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Deacon Leadership for 2009-2010

At their September meeting, the deacons elected the following:

Chairman: Allan Murray
 Vice-chairman: Glenn Duke
 Secretary: Jim Schafer
 Church Moderator: Greg Shepherd
 Vice Moderator: Clyde Blackburn

The Deacon body also includes:

Gerald Baker Marion Gunter, Jr. Jim Shealy
 Kevin Barfield Billy Hayes Dave Simpson
 Bernard Bourne Tom Hook Jim Tindal

Pray daily for these men as they minister together.

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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
 Youth Worship
 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells

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
 Young Professionals
 6:45 pm Children's Mission
 Groups
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



2009 Season of Prayer for State Missions

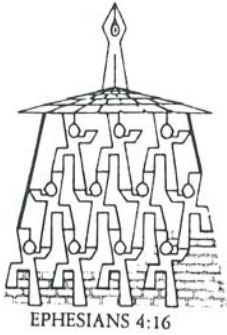
September 13-20, 2009

outside myspace



Janie Chapman Offering
 for State Missions, Missions Education,
 and Experiencing Kingdom Life
 State Goal: \$2,000,000

FBC Goal: \$3,000
 Received: \$2,153



THE PASTOR'S LINK

Churches all over our nation struggle with the same problem of people dropping out. People drop out of church for many reasons. Some leave because they see hypocrisy and they are disturbed by the lack of authentic Spiritual love that should exist in the body of Christ. We can close this exit door by looking in the mirror of Psalm 139 and praying, "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." As God reveals shortcomings we lock that door with confession, cleansing and repentance from I John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

People also drop out because they think no one cares for them. It is often so easy to get engaged in today's busy life that one fails to notice someone being absent from the fellowship until it is too late. It is vital to build a strong 'net' of support. Ecclesiastes 4:12 tells us how to build that net of support with a rope of three cords that is not easily broken. That's a clue on how to help church members not become statistics or dropouts in case of problems. Each member needs three relationships in the congregation: with the pulpit (minister), peers (friends) and a purpose (their own ministry). Then if one cord breaks, the pastor leaves, disappoints or betrays, they still have their own ministry or friends to hold. If the friend does the same, he/she is still OK. They still have their ministry. The other chord holds. I encourage you to grow strong in each of these three relationships to make certain that you remain in the fold. We need each other to grow and be the complete body of Christ.

Bill

THE LORD'S



SUPPER will be observed during Morning Worship this Sunday, September 20.

Sunday, September 20, 2009
Sermon Titles Dr. Bill Drees

A.M. "The Lord's Supper: A Three Point Sermon"
1 Corinthians 10:16-17, 31; 11:26

P.M. "The Secret to Contentment"
Acts 4: 42-47



STRAWBERRY HILL USA and LAKE LURE

Tuesday, September 22

We will pull out at 7:30 a.m. and return in the late afternoon. There are actually still a few seats. Let me know quickly if you are interested in going.

ANOTHER TRIP DEADLINE APPROACHES!

Instead of going to a Christmas show this year, we are planning a trip to see

SOUTH PACIFIC

presented by a professional touring group at the Belk Theater in Charlotte

Saturday, November 14

Cost: \$118.50 includes

tour bus transportation, mezzanine tickets for the afternoon matinee, and buffet lunch at Golden Corral. A \$60 deposit is due by October 1. That is also the last day to sign up for the trip.



SANCTUARY CHOIR CHRISTMAS MUSIC LUNCH AND LISTENING SESSION

Sunday, September 20
 following morning worship

Yes, it's that time of year again. The weather starts getting cool and we start talking about CHRISTMAS. We will meet for lunch and listen to "Glorious Impossible" as well as some other new music for the season. Come join us for lunch and sing with us for Christmas!

Charlton

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS OF THE WEEK

Ann Bradley (birthday is Sept. 26)
 233 Laurel Meadows Dr.
 West Columbia, SC 29169-2312

MEMORIALS

JANIE CHAPMAN STATE MISSIONS

In loving of George Thompson
 by Dorothy Thompson

In memory of Mildred Taylor and Elisabeth Taylor
 by Mildred Wood.

