNPES, located near Tena in the jungle. They look forward to many more years of service to the Lord in Ecuador.
- 7) Mission trips to Ecuador are open to any age (Middle school and above). If you can't go, your prayers and financial support are always appreciated!

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15th mission trip to the jungle and mountains of Ecuador. Each year always brings new challenges, prayer requests, and excitement for newbies attending. Please be in prayer for this mission trip as we continue to minister to the people of Machacuyaku, the folks from the jungle, churches in the mountains, and more. Over the next few weeks we will have prayer cards available for each person going to Ecuador this year. We encourage you to take them; put them in a place you see every day and begin to pray for them specifically. Additionally, on the front cover there are a few facts you need to know about our Ecuador partnership.

Finally, the student ministry heads off to Centri-Fuge for their main camp on June 30-July 4 at Ridgecrest, North Carolina. There are 45 students and adults attending this year. This will be the first year we have been able to take a charter bus, so here's to hoping our adults are all a little more refreshed without having to drive 12 hours right before camp begins. This camp is designed to unify, strengthen faith, challenge new students, and reach unbelieving students. We have a lot of new students attending this year, so once again; please pray that God impacts them in a mighty way.



We wouldn't be able to do any of these things with our students if it wasn't for the support of people like you who continue to support these kids year after year. Through the giving of scholarships, support of fundraising efforts, and your prayers, we are able to give these students experiences and opportunities to hear, study, and share the Gospel! This year our winter banquet, cinnamon roll fundraisers, and coupon book sales were a blessing to our students. Thank you again!

Youth Job Board
Pastor Matt Jackson



Do you ever wish you had an extra set of hands to help you get your household tasks done? If so, we have good news to share! You can visit the new "Help For Hire" bulletin board in the east hallway of our church, where you will find postings by members of our youth group who are looking to earn funds for summer camp and/or mission trip payments. These students are available to perform jobs such as lawn work, babysitting, pet care, and more. Thank you in advance for your support of the EG First Student Ministry.

# Big things in the Kids Ministry! Jordan Jinright

Kids Worship Area: The Kids Ministry is excited to announce the impending launch of the new Kids Worship area! We have been working tirelessly to create a dynamic space where your kids can learn and play together. This new Kids Room will give us a devoted place for worship and enough space for games and activities. There are still a few details to be hammered out, but we are so excited for opening day announcement that will be coming soon!



There's a place for you to serve during all service times, with all ages
Get an application at the Welcome Desks and Email JJinright@egfirst.org for more information.

Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School – July 22nd-July 26th, 9AM – 12PM.

VBS is coming and we are excited to announce that there is one major change coming this summer. VBS will be held in the morning! You read that correctly, Vacation Bible School will start at 9 A.M. and end by Noon. We are hoping this gives us a chance to reach kids we don't usually get the chance to reach, and it will also allow us the opportunity to invite parents to a family festival on Friday including games and food! It is a big change, but we hope and pray that the church will rally behind it!



This year's theme is "Power Up: Raise Your Game", and is built around awesome retro video games like Pacman, Mario, and Asteroids! We'll get the once a year chance to hangout with kids that don't come to our church every week! We'll get the chance to build a relationship with their families. We'll get the chance to be a part of God planting and growing seeds in a special way that we don't often get to experience. And we would like to invite you to be a part of it! Being a part of the VBS Team will give you the opportunity to watch God work, while you have the most fun you'll have all summer! To join The Team, go to egfirst.org/vbs.



- Viera, FL -Calvavy Chapel June 17-21

1st-9th Grade \$214

Registration opens March 3
Signup at
camps.winshape.org/register-now/

Winshape is an awesome day camp that happens locally. Kids get to dance and play all day while they try out new skills and learn about Jesus! Sign your kids up today! Our youth and parents have been invited to join the team that helps make this camp happen. You will be amazed by the things that happen during Winshape week.

Volunteer at:

campregistration.winshape.org/wscvolunteer
You won't regret it!

# Family Ministry Pastor Matt Jackson



Sticky Faith continues to be a great time of student and adults coming together to study God's Word, getting to know each other better, and a place that create intentional moments for families. If you've never been to Sticky Faith, it happens on the last Sunday of each month in the YOUTH ZONE and all students and their parents are invited! All we ask is that you bring a breakfast item to share with the group (potluck breakfast!!)



Another desire of the family ministry to is strengthen our men and women in the church and to bring these ministries together for times of retreat and fellowship.





Pastor Matt and Pastor Mark took a few guys to the SWO Men's Retreat in North Carolina in March to begin a work towards encouraging

discipleship and strong male leadership in the homes. They had a great time and God moved in all of their lives as they were challenged through engaging preaching, breakout sessions, and recreation! The plan is to get more guys to go next time and to begin to build upon the opportunities we have right here at home which hopefully includes men's breakfasts, an annual men's retreat, fellowship



events, small group discipleship and more.
Additionally, there are many things in the works for our awesome ladies as well. Stay tuned!

#### **First Friends**

Jenny Rider, Director of Operations



As the first quarter got started here at First Friends we were busy looking ahead on our calendar to see what activity came next. We provide monthly activities to enhance our students learning as well as build relationships with the families. We want to lift up and thank Cheryl Frontz for following her servant's heart and leading our children's chapel once a month. She truly has a heart for the children and can tell a story like no other! We also introduced" music with Pastor Tim". This is a music enrichment program for our VPK students. We are so blessed to have those who are willing to share their gifts and talents with our students.

