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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY CLASSES FOR 2009-2010

General Leadership

Director: Jim Shealy
Secretary: Myrtle Deese

Preschool Division

Director: Sallie Bozard

Babies and Creepers

Joyce Crider
Age 1
Sara Frances Watson
Age 2

Gina Harmon
Amy Hudson
Debra Shepherd
Ages 4-5
Amelia Schafer
Wanda Gunter

Children's Division

Director: Eunice Lee

Grades 1-2
Doris Fowler
Teri Lee
Craft Instructor
Allison Fowler

Grades 3-4
Laura Rose
Joyce Gunter

Grade 5-6
Jannas Matthews
Joy Knotts

Youth Division

Director: Jody Ratcliffe

Grades 7-12
Debra Gaulden
Belinda Inabinet

Special Ed

Joyful Hearts Class
Director: Pat Fulmer
Teachers:
Cathy Drees
Alice and John Livingston

Adult Division

Adult 1

Young Professionals
Melanie Ratcliffe
Kyle Taylor

Adult 2

Young Married Class
Dir./Teacher: Lee Matthews

Adult 3

Co-Ed Class
Director/Teacher
Dina Taylor
Outreach: Billy Hayes

Adult 4

Rainbow Class
Dir.: Margaret Blackhurst
Outreach: Brenda Hyatt
Team Teachers:
Bob Hazel, Tom Hook
Rick Rickenbaker
5th Sunday: Anne Brown

Adult 5

Faithful Class
Phyllis Johnson
Cheryl Simpson

Adult 6

Director: Paul Player
Asst. Dir. Sharon Snyder
Secretary: Mayo Bryant

Dorcas/Love Class

Hope/Winsome Class

Janice Shealy
Asst.: Mary Fox

New Discovery Class

Sharon Snyder

Joy Class

Betty Noell

Ready Class

Jim Schafer
Asst. Dewy Cockrell
Wilbur Johnson

Seekers Class

Jack Hill

Brothers in Christ Class

Allan Murray

Fishers of Men

Dir./Teacher: Eric Fowler

Extended Sessions

Coordinator:

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PASTOR EMERITUS



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REGULAR SCHEDULE

Sunday

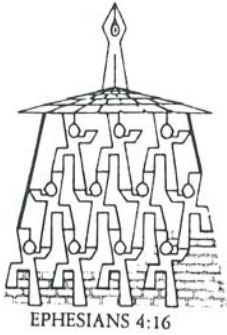
9:30 am Library open
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Morning Worship
5:30 pm Library open
6:00 pm Evening Worship
Discipleship Training

Wednesday

4:30 pm Piece Makers
5:30 pm Supper Line Opens
6:00 pm Library open
Children's Choirs
LIGHTHOUSE
6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
6:45 pm Children's Mission
Groups
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



for
Children and Youth
will be
September 6.



THE PASTOR'S LINK

First Family, I want to commend you for the way you have adapted to me as your pastor over the last six months and the things we have accomplished in that short span of time. God does things through leaders but those leaders must follow him.

Continue to pray for me as I seek him, seek to follow and obey his word and be filled with the Holy Spirit as your pastor. I have written, joked and discussed change that is necessary for growth as well as the balance of trust as we grow and move forward following the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Change for the sake of change leads to chaos and confusion. Change led by obedience to God's word under the direction, power and unifying power of the Holy Spirit leads to growth, health and harmony.

In the six months we have been together we have gone through the normal programs that have included a great VBS, youth programs, choirs, etc. but we have also baptized eight people, changed our constitution, elected six new deacons through a new deacon election process, developed a new committee guideline handbook, installed new childhood protection policies just to name a few things and we still found time to enjoy worship together as a corporate body each Sunday. God has truly blessed us! As we prepare to move into a new church year I want to encourage you to become more mission minded as you invite those around you to join us to see what God has in store for us in the days ahead.

Bill

DEACON ELECTION RESULTS

Thank you for your faithful prayers and participation in the recent Deacon Election. The following men have been elected as Deacons for three year terms (2009-2012);

Bernard Bourne	Marion A. Gunter Jr.	Jim Shealy
Glenn Duke	Tom Hook	Jim Tindal

Deacon/Staff and Spouses Fellowship

Friday, August 28 6:00 p.m.
Burriss Hall

Sunday, August 23, 2009
Sermon Titles Dr. Bill Drees

A.M. "The Greatest Sermon"
Matthew 5:1-12

P.M. "How to Have Peace"
Philippians 4:1-7

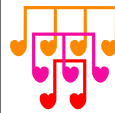


Now that our Children's Choirs have begun and school has started, it's time for our "older" folks to find a place to serve in Music Ministry.

SANCTUARY CHOIR is open to any interested adult. We meet every Wednesday night at 7:30 in the choir room and will soon be starting on our Christmas music! Come try us out!



HANDBELL CHOIR is open to any high school youth or adult and will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday evening beginning August 23. Contact me if you are interested!



JUBILANT SINGERS is our choir for Senior Adults. This group draws from churches all over our community and meets on Thursdays at 11 a.m. at Holland Avenue Baptist.

Find a place of service and "sing unto the Lord".

SPECIAL MUSICAL GUESTS THIS SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 23

Jeff Andler Ministries is a group out of Charlotte led by a seminary classmate of mine that includes Tammy Watford (daughter of Becky and Allan Murray). They will be in town ministering in area prisons during the weekend and will be our musical guests for morning worship. Invite someone to come with you to hear this special group!