HONORARIA

In honor of Theresa Bartley
 by Genevieve Shampy



**Trunk or Treat Outreach Event
October 31 from 5:30-7:30pm**

Halloween is around the corner and we have already started planning our annual outreach event. Remember last year? We had a ton of people from the community come and enjoy safe "trick or treating" and meeting you. Our community has spoken to us and they have said the best thing WE can do to meet THEM is outdoor activities. So, come on team, we need you! Here is what we need from you, the First Family:

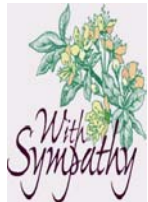
Cars- to host candy stops, you will open up your trunk, decorate it as you like and hand out candy to kids

Drinks- you can provide soda, tea, lemonade, whatever kind you want to

Baked Goods-we will be giving out these goodies during the event

Donations- you or your class may simply donate towards the event and we can pick up the supplies

Do not forget the most important part of this event: **YOU!** I want our members to be here to walk around and BE the light of Christ to the non-Christians. BEING Christ-like is a priority over DOING church activities of any kind. Come and mingle, enjoy a hotdog, and show the community WHO First Baptist is.



The First Baptist Church Family and staff extend our heartfelt love and Christian sympathy to:

...Chris & Larry Davis in the loss of their brother-in-law, Richard Dorgan of Winston-Salem, NC.

...Financial Assistant Trish Perkins in the recent loss of her mother-in-law.



**LEXINGTON MEDICAL CENTER
HEALTH OUTREACH**

Monday, September 28, 2009

7:30 - 10:30 A.M. Burriss Hall

Lipid Profile/PSA, Blood Pressure Assessment, Hemochromatosis, Blood Sugar

The appointment slots are filled. Call the church office if you want to be on the standby list.



Lighthouse Student Ministries

We are finished with our Campus Mission Field Series. We learned what our mission is (salvation to the non-believers), what our main witnessing technique is (being spiritually opinionated), what virtue we must have to accomplish witnessing (courage), and who is on our team at all times (Jesus Himself).

We will now move into a new series called Bible 180. During Bible 180, we will teach the teenagers how relevant and useful the Bible is for knowing God, truth, and direction. I will teach them to take their ideas and use of the Bible and turn them around 180 degrees towards absolute dependency! They have the most powerful and life changing book in their hands, but do not really realize its potential. We must change that.

Don't forget to sign up for the movie night. Excitement is growing, but you must be the missionary and use this event as a mission event. Pray about who to invite as we build a bridge to the non-believer!

Thanks, *Jody*



Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman

This study explores God's providence and the hope He offers women facing challenges in our society. Esther includes 10 video sessions and nine weeks of personal study. Beth Moore explains how God placed a young Jewish woman who fulfilled her destiny "for such a time as this" and saved the Jews living in a pagan culture from certain destruction. Esther, though a queen, lived as an outsider in a hostile environment. Her life offers an example for today's woman who finds it difficult to live in someone else's shadow, to see physical beauty take precedence over character, to face life-altering decisions, to move from self-preservation to brave determination, and to see mean-spirited people prevail. You will learn strong lessons of faith that will equip you to live a courageous life.

Melanie Ratcliffe is considering leading this new Women's Bible Study group. The group will meet on Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:30pm. Please call, text, or Facebook Melanier if you are interested.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

September 20-26, 2009

Sunday, September 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
 Lord's Supper
 12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir luncheon
 and listening session
 5:00 p.m. Youth Council
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
 Youth Worship
 7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir

Tuesday, September 22

- 7:30 p.m. Sr. Adults depart for
 Strawberry Hill and Lake Lure
 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
 10:30 a.m. NHC Bible Study

Wednesday, September 23

- 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
 Young Professionals
 6:45 p.m. Children's Mission Groups
 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 24

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
 11:00 a.m. Jubilant Singers

Hospital Update

as of Monday, September 14

Palmetto Baptist Hospital

Nina Blanks

Palmetto Richland Hospital

Cross George

Lexington Medical Center

Catherine Burton

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SPECIAL MINISTRIES

September 20, 2009

HEALTH MINISTRY

Julie Barfield

EXT. TEACHING CARE

Coordinator: Debra Shepherd

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Ones

Dorothy Thompson
 Carol McKay

Twos and Threes

Laura Rose
 Kati Gaulden

GREETERS

Snyder Building

Dorothy Thompson
 Ruby Clamp

Burriss Building

Nick and Jill Zueger

Front Lower Level

Andrew and Colette Hutto

SOUND

James Franks

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

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



September 23

Chicken Tenders
 Mac & Cheese
 Slaw, 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.



If you are interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one, contact Janet in the church office for available dates or see the calendar on the bulleting board near the office..

Also, if you, your Sunday School class, or group would like to provide a silk arrangement for use on other Sundays throughout the year, please let the church office know.

Mary Sale has given two lovely arrangements we will begin using Sunday.