



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
OF PENSACOLA

The View from the Hill

August 2025



Hear. Live. Share. The Story of Jesus.

A NOTE FROM DAVE

New month, same hot weather. Please join me in welcoming August into our lives. I am grateful for all our God did this past summer. June and July were full of kingdom impactful events and gatherings. For some, August introduces new routines and rhythms of life. A new school year produces both excitement and stress in the homes of many. Please join me in praying for all our families, teachers, and school faculties as a new year of education takes off.



Dave Snyder
Senior Pastor

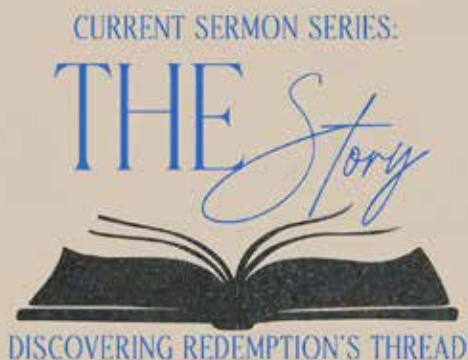
Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, August 10**. This is an exciting day in the life of our church as we begin our new schedule for Sundays. Contemporary worship services will take place at 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. in Chipley Hall and our traditional worship service will begin at 11:00 a.m. This day is also **Promotion Sunday** as children and students move up to their classes. Also, don't forget to wear your school colors!

August is a good month to begin serving somewhere in the church. August is a good month to connect with a Bible study group and participate in the worship gatherings. August is also a good month to invite someone to be your guest in worship or Bible study. How are you doing with the **25 in 25** challenge? We have five months remaining in 2025. Please join me in sharing the Gospel with others! There is somebody in your life that needs to hear your testimony of God's transforming grace. Let's work together in *sharing the story* of Jesus to Pensacola and beyond.

Enjoy the end of this summer. Stay cool in this heat. Dedicate time each day with your Redeemer. Take daily opportunities to love and serve others. I believe our God will use you in exciting ways this month.

Please do not hesitate to let me know how I can better serve you. I love being your pastor.

Blessings,
Dave



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

HEAR. LIVE. SHARE. THE STORY OF JESUS



Peter Burmeister

Executive Pastor

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Romans 6:4

There's something unforgettable about watching someone step into the water to be baptized. It's not just a symbol; it's a declaration of being made alive in Jesus Christ. Join us at **Beach Baptism on Sunday,**

September 14, we'll gather at the beach to celebrate the stories of those taking their first steps in obedience to Jesus. Every year, this moment reminds us that God is still changing lives in Pensacola!

If you've never been baptized by immersion, or if you've trusted Christ recently, this is a great time to take that step. You can sign up online at the events page of the website or at the Welcome Desk. And if you're not being baptized, come anyway. Cheer them on. Let's show up and support the life change that's happening in our church family.

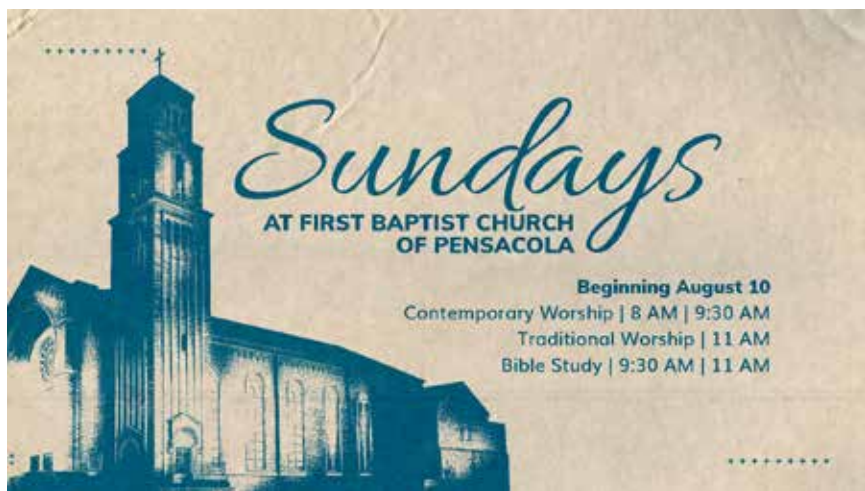
Before we head to the beach, we have another important gathering coming up. **Discovering First** will take place on **Wednesday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m. in room E-213.** This is a relaxed, one-hour introduction to First Baptist. We'll have Milton Bakery donuts and coffee, a chance to meet some of our staff, and time to hear about the mission and vision of our church. It's meant for anyone who is new to FBCP, whether they've been visiting for a few weeks or are just starting to get connected.

