



# First Baptist Church West Columbia

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## WORSHIP AT THE RIVER

with Broadacres Baptist Church

**Sunday, May 25 6:00 p.m.**

Join us at the Riverwalk Amphitheater for a service led by the choirs of Broadacres and First Baptist Churches. Rev. Bill Geddings, Pastor at Broadacres, will bring our message.

**FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW IN BURRIS HALL!**

If you would provide some sweets or drink, please notify the church office.

**DR. DON BISHOP**  
INTERIM PASTOR

**CHARLTON BOZARD**  
MUSIC/ADULT ACTIVITIES

**DR. LONNIE SHULL**  
PASTOR EMERITUS



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#### Called Church Conference Wednesday, May 28, 2008 Personnel Committee Recommendation

At prayer meeting on Wednesday, May 28, 2008, there will be a called church conference for the purpose of acting on the recommendation of the Personnel Committee that Jody Ratcliffe be employed as Associate Pastor of Education and Youth.

Jody brings a strong background of education and experience to the position. In 1998 he earned his Bachelors Degree in Christian Ministries and Religion from North Greenville University. He has done some seminary work and plans to complete his seminary studies over the next two years.

Jody has worked in International missions the last 3 ½ years, prior to which he had done education ministry work for eight years and youth ministry work for ten, including four years as Associate Pastor of Education and Youth here at First Baptist. In two years, the IMB will offer Jody the opportunity to go back on the mission field if the Lord is leading him in that direction. They are on leave because of new visa restrictions in their country of service.

Jody is a proven and effective minister who knows and loves our church. He will bring experience, enthusiasm and optimism to our ministry team. Both the Finance Committee and the Deacons have endorsed the recommendation being brought by the Personnel Committee.

The Personnel Committee has developed a new job description for this position that emphasizes outreach as well as pastoral assistance, education ministry and youth ministry. If called, Jody's first official day full-time employment would be June 16, 2008, when his current relationship with the International Mission Board (IMB) is over. However, he could begin work on a limited basis immediately.

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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 Supper/ Library open
- 6:00 pm Children/Youth Activities start
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



Strength from the Past and Anticipation for the Future.

Since 1896 our church has been on this corner in West Columbia, WOW! If you think that is a simple and easy task—think again. These grounds are soaked with blood, sweat and tears. Our church was destroyed by fire March 4, 1095 and our church struggled to raise money for salary, ministry and for a rebuilding effort yet we gave \$850.00 to the Home Missions Board. Our almost rebuilt church was destroyed by a storm.

In 1910 with a light bill of ten dollars, a special offering had to be taken. Eight people pledged ten cents per week to pay for a janitor.

Thus reads our early history. I value what was before and I pray for what lies ahead.

Join us on June 1st!

Looking forward,  
Don Bishop, Interim Pastor

## COMING UP SUNDAY!

### MORNING WORSHIP

Dr. Don Bishop preaching  
“Naaman: A Soldier Meets God”  
2 Kings 5:1-19

### EVENING WORSHIP AT THE RIVER

Fellowship following

#### MEMORIALS

##### **For Such A Time As This**

In memory of Marion Hammett

Given by Mrs. Helen Ford, Mrs. Carolyn Hite,  
Mr. John D. Thompson, Rainbow Bible Class,  
and Ms. Alyce F. Leech

In memory of Mrs. Daisy Oxner

Given by Mr. & Mrs. Doug Richbourg

In Memory of Mrs. Betty Brown

Given by Tom Brown

##### **Pure Water—Pure Love**

In memory of: Reuben Dunlap

Given by Mr. Tom Brown

## “CELEBRATING OUR HISTORY” SUNDAY

June 1, 2008

Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

No Sunday School

COVERED DISH LUNCH

FOLLOWING SERVICE

Meat and drink will be provided;

bring you favorite vegetables and desserts!

\* Reservations for Lunch are due this Sunday, May 25th. If you have not already signed up, please call the church office today!

\* Our "Timeline" is filling up fast ... many of you have not yet put your "Special Memories" on the "Timeline". We encourage all of you to take the time to share these memories with all of us.

\* Thanks so much for all of you who have already contributed money to our Transition Fund. If you would still like to do so, please mark your envelope "Transition".

