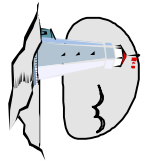


The Current

July 2008

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.

John 10:28



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But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ—1 Corinthians 15:57

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Upcoming Events!

July 2008

July 13—4:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

July 14-18—Mobile Meals

July 19-25—Youth Summer Camp

July 27—Covered Dish Supper & Observance of the Lord's Supper

July 30—Quarterly Church Conference

August 2008

August 3—8:30 am & 11:00 am—Nomination of Deacons

August 3—4:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

August 24—6:00 pm—Ocean Baptism, 1st Avenue South

August 24—6:45 pm—Ice Cream Social—Family Life Center

Nominating Committee Report

September 2008

40 Days of Community

September 7—4:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

September 15-19—Mobile Meals

October 2008

October 4—WMU World Craft Day (Family Life Center)

October 5—4:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

October 26—Homecoming

Quarterly Church Conference

November 2008

November 2—4:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

November 17-21—Mobile Meals

Children's Musical

December 2008

December 8—Widow/Widowers Banquet

December 14—Christmas Cantata

December 24—Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion Service

Deacon of the Month

By Bill Hoke

I am a new deacon here at First Baptist Church and I believe I have arrived at an exciting time.

I was born in upstate New York and lived there until I went in the Air Force in 1960. After getting out of the service, I went to work for the Department of Defense for 32 years which took me to several locations (Detroit, St. Louis, Battle Creek and Washington, DC).



The best move was to Washington, DC where I met my wife, Lynda. I was a Catholic when we got married but started going to a Baptist Church in Laurel, Maryland where I was saved at a revival in 1990. I was baptized at Laurel Baptist Church.

We have four children and eleven grandchildren. I retired in 1994 and since we both liked the beach, we decided on Myrtle Beach for retirement.

I enjoy sports, traveling and mission trips. I look forward to serving God by spreading His word in a way that will bring lost souls to Christ, help with our Building Program, promote church family unity, and help out those less fortunate.

Thank You!

Thank you so much for all you and the church has done over the years for us. You all are truly family to us all. May God be with each and every one of you! North Myrtle Beach Patrol and Lifeguards.

Sunday, July 27

6:00 p.m.

Covered Dish Supper

6:45 p.m.

Observance of the Lord's Supper

40 Days of Community

This fall, our church will be participating in a **40 Days of Community Campaign**, which will run for eight weekends in September and October. This is a spiritual growth campaign very similar to the one we did before - 40 Days of Purpose Campaign. The primary focus of this campaign is to encourage congregations to work *together* on fulfilling God's five purposes by developing and deepening an authentic community within our church and reaching out to the community around our church.

40 Days of Community has several features that set it apart from the 40 Days of Purpose Campaign. These are changes from the last campaign and innovations for this new one that will help to make **40 Days of Community** fresh and impacting for our entire church:

NEW! Youth & Children: We will be offering age-appropriate materials for every member of the family, from birth to senior adults. There is so much power in having everyone in the family learning about the same biblical truths together! This will be done during the Sunday School time. The **Adults** will also study the same theme each week in Sunday School as we did for the last Spiritual Growth Campaign – 40 Days of Purpose Campaign.

NEW! Better Together: What on Earth are We Here For? Workbook: For our **40 Days of Community Campaign** we will have a daily devotional book, daily journal, and weekly small group study guide –all in one book that will be the campaign companion for everyone in our church.

NEW! Missions Project: This is a brand-new idea that is at the heart of this Community Campaign – the Missions Project. The primary focus of this campaign is on fulfilling God's five purposes together by deepening the sense of community within our church and reaching out to the community around us. The missions project is the vehicle that will move our church outside of its four walls, and into the harvest field of a world that is in desperate need of the love of Jesus Christ. Our Missions Project Team will identify local outreach opportunities for our small groups to do together, and with God's help we can make a difference in our community!

