

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for



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From our Pastor

Beloved,

One of my favorite children's books is Alexander and The Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day. We read it to our boys when they were little and now we are reading the same book to our grandchildren. I want to share a brief part of the book which takes place when Alexander awakens in the morning:

"I went to sleep with gum in my mouth and now there's gum in my hair and when I got out of bed this morning I tripped on the skateboard and by mistake I dropped my sweater in the sink while the water was running and I could tell it was going to be a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day."

After a terrible day at school, a horrible visit with the dentist, and a no good stop at the shoe store, Alexander slumps in his chair at the supper table. His troubles are continued: "There was lima beans for dinner and I hate limas. There was kissing on TV and I hate kissing. My bath was too hot, I got the soap in my eyes, my marble went down the drain, and I had to wear my railroad train pajamas. I hate my railroad pajamas.

When I went to bed Nick took back the pillow he said I could keep and the Mickey Mouse nightlight burned out and I bit my tongue. The cat wants to sleep with Anthony, not with me. It has been a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day." Even those of us who are adults can identify with days like that! Maybe for you it has not been a day, but weeks or months of challenge.

I am thankful that God is with in the difficult day or longer. Nahum 1:7 says, "The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him." Psalm 42:11 says, Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God." Trusting in Jesus,

Pastor Russell

April 5, 12, & 19 2009
Spring Training Score Totals



Angels 7682
Royals 7145

The Beckham-Mills Baptist Association is hosting a day of celebration
Saturday, May2, 2009 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.
honoring Bro. Ralph Chapman on his 20th Anniversary as our Director of Missions.
The event will be held at the Association Office
at 1906 North Watts in Sayre.

***In lieu of gifts, a love offering money tree will be presented to Ralph and De. Please make your checks payable to Ralph**



OBI BLOOD DRIVE
TUESDAY, APRIL 28
Noon-6:00 p.m.
FBC Gymnasium

LIFE WALK 2009
SATURDAY
April 25, 2009
at the Walking Track
west of the Ackley Park

9:30 a.m. Registration

Snacks & drinks

10:00 a.m. Walk Begins

2-1/2 miles

For sponsor pledge forms or any ques-

**Oklahoma Baptist
Men's Retreat
April 24-25
Falls Creek**

**Men, it's not too late!
We'll leave
at 1:00 p.m.
Friday afternoon.
Join Us!!!**



**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!!!**

**May 26-29 Junior
Camp**
**June 1-5 Super
Summer**
**June 22-27 Falls
Creek**

**ACTIVITIES
BUILDING
SCHEDULE**



Gym Hours:
April 27 4:00-8:00 p.m.
April 29 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Thank You's
have been received from the following:

The Family of Gaylon Jackson
Stephanie Kay

Oklahoma Home & Community
Education, Inc.

Wanda Richardson

Sharon Baker & Family

The Family of Aaron Lee Murray
Darren, Latia Murray and Family

The Family of J.R. Simmons
Gladys Simmons & Family

Posted on the bulletin board
near the chapel.

Doc's Notes



Summer Missions

We are beginning to "seek" opportunities for special mission projects in the Elk City area. Please call if you know of a special need!

Prayer: Singing Men of Oklahoma

Performance schedule:

- 1) Thurs. [23rd] -AM sightseeing at Mt. Ararat, afternoon tour "Genocide Memorial".
- 2) Fri. [24th] - "8" separate choirs sing until 5:00 p.m. at Memorial. Mass choir concert "Aran Khachaturian Auditorium".
- 3) Sat. [25th] - everyone transfer to Tel Aviv airport. PM Concerts at "Hillel St. Assembly" & "Dar Annadwa Hall...Bethlehem Lutheran Center".
- 4) Sun. [26th] "11" AM choirs & mass choir w/ "3" afternoon & evening concerts at "Jerusalem YMCA Auditorium". Long day!
- 5) Mon. [27th] - Mount of Olives and Bethlehem tour. Evening concert for "Armenian Community inside OLD City of Jerusalem".
- 6) Tues [28th] Jericho, Cana, Tiberias & Sea of GalileeTours
- 7) Wed. [29th] - Western Wall, Via Dolorosa, Garden Tomb Tours. Private worship service-Garden Tomb
- 8) Thurs. [30th] Rick & Doc -Flight # 1[leave hotel for airport at 1AM] The first of "11" departing flights for USA. See you Sunday, May 3!

Adult Choir Now is the time to join the Adult Choir for our combined "mass" choir concerts with FBC Weatherford, Clinton & Elk City. Come and join in on the fellowship Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

Doc

Coming Events

- April 26 S.S. Spring Training!!
8:30 a.m. Nominating Team Mtg, Conf Rm
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
4:00 p.m. ESL
5:00 p.m. *Vertically Inclined Study*, AD6
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- April 27 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E.. Outreach Team E
- April 28 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
Noon-6:00 p.m. OBI Blood Drive, FBC Gym
- April 29 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
5:00 p.m. Fellowship Meals
5:15 p.m. Preschool Choirs
5:45 p.m. Weekly Teachers Mtg, AD6
6:00 p.m. AWANA; Yth Teachers Mtg, Yth Rm
6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- May 2 2:00-4:00 p.m. 20th Anniversary Reception For Bro. Ralph Chapman, BMBA office, Sayre

Extended Session:

Babies:
Denise Davis/Ronda Mikles

Creepers:
NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
Chris & Casey Cannon

2 year olds:
Dee Hargrove/Shirley Long

3 year olds:
Christie Spieker/Anita Ball

4 year olds:
Mark & Abby Benton



Weekly Report

April 19, 2009

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	273
Youth.....	67
Children.....	76
Preschool.....	71
Fellowship.....	28
Total.....	515
Hispanic Mission.....	30
Total *incl. mission.....	545
New S.S. Members.....	2
Enrollment:.....	1408

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$29,380.00
Received.....	\$39,597.80
Above.....	\$10,217.80
Bldg Received.....	\$1,482.50

And the Lord Added...

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

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	50
By Statement.....	7
By Baptism.....	31
Total.....	88

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$470,080.00
Received.....	\$458,328.53
Below.....	\$11,751.47
Building Received.....	\$43,490.57
Balance on Note	\$91,636.71
Principal Paid.....	\$112,363.29