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*Join us in Morning Worship on
Sunday, July 20
as we observe
The Ordinance of
Believer's Baptism*

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JULY 18
7 PM—7 AM

We will be going to Frankie's Fun Park and then have a variety of activities and Bible study in Burriss Hall. Bring your friends. Cost is \$20 per student. This is a great event to introduce your friends to our student ministries.

Sunday

- 9:30 am Library open
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship
- 5:30 pm Library open
- 6:00 pm Evening Worship

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm Library open
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
Children's Choirs
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir
(as scheduled)



Newsletter: July 14, 2008

The Transition Process is well underway at West Columbia First Baptist Church as we are now entering the fourth task of "Clarifying our Identity". During this task, you will be asked to help prepare for our future pastor by making some major decisions as to your 'vision of leadership'.

Clarifying your vision of leadership calls for you to state your expectations, in specific terms, for the future pastor. Once these terms have been determined by the congregation, they can be conveyed to the Pastor Search Team to be used in their search process. So what are your expectations?

You may be called upon to rank the following aspects of leadership, such as: Visitation, Teaching, Community Leader, Leader of the Congregation, Counseling, Administration, Evangelism, Enabler, Worship Leader, Preaching, Denominational Responsibilities, Prayer, Personal and Spiritual Growth, Visionary, People Skill and Friendliness.

That list is not complete but it gives you an idea of the complex task that is before us. I call upon you to be in much prayer as we strive to express our expectations that will honor Christ. Be in prayer as we prepare to select the Pastor Search Team. While I would never tell you who to select for the Pastor Search Team, I ask you to please consider selecting a core of the team from persons that have participated in the Transition Process so that all the information that has been gathered will be put to good use.

Good things are happening and great things are just around the bend.

Looking forward,

Don Bishop



YOUNG MUSICIANS CAMP AT WHITE OAK

As you read this, Anne Marie Brown, MaCayla Ratcliffe, and Brianna Taylor are enjoying Young Musicians camp along with Sallie and myself. Be in prayer for us as we continue our week and return home on Friday.

I will be leading music for revival services at Mt. Ebal Baptist Church in Batesburg July 27-31. I covet your prayers as I prepare and as I travel each night.

CONCERT! AUGUST 3 6 P.M. Cathy Reynolds

Cathy Reynolds is an accomplished vocalist, choreographer, performer from the heartland of Illinois and 2006, 2007 and 2008 CIA Southern Gospel Artist of the Year. As well as being the director of the The Central Illinois Performing Arts Studio in Morton, Illinois, Cathy worked for 3 years on the Anita Bryant Show in Branson, Missouri as a choreographer, co-director, and featured performer. She was also co-director of "Anita's Christmas Show" which won Best Female Christmas Show of 1996. Now touring, she performs at churches and many Veteran events as well. In December she sang at the White House, Washington, DC

I am excited that Cathy can be with us on August 3. We will take a love offering to help support her ministry. She will be singing in our morning service and be in concert at 6 p.m. While she is here, she will also be seeing her 3-month old grandchild for the first time! Don't miss it!

Charlton

Sermon Titles for July 20, 2008

Sunday Morning:
Don't Kick the Donkey
Numbers 22

PM: The Baptist Distinctive

Lexington School District Two Silver Pass Day

July 30th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. apply
at the District Education Center, 715 Ninth Street.

This picture ID allows you to attend any Lexington Two athletic event, free of charge. You must be a resident of Lexington Two and must be 65 years or older. Further information contact Dannette Bickley at 796-4708.

*The ladies of First Baptist Church
cordially invite you to a
Home Shower
for
Melanie and Jody Ratcliffe
on Saturday, August 9
from 2-4 p.m.
in Burriss Hall
The Ratcliffe's are registered with
Target
(www.target.com or
contact Janet in the church office)
Pampered Chef
(contact Renee Shaffer for a list of items
781-3406 or Reneepcc@yahoo.com)*









From Jody's Desk

Outreach Announcement
Block Party
July 26
10am-2pm
on the Grounds of First Baptist Church

When I came on board, I realized that the summer was already getting away from us fast! I really want us to have a small block party while we still have a chance. As we think of many great ways to reach our neighbors and our immediate neighborhood, a Block Party is a great way to do it. What is a Block Party? A Block Party is just providing some activities for the immediate community to drop in and take advantage of. This is another way to shine the light on the church and show folks that we are alive and growing AND we have lots to offer for the spiritually needy.