\* All of you were asked to write a "**Letter**" to our church about what the church and the people have meant to you over the Years. We have asked that we get all of the Letters back from you by **May 28th**. Please turn those in to a committee member, the church office, or email them to [office@fbcwc.com](mailto:office@fbcwc.com)

\* Please let us know the **names and places** of church members who have served on mission trips within the USA and countries outside the USA. This information is being gathered for Celebration Sunday. You can contact Pat Fulmer or the church office with your information.

\* We need volunteers to assist us with the "Games for the Children" for our Celebration. Please contact Melissa Wandover if you can help!

\* We are finalizing our report for the church and looking forward to sharing all we have learned with all of you.

Giving God Our Best!

"Coming to Terms with our History" Team

#### **MATTER OF FACT**

After being burned down in March 1905, being destroyed by a storm in July 1906, the church was rebuilt and dedicated in May 1908.



Thanks to our Young Musicians for your beautiful singing in worship this past Sunday. You are a very special group! Thank you for sharing your music with your church family.

### CHILDREN'S SUMMER CHOIR

will begin in June! Be watching for details.



BYC will not have its regular meetings during June, July and August. We will plan on taking several short trips instead. Here is the first one:

### SENIOR ADULT SHORT TRIP

#### LET'S GO TO THE LAKE

Monday, June 9

We will leave at 10:30 to travel to my brother's house in Chapin. We will take our lunch and enjoy some time on the dock and the boat. Your cost will be \$10 for gas and lunch. Contact me or the church office to sign up!

*Charlton*

## Church Archives



### OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, May 25

9:30 a.m.

and

Sunday, June 1

10 a.m.

and after morning worship both days

As part of our History Celebration, the Archives Committee invites you to stop by and see our collection of historical artifacts and pictures. The Archives Room is located on the second floor of the Burriss Building, on the hallway with the Children's Choir rooms. Stop by and see us!

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



## JUNE 22-26

## 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

for children age 3 (by September 1, 2007)  
through 8th grade

(Childcare is provided for children of VBS workers  
and those attending adult classes.)

**BIBLE  
STORIES**

Classes offered for adults are:

"Parenting with Love and Logic" (taught by Sallie Bozard)

"The Purpose-Driven Church" (taught by David Ness)

**MISSION  
STORIES**

**MUSIC**

Bring the whole family!  
There's something for every member!

**CRAFTS**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**May 18 - 24, 2008**

**Sunday, May 25**

- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open  
Archives Room Open House
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 4:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Worship at the River with  
Broadacres Baptist,  
Riverwalk Amphitheater
- 7:00 p.m. Fellowship in Burriss Hall

**Monday, May 26 Office Closed**

**Tuesday, May 27**

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

**Wednesday, May 28**

- 5:30 p.m. Library opens
- 6:00 p. m. Youth Lighthouse
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
Called Church Conference
- 7:30 p. m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
Drama Group

**Thursday, May 29**

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES**

**May 25**

**HEALTH MINISTRY**

Pat Tindal

**EXT. TEACHING CARE**

Coordinator: Renee Shaffer

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

*Babies and Ones*

Melissa Wandover, Dorothy Thompson,  
Sara Frances Watson

*Twos and Threes*

Allison and Bryan Jeffcoat

**SOUND**

Rich Wandover

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS**

**Snyder Building**

William Fallaw

**Burriss Building**

Alléen and Brenda Hyatt

**Front Lower Level**

Boyd and Azalee Anderson

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MATERIAL  
DO NOT DELAY!**



**REMEMBER  
OUR  
TRANSITION  
TEAM  
IN  
PRAYER**

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



Pray for These  
Hospitalized  
Members:

As of Tuesday,  
Heidi Creamer

Ren Bray is home and  
waiting for surgery to be  
scheduled.

**MEMORIAL DAY**



**Monday,  
May 26**

**The church  
office  
will be closed.**

**FROM THE TRANSITION COMMITTEE**

It is time to begin working on the remaining committees for the interim transition process at our church. Please let one of the Transition Team members know if you would be interested in serving on one of the committees."

**Pray every day for our church!**