

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



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From our Pastor

Beloved,

The story is told about a small community in which a little boy was missing in the nearby woods. No one could account for him; no one knew where he might be in the wooded area. An alarm was sounded and the entire community responded. There were fishermen who abandoned their nets and merchants who closed their shops.

There were farmers who left their plows in the field and there were homemakers who left their washing in the tub. Everyone turned out to hunt for the little fellow. There was great haste because with the night coming, the boy would be in great danger out in the woods by himself.

After many hours of searching, just as twilight was coming, the scared child was found! The result of the rescue was incredible joy in finding what was lost! There is no joy like finding something that you thought was lost. Several years ago I thought I had lost my checkbook. I looked and searched for days and could not find it. My great fear was that someone had stolen it and I would have to go through the process of solving an identity theft. Then one day, I found the checkbook wedged deep between the seat and floorboard of my car. I promise you that my response was great joy!

This is the premise behind our upcoming "Care Ministry Visitation." There are many who are on our membership roll that we have not seen in a long time that we need to find. I hope you will join us these next several Monday nights as we go out and find what is lost. Jesus said the shepherd rejoices over finding the lost sheep more than over the ninety-nine that have not gone astray. Hope to see you Monday night.

Pastor Russell



One Month to Live

Small discussion groups will meet in our Fellowship Hall Sundays at 7 p.m. beginning February 28 for 4 weeks if you would like to attend.

The books are \$12 & yard signs are \$4. We have signs available at the church office and in the S.S. office. More books here Friday!



The Lord's Supper Service will be observed Sunday, February 28 at 6:00 p.m. during our evening worship.

CARE MINISTRY VISITATION TRAINING

*Meal Provided

Monday, March 1 6:00 p.m.
FBC Fellowship Hall

Pastor Russell will provide training & materials. Please join us as we visit our members who seldom come.



ONE MORE CHANCE FOR DIRECTORY PICTURES!!!

Please call Cindy at the church office (225-7951) if you did not get to take a picture for the Directory. If you are still interested, a photographer will come back to FBC Elk City on Monday, March 1. Or maybe you'd just like to take pictures for Mother's Day or Easter - this would be a great time to schedule a photo date! Call *Soon!!!*

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**

By Baptism




Tate Crouch
1501 W. Debbie Drive

We have immediate openings in Wee School 1's & 3's classes. For info. call Katy@225-7951.



ACTIVITIES BUILDING SCHEDULE



Gym Hours:

March 1	4:00-8:00 pm
March 2	4:00-8:00 pm
March 3	5:00-9:00 pm
March 4	4:00-8:00 pm

THANK YOU'S

Received from the following:

James & Joyce Ellis
Sherry Freels
Obera Wilber
Denise Eitenmiller
Pauline Hill
Herman & Norma Lowery
Julianna Cummings

Posted on the bulletin board near the chapel.

Doc's Notes



Youth Choir / Bells

We sing THIS Sunday evening, Feb. 28th. I look forward to seeing each of you next Sunday! Please be "ON TIME" to bells and choir!

Adult Choir

We have "4" Wednesday rehearsals remaining before our performance on Sunday evening, March 28th. Thanks for all you hard work! I will see each of you Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Handbells

WE have "4" rehearsals remaining before our Easter performance. Everyone needed!

60+ Luncheon

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the morning worship service.

Doc

60 + Luncheon
Sunday, February 28
Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Coming Events

- Feb 28 8:45 a.m. Deacon's Prayer Meeting, Parlor
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
- Noon 60+Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
- 4:00 p.m. ESL; Youth Bells/Choir; FPU, AD7
- 5:00 p.m. Properties Team Mtg, Conf Rm
- 6:00 p.m. Lord's Supper Service
- 7:00 p.m. Business Mtg; 1 Month to Live, FH
- Mar 1 9:