If you've recently met someone in your Bible Study, worship service, or weekday ministry, take a moment to invite them. You can help them sign up on the events page of our website or at the Welcome Desk. Even better, plan to attend with them. A simple invitation can go a long way in helping someone feel welcomed and known.

At First Baptist Church of Pensacola, we **glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in sharing the story of Jesus.** These two events, Beach Baptism and Discovering First, help us live out that mission. We celebrate new life in Christ and create space for others to find their place in His story.

Together for the Kingdom.

Peter



Starting Sunday, August 10

- At 8:00 a.m., we will have a Contemporary Worship Service with Children's Church.
- At 9:30 a.m., we will offer Bible Study for all ages and another Contemporary Worship Service—this one is family worship, meaning kids stay in the room with us.
- Then at 11:00 a.m., we will have our Traditional Worship Service with Children's Church and Adult Bible Study.

DISCOVERING FIRST

Wednesday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m. in room E-213

Would you like to know more about First Baptist Church? If you are new here, we would love for you to join us at our next Discovering First class where we will talk about our church history, what we believe, and what you can expect from being a part of our church family. Register at fbcp.org/events.

BEACH BAPTISM

Sunday, September 14 at 4:00 p.m.

Come join us for a special time of celebration through baptism. Bring a lawn chair and gather with us for an inspiring, joyful moment in the lives of those taking this important step of faith.

If you would like more information, or wish to be included, contact the pastor's administrative assistant, Elizabeth Smith, at 850-433-5631, or register at fbcp.org/events.

MEN'S MINISTRY

THEOLOGY WITH DUDES

Tuesday, August 26 from 6:45 - 8:00 a.m. in room S-220

Theology With Dudes is a time for men to gather for Bible study and fellowship with Pastor Dave. Please register at fbcp.org/events or stop by the Welcome Desk. We can't wait to see you there!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

FALL BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesdays from 9:30 -11:30 a.m. beginning August 20

Jesus and Women, by Kristi McLelland

Led by Sonya Bryant

Room S-208

Wednesdays from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. beginning September 10

The Way of Wisdom, a study of the book of Proverbs

Led by Amy Floyd and Kay Johnson

Room E-310

Thursdays from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. beginning September 18

Live Free, a study of Galatians by Elizabeth Woodson

Led by Leigh Sanders

Room S-208

SEWING FOR JESUS

Do you want to make a significant impact both locally and globally? Are you looking for a ministry in which to serve, while being part of a group of wonderful, loving women of faith? Then please come check out Sewing for Jesus. Our ministry creates much-needed items for young girls. In partnership with Operation Christmas Child, these items not only fill physical needs but also the spiritual needs of these girls through the Christmas Box program. What a blessing it is to be part of such a wonderful outreach of FBCP. Please join us as we work together to change lives and futures one dress and one reusable hygiene kit at a time. We will meet on **Mondays, August 11, 18 and 25 in the Mission First building from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** Lunch and a devotional time begins at 11:30 a.m. Please plan to bring your lunch. You do not have to stay the entire time. If you don't have time to commit to participation on Mondays or you work during the day, there are opportunities to pick up pre-cut dresses, sew them at home and bring them back. We are also willing to help interested women and young girls learn how to sew. Every single dress and hygiene kit is important in the life of the girl that receives it. We welcome you with open hearts. Your donations are appreciated to fund this important ministry. We would love for you to join us.