There is not much time to plan so this Block Party will be on a small scale. **I am coordinating some men who will grill out for us on the lawn. I would like the youth to have a free car wash available. I am coordinating with the Children's and Pre-School workers to have some games and small attractions for young children.**

You can play two major roles. As the community comes, we need you to be ambassadors for Christ. Meet visitors. Learn something about them and invite them to worship and Sunday School. Secondly, we need workers! If you would like to grill, help with the car wash, or help with the children's games, please call me and sign up. God's promise to us is that when we actively reach out, we will see people come to Christ.



Lighthouse Student Ministries
Building Teens' Spiritual Foundation

Spiritual Gifts Inventories
Our youth are very spiritual gifted. I want to report to you that they score very high in the areas of mercy, faith, leadership, and discernment. We have a group of compassionate teenagers on our hands! They all scored high in believing God to do great things when they pray. They are not a judgmental group and share a spirit of wanting to make a difference in the lives of people around them.

Upcoming Events

Summer Lock In—so far, we have about 15 youths and 8 adult chaperones signed up. We will be meeting promptly at 7pm in the Lighthouse to talk about rules and our schedule. We will leave for Frankie's at 7:15 pm. Anyone who may need to come late can call my cell phone and I can meet them outside Frankie's to get them from their parents. After Frankie's we will be in Burriss Hall for the remainder of the night. Parents, please pick up your child at 7 am Saturday morning.


Carowinds—Please sign up now outside the Lighthouse. This is August 7 from 8am to 10pm. We will be able to enjoy all the coasters and water rides during the day and hear the music of Mercy Me in concert that evening. This is a south Carolina Baptist Convention Youth Event so you will be surrounded by thousands of fellow young believers for praise, prayer, and encouragement from God's word.

We are going to squeeze a pool party in before summer is over so keep tuned in to Lighthouse Student ministries!




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Mark Simpson was honored on Sunday, July 14 by the SC Marine Corp League. For his “exemplary attitude and devotion to God and country, given that you have overcome insurmountable adversities as in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Marine Corp”, he was made an Honorary Marine. Congratulations, Mark!



The First Baptist Church Family
and Staff extend Christian love
and sympathy to:
Martin Brown and family in the loss of his
brother Roland Brown.

MATTER OF FACT

A special gift by the late Alton Salters in 1998 made possible the erection of the magnificent 75-foot steeple atop the church sanctuary. It is visible for miles and adds much to the beauty of our sanctuary.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
July 20-26

Sunday, July 20

- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 4:00 p.m. Polity Committee
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Tuesday, July 22

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

Wednesday, July 23

- 6:00 p.m. Library opens
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting in Burriss Hall "Decision Making"
- LIGHTHOUSE
- Children's Summer Choir

Thursday, July 24

- 9:00 a.m. LIFE Exercise
- 10:00 a.m. Depart for State Museum and lunch

SPECIAL MINISTRIES
July 20, 2008

HEALTH MINISTRY
Julie Barfield

EXT. TEACHING CARE
Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Ones
Melissa Wandover, Wanda Gunter

Twos and Threes
Laura Rose, Katie Gaulden

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

Snyder Building
Dorothy Thompson, Ruby Clamp

Burriss Building
Rich and Melissa Wandover

Front Lower Level
Andrew and Colette Hutto

SOUND
Rich Wandover

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**Pray for These
Hospitalized
Members:**
As of Tuesday,
July 15, 2008

No FBC members are known to be
in the hospital.

Pray every day for our church!

**MEMORIAL
BEST YET TO COME**
In memory of Colene Brazell
Given by: Margaret and Frank Hart