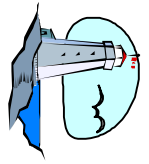


The Current

October 2009

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.
Colossians 3:17



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The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.—Romans 8:16

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Newly Ordained Deacons



Congratulations to Gerald Smith, James Evans, JL Dunlow, George Lowe, Rico Bruton and David Carter who were ordained as deacons, Sunday, September 20.

Upcoming Events!

October 2009

October 4—Red Cross Blood Drive

October 4—Deacons' Meeting

October 11—World Hunger Offering

October 21—Church Conference

October 25—Homecoming

November 2009

November 1—Deacons' Meeting

November 6-7—RA Campout

November 8—Veterans Day Salute

November 10—Shoe Box Packing Party

November 15—Shoe Box Dedication

November 29—Prisoner Packets

December 2009

December 6—Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December 6—Deacons' Meeting

December 7—Widow/Widowers Banquet

December 13—Christmas Cantata

December 16—Christmas Caroling

December 24—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

January 2010

January 3—Deacons' Meeting

February 2010

February 7—Deacons' Meeting

February 7—Souper Bowl

March 2010

March 7—Deacons' Meeting

March 14—Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions



Pastor's Pen

From Helping Hand

North Strand Helping Hand gratefully acknowledges your Sunday School Class, Kindred Spirits, for their monetary donations. Your Sunday School class will help many families with food, clothing and/or basic needs. You make a difference in so many of our families lives. Thank you for your kindness.

From Joyce Long

To the Quilters at First Baptist Church: Thank you so much for making my husband's birthday so special. He loved the beautiful throw you made with the lovely bird houses. As Cindy has probably told you, we both love birds and enjoy watching them from our window every day. What a blessing you all have been to us, and we really appreciate your thoughtfulness more than you know. May God continue to bless you and your ministry. Love in Christ, Joyce

Bibles for Soldiers

Plans are being made to send more Bibles to Soldiers for Christmas. Usually during the Christmas shopping season, free shipping is offered to bulk orders. Would you consider donating \$18.00 to Bibles for Soldiers through the Faith, Hope and Love Sunday School class so more soldiers in Iraq may have a Bible? Checks should be made payable to Faith, Hope and Love. Thank you to those that have helped in the past and those that will support this effort to share God's word with others.

Blood Drive Sunday, October 4

The Faith, Hope and Love Sunday School class will host a blood drive as a continuing part of their 40 Days of Community project last year. The drive will be Sunday, October 4 from 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. If you would like to sign-up to give blood, please see a member of their class or call the church office. Before donating blood, you should remember to maintain a healthy diet and appropriate fluid intake and be aware of the names of medications you are taking.



Building on Our Heritage Update

We are now in the 29th month of our three year giving period of 36 months. At the end of this campaign in April 2010 we need to be ready to launch a new campaign. The Master Planning Finance Committee is already planning for that next step.

Our monthly bank payment is \$21,463 and our building fund debt is \$2,665,228. Contributions so far this year are:

Jan: \$12,079	Mar: \$20,779	May: \$17,014	Jul: \$14,597
Feb: \$17,415	Apr: \$13,844	Jun: \$35,143	Aug: \$14,077

This campaign is about our commitment to fund our building program. Please pray about your participation. Give sacrificially.

The new school year has started and the new church year has started as well. It is exciting to be able to start new, isn't it? It is very nice to see the children and youth here not only Sunday mornings but also Sunday nights and Wednesday nights. The Nominating Committee worked hard and long to present a slate of our members who are willing to serve the Lord and this church. We thank this committee for all their good work. We are also thankful for those who said yes. They need our prayers, support and cooperation for this new church year. Please pick up a copy of the Lay Ministry Report, which can be found around the church, and then use it for a prayer guide.

Speaking of prayer guides, the Season of Prayer for State Missions' prayer guides are also around the church. It is not too late to use this resource as we focus on reaching South Carolina for Jesus Christ. The SC goal for the Janie Chapman offering is two million dollars. Our church goal is \$2,500. Let's pray together and give together to make a difference in our state and for eternity.

Please continue to pray for the steering committee (who is considering the possibility of recommending a new worship service) as they continue to meet, pray, work and seek to find God's future for this, His church. This is a conscience, enthusiastic and dedicated group.

Many of our church members are in need of special prayer. The needs vary from health, job, family, finances, spiritual and much more. We are the body of the Jesus Christ and we do need each other. We must pray, encourage, serve and help each other any and every way we can!

There are many wonderful and exciting things happening in our church, too many to list here. I hope you are here and involved to see and experience God's blessings.