We are assembling a Campaign Team to facilitate the campaign for our church. This team is responsible for:

- creating a prayer strategy for our campaign
 - coordinating the seven weekend services during the campaign
 - overseeing the weekly Bible studies that focus on the themes of the campaign
- coordinating the major events that take place during the campaign:
1. **BETTER TOGETHER: WHAT ON EARTH ARE WE HERE FOR? KICK-OFF:** The Campaign will kick-off ----in September with a message taught by Pastor Rick Warren of Saddleback Church, the author of *The Purpose-Driven Life*, the book that formed the basis for our last campaign, *40 Days of Purpose*. Rick Warren will share a message that will set the stage for the campaign events to come.
 2. **HOST HOMES:** There will be an opportunity to join a small group which will be studying the *Better Together: What on Earth are We Here For?* Lessons. This interactive study will allow for a deeper understanding of God's purposes and allow us to build friendships and serve with one another in our church and our community.

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Family News

Vacation Bible School was a great experience this year. We used the Family Life Center for our opening

assembly, recreation, crafts, snack prep and dinners. Over 100 children were registered, over 30 volunteers and many different Sunday school classes serving dinner each night. Thanks to everyone who gave up their time in bringing God's word to our children through all that you did.



We have already had four young men and myself enjoy a few days at McCall RA Camp. I watched these lad boys go under waterfalls, jump off towers, zip down the zip line, swim in the lake's chilly water and most importantly hear and see how the McCall staff are involved in mission work throughout the world.

What a great time we had. Still be in prayer as we have two boys attending crusader camp this summer. I only know of one young lady that attended Camp LaVida, our GA Camp. I am so proud of Kendal Smith as she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and personal Savior. Please keep her in your prayers as she has taken a big step in her life.



Upward Basketball Camp

July 7-11

K-4th Grade

6:00 - 8:00 pm

It's not too late to register and we could still use some volunteers. Please see Dwain if you have any questions.



Summer Youth Camp

July 19-25

Black Mountain, NC

We have 40 students attending camp this year with eight adult volunteers. On our way to camp we'll be tubing down bent creek in Bryson City and experiencing the drama, "Unto these Hills" in Cherokee before we even get to camp. At camp we'll be studying the relationship between Paul and Timothy in 1st and 2nd Timothy. Keep these students and adults in your prayers.

Building & Trust Funds	Building Checking Account	Building C D Account	Total Bldg. Funds Balance	Building Offering Goals	
				Goal Amount	Actual Over(Under)
Beginning Acct. Balances	199,698.06	315,430.92	515,128.98		
Receipts for the Month:					
Building Fund Offerings:	20,958.19		20,958.19		
Building Fund Memorials:	150.00		150.00		
Total, This Months Offerings & Mem.:	21,108.19	21,108.19	21,108.19		21,108.19
Interest Receipts:	7.89		7.89		
Other Misc. Receipts:					
Loan Principal Receipts:					
Total Receipts for the Month:	21,116.08		21,116.08		
Disbursements for the Month:					
Operating Disbursements:	(7,135.63)		(7,135.63)		
Loan Interest Disbursements:	(11,853.05)		(11,853.05)		
Loan Principal Disbursements:					
Total Disbursements for the Month:	(18,988.68)		(18,988.68)		
Net Surplus (Deficit) for the Month:	2,127.40		2,127.40		
Transfers In or Out:					
Ending Acct. Balances	201,825.46	315,430.92	517,256.38		
Year-To-Date Offerings & Memorials:	108,385.13		108,385.13		108,385.13
Year-To-Date Building Funds Interest:	37.68		37.68		37.68
Year-To-Date Kinlaw Mem. Interest:					
Kinlaw Memorial Trust Fund					91,642.01

Building Program; Church Debt (Loan) Balances	
5/1/08 Debt Balance	2,837,093.43
Plus Loan Principal Recd.	-
Less Loan Principal Pmts.	5/31/08 Debt Balance
	\$ 2,837,093.43

First Baptist Church of Aiken Monthly Report
Monthly Treasures Report
 May, 2008

Budget & Designated Funds	Church Operating Checking Accounts		Budget CD		Budget Checking & CD Funds	
	Receipts	Disbursements	Receipts	Disbursements	Receipts	Disbursements
Beginning Acct. Balances	68,689.09	40,645.75	109,234.94	46,700.98	46,700.98	46,700.98
Receipts for the Month:						
Three Months Budget Offerings	44,928.22		44,928.22			
Budget Acct. - Interest Receipts		2,639.82	2,639.82			
Designated Offerings						
Building Fund - Offerings						
Total Receipts for the Month:	44,928.22	2,639.82	47,568.04			
Disbursements for the Month:						
Budget Disbursements	48,112.82		48,112.82			
Designated Disbursements		6,635.02	6,635.02			
Building Fund - Disbursements						
Total Disbursements for the Month:	48,112.82	6,635.02	54,747.84			
Ending Acct. Balances	75,302.49	36,940.73	112,243.22	46,700.98	46,700.98	46,700.98
Year-to-Date Budget Offerings	255,525.54		255,525.54			
Year-to-Date Budget Interest						
Total Budget Funds Available as of 5/31/2008:	122,003.47	122,003.47	(Budget Checking & CD Funds)			