Charlton

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS OF THE WEEK

Beatrice Roland (birthday: August 23)
466 Mac Circle
Lexington, SC 29073-8710
359-0093

Effie Lou Shipley (birthday: August 25)
Harbison Hall Apt. 110
534 Will-Stel Rd.
Columbia, SC 29210-3967



*The First Baptist Church Family and staff extend our heartfelt love and Christian sympathy to:
Frances Baughman in the death of her daughter-in-law, Martha, wife of Rev. Steve Baughman.*



A New Year Begins!

We are almost ready to begin our new church year. I want to say to all of our upcoming leaders and teachers in Bible Study (Sunday School) that I am praying for you. I want to be a constant encourager to you. Your work is a very serious one and I hope that you serve with a great passion and fervor. As you begin, here are some words of advice:

1. Prepare well each week- You can only take the class as far into that study as you have gone yourself. Do not sell them short!
2. Keep up with your members- Call some during the week, Facebook some, text message some, and make face to face visits as much as you can.
3. Do something together outside of class- You can eat together, pick a mission project, revitalize your room, etc.
4. Think of the non-Christians- As you pray each week, please pray for the lost. Ask God to use your class to make a difference!

Your class should be mission-minded at all times. We exist to make Him known, now that we know Him.

Outreach Update!

I want to thank Anne and Larry Brown for representing FBCWC at the Customer Appreciation Day at Parkland Plaza on Saturday. They met many neighbors and distributed our new church brochures.



Please join us on Sunday for Water Bottle Distribution. We will meet in the Lighthouse at 2pm for a brief training and then go out for about an hour to give people the good news

of Christ as we meet their thirst! Be a part of the mission of FBCWC!



Camille Graham Correctional Institute Picnic Saturday, September 12

Once again this year we have the opportunity to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of prison inmates at the Camille Graham Correctional Institute for Women. The picnic menu this year includes fried chicken, fresh/raw vegetables, dips (French Onion and Ranch), peanut butter and jelly and Pimento Cheese sandwiches, home baked goodies and cakes (pre-sliced) and chips.

If you would like to volunteer to visit (deadline 8/26) or provide food, please contact Grace Shepherd.



Lighthouse Student Ministries Building Teens' Spiritual Foundation

Teens, this week you begin a new chapter in your life! You will once again enter into your own personal mission field: your school campus. This is your chance to be a light for Christ each day for your peers to see. Prepare yourself daily in prayer and Bible study so you can answer any questions that come your way. Ask God each day to use you to shed more and more light on Him. Jesus said, "Men will see your good deeds and (THEN) praise the Father in Heaven." You see clearly the role you play. You mirror Jesus Christ so others can see Him. Be ready to be amazed at what He will do with you this year.

Parents: no child will be able to sign up for the **Double Trouble Fall Retreat** after the scheduled Parent Information Meeting on September 2. We must have at least one parent or guardian present at this meeting. I have to be sure that each child is participating to their parent's full consent and blessing. We are looking forward to a great life-changing retreat.

One more note for our adults in the church: please see me if you would like to go whitewater rafting with us. You may have always wanted to try this out or you may just want to get to know our youth a little better. No children, please, since the setting is just not child-friendly.



2009 Season of Prayer for State Missions September 13-20, 2009

Janie Chapman Offering State Goal: \$2,000,000

FBC Goal: \$3,000 Received: \$455.00

ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEES!

The new church year will begin with a Committee Orientation on Sunday, September 6 to help each committee get organized for ministry. We will meet in Burris Hall at 5 pm to share copies of the new Ministry Committee & Team Policies & Guidelines, go over job descriptions, responsibilities, expectations and elect new officers for each committee for the new church year. All committee members are encouraged to attend. Committees will be listed in next week's Tie Binder.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
August 23-29, 2009

Sunday, August 23

- 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
- 2:00 p.m. Water Bottle Outreach
- 5:00 p.m. Sunday School Workers
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Tuesday, August 25

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:30 a.m. NHC Bible Study

Wednesday, August 26

- 4:30 p.m. Piece Makers
- 5:30 p.m. Supper Line Opens
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
Youth Lighthouse
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service
- 6:45 p.m. Children's Mission Groups
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 27

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

Friday, August 28

- 6:00 p.m. Deacon/Staff and Spouse Fellowship

SPECIAL MINISTRIES
August 16, 2009
HEALTH MINISTRY

Pat Tindal

EXT. TEACHING CARE

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Ones

Carolyn Williams
 Amy Hudson

Twos and Threes

Wanda Gunter
 Debra Shepherd

GREETERS

Snyder Building

William Fallaw

Burriss Building

Alleen and Brenda Hyatt

Front Lower Level

Azalee and Boyd Anderson

SOUND

James Franks

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LEXINGTON MEDICAL CENTER
HEALTH OUTREACH

Monday, September 28, 2009
 7:30 - 10:30 A.M. Burriss Hall

Call the church office to make your appointment.



as of Monday, August 17

Palmetto Richland

Alice Ray

Lexington Medical Center

John Chapman

Palmetto Baptist

Nina Blanks

Also, remember Helen Ford who is recuperating at home after a stay in Lexington Medical Center over the weekend.



Accepting donations until September 13!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall
 Deadline for reservations and cancellations is noon Monday.



August 26
 Roast Beef
 Rice and Gravy
 Green Beans
 Rolls & Dessert

Adults (10 & up) \$5.00

Children (5-9) \$3.00

Children 4 & under FREE

Reservations are necessary.

Forms are available at sanctuary entrances and in registration booklets.

Deadline to sign up or cancel reservations is noon on Monday.



The church office is open Monday - Thursday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Friday from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. The financial secretary is not available on Wednesday; the church secretary is not available on Friday.