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PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH AND ADULT LEADERS ATTENDING M-FUGE

AT NORTH GREENVILLE UNIVERSITY JULY 13-18

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DUFFEL BAGS AND BIBLES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

This is the ninth year the South Carolina Woman's Missionary Union has supported this mission by providing duffel bags and Bibles for foster children.

There are 4,000-5,000 children and youth in the foster care system at any given time during the year. The WMU of SC has set a goal of 2,500 bags, at a cost of \$12 each.

Your support of this mission is greatly appreciated. The deadline for our church's support is Wednesday, August 5, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact Grace Shepherd.

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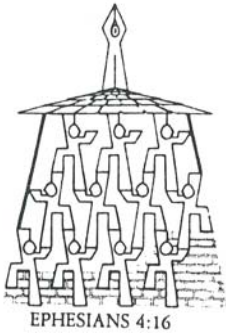
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Sunday

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
 Discipleship Training

Wednesday

4:30 pm Piece Makers
 6:00 pm Library open
 LIGHTHOUSE
 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



THE PASTOR'S LINK

The word change stirs emotions. Political candidates have used it as never before to rouse voters. Churches historically shutter at the word with the long standing 7 last words; *"We never did it like that before"* as a mantra to keep things as we like them according to our comfort level. I always

found it interesting since Jesus was and is the greatest change agent in history. Yet churches struggle and often fear the mention of the word, 'change'. More often in church you hear things like, *"Change is good, unless it happens. or Change is good-you, go 1st!"*

Jesus changed the world as no other. He changed every funeral he attended. He is still changing lives today. I believe the desire to cling to old ways and resist change comes from our old sin nature. God is always in the business of renewal. That means change. The clinical definition of death is *"A body that does not change"* and we wonder why statistics show that most of our churches are holding on or dying? Yet we find it difficult to make any adjustments to change. Some are uncomfortable even reading this wondering, *"What is the new preacher up to?"* Don't worry you don't have to fear change, **if** it is led by the Holy Spirit. You are in constant change right now. Your skin replaces itself every month (cells replace themselves 3 times a day). You have a new stomach lining every 5 days, a new Liver every 6 weeks, new skeleton every 6 weeks, 98% of the atoms in your body are replaced each year. You are sitting there with 5 pounds of dead skin flaking and flushing off right now. So don't tell me you have trouble with change. If you are ready for something new and exciting in your life that is beyond what the world can offer try giving yourself completely to the life-changer, Jesus. Trust him completely with your life and join us together, as his church, while we move forward to see what he will do in the days ahead. *"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland."* Isaiah 43:19

Sunday, July 19, 2009

Sermon Topics Dr. Bill Drees

**A.M. "Can't We Just All Get Along?"
Matthew 5:21-26**

**P.M. "One Size Doesn't Fit All"
Philippians 2:19-30**



JUST SO YOU'LL KNOW! Our Fall Program of Wednesday Night Supper and Children's Music and Mission Activities is set to resume on Wednesday, August 19. Plans are already underway with our music leaders. We will be attending the Worship Summit at White Oak on August 21-22 for some specialized training. I am already listening to Christmas music for children, adults, and senior adults, believe it or not, getting ready for that special celebration, as well as picking out new music for Sanctuary Choir and Handbells to learn and present in worship.

I say all that to let you know that I covet your prayers during this time. Worship is one of the most important things we do at First Baptist and it is my desire that it be pleasing to the Lord and uplifting for you. Please join me in praying for our music ministry and all its aspects!

Singing His Praises!

WMU invites all ladies and girls to a

World Crafts Tea

**Sunday, July 26 3:00-5:00 pm
Burriss Hall.**

WorldCrafts is a WMU nonprofit ministry that imports handcrafts from around the world and markets them in the USA. Most items are made by men and women living in poverty; the income from these crafts helps them better provide for their families through their skills.

WorldCrafts items are fairly traded items, which means they are produced in non-exploitative conditions by artisans who are paid a fair wage. For more information, visit WorldCraftsVillage.com.

Brochures will be available to purchase homemade items made by these special artisans from around the world at reasonable prices.

Join us for fun and refreshments!

