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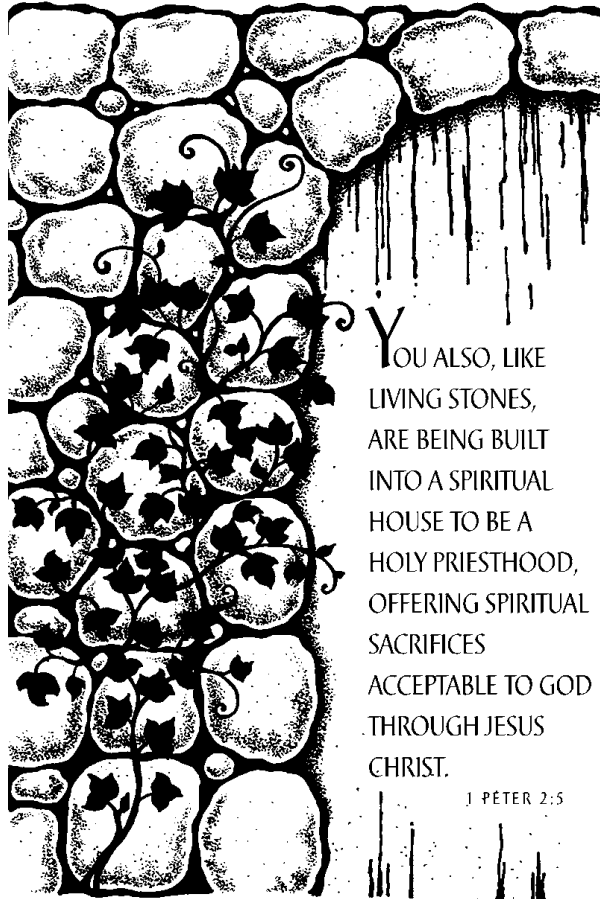
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YOU ALSO, LIKE LIVING STONES, ARE BEING BUILT INTO A SPIRITUAL HOUSE TO BE A HOLY PRIESTHOOD, OFFERING SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES ACCEPTABLE TO GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

1 PETER 2:5

Worship with us this Sunday as we learn about and discover our own **Spiritual Gifts.**

Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m., Dr. Bishop's sermon will be "Don't Ignore God's Gift"

Then join us in Burriss Hall at 6:00 p.m. for a **Spiritual Gifts Inventory.**

This process will help you discover the special gifts God has given you and show you how you can better serve him in the family of faith.

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### 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

5:30 pm Supper/ Library open  
6:30 pm Prayer Meeting  
Children's Choirs  
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



The Transition Process is full-steam ahead as the "Clarifying the Congregation's Identity" team has begun its work. This team's findings will greatly impact the work and direction of the future Pastor Search Team of our church. In the next few months we will establish our values, we will set our mission or purpose statement and we'll reach some key agreements about our vision of future leadership.

You must become involved in this process, your insight is vital! I hope you will attend the process meetings when asked to do so. I want you to continue to pray for this process and the selection of our future Pastor Search Team. While I would never suggest any names for this team, I would suggest that you select members that have shown interest in this process and members that are knowledgeable about our findings. God can use what we are doing.

See you Sunday,  
Don Bishop, Interim Pastor

Sunday morning, July 13  
"Don't Ignore God's Gift"  
I Corinthians 12: 1-13, 27-31  
Romans 12: 6-13  
Ephesians 4: 12-16  
I Peter 4: 10-11

### 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.

### Lexington Baptist Association Special Missions Offering

Project: Lexington Detention Center  
Christmas Packets for Inmates

The Association is receiving this offering in order to provide a Christmas packet for every inmate in our own Lexington County Detention Center. Many of these inmates have little or no contact with their families. Lexington Baptists can demonstrate God's redeeming love by mobilizing ourselves to provide a gift bag for every inmate in the Detention Center this Christmas.

The reason we are completing this project in early fall is to ensure that we continue to participate in the Christmas Packets for Prisoner project (for state inmates) in November/December to the fullest extent.

Special envelopes will be available at sanctuary entrances beginning this Sunday.



### YOUNG MUSICIANS CAMP AT WHITE OAK

Three young ladies from our church will be attending Young Musicians Camp July 14-18. Anne Marie Brown, MaCayla Ratcliffe, and Brianna Taylor will be enjoying a week of making and learning about music. Sallie Bozard will be attending as the chaperone for the girls. I will be on the camp faculty. Remember us in prayer during the week.

### HOLLYWOOD COMES TO SOUTH CAROLINA

A Special Exhibit at the State Museum  
Thursday, July 24

We will leave the church at 10 a.m. for a guided tour through this special exhibit. Then we will travel to the ever-popular S&S for lunch. Your cost is \$10 plus money for lunch. If you are a member of the museum, your cost will be \$7 (with your card). Contact me to sign up!

