

the first word

Love God ♦ Love people ♦ Serve others



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40 Days in the Word

Seldom does a church have the opportunity to be involved in a movement from the inception. However, we have that opportunity at FBCD. Forty Days in the Word is more than a "church program." This is the first national campaign produced by Pastor Rick Warren since "The Purpose Driven Life." And we (FBCD) are one of the first 4500 churches to join this movement.

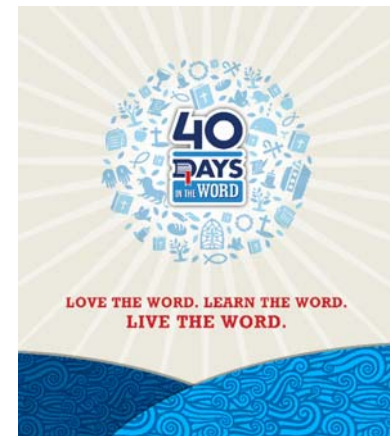
In these days of biblical illiteracy and all out warfare against absolute truth, we must become students of God's Word. This is NOT a Bible study. It is a challenge to study the Bible! These next 40 days are designed to help you Love the Word, Learn the Word, and Live the Word.

There are 4 components to this campaign. First, personal study of God's Word. Everyone who enrolls will receive a daily email devotion from one of the leading Bible teachers in America. Second, small group interaction and accountability. "Forty Days" groups are being formed on campus and off campus, every day of the week. (We still need host homes and leaders.) Third, corporate worship. My sermons each week will follow the theme discussed in personal and small group time. And finally, application and memorization. A weekly memory verse will be used to motivate us to put God's Word into practice in our daily lives.

Imagine if there becomes a revival of Bible reading in America. Imagine families discussing new found spiritual truths at the dinner table. Imagine churches becoming alive in worship because of ignited truth in their hearts. Don't sit on the sidelines and miss this . . . sign up for a group today!

Excited about His Word!

Bro. Mark



Upcoming Ministry Events

March 31 - April 3

Project Serve: Family
Mission Trip

June 4 - 8

Vacation Bible School

June 10 - 14

SWAT Mission Trip

June 26 - 30

Youth Fuge Camp

July 23 - 28

Duluth to Duluth
Mission Trip for World
Changers and Adults

August 31 - September 3

Youth Fall Retreat

Great Commission Offering



We finished 2011 with \$73,949 for the Great Commission Offering, which is the most that the church has received. These offerings will be used for mission work internationally, nationally, and locally. You have the opportunity to give to the Great Commission Offering year round and not just in November or December. It is included as a line item on your contribution envelopes that you receive in the mail. Simply indicated how much you would like to be designated towards the Great Commission Offering on your envelope.

The Missions Committee decided due to the strong support of the offering this past year, that the yearly goal should once again be \$100,000. The offering for 2012 is broken down in the following ways:

\$73,949.08 received
for 2011

\$1,895.62 received so
far in 2012.

50% - International Missions (International Mission Board)

20% - National Missions (North American Mission Board)

5% - State Missions (GA Baptist Convention)

10% - First Baptist Duluth Mission Scholarships

10% - First Baptist Duluth Church Planting Partnerships in Mexico, India, and Duluth, MN

5% - Local Missions among the people groups in Duluth

2012 Deacon Officers

Chairman:

Charles Summerour

Vice-Chairman:

Ian Waller

Secretary:

Tandy Brannan

Soccer Registration

Soccer Registration for the Spring Season has just begun for children ages 4 to 10. The season will begin the week of March 12th and run through Saturday, May 19th. There will be no games on Easter weekend. Registration cost is \$50 per player and includes two shirts per player and an end of season award. You can register at the front desk of the church office or online at www.duluthbaptist.org.



Courageous Men's Retreat

Saturday, March 10th

Retreat begins in the FLC with Breakfast at 8:00. We will watch the movie Courageous and then participate in a Bible study based on the movie. Lunch is included and the retreat will be over mid afternoon. Tickets go on sale for \$10 on Sunday, February, 12th.



Women's Retreat



FBCD WOMEN'S RETREAT April 27-29

Speakers:
Anne Graham Lotz
Tom & Kim Blackaby
Worship Leader:
Cindy Johnson



January 29, 2012



Grace Graves joins by letter.

The Georgia Baptist Women's Spring Event will begin on Friday, April 27 at 11:30 a.m. and end Saturday afternoon, April 28. Experience a variety of conferences and speakers to encourage and equip. After the Conference ends on Saturday the Women of FBCD will experience another night of worship, fellowship, and fun on our own. We have reserved Southern Pine Cottages in the Gardens. The price of \$150.00 will cover the Conference, Gardens entrance, lodging and meals for the entire weekend. Contact Jennifer Harrison (678-533-7460 or jharrison@duluthbaptist.org) or Grace Woodard (770-614-1944) for more information. You can also register online at www.duluthbaptist.org under the adult ministry page.

Registration deadline: Sunday, March 11th



PROJECT: SERVE 2012
a family mission experience

WHEN: March 31- April 3, 2012
HOW MUCH: \$75.00 per person /
\$25 per person deposit due at registration

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Lifespan Ministries Event

To register complete the Trip Registration (available online) form & pay the deposit.
REGISTRATION DEADLINE - MARCH 11, 2012

Ministry Need?

When there is death, hospitalization, other ministry need -who do you call? During Office Hours call Karen Johnson, Pastor Mark's Administrative Assistant. After hours call the church number (770-476-3788) and follow the prompts for the "Minister on Call." This will automatically forward you to the minister on call. You can always call Pastor Mark on his cell phone, 678-458-0882.



Roberto and Jazmin Vanoye joins by letter.

Office Volunteers Needed

The office needs Volunteer Receptionists. Opportunities are available for several days of the week. Please Contact Susie Butler in the church office at 770-476-3788.

Love is in the Air Family Valentine Celebration

Friday, February 10, 2012
6:30-8:30 PM

\$5 per adult/\$3 for children (12 and under).
*No family pays more than \$20

Purchase tickets at the Preschool Desk no later than Wednesday, February 8, 2012

Special Guest: Performing Visual Artist, Kerry Jackson