COMFORT AND JOY

Comfort and Joy is the prayer shawl and lap blanket ministry arm of Sewing for Jesus. If you crochet, knit, or quilt or you would like to learn one of these home-making skills, please join us as we meet to create items to bring comfort to people in times of distress or emotional need. All meetings are in the Sewing for Jesus Mission First Room. The following is the schedule for August:

First Monday - August 4 - 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Quilting as you go.

Second Friday - August 8 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Crochet or Knit prayer shawls.

Fourth Friday - August 22 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Crochet or Knit prayer shawls.

Please contact LynneMarie Prock for more information at:

lynnemarie54@gmail.com

DIVING INTO SCRIPTURES AND FEASTING ON THE WORD WORKSHOP

Have you wanted to learn how to dig deeper into the word of God?

Ladies, join us **Saturday, August 9 from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.**

Mrs. Laurence Izonritei will be leading a verse mapping/character study/word study workshop. Bring your Bible, a notebook, pens and a highlighter.

Mrs. Laurence Izonritei is a local and social media Bible study teacher. She is passionate about the Word and igniting a holy curiosity in others while equipping them to excavate the text for themselves and unearth the hidden treasures and gems below the surface.

Register for this event at no charge at fbcp.org/events.

For more information, contact Sonya Bryant or Lori Kizziah.

MOMCO AT FBCP!

Motherhood can be challenging, but it does not have to be lonely. Come find your village with us. Meetings start **Wednesday, September 3, twice a month, from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.** Childcare provided. Register at fbcp.org/events.

GATHER

Sunday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m. in Chipley Hall

Join us as we resume our GATHER fellowships, a women's night of dining and devotion.

Dinner is \$5. Sign up on the events page by September 4. Childcare by reservation only. Register now at fbcp.org/events.

Restore MY Soul

Incline your ear to me, and come to me. Hear, and your soul shall live!
Isaiah 55:3

SAVE THE DATE!

October 4, 2025
9-2 p.m.
Pensacola Country Club
1500 Bayshore Drive
Pensacola, FL 32507
\$30 Registration Fee
Lunch Included

Jamie Boskey
Special Speaker

Scan Code to Register

Tami Gibson, speaker from the February 25 ladies retreat is starting a new ministry in Pensacola called Pensacola Moms on Mission.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Sunday, August 10: Promotion Day

Saturday, August 16: BBQ

Wednesday, August 20: Invite Night: B2SB

Wednesday, August 27: Serve Night

MUSIC MINISTRY

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Wednesday, August 6 at 7:00 p.m. will be our first Fall rehearsal in the Choir Room. It's the perfect time to visit choir to see if this might be a good ministry for your time and talents.

HINDS' FEET

Sunday, August 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

A musical allegory full of drama, adventure, obstacles, crazy family members, and a definite spiritual impact. Join our main character, Much Afraid (sung by Sarah Whittemore of VOCTAVE) as the Shepherd leads her to the promised Higher Places. Our choir and orchestra will be joined with a host of great soloists in sharing this amazing story.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

We just completed our 16th year meeting hunger needs to children in our community. We have served two elementary schools, C.A. Weis Elementary and A.K. Suter Elementary. Each week, we served over 330 children and ministered to over 135 families. Our Backpack volunteers and the staff at both schools make this ministry such a joy to be a part of. It has to be a priority each week because children and families are counting on this food. Thanks to our youth at FBCP and the faithful adults who lead them, we packed over 10,000 food bags this school year.

Now it is time to Adopt-a-Backpack! A \$60 donation buys one child a food bag of kid-friendly food and snacks to take home each weekend for an entire semester. We will begin the Backpack Buddies ministry again in the fall to start our 17th school year. Checks should be made out to FBCP with Backpack Buddies on the memo line, or you can give electronically, just make sure you mark it for Backpack Buddies. If you are interested in serving with us or have questions about donations, please contact Jennifer Daniel, gatormom79@aol.com or 850-572-0856.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Workdays at Mission First:

Tuesday, August 5 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. (processing items)

Tuesday, August 12 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. (processing items)

Friday, August 22 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (packing shoeboxes)

IGNITE

We are looking for mentors and tutors to serve with us at Ignite, a ministry dedicated to supporting children in care and their families. We meet on **Tuesdays at 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. at FBCP from September through May.**

Ignite provides much-needed academic support along with mentorship from safe, caring adults. You don't need to be a teacher to serve—just someone with a heart to help and encourage.