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Mortimer Smith
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I would like to give everyone a report from our outreach weekend. We had two events last weekend. Our two teams met many people right in the neighborhood. 13 homes were visited on Saturday! Sunday, we handed out close to 100 water bottles and new church brochures at the Riverwalk! It was exciting for the teams to meet all these residents of Cayce/West Columbia. We will be doing these two events again in August so please plan on joining us.

The overwhelming response of the community when asked how could we motivate more people to come to our church was this: meeting us! They said what we already know, that the people make the church less strange and intimidating. They need to see real people, like them, and not just the church building. I want to encourage you this week to be a witness, to be salt and light, wherever you go. We now have enough church brochures to let you take some home and hand out in your circles. Be salt and light this week! You are the face and teachings of Jesus before they actually know Him as Savior. We must make the effort, the results are the Spirits.

Jody



Notes of appreciation have been received from the following and are posted on the bulletin board near the church office:

Joyce Gunter



Help is needed in three special areas of ministry in our church. Give prayerful consideration to lending a hand.

Extended Session

Workers are needed to care for little ones during our morning worship service. Contact Sallie Bozard or Debra Shepherd.

Kid's Worship

Helpers are also needed in this ministry each Sunday morning. If you would be interested in helping with this ministry, contact Jody Ratcliffe or Jennifer Meador.

Sound Ministry

If you would like to learn to operate our sound system and help in this ministry, contact James Franks or Charlton Bozard



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

This week many of our youth are on mission! We are staying at North Greenville University and going out each day meeting the needs of the community around us. I choose this type of mission summer camp because it does a couple of things. First, it opens the eyes of our youth to many different mission needs. They will receive hands on training and a new vision to bring home to West Columbia. We know that they will be missionaries here at home after an experience like M-Fuge. Secondly, I am exposing them to North Greenville University, a Southern Baptist University that is well equipped to educate our students to go into many fields of study. Hopefully, some of our team members will one day go there and become ministers! Pray for us this week. Pray we can complete our assignments on time, be salt and light to all around us, and receive a great inspiration from the Lord about our work here at home.

Big Youth Thing is Coming!

Spongebob Squarepants, Afterburner, Carolina Cobra, Water Park! Carowinds has it all and we are going August 6. The cost is \$30 plus food in the park. This is our annual gathering of Southern Baptist Youth from SC and NC. We will have a Christian concert that evening sponsored by the South Carolina Baptist Convention. We have 15 spots, so sign up quick.



This week, we will be adding pictures from our youth trip to the water park. Pictures from M-FUge will follow in the next few weeks

Pastor Bill Drees' sermons are posted weekly as well for you to listen to again or invite a friend to hear. You can also subscribe to receive the Tie Binder by email.

We encourage you to make use of this ministry tool!

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COMING UP AT FBCWC

**YOUNG MUSICIANS CAMP AT WHITE OAK
JULY 27-31**

**BIG YOUTH THING AT CAROWINDS
AUGUST 6**

**DEACON ELECTION
AUGUST 9**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
July 19-25, 2009

Sunday, July 19

- 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
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Tuesday, July 21

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

Wednesday, July 22

- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service
Church Conference
Children's Music Activity
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, July 16

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

MEMORIALS

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In loving memory of Richard Tucker
by Morgan Jones

In loving memory of Mr. Burley Schultz
by Boyd and Azalee Anderson

Pure Love, Pure Water

In loving memory of Cecile Crapps
by the Hope Sunday School Class

SPECIAL MINISTRIES
July 19, 2009
HEALTH MINISTRY

Julie Barfield

EXT. TEACHING CARE

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Ones

Dorothy Thompson and Carol McKay

Twos and Threes

Laura Rose and Kati Gauden

GREETERS

Snyder Building

Dorothy Thompson
Ruby Clamp

Burriss Building

Jim Shealy

Front Lower Level

Andrew and Colette Hutto

SOUND

James Franks

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DELAY!**



Hospital Update

as of Monday, July 13

Lexington Medical Center

Violet Wood

Remember these folks recovering
from recent hospitalizations:

- Kay Horton
- Cross George
- John Chapman
(moved to Agape Rehab)



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.

WHATEVER IS *true*.
WHATEVER IS *honorable*.
WHATEVER IS *just*.
WHATEVER IS *pure*...
IF THERE IS ANYTHING
worthy of praise.
THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS.

PHILIPPIANS 4:8, NRSV

