

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



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Beloved,

"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." (Psalm 118:23) When I think of all the Lord is doing in our church family, this is the verse that comes to my mind. It has been a terrific year so far. We have been baptizing people on a regular basis. Our tithes and offerings continue to exceed our budget. Every time we gather together, there is a sense of excitement, anticipation, and a looking forward to what God is going to do.

The Hispanic Mission building is coming along well. We hope to have it finished and ready to move into sometime this summer. Pastor Josefath, Silvia, and their family are doing a great work in the birth and growth of this church. Continue to pray for this work that is bearing much fruit.

Spring Training, our Sunday School emphasis, has been a lot of fun and will conclude this coming Sunday. I want to thank the church family for all of your contacts, visits, and hard work in reaching out to people who need to be in Sunday School. We have surpassed 600 in Sunday School at least seven times since the first of the year. Thanks for all of your effort in this area.

Our Building Ministry Team has been having regular meetings and currently doing needs assessment studies to see what our next building project needs to be. Please keep them in your prayers as they seek the Lord's will in what our future direction needs to be. Whatever we undertake, we will need to have a lot of the funds upfront before we start construction. Our attitude needs to be that of William Carey, "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God."

It is a joy to be a part of a church family that wants to seek God and move forward with Him. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

Pastor Russell



APRIL 2010 Angels vs. Royals

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 this Sunday April 25th.



Can't find the pie plate or the casserole dish you know you own? It may be

in the church kitchen! Please, please pick up any dishes you have left for funeral meals SOON! Thanks!!!



OKLAHOMA
BLOOD
INSTITUTE BLOOD
DRIVE

TUESDAY,
APRIL 27

FBC GYM

Senior Adults, we now have a van available to transport you to doctor's appointments. This service is provided by our Deacon Ministry. If you are need of a ride, please call the church office @225-7951 to schedule your transportation.



Doc's Notes



Graded Choir "Spring" Program

Date – May 2 Time – 6:00 pm
 Parents – WE have "1" rehearsal remaining before our Spring Program!

THANKS

I would like to thank ALL those who volunteered to help make the SCW concert a success. Norma Kingsford, Ann Freeman, Gayle Elliott and Louise Beecham were the official greeters. Thank you Judy Brower, Debbie Bates, Jeri Bordine, Jone Duck, members of the Hospitality committee and ALL FBC staff. Danny Ogles and Jennifer Moran helped coordinate all the audio visual for the concert. What a great evening!

YM Choir [5th & 6th grade...Parents needed]

1. Date: Tuesday, May 25th
2. Leave Elk City... 10 a.m. / Home around 7:45 p.m.
3. Cost: \$17 each (Ice Skating \$7/Incredible Pizza \$10) "Extra" cash for game and snacks [your call]
4. I will need permission forms signed before we leave.

Adult Choir [July 4th ...Patriotic musical production]

We have started rehearsals on the July 4th musical "AMERICA We Must Not Forget". Come and be part of the choir, an ensemble, trio or duet. See you NEXT Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm.

Youth Choir & Bells

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you each week! The youth choir is scheduled to sing again NEXT Sunday evening! Remember...our attendance at rehearsals is vital for our May 23rd concert in Amarillo. Parents, sponsors needed....call Doc!

Doc

Coming Events

- April 25 8:45 a.m. Deacon's Prayer Meeting, Parlor
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 4:00 p.m. Youth Bells/Choir; ESL; FPU, AD7
 4:30 p.m. GriefShare, AD3 Men's Classroom
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- April 26 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Team E
- April 27 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
 Noon-6:00 p.m. OBI Blood Drive, FBC Gym
- April 28 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; Weds Worship; Regenerate

Extended Session:

- Babies:**
Denise Davis/Ronda Mikles
- Creepers:**
NEED HELP!!!
- 1 year olds:**
John & Megan Thomas
- 2 year olds:**
Dee Hargrove/Shirley Long
- 3 year olds:**
Christie Spieker/Anita Ball
- 4 year olds:**
Kelli Freeman/Abby Benton



Weekly Report

April 18, 2010

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance	
Adults.....	306
Youth.....	73
Children.....	81
Preschool.....	80
Fellowship.....	39
Total.....	579
Hispanic Mission.....	51
Total *incl. mission.....	630
New S.S. Members.....	3
Enrollment:.....	1442

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$30,117.00
Received.....	\$24,103.33
Below.....	\$6,013.67
Bldg Received.....	\$641.25

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.....	35
Total.....	55

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$481,872.00
Received.....	\$531,123.69
Above.....	\$49,251.69
Total Bldg Rec'd	\$178,893.63

Gym Hours:



4/26	4:00 - 8:00 pm
4/27	Closed/OBI
4/28	5:00 - 9:00 pm
4/29	Closed/ Men's BB League

THANK-YOU's

Have been received from the following:

Kay Metcalf

*Posted on the bulletin board near the Chapel.