If you are interested, please contact Amy Floyd at 850-418-1939 or japm@att.net.

Your time and presence will be a true blessing—to them and to you.

LOVE ON WHEELS

Love on Wheels, a ministry that provides transportation to and from medical appointments for our male and female homebound members, is in need of male and female volunteer drivers. If you are interested, please contact Lista Bodree at 850-207-9252 or cbodree@yahoo.com for more information.

FLOWER DELIVERY

If you are interested in volunteering to deliver flowers on Mondays once a quarter to members in our Homebound Ministry, please contact Lista Bodree at 850-207-9252 or cbodree@yahoo.com for more information.

CHURCH TO CHURCH

WHY does FBCP have a Church to Church Food Ministry? Are we just providing sustenance for the food insecure in our city? This message from a C2C partner pastor after our July distribution answers both of these questions.

"I just wanted you to know we had a lady pray to receive Christ today at our food distribution and another couple say they are ready to stop saying they need to get back in church and actually do it. The husband even gave me his cell number and asked me to text him at 9 to encourage him in case they get lazy. That's the Holy Spirit right there! Thank you for your leadership and the service of all the volunteers. Today would not have happened without yall!"

While providing much needed food to the hungry, we are facilitating witnessing opportunities for our partner churches, and our God is being glorified and souls are being added to the Kingdom.

Saturday, July 19, 1300 families received the makings for approximately 50 meals, including canned/dry goods, fresh produce and meat.

Our next distribution will be **Saturday, September 13**. We will pack food boxes on Friday, August 15, and Saturday, August 16, at Mission First. We will begin at 9:00 a.m., and stop at noon. PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING FOR THIS CHRIST HONORING MINISTRY!

2025 DEACON NOMINATION PROCEDURE

The Committee on Placement invites each member of the church to review below the qualifications for deacons as adopted by the church. A member may suggest as many names as one thinks qualified to serve. Please nominate **ONLY** those that have not served as a deacon at FBCP in the past.

These suggestions must reach the committee by **Sunday, August 10, 2025** to be considered. Suggestions are to be submitted only by members of the First Baptist Church, and therefore **MUST BE SIGNED** to be accepted.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR DEACONS

- Must have been a member of FBCP at least 2 years and a minimum of 25 years of age.
- A deacon must live toward the standards set forth in I Timothy 3 and Acts 6.
- Spiritually mature individuals serving as lay leaders of the Church.
- Faithfully participate in worship and Bible study.
- Be involved in mission and/or ministry.
- Demonstrate Biblical stewardship by practicing consistent, regular giving to the Church.
- Demonstrate a lifestyle of self-control.
- Promote goodwill and harmony.
- Regularly share faith in Christ.

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DEACONS

- Serve as spiritual catalysts and lead others to participate in mission and ministry by example.
- Help the staff build consensus within the church.
- Encourage, support, and commit to practical ministries that allow our staff to focus on the priorities of equipping the saints for the work of ministry.
- Pray diligently for the spiritual, physical and emotional health of the Church.
- Assist the pastor and Leadership Team in communicating and promoting programs and visions to the congregation.
- As an example of servant leadership, a deacon is expected to be a member of at least one Ministry Team.
- Be available for "Deacon-of-the-week" service, approximately once a quarter.

DEACON NOMINATION FORM

I am a member of First Baptist Church Pensacola. I have read the qualifications for Deacons as adopted by this church and I feel led by God to nominate the following as Deacon(s) for this church.

Date _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

Printed Name

Signature

Telephone Number

Please verify the person is willing to serve, complete this form and give to any deacon officer or mail/return it to the church office in care of the Committee on Placement.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The Pastor, Staff and Church Family extend Christian sympathy to the following:

Norma Pecoraro and family in the loss of her sister, Donna Lumley, on June 29, 2025 in Jacksonville, FL.

