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From our Pastor

Beloved,

In the 1986 New York City Marathon, almost 20,000 runners entered the race. I cannot tell you who won the marathon, but I can tell you who came in last. His name was Bob Wieland. He finished in 19,413th place. It took Bob four days, two hours, forty-seven minutes, and seventeen seconds to complete the marathon. Without a doubt, it was the slowest marathon finish in history. So what is it that made Bob's race so special?

Bob Wieland ran with his arms. Seventeen years earlier, when he was a soldier serving in Vietnam, a mortar attack cost him his legs. So Bob runs with his arms. He sits on a fifteen pound saddle and covers his fists with pads. He uses his muscular arms to catapult his body forward, one arm length at a time.


He can run about one mile per hour. If it took more than four days to finish the marathon and you come in last, why even bother to finish? Here's why. It is a victory just to finish a marathon. How much more so in the case of Bob Wieland. He is a winner because he overcame the greatest adversity of anyone on the track that day.

The Bible describes the Christian life as a race. Hebrews 12:1 says, "let us run with endurance the race that is set before us." 1 Corinthians 9:24 says, "run in such a way that you may win." Let me encourage you in this race called life to run, endure and finish the race. Leave the evaluation to God. It is finishing that counts. In the world's eyes you may feel like you are in last place. Don't forget that Jesus said, "the first shall be last and the last shall be first." Faithfully run the race and leave the results to God.

Looking to Jesus,

Pastor Russell

Fellowship Meals
Wednesdays
5 p.m.
Make reservations by
noon Mondays.



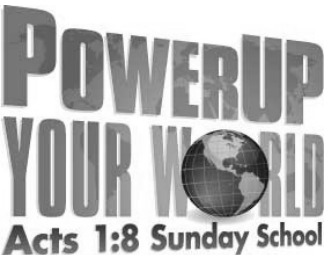
**BECKHAM-MILLS
BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION
MISSION TRIP**

TANZANIA AFRICA '08 TEAM
August 25 - September 10, 2008

Hannah Beals	Terry Beals
Jerry Cannon	Tom Cooksey
Ben Van Vacter	Jim Miller
Ashley Hamilton	Caleb Yuck
Crystal Lockler	Benny Lockler
Kendell Hamilton	Pat Malone
Nathan Hamilton	Larry Parvin
Jo Richards	Marvin Savory
Penny Savory	Dennis Treat

Ralph Chapman

PRAY EACH DAY
for this team on mission in Africa



**POWERUP
YOUR WORLD**
Acts 1:8 Sunday School

Kicks Off
Sunday,
September 7!!!

P3 Mission Journals
will be available in
S.S. August 31. These
7-week journals will
take us through

POWER UP!

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**

By Baptism



Monica Brownfield
Whitney & Keeva
525 Willow



Adolfo Rodarte
Rt 1, Box 17
Cheyenne, OK

Doc's Notes



New England "2008 Fall" Foliage Trip

You have received your letter and call FBC office w/ the following information:

1. Call the church office by THIS Friday, August 29th - do you plan to travel to OKC the evening before and stay in a motel or get up very early Monday morning and ride to the airport [as a group].
2. ALL participants received a notice last week ..from Travelink ...about the extra airline "surcharges". I have been talking with Travelink and YOU can expect another reminder note "TWO" weeks before our departure date.

Adult Choir

Choir has begun and we have already looked at some of our Christmas music. Our choir family looks forward to you joining us on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Nursery provided!

Graded Choirs

Teachers and pianists are needed for our graded choirs beginning in September. Our DIRECTORS for the '08-'09 choir year:

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| 1. 3 yr. old | Patsy Pothorst |
| 2. 4-5 yr. old | Donna Morris |
| 3. 1 st -3 rd Grade | Joshua Dodd |
| 4. 4 th -6 th Grade | Lori Daubenspeck |
| 5. 7 th -12 th grade | Doc Ware |

SCHEDULE [Wednesday, September 10th]

3:15 p.m. "PICK UP" 1st - 6th graders AT each school. Short snack time then Choirs!

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. 1st - 6th Grade Choirs

5:00 p.m. - 5:40 p.m. 3yr old & 4-5 yr old choirs

[Parents please take younger children to fellowship hall to eat at 5:45 p.m.]

FBC Muskogee

Our 1981 - 1991 youth choir will have a reunion this weekend in Muskogee. The reunion choir will be singing in TWO services on Sunday morning. I'm looking forward to renewed friendships with these "young adults" and their families.

Doc

Extended Session:

Babies:

Tammy Langford/Cindy Buckmaster

1 year olds:

David & Shana Dyson

2 year olds:

Randy & Patsy Pothorst

3 year olds:

Ronnie & Lucy Rainey

4 year olds:

Sandy Bledsoe/Sissy Burch



Weekly Report

August 24, 2008

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults	307
Youth.....	89
Children.....	104
Preschool.....	71
Fellowship.....	26
Hispanic Mission.....	29
Total.....	626
New S.S. Members.....	6
Enrollment:.....	1330

The People Gave...

Budget Needs	\$28,258.00
Received.....	\$23,568.10
Below.....	\$4,689.90
Building Need.....	\$3,462.00
Received.....	\$936.50
Below.....	\$2,525.50

And the Lord Added...

By Letter	0
By Statement.....	0
By Baptism.....	4
Professions of Faith.....	4

Year to Date

Additions	
By Letter.....	9
By Statement.....	2
By Baptism.....	6
Total.....	17

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$960,772.00
Received.....	\$1,018,899.80
Above.....	\$58,127.80
Building Need.....	\$117,708.00
Building Received...	\$142,682.76
Balance on Note	\$276,199.57

**Wee School
Openings**

We have one opening
in our 1-year-old class.
If interested,
call the church
office@225-7951
for more information.

**ACTIVITIES
BUILDING
SCHEDULE**

Open Gym
Hours:



Sept 1	CLOSED
Sept 2	3:30-8:00 p.m.
Sept 3	4:00-9:00 p.m.
Sept 4	3:30-8:00 p.m.

THANK YOU'S

have been received
from the following:

Katie Fuchs

Stephanie Leistner
OKDHS Resource Specialist

Look for them on the bulletin board.

Coming Events

- August 31 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- Sept 1 Labor Day - Church Office Closed
- Sept 2 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Homebound Meeting, Conference Room
2:00 p.m. W.O.M., Conference Room
- Sept 3 5:00 p.m. Weds Meals - *Make Reservations!*
6:30 p.m. AWANA Carnival/Registration
Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

LOOK INSIDE FOR OUR SEPTEMBER CALENDAR!!!