We hosted "Donuts for Dads", a dad/fatherfigure/special someone attend this event where the Dad received a card and gift made by the student and spent time together during special

classroom activities. Then it was time for Community Helpers Day. We enjoyed a beautiful day outside while the Melbourne Fire, Police and K-9 units came for the children and their families to get up close to the equipment, talk with, and ask questions of the fireman and police officers, and of course take pictures. We are so grateful for the continued support of our community agencies to our program and they're dedication to help plant seeds for respectful, prosperous citizens. We also want to thank Dr. Mackay's office for coming to the school and sharing with all the students the importance taking care of our teeth. Our students and their families participated in a food drive to help support the food pantry here at E.G. First, our goal of 100 cans of food was exceeded with close to 500. What a blessing!



We are well into registration for the upcoming school year and ask for your continual prayers as God leads new families to our school and as we continue to watch current students grow with us.



#### **Food Pantry**

Barbara Harpold, Team Leader

During the first quarter of 2019, we received donations of food and cloth bags of \$580.03. During the same period, we received monetary donations of \$7,262.00 and made food purchases of \$10,215.63. Thank you, church family, for supporting us in meeting the needs of the less fortunate in our community. During the quarter we served 757 clients, giving out 875 bags of food, feeding 2,285 people for two days. We include a tract with the plan of salvation and a schedule of our church services in each bag of food.

During the quarter, our dedicated team of 19 members put in a total of 453 hours. You are welcome to stop by and check us out. You can find us here Monday through Thursday mornings.

Once again, we thank all of you who save your paper bags for us, those who donate food or money and, most importantly, those who pray for this very vital ministry. Your support is appreciated.

#### State Board of Missions

Lynne Phillips, Member



It is my joy to represent the Brevard Baptist Association on the Florida Baptist Convention State Board Missions along with Bob Wilson, Titusville First Baptist Church. The board met 27-29 March 2019 at the Convention Office in Jacksonville. The following are the highlights of decisions made at the meeting:

· Authorization for the sale of property at Lake Yale for advancement of improvements at the Conference Center.

- · Authorization for the sale of property at The Baptist College of Florida for the opportunity to establish a campus for BCF in Central Florida.
- · Approval of an Associational Revitalization Strategy in consultation with Rick Wheeler.
- · Approval and launching of Send Network Florida. This partnership with the North American Mission Board changes the trajectory of church planting across the entire state of Florida.
- · Adjustment of the Maguire State Mission Offering to be 100% allocated to Send Network Florida.

In the words of Tommy Green, Executive Director-Treasurer, "The future trajectory of missions and ministry in our state has been impacted through these unanimous considerations." You may read a full explanation of these decisions online at https://flbaptist.org/spring-state-board-of-mission-wrap-up/

### **Benevolence Report**

Ed Davis, Team Leader

A total of \$11,251.00 was received this quarter and a total of \$12,035.08 was disbursed to assist a total of sixty clients. Fifty-two of these clients were non-members and eight were members as tabulated below.

Miscellaneous expenses this quarter were high, largely due to \$1,565.00 in legal expenses for one member. Also paid \$800 in medical expenses for members, \$500 for Haiti missions, and \$300 for missions in New York City.

#### January - March 2019 Disbursements

FPL	\$5,869.69	(2 mbrs/ 31 non-mbrs)
Water	\$1,292.00	(2 mbrs/ 31 non-mbrs)
Housing	\$1,360.00	(2 mbrs/ 31 non-mbrs)
		Total: \$12,035.08

# **Deacons Leading Through Serving**Andy Miller

The deacons were honored to be able to serve the Lord's Supper to the congregation on March 10th and later that evening attend the ministry (Continued on the next page)

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ordination for
Damon Hanchey.
Our monthly
meetings have
covered subjects
such as; prayer,
biblical
essentials,
welcoming skills,
reaching the next
generation, and
ways to help the
pastors. The
deacons

reviewed our own requirements and covenant which are biblically based as follows: Salvation (1 Tim 3:13, Acts 6:4), Doctrine (1 Tim 3:9), Ministry (2 Tim 4:5, Heb 6:10), Stewardship (1 Cor 4:2, Rom 12:1-2), Attendance (Heb 10:25), Training (2 Tim 3:15), Leadership (Acts 6:3, Rom 12:8), Example (Acts 6:3, 1 Tim 3:8), Family (1 Tim 3:11), Discipleship (Mat 28:18-20), and Accountability (Jam 5:16, 19-20). Please let any deacon know of opportunities for our service.

In closing, I leave you with a few words on gifts from our February meeting, 1 Cor 12:27-30, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But eagerly desire the greater gifts." Where do your gifts lead you to serve God's church?

#### Threads of Love

Lori Ingraham

A new year, a new beginning. We are busy sewing lap quilts, walker bags, pillows and bibs. Jo Riccardo, Sue Carden and Kathy VanNostran crochet baby caps in the evenings that we donate to Pregnancy Resources. This quarter we donated 65 pillows and 33

chemo caps to the Cancer Centers, 8 quilts, 13 bibs and 10 walker bags to the Brevard Alzheimer's Foundation.

We have received many thank you cards from all the recipients of our handiwork.

Come see what we do, no experience necessary (we can put you to work.) We have good fellowship, coffee, and goodies to eat. Mona Foster brings in delicious scones.

Sharon Kiser and Karen Messamore share a devotional as we end our morning with praises and prayers.

We meet every 2nd and 4th Thursday in Room 400A at 9:00 am.

### Fishing Camp 2019

Patric Lamb, Pastoral Intern



After last year's successful camp we will be putting on another fishing camp this summer! The camp for children ages 8-12. June 3 - 7: 9 AM to 3 PM at a cost of \$80. Each day we will building our fishing abilities, as well as putting them to use in a new fishing location each day. Last year we caught tons of fish and had even more fun! If you are interested in enrolling your child or grandchild please email Patrick Lamb at Plamb@egfirst.org of call the church office and ask for Patrick Lamb.



**Adult Day Trips Happening Monthly**