Emily Green and family in the loss of her husband, Don Green, on July 5, 2025.

Mary Washington and family in the loss of her husband, Charles Washington, on July 9, 2025.

Linda Clubbs and Jessica Lippincott in the loss of Gloria Meissner, mother and grandmother respectively, on July 10, 2025.

Family and friends of Curtis Walker who passed away on Saturday July 19, 2025 in Dothan, AL.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

AUGUST 3, 2025

SANCTUARY - In loving memory of Ben A. Stevens, Jr., given by his family.

AUGUST 10, 2025

SANCTUARY – In loving memory of John and Mary Ellen Edwards, given by their children and grandchildren.

AUGUST 17, 2025

SANCTUARY – In loving memory of Frances Little, Tom Little, Jr. and David E. Little, given by their family; Patricia, and Thomas Little.

AUGUST 31, 2025

SANCTUARY – In loving memory of Dr. Earl Crisp, Ret. Cdr., given by his wife, Dr. Patty Crisp and the Sardelli Family.

KINGDOM PARTNERS

August 3:

Laurel View Baptist Church

2725 W Maxwell St.

Pensacola, FL 32505

Pastor - Tony Carpenter

August 10:

Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Baptist Student Center

11000 University Pkwy

Pensacola, FL 32514

Director - Quinton Englebright

August 17:

Mobley Creek Baptist Church

2367 Brooklyn Road

Andalusia, AL 36421

Pastor - Michael Peek

August 24:

Beach Haven Baptist Church

821 Winton Avenue

Warrington, FL 32507

Pastor - Ken Loubriel

August 31:

Snyder Memorial Baptist Church

701 Westmont Dr.

Fayetteville, NC 28305

Pastor - Blake Bengé

NEW MEMBERS

Anwyn Butler, Baptism

Coast Cushing, Baptism

Madison Eubanks, Baptism

Maddison Melton, Baptism

Maecy Melton, Baptism

Sebastian Melton, Baptism

Torin Melton, Baptism

Elizabeth Nashed, Letter

Story Novotny, Baptism

Kenny Khanh Nguyen, Letter

Thien-Minh Nguyen, Letter

Thien-Tam Nguyen, Letter

Thu Van Dang Nguyen, Letter

Harper VanLandingham, Baptism

David Young, Letter

Erin Young, Letter

MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUMS

Memorials

Sheldon Bernau

Lisa Bernau, Martha's Vineyard

Mr. & Mrs. John Edwards

Kahl & Patricia Edwards, Backpack Buddies

Jill Findley

Joseph & Cynthia Mercer, Lottie Moon

Jalane Brown, Children of Christ Orphanage

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, Lottie Moon

Don Green

Margaret Bell, Music Ministry

Frank & Bernice Osborne, RFK

Gloria Meissner

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, Children of Christ Orphanage

Beverly Middleton

David & Susan Sutton, SHM

Bill Morrison

Alan & Martha Holden, Music Ministry

Jerry Norris

Timothy & Sandra Edwards, Music Ministry

Alan & Martha Holden, Music Ministry

Bill & Patricia Threadgill, Mission First

Sandy & Peggy Sansing, Martha's Vineyard

Randy & Deborah Wilkerson, Music Ministry

Charles & Linda Bourne, SHM

John & Judith Fleck, Music Ministry

Alan & Lori NeSmith, Martha's Vineyard

David & Susan Sutton, Martha's Vineyard

Warren & Sue Tate, SHM

Ellen Vinson, Martha's Vineyard

Beth Parker, Music Ministry

Bruce Brock, SHM

David & Sophie Ranney, Martha's Vineyard

Dick & Laverne Baker, Music Ministry

Bernice Stinson, Martha's Vineyard

Myrtle Stevens, Martha's Vineyard

Ray & Marsha Overton, Martha's Vineyard

Andy & Carolyn Keith, Music Ministry

Bill & Barbara Farris, SHM

Laura Chasteen, Martha's Vineyard

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, Martha's Vineyard

Margaret Bell, Music Ministry

Frank & Bernice Osborne, Martha's Vineyard

Jerry Norris (Dad & PaPa)