Message for all children who have just finished K-6

Children's Missions Day Camp
 Saturday, August 2, 2008
 Cedar Grove Baptist Church
 Conway, SC



Trucking for Jesus Christ at the Crossroads

Meet missionaries Ted and Tammy Keller from Columbia, SC.
 Ted is a NAMB MSC Chaplain to the trucking community.

There will be many interesting and fun things to do!

- Meeting Real Missionaries
- Crafts
- Games
- Mission Project
- Truck Stop Lunch
- Missions Project Info

You can make a difference in a trucker's life by providing some of these items for gift bags for the Keller's to give out to truckers: Hand sanitizer, toothpaste, notepaper/envelopes, vacuum packed carton drinks, mini mag flashlight with batteries, liquid soap. Toothbrush, postage stamps, dried fruits/nuts, after shave lotion, hand towel, deodorant, 10 pack of pens, pocket comb, chap stick, Christian CDs or books.

Bring your gifts to the Day Camp!

These items will be placed in drawstring bags made by WBA Women on Mission groups.

CDC News

Playground, Playground, Playground

By Cindy Parker
CDC Director

It's a big project and it's underway! You will see it slowly progressing. The slide, bubble climbing wall, surf riders, whale and shark spring animals are already in place. The trike path is poured and the trike gas station is also in place. The music deck (where outside musical instruments will be placed) is finished. The instruments will be delivered July 14. Our science and literacy center deck is in place. The weather station to be placed on the deck will also be delivered on July 14.

The synthetic grass, in the middle of the trike path, is in place and ready for a wonderful playhouse cottage to be delivered. The fun phones are in place. The phones connect kids for role-play and long distance chats.

The paint station is in place and will allow the children to explore their creativity. The sailboat sandbox, large water table, rubber mushrooms are to be placed as soon as they are delivered. When the playground is finished, it will be a safe stimulating play environment. We are definitely excited!! In His service, Cindy Parker.

40 Days of Community

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3. **MINISTRY FAIR:** This event is designed to give people an opportunity to get involved in a ministry that reaches out with a helping hand to those around us. Our Ministry Fair theme will be "Take Action! People Helping People."
4. **CELEBRATION SUNDAY:** The campaign culminates with a church-wide celebration where we will rejoice together in all God has done in our midst during the campaign. This is scheduled on our annual Homecoming Sunday, October 26.

If you would like to join one of the teams that are coordinating the various parts of the campaign, we would love to talk to you! Please contact us in the church office.

We encourage you to join with us now, at this early stage, **to pray for this campaign.** The potential impact this could have on our lives will be increased if the soil of our hearts is prepared through prayer. We are excited to embark on this spiritual journey together this fall, and we appreciate your prayers for the Campaign Team, for our church leaders, and for the impact of the campaign in the lives of our people and the people of our community that we will reach out to in Christ's name. So begin now to pray and prepare your own heart for the life-changing adventure of the **40 Days of Community.**

Yours in Christ's love,

John Gambrell

July Church Wide Mission Project

By Beady Moore
Missions Committee Chairman

To celebrate the wonderful USA and our country's birthday, we will collect "new and gently loved" pocket size (beanie baby) stuffed animals to be sent to service men and women in Iraq and Afghanistan for the children there. The collection starts June 29 and will run through July. A wonderful true story in the WMU's "Mosaic" tells of a little girl preventing a convoy from setting off a roadside bomb because a soldier had given her a tiny teddy bear. We need your help with names of service people in these countries so the impact will spread. Please turn in the names and addresses of your loved ones and friends serving in these countries and we will send a box for them to distribute. We also need sponsors to pay the \$11 needed to send each flat rate box. Please put your stuffed animals in the gray mission containers around the church. We may save lives with this act of kindness and it will give our soldiers a chance to reach out and touch.

Welcome New Member!