Please read over the rest of the newsletter to see what God has been doing and wants to continue to do in our midst. Also look over the calendar for important meetings, events and activities such as Homecoming on October 25.

Blessed to be your pastor,
John Gambrell

FAMILY NEWS

By Dwain Hayes
Associate Pastor



Little Caesars Pizza Kits

Youth October Fundraiser
Selling packets will be ready
October 4th

WINTER RETREAT

December 27-29

Non Refundable deposit - \$25
ONLY 37 spots available
Don't Miss out!!!



\$125
Not including meals

Extreme Team

4 yr.-6th grade

Missions- Service Project, Bible
Drills, Devotional Time, Family
Nights

Our Mission:
Teaching Christian
values using biblical
foundations

Sunday Nights at 6:30

Children drop off and pick up in the Children's Department.

Building & Trust Funds	Building Checking Account	Building C D Account	Total Bldg. Funds Balance	Kinlaw Memorial Trust Fund	Building Offering Goals	
					Goal Amount	Actual Over(Under)
Beginning Acct. Balances 8/1/2009:	99,485.89	300,000.00	399,485.89	91,642.01		
Receipts for the Month:						
Building Fund Offerings:	18,242.72		18,242.72			
Building Fund Memorials:	455.00		455.00			
Total, This Months Offerings & Mem.:	18,697.72		18,697.72			18,697.72
Interest Receipts:	1.43		1.43			
Other Misc. Receipts:						
Loan Principal Receipts:						
Total Receipts for the Month:	18,699.15		18,699.15			
Disbursements for the Month:						
Operating Disbursements:	0.00		-			
Loan Interest Disbursements:	(5,777.94)		(5,777.94)			
Loan Principal Disbursements:	(15,685.45)		(15,685.45)			
Total Disbursements for the Month:	(21,463.39)	0.00	(21,463.39)			
Net Surplus (Deficit) for the Month:	(2,764.24)		(2,764.24)			
Transfers In or Out:						
Ending Acct. Balances 8/31/2009:	96,721.65	300,000.00	396,721.65	91,642.01		
Year-To-Date Offerings & Memorials:	219,306.45		219,306.45			219,306.45
Year-To-Date Building Funds Interest:	23.63	430.29	453.92			453.92
Year-To-Date Kinlaw Mem. Interest:						
Building Program; Church Debt (Loan) Balances						
8/1/09 Debt Balance		Plus Loan Principal Rec'd.		Less Loan Principal Pmts.		8/31/09 Debt Balance
\$ 2,680,914.05		\$ -		\$ 15,685.45		\$ 2,665,228.60

**First Baptist Church of North Myrtle Beach
Monthly Treasurer's Report
August, 2009**

Budget & Designated Funds		Church Operating Checking Account		Budget CD Account Total	Budget Offering Goals	
		Budget Funds	Designated Funds		Account Total	Goal Amount
Beginning Acct. Balances	8/01/2009:	46,921.50	42,950.68	49,042.90		
Receipts for the Month:						
This Month's Budget Offerings:						
Budget Accts - Interest Receipts:		52,688.56		52,688.56		
Designated Offerings:			658.67	658.67		
Building Fund - Offerings In:						
Total Receipts for the Month:		52,688.56	658.67	53,347.23		
Disbursements for the Month:						
Budget Disbursements:						
Designated Disbursements:		(50,382.58)		(50,382.58)		
Building Fund - Offerings Out:			(6,884.99)	(6,884.99)		
Total Disbursements for the Month:		(50,382.58)	(6,884.99)	(57,267.57)		
Net Surplus (Deficit) for the Month:						
Transfers In or Out:		2,305.98	(6,226.32)	(3,920.34)		
Ending Acct. Balances	8/31/2009:	49,227.48	36,724.36	85,951.84		
Year-To-Date Budget Offerings:		391,617.23				
Year-To-Date Budget Interest:						
Total Budget Funds Available as of	8/31/2009:	98,270.38	98,270.38	2,341.92	383,333.36	8,283.87
						2,341.92

A Note from Kathleen

**By Kathleen Gambrell
Music Director**

October starts a busy time of the year for anyone involved in the music ministry. For one thing, Christmas cantata rehearsals start! While it is still balmy outside, we have to think about winter! This year's cantata is a bit of a departure from our traditional cantatas. I ask that you fervently pray that God's message will be proclaimed in a vital way to a hurting world. The cantata is about God's gift, and the hope and courage we can have in spite of our circumstances. In addition to praying for us, I would invite you to join us. We are practicing on Sundays from 3:30 to 5. We would love to have a lot of people singing for this occasion! There are no try-outs; just show up! If you would like to participate, but need child care, please contact me. If



Kathleen's Notes

you are interested in the drama (speaking and non-speaking roles), please contact me for that as well.