Lisa, Diana & Ben Bernau & Mark &

Grace Norris, Martha's Vineyard

Lisa, Diana & Ben Bernau & Mark &

Grace Norris, Music Ministry

Jerry & Diane Norris

Lisa, Diana, Ben & Claudia Bernau,

Rosie Bumgardner, Cynthia

Walker, Martha's Vineyard

Joe Phillips

Frank & Bernice Osborne, SHM

Jean Rasmussen

Patricia Splendido, Arlene Moore &

Rebecca Cimino, SHM

Bill & Patricia Threadgill, Mission First

Gloria Davis, SHM

Counselman Sunday School Class, SHM

Ken & Jackie Counselman, SHM

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, Lottie Moon

Bill Santo

Bill & Patricia Threadgill, Mission First

Charles & Linda Bourne, SHM

David & Sophie Ranney, Music Ministry

Myrtle Stevens, Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, Lottie Moon

Mr. & Mrs. James Strawbridge

Kahl & Patricia Edwards, Warmth for Weis

Bill Thompson

Frank & Bernice Osborne, Student Ministry

Curtis Walker

David & Sophie Ranney, Backpack Buddies

Al & Mary Lee Stubblefield, SHM

Charles Washington

Fred & Sharon Pierdolla, SHM

David & Sophie Ranney, SHM

Tobias Moreland, SHM

Andy & Carolyn Keith, Music Ministry

Gene Langston, SHM

Margaret Bell, Music Ministry

Avis Bembry, SHM

William & Florine Guy, SHM

Frank & Bernice Osborne, Music Ministry

Eric Woitas

Ken & Jackie Counselman, Reeves Foundation

Honorariums

Toni Clevenger

David & Susan Sutton, History & Archives

To register for meals and events stop by the
Welcome Desk or visit fbcp.org/events.

To sign up via phone, call us at (850)433-5631.

FAMILY DINNER

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT
5:00 P.M.**

Make your reservation each week
by Tuesday at noon by visiting
www.fbc.org/family-dinner
or call the Welcome Center Desk
(850)433-5631

TICKET PRICES

Adult Meals: \$5 | Child Meals: \$3
Family Max*: \$20

**Family Max = 8 immediate
family members*

DINNER MENU

Wednesday, August 6

Creamy mushroom chicken,
mashed potatoes, mixed
veggies, bread and dessert

Alternate: salad

Children: pizza

Wednesday, August 13

Spaghetti, green beans, bread
and dessert

Alternate: salad

Wednesday, August 20

Breakfast for dinner.

Sausage soufflé, grits, sausage
and fruit

Alternate: salad

Children: pancakes and
sausage

Wednesday, August 27

Enchilada casserole, rice, corn
salad and dessert

Alternate: salad

Children: hot dogs

OFFERING REPORT

June 29, 2025

Weekly Needs.....	\$110,241
Weekly Receipts.....	\$374,436
Year to Date Needs.....	\$4,299,390
Year to Date Receipts.....	\$5,381,566

July 6, 2025

Weekly Needs.....	\$110,241
Weekly Receipts.....	\$78,840
Year to Date Needs.....	\$4,409,631
Year to Date Receipts.....	\$5,460,406

July 13, 2025

Weekly Needs.....	\$110,241
Weekly Receipts.....	\$75,785
Year to Date Needs.....	\$4,519,872
Year to Date Receipts.....	\$5,536,191

July 20, 2025

Weekly Needs.....	\$110,241
Weekly Receipts.....	\$56,456
Year to Date Needs.....	\$4,630,112
Year to Date Receipts.....	\$5,592,647

July 27, 2025

Weekly Needs.....	\$110,241
Weekly Receipts.....	\$296,952
Year to Date Needs.....	\$4,740,353
Year to Date Receipts.....	\$5,889,600

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