*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*

### MEMORIALS

#### FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

In memory of Edna Bell Oswalt and

Mr. Marion Hammett

Given by: Mrs. Catherine Holladay

In memory of Marion Hammett

Given by: Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Baker

In memory of Mrs. Colene Brazell

Given by: Mrs. Sara Frances Watson,  
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Shull, Mr. John D. Thompson,  
The In Home Ministry of FBCWC,  
Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Waldrop, and Mrs. Miriam King

#### BEST YET TO COME

In memory of Mrs. Colene Brazell

Given by: The Winsome Sunday School Class of FBCWC,  
XYZ of Northside Baptist Church, and Mr. & Mrs. Sam Fox



**Outreach is Essential**

I am very happy to report an enrollment in Vacation Bible School of 149. Our outreach event last Saturday went great with 4 new families attending who we met through VBS.

3 of those families were with us again on Sunday morning for worship. You know that Carol McKay joined our church as a result of VBS. As of now, those folks are being invited to Sunday School and other ministries of our church.

Let's all be involved in reaching out! I want to encourage all Sunday School classes to look at their attendance sheet and discover who has not been in a while. Call them and see if they need some lifting up or encouragement. Each class also has prospects that need contacting. It could be that one phone call gets someone back on track! Sunday School is one of the strongest evangelistic tools that we have.

Pray for me as I seek how we may begin a Sunday School class for College Students. Many have visited worship the past few weeks and we need to have a class specifically for them. If you feel called to minister to this special group of young people, let me know! We are reaching out to them as well.



**Lighthouse Student Ministries  
Building Teens' Spiritual Foundation**

Our upcoming events are posted on the bulletin board outside the Lighthouse. Stop by and sign up quickly. Parents, if you would like any more information about these events, don't hesitate to call me.

**July 18 \* 7pm -7am \* Lock-In**

We will 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.

**August 7 \* Carowinds and the Big Youth Thing**

Mercy Me will be in concert this evening after we have a great time on roller coasters and water rides. Southern Baptist students from all over South Carolina will meet together for this awesome annual event. Cost will be announced soon.

**Lighthouse Student Meeting**

This is every Wednesday from 6-7:30 pm in the Lighthouse. This is our foundational, staple, weekly meeting where we grow in unity and are spiritually challenged and strengthened. We have a snack, play a game, and of course study the Word together. All youth are invited to participate.

*Jody*



**WELCOME,  
NEW MEMBERS**  
Mareeya Dail  
Nikki McKay  
by profession of faith  
for baptism



*The Ordinance of  
Believer's Baptism  
will be observed in  
Morning Worship on  
Sunday, July 20*

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT**

When the Time Is Right

Some of you are enjoying the seasonal opportunity to "grill out" and fix special meals that you enjoy. This summer many churches have special homecoming services that usually involve "dinner on the grounds" where the favorite dishes from all the good cooks in the church are sampled.

The Gospel writers tell us about a special dinner "in Jesus' honor" in John 12:1-8. The food was good, I'm sure, but what made the occasion extra special was something unusual that happened. Mary, one of the hosts, poured "expensive perfume on Jesus' feet and wiped His feet with her hair. The disciples objected and thought it wasteful, but Jesus replied to them, "Leave her alone". Why? Why did she do this? Why did Jesus give His approval? Why? Because He knew that this represented her desire to give Him her very best. Her purpose was not to make a scene but simply to express her devotion to Christ.

The time is always right when we commit our best to the Lord Jesus. Will you give your very best to the One who gave all for you?

**MATTER OF FACT**

*Excerpt from the early Church Covenant and Rules  
(around 1900):*

"We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

**REMEMBER OUR TRANSITION TEAM  
IN PRAYER**

Bob Hazel	Bob Price
Len Hill	Greg Shepherd
Jack Hill	Terry Smith

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**  
**July 13-July 19, 2008**

**Sunday, July 13**

- 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. Finance committee
- 5:00 p.m. Deacons
- 6:00 p.m. Spiritual Gifts Inventory  
Burriss Hall

**Tuesday, July 15**

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

**Wednesday, July 16**

- 6:00 p.m. Library opens
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
Church conference  
LIGHTHOUSE  
Children's Summer Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, July 17**

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

**Saturday, July 19**

- 2:00 p.m. Martha Hawthorne Group  
at Twilite Manor

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES**  
**July 13, 2008**

**HEALTH MINISTRY**  
 Brenda Brown

**EXT. TEACHING CARE**

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

*Babies and Ones*  
 Dawn and Richard Kimura

*Twos and Threes*  
 Anne and Larry Brown

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS**

**Snyder Building**

Ann and Mike Jeffcoat

**Burriss Building**

Gerry Berry, Vivian Summer

**Front Lower Level**

Virginia Hill

**SOUND**

Rich Wandover

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**Pray for These  
 Hospitalized  
 Members:**

**As of Tuesday,  
 July 8, 2008**

Tom "Doc" Hardeman is in  
 the hospital in Myrtle Beach.

**Update on the Transition Process:**

The next task concerns Decision Making/ Leadership.  
 Please be aware of these special dates and events:

1. Sunday, July 13 - AM & PM Spiritual Gifts
2. Wednesday, July 23 - Decision Making (fellowship hall)

**Pray every day for our church!**