

## BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

*Family of Faith*



**From our Pastor**

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*Spring  
Training*

**APRIL  
2010**

Get started now!  
Invite people to  
Sunday School, make contacts with  
missing members, have a fellowship!  
Each week winners from each division  
will be announced. An overall champion  
will be recognized at the end of the  
competition on Sunday April 25th.

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**Beloved,**

Cecil B. DeMille was a famous American movie producer and director. He is best known for his movies such as The Ten Commandments, Cleopatra, and The Greatest Show On Earth. He once told about a personal experience many years ago that illustrates the truth of the resurrection.

Having been commissioned to write a play, he was drifting on a lake in a small boat in order to think and take notes without being interrupted. Making no effort to direct the little vessel, he drifted toward shore, and the front of the boat plowed gently into the soft mud. DeMille made no effort to move from the place but kept on in his work. As he continued to work, he noticed a water beetle perched on the gunwale. It had come up out of the mud, set its sharp claws, and died.

With his eyes on the beetle drying in the warm sun, he saw a split start and run the full length of the back. Then out of the crevice was poked a wet head followed by an equally wet body. For a few moments it dried itself in the sun. The texture changed. Color emerged. Wings began to move. And in a moment a beautiful dragon fly circled above him. After viewing the spectacular transformation, he said, "If God does that for a water beetle, don't you believe he will do it for me?"

Martin Luther reminds us, "Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime." God has written the truth of resurrection into the natural laws of the universe, with the greatest resurrection being His Son. 1 Corinthians 15:20 says, "But now Christ has been raised from the dead..." Join us Sunday as we celebrate the greatest event in human history.

*Pastor Russell*



*Join us  
Easter Sunday,  
April 4 as we  
worship  
together!*



**VBS CLINIC**

**Thursday, April 9**

**6:30 p.m.**

**FBC, Elk City**

**All VBS directors and  
workers are encouraged to  
attend!!! Random prize  
drawings!!!**

**Our VBS will be  
July 11-15, 2010.**





**OUR CHURCH GOAL :**  
\$16,000.00

**Rec'd to Date: \$8,762.32**

Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks for your convenience.

**Reminder!**  
**NO MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST SUNDAY, APRIL 4**

**Live Embers Thursday, April 8 Noon Fellowship Hall Entertainment presented by the Grandview Show Choir. Join Us!!!**

**Gym Hours:**  
4/05 4:00-8:00 pm  
4/06 Closed  
4/07 5:00-9:00 pm  
4/08 Closed/VBS Clinic

**THANK-YOU'S**  
Have been received from the following:  
David C. & Ofelia Cross  
\*Posted on the bulletin board near the Chapel.

**Doc's Notes**



**60+ Ministry**

THIS WEEK - Please fill out the forms and return them to FBC or leave in you S.S. Box. Also, help us name this new group. The following is not on the form but write names for President, V-Pres and Social Chairman on the bottom of the last page. THANKS!

**Graded Choir "Spring" Program**

Date - May 2  
Time - 6:00 pm  
Parents - WE have "4" rehearsals remaining before our Spring Program! Attendance is a MUST for memory work and final bell rehearsals. Thanks!

**Youth Choir & Bells**

NO rehearsal THIS weekend, April 4. I need to know if you are planning to go to Amarillo, Texas on Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>. WE need EVERYONE to make this concert work with bells and choir! Bells, you sounded "GREAT" last night. THANKS!

**YM Choir**

I will be sending a note concerning our one day trip to OKC when I know all the costs for ice skating and incredible pizza. Thanks for singing and playing the bells in our worship service last Sunday morning.

*Doc*



**We NEED your help in extended session or Kid's Church Easter Sunday. Please call or see Ann if are available this Sunday. Thank You!**

**Coming Events**

- April 4 *Happy Easter Sunday!!!*  
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
8:45 a.m. Deacon's Prayer Meeting, Parlor  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- April 5 9:30 a.m. Homebound Meeting, Conf Room  
6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Team C
- April 6 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
- April 7 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs  
5:00 p.m. Weds Meal  
5:45 p.m. Wkly Teacher's Mtg, AD6  
6:00 p.m. AWANA; Yth Tch Mtg, Yth Rm  
6:30 p.m. The Island; TNT Bible Drill (Weds Worship; Regenerate)
- April 8 Noon Live Embers, Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Associational VBS Clinic, FBC Gym S.I.S., AD4  
8:00 p.m. Girls Night Out, Parlor

**Extended Session:**

- Babies:**  
Levi & Corrie Richardson
- Creepers:**  
NEED HELP!!!
- 1 year olds:**  
Sandra McClure/Linda Jackson
- 2 year olds:**  
Wendell & Shellean Dunn
- 3 year olds:**  
Donna Womack/Linda Beals
- 4 year olds:**  
Wallace & Linda Baker



**Weekly Report**

March 28, 2010

**The People Came...**

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	305
Youth.....	75
Children.....	87
Preschool.....	78
Fellowship.....	8
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>553</b>
Hispanic Mission.....	42
<b>Total *incl. mission.....</b>	<b>595</b>
New S.S. Members.....	0
Enrollment:.....	1430

**The People Gave...**

Budget Needs.....	\$30,117.00
Received.....	\$28,985.95
Below.....	\$1,131.05
Bldg Received.....	\$2,142.50

**And the Lord Added...**

By Letter.....	0
By Statement.....	0
By Baptism.....	0
Professions of Faith.....	0

**Year to Date**

Additions

By Letter.....	19
By Statement.....	1
By Baptism.....	31
Total.....	51

**Giving**

Budget Need.....	\$391,521.00
Received.....	\$399,725.22
Above.....	\$8,204.22
Total Bldg Rec'd ....	\$155,307.38