

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



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From our Pastor

Beloved,

Most of us are familiar with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. It is a long wall made of black marble engraved with the names of those killed in the war. Many, many people come to see it and remember their loved ones and friends. Much like the Oklahoma bombing memorial, people will leave different things there in memory of those they love. They leave things like flags, letters, pictures, stuffed animals, trinkets, and many other things.

Craig Larson tells about a book called *Offerings at the Wall* that pictures many of these mementos. These are some of the stories: "One man left dog tags, a headband, and a letter that reads, 'To all of you here from Echo Company, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division...I leave you my headband, which contains my sweat from the war, my dog tag, and a picture of me and Mike. Another time, another place. I'll never forget you.'"

He also mentions a woman who left a braid of hair and a picture of a house with an American flag hanging at the porch. Her note read, "Wayne, I think of you everyday and miss you so much. I love you." Written on one flag was this message: "May all of you who died, all of you still missing, and all of you who returned home never be forgotten—Connie."

It is important to remember. Jesus told us to remember him in a certain way. In Luke 22:19-20 it says, "And having taken some bread, when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is My body which is given for you; do this *in remembrance* of Me.'" And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood." Join us this Sunday morning as we remember and celebrate the Lord's Supper.

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 at the end of the competition on Sunday April 25th.



**The Lord's Supper
will be observed
Sunday, April 11
during our morn-
ing worship
service.**

Summer 2010 Dates

Junior Camp June 1-4

Super Summer
June 7-11



Youth
Mission
Trip

June 24-

July 3


VBS-Saddle Ridge Ranch
July 11-15

Falls Creek July 19-24




**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**

By Baptism



Haylee
Poole
129 Eagle
Circle



Abby
Bruner
1510 N.
Randall

Doc's Notes



Graded Choir "Spring" Program

Date – May 2
Time – 6:00 pm
Parents – WE have "3" rehearsals remaining before our Spring Program! Attendance is a MUST for memory work and final bell rehearsals. Thanks!

Youth Choir & Bells

I need to know if you are planning to go to Amarillo on Sunday, May 23. Please check w/ your parents by THIS WEEKEND!

IN CONCERT!

The Singing Church Women of Oklahoma will be in our church on Tuesday evening, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. FBC members include: Debbie Beaty, Donna Morris & Shannan Cloud. Please invite you family and neighbors to come hear this 180+ voice group.

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

1. Date: Tuesday, May 25th
 2. Leave Elk City... 10:00 am/Home around 7:45 p.m.
 3. Cost: Ice Skating [\$7.00] & Incredible Pizza [\$10] = \$17 per person
 4. "Extra" cash for game and snacks [your call]
- I will need permission forms signed before we leave.

Live Embers

1. May 13th lunch guests – Homeschool Choir & Bells!
2. Thursday, July 8th we will be going to MEERS for lunch! Other activities will be announced SOON!

Doc

Extended Session:

Babies:
Sheila Sutton/Sally Coffey

Creepers:
NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
Ashley Laufer/Katy Womack

2 year olds:
Terri & Josh Priddle

3 year olds:
Michael & Sheila Smith

4 year olds:
Jeff & Greta Louis




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OUR CHURCH GOAL :
\$16,000.00

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\$11,023.17

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Weekly Report

April 4, 2010

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance	
Adults.....	323
Youth.....	83
Children.....	94
Preschool.....	83
Fellowship.....	24
Total.....	607
Hispanic Mission.....	49
Total *incl. mission.....	656
New S.S. Members.....	8
Enrollment:.....	1430

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$30,117.00
Received.....	\$39,303.52
Above.....	\$9,186.52
Bldg Received.....	\$2,046.00

And the Lord Added...

By Letter	0
By Statement	0
By Baptism	2
Professions of Faith.....	2

Year to Date


Additions	
By Letter.....	19
By Statement.....	1
By Baptism.....	33
Total.....	53

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$421,638.00
Received.....	\$439,028.74
Above.....	\$17,390.74
Total Bldg Rec'd	\$157,353.38

Gym Hours:

4/12	4:00-8:00 pm
4/13	4:00-8:00 pm
4/14	5:00-9:00 pm
4/15	Closed/Men's League



THANK-YOU'S

Have been received from the following:

YoYo & Sandi Collins
Bill Sorrels/Gideon Ministry

*Posted on the bulletin board near the Chapel.

Coming Events

- April 11 8:45 a.m. Deacon's Prayer Meeting, Parlor
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship/Lord's Supper
4:00 p.m. Youth Bells/Choir; ESL; FPU, AD7
5:00 p.m. Building Team Mtg, Conf Room
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- April 12 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Team A
- April 13 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
- April 14 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
5:00 p.m. Weds Meal
5:30 p.m. Budget/Finance Mtg, Conf Room
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
- April 16-17 Ladies Retreat@Falls Creek