We have just started back with our children's choirs. We would like to have a "Works in Progress" special right before Thanksgiving. But we had only four children show up for our first choir practice! Those four are very, very important to us, but we could do a lot more with a lot more children! If you have a child between the ages of four years, up to 6th grade, please bring them to the choir room on Sundays at 5:30. They go right from choir practice to TeamKids. We learn songs, memorize scripture, play games, and learn Bible truths. We teach them to love music and to love their Lord. We need some volunteers to help in this program. It is a very wide age range which doesn't work if they all have to be in the same group! If you would like to assist us, you don't have to sing in order to help! A whole lot of love for children, and patience, with some organizational skills thrown in, would be a tremendous help to us! Please prayerfully consider what you might be able to do.

We have a lot to do! And we are asking for more as we desire to grow and expand and develop even more talents. We want to be with God in everything we do. We do not want to lag behind or leap ahead! God is able to do "immeasurably more" than we can ask or even imagine. How? Through His great power! Why? So He gets glory in the church! We need to pray. We need to see what we can do to enhance God's ministry. (Eph. 3:20)

It's CDC Pre-school Time

By Cindy Parker

The three year olds enjoyed their September activities! To mention just a few, they read *The Apple Pie Tree*, cut trees from paper plates, and made homemade applesauce. Their classroom smelled like grandma's kitchen with the sweet scent of apples and cinnamon! One of their favorite snacks was apple slices with peanut butter. Yum! Yum!

The four year olds began September by learning "All About Me". They talked about themselves, their family and pets. They also made a family tree that included a picture and other important things. They reviewed shapes and talked about shapes in the classroom and all around their environment. Sounds like the fours are having a great learning experience!

As the bell rings for our after schoolers to return to school, we are here to support them. After a snack break, students complete and review all routine homework assignments. In addition, we encourage personal creativity, physical development and courteous social skills. Students are also instructed in personal values that are Christ-like such as respect, integrity, teamwork and citizenship.

Our goal is to provide a program that meets each child's academic and recreational needs in hope that when these children are picked up they can enjoy quality time with their families.

"UPLIFT" Movement Exercise Class

Uplift your spirit and body on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. with Christian music, strengthening exercise, and prayer. The exercise class is held in the youth room #406 and will improve your physical, mental and spiritual well being. All you need is a yoga type exercise mat. For more information, contact Mary Lynn Porter at 272-0852.

Lunch Bunch Meeting

The Lunch Bunch will meet Tuesday, October 6 at 11:30 a.m. at Calico Jack's Restaurant. We can order from the "under \$6.00" menu or the regular menu. Please let Catherine Brewer know (249-4355) if you will be able to attend by Sunday, October 4 before 5:00 p.m.

Mission Possible, Finding a Cure

The Coastal Carolina's 6th annual Stride 'N Ride will be at Halyburton Park in Wilmington, NC, Saturday, November 7 from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Mission Possible, Finding a Cure". Linda Henricks will have a team specifically raising funds for ALS research in honor of Jim Davis called "Jim's Journey". If anyone would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to MDA (with the team name on the memo) and give it to her.

Homecoming
Sunday, October 25
Covered dish lunch in the Family Life
Center following the 11:00 service

November 6-7

RA's Plan Camping Trip

By Paul Prevatte

The RAs meet Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m.. If you are a young man in grades 1-6, we would love to have you sign up. We study about missions, do mission work and get to know our missionaries around the world. Oh yes, we do fun stuff too. Every fourth week we go to the gym, every sixth week we go for ice cream and if we finish early, we play hide and seek.

Now for the big news. I met with other churches in our association and we are planning the first Waccamaw Association Campout. It will be November 6-7 and the rain date is November 13-14. Bond fires, hot dogs, grits, eggs and all kinds of games will be played well into the night. We have about 75 boys committed and all the churches have yet to get the information. We are asking for all fathers that can go to join us. If you know of a young man that is not in RAs but wants to go, send him to me. From the pen of Paul, but not the Apostle.



Campout

November 8

Veterans and Active Military Salute

We will be celebrating our veterans and active military salute on Sunday, November 8. We are sure you remember our Memorial Day video, which used pictures you supplied of your loved ones. Now, in celebration of Veterans' Day, we will be showing a video of our veterans who are still with us, as well as our active military. This video will include pictures of our members, relatives and loved ones. Please get your photos to the church office no later than Monday, October 26. We will also need to know the branch of the service, the years served, what war (if any), and any medals earned.



