

# Faithful First NewsLetter



February 2025

## Our Pastor's Corner

Grace and Blessings to you members of the Faithful First Baptist Church of Hampton!

Family, I am requesting that during the month of February, you collaborate with us in a **February Freedom Fast!** We are asking that you make a commitment to abstain from something that will be a sacrifice for you. A list of potential fasting considerations is below.

Our purpose for this collective spiritual action is to help prepare us to truly be an Acts 2 church that utilizes our Ephesians 6 tools, the whole armor of God to deal with the principalities and powers that are antithetical to the message of love that Jesus offers to us. Additionally, Faithful First Family, we will be fasting certainly to re-center our focus on our Creator, seeking His covering and care in this new season in our lives and ministry.

Furthermore, this period is a time of preparation for an expected harvest of souls and lives to ensure that we are spiritually, physically and emotionally prepared for meeting the needs of one another and our new siblings in Christ with love. Each day I encourage you to read a few verses of Acts Chapter 2 and invite you to journal your thoughts on the core principals of the Acts 2 church. Acts chapter 2 is the foundation of our ministry and work: Worship, Ministry, Evangelism, Fellowship, and Discipleship. Do you believe God can still move in those ways? What do you imagine this experience was like for those present? What was their message to those to whom they were speaking? What is the Spirit of the Lord saying to you about your role in bringing about renewal and revival in His church and ministry? These are a few questions to help you start in your journaling. I look forward, with great expectation and anticipation, to the movement of the Holy Spirit in the life of our church family as we honor Him, re-center our focus, and seek His face together in February. May God continue to grant you His favor, power, and peace...I love you!

In His Service,

Rev. Dr. Todd C. Davidson  
Senior Pastor



### Potential Fast Suggestions:

- Certain Foods that you love
- Television or television shows that you love
- Social Media
- Caffeinated drinks
- Soft drinks/Sodas
- Video Games
- Cell phone usage
- Favorite Fast Foods
- Processed Foods
- Complaining (If you complain as a part of your personality) - Should be accompanied by some other substance as well
- Gossip - Should be accompanied by some other substance as well

# February Events

## Black History Month

### FEBRUARY FREEDOM FAST



**Saturday, February 1, 2025**

Sunday School Teacher Workshop 2025 – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Guest Presenter: Rev. Dr. Patricia Coker-Bell

**Sunday, February 2, 2025**

Congregation to wear Empowering/Affirmative Attire – 10:15 a.m.

**Monday, February 3, 2025**

VBS Volunteer Interest Meeting - Planning Meeting - @ 6:30 PM  
📍 FBCH - 303 and 304

**Sunday, February 9, 2025**

Valentine's Day Sunday and Youth Church – 10:15 a.m.

- Congregation to wear Red, Black and Green Attire
- United Grace Dance Ministry (Couples Dance)

**Wednesday, February 12, 2025**

Bible Study 2025 resumes at 11 a.m.  
In-Person and Virtual

**Monday, February 17, 2025**

FBCH Closed in Recognition of Presidents Day

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025**

FBCH Red Cross Blood Drive – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday, February 23, 2025**

Communion Sunday – Congregation to wear African Attire – 10:15 a.m.

*Celebrate*  
**Black**  
HISTORY  
*month*



HAPPY  
*Valentines*  
DAY



For more information on these and other events, visit our website at [www.thefbch.org](http://www.thefbch.org).

*Happy Birthday*

## February Birthdays & Anniversaries

We celebrate and honor all members born in January and those celebrating wedding anniversaries this month. May your special day be filled with love, joy, and blessings. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary!

## Stay Connected

We are continuously exploring ways to enhance our communication, fellowship, and worship experiences. Your feedback is important to us! Please share your thoughts and suggestions with the church office or through our website. Be sure to visit [www.thefbch.org](http://www.thefbch.org) regularly for updates on events, news, and other important information.



## Hampton, VA Black History Fact

### Aberdeen Gardens (Hampton, Va)

Located in Hampton, Virginia, Aberdeen Gardens is the first community built by Black people for Black people as part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal in 1934-1937 following the Great Depression. It was initiated by Hampton Institute with homes designed by Howard University architect Hilyard R. Robinson. The streets, excepting Aberdeen Road, are named for prominent Black people. The 158 single homes were built on 440 acres.