Bobbie Bennett
Little River, SC 29566



JULY



Ushers, Greeters, Nursery and Children's Church Volunteers for July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Peggy Bullard E.G. Lunsford	3 Carol Greenspan Gloria Bussey	4 Charlene Kinney Vi Crawford Debbie Faris
5 Chris Gore Brenda Findlay	6	7 Chris Fulmer Jody Davidson	8 Louise Gore Mitzi Harill	9 Pete Bellamy Judy Smith Russ Courtney Molly Layton	10 Elizabeth Boulineau	11 Tim Caldwell
12 James Griffith Ken Kirby Lavon McSwain Cindy Parker	13	14 John Faris Elizabeth Cooper	15 Tom Roller	16 Dianne Summers Sona McIntyre Hunter Layton	17 Marty Rogers Shirley Lockamy Karl Straub Teresa Canipe Donald Talley Ken LaPierre	18 Gary Carroll Nikki Holmes
19	20 Ann Fahrenkrog	21 Chuck Collins	22 Loretta Phillips Michelle Davis	23 Fred Cooley Rose Ferree	24 Pam Kennington Chad Bridgman	25 Betty Sheppard David Carter
26	27 Mot Carroll Marsha Hayes	28 Brandi Leonhardt	29 Bonnie Snipes Bren Collins Beth Walser	30 Pat Criminger	31 Kathy Smith	

	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27
USHERS				
8:30 a.m.	Ken Plummer, Boo Boo Todd	Duke Foyle, Chip McIntyre	John Stinson, Bronson Summers	Bill Hoke, Raymond Wilson
11:00 a.m.	Charles Barr, Pete Bellamy, Charles Brewer, Ralph Bussey, Jim Davis	David Bell, Chip Bellamy, Frank Boulineau III, Ray Cooper, Kenny McLamb	Gary Carroll, Russell Courtney, George Lowe, Ashley McLamb, Donal Wright	Mike Lewis, Jennings Livingston, Porter Kennington, Ben Timmerman, Albert Wheless
6:30 p.m.	Wayne Carey, Dwain Spivey	Elaine & Mason Collins	Polly & Tom Parrott	Ted Medler, Myron Pritchard
GREETERS				
Front Door	Chuck & Bren Collins	Dean & Joyce Britt	Boo Boo Todd & AJ Edge	Ben & Lavon McSwain
Side Door B Wing	Gene & Louise Gore	Ann Harper & Sandy Hawley	Ron & Sandy Bruce	Gene & Imogene Blackmon
Drive Thru	Paul & Cindy Prevatte	Charles & Linda Riffle	Lynda Cole & CeCe McComb	Ron & Margaret Ball
Welcome Desk	Lois Bellamy	Bobbie Brannon	Mot Carroll	Nesbeth Fisher
NURSERY & CHILDREN'S CHURCH				
Nursery	Natalie Wayne	Lisa Bell	Leslie DuRant	Charlotte Bruton
Children's Church	Kim Rue	TBD	TBD	TBD



Help Us Better Communicate With You

In an effort to help us better communicate with you, please call the church office and give us your cell phone number and e-mail address.

Save Your "Motel Goodies"


Remember to save your "motel goodies" when you are away on vacation. The Lifeguards love to have them and any left over at the end of the summer and all year long are taken to Street Reach.

SUNDAY

8:00 Chapel Choir Practice
 8:30 Worship Service
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 5:30 AWANA
 6:30 Evening Worship & Youth

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

JULY 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 5:30 pm—Personnel Meeting 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	3	4 Holiday—Church Office Closed	5 7:30 am—Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Friendly's
6 5:00 pm—Nominating Committee	7 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	8 7:00 pm—Lifeguard Supper	9 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	10	11	12
13 3:30 pm—Nominating Committee 4:30 pm—Deacons' Meeting	14 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	15 7:00 pm—Lifeguard Supper 6:00 pm—Budget & Finance Meeting	16 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	17	18	19
						
20 5:00 pm—Nominating Committee	21 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	22 7:00 pm—Lifeguard Supper	23 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	24	25	26
27 5:00 pm—Nominating Committee 6:00 pm—Covered Dish Dinner & Observance of the Lord's Supper—Family Life Center	28 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	29 7:00 pm—Lifeguard Supper	30 6:30 pm—Church Conference 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	31		