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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Carrie Rogers John Stinson	2 Sarah Fabrizio	3
4	5 Richard Young McKenzie Young	6 Lee Carter	7 Cindy Hyatt	8 Bill Bellamy Joseph Harrison	9 Paul Reinhardt	10 Ann Taylor Wanda Lee Pat Jones Rebecca Richard
11 Joseph Hamvas	12 George Levy Lucian Stephens Beth Humphreys	13 Ruth Smith Patricia Landrum Kim Rue	14 Colleen Smith Joey Dyar	15 Nettie Edge	16 Melanie Smith	17
18 Margie Branscome	19 Jack Williams Donal Wright Anita Gore	20 Winston Jones Beady Moore Bobbie McLamb Michael Gambrell	21 Phil Bird	22	23 Jan Ellington Joyce Young Ray Mason	24
25 Edwin Bellamy	26 Betty Keith AJ Edge	27 Noah Hayes	28 Reba Walker Betty Williamson Fannie Holmes	29 Margaret Hawkins	30	31 Allison Lewis

	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25 HOMECOMING
USHERS				
8:30 a.m.	Duke Foyle, Chip McIntyre	Gerald Smith, John Stinson	Leon Hayes, Paul Prevatte	Ken Plummer, Boo Boo Todd
11:00 a.m.	David Bell, Chip Bellamy, Frank Boulineau III, Ray Cooper, Kenny McLamb	Gary Carroll, Russell Courtney, JL Dunlow, George Lowe, Ashley McLamb	Charlie Bellamy, Chris Bellamy, Russ Courtney, Scott Harmon, Cary Smith	Pete Bellamy, Charles Brewer, Ralph Bussey, Porter Kennington, Bronson Summers
6:30 p.m.	Elaine Collins, Mason Collins	Polly and Tom Parrott	Ron Ball, Ron Bruce	Homecoming—No evening services
GREETERS				
Front Door	Chuck and Bren Collins	Bill and Lynda Hoke	Ted and Phyllis Medler	Charles and Betty Brewer
Side Door B Wing	Gene and Imogene Blackmon	Carolyn and Leon Hayes	AJ Edge and Boo Boo Todd	Susie Horne and Monroe Tickle
Drive Thru	Chuck and Becky McDowell	Paul and Cindy Prevatte	Jerry and Margie Branscome	Ron and Margaret Ball
Welcome Desk	Lois Bellamy	Bobbie Brannon	Nesbeth Fisher	Cathleen Floyd
NURSERY & CHILDREN'S CHURCH				
Nursery	Natalie Wayne	Lisa Bell	Sherry Baldasarre	Dee Jordan
Children's Church	Jennifer Carter	Ashley Jackson	Susie Horne	Kim Rue
SECURITY TEAM (All services this week)				
Sunday & Wednesday	Ralph Bussey, Dwain Spivey	Danny Bullard, Boo Boo Todd	Paul Prevatte, Bill Hoke	Scott Harmon, David Belle

World Hunger, Sunday, October 11

World Hunger envelopes will be in the pews Sunday, October 11. 100% of the money is used to fight hunger in South Carolina, North America and the world. You can also bring staple foods, especially canned spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, any meat products, and place them in the gray mission boxes around the church. The RAs will be at all doors with soup pots collecting your donations. Checks for world hunger should be made payable to FBCNMB. For more information visit www.namb.net/hunger.





SUNDAY

8:00 Chapel Choir Practice
 8:30 Worship Service
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service
 5:30 Children's Music
 6:30 TeamKid
 6:30 Evening Worship & Youth

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 7:30 am—Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Friendly's
4 11:00 am—4:00 pm—Blood Drive  4:30 pm—Deacons' Meeting	5 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm—Quilting 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 PM—12 Step Program	6 11:30 am—Lunch Bunch@ Calico Jack's Restaurant 6:30 pm—Visitation Team	7 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 6:30 pm—RAs & GAs 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	8 6:00 pm—Steering Committee Meeting	9	10
11 World Hunger Sunday  5:30 pm—Personnel Meeting	12 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm—Quilting 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 PM—12 Step Program	13 6:30 pm—Visitation Team	14 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 6:30 pm—RAs & GAs 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	15	16	17
18	19 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm—Quilting 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 6:00 pm—Budget and Finance Committee Meeting	20 6:30 pm—Visitation Team	21 6:30 pm—Quarterly Church Conference 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 6:30 pm—RAs & GAs 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	22	23	24
25 Homecoming No evening services	26 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm—Quilting 11:15 am—Handbell Choir 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	27 6:30 pm—Visitation Team	28 6:30 pm—Prayer Service 6:30 pm—Youth Worship 6:30 pm—RAs & GAs 7:30 pm—Choir Practice 8:00 pm—12 Step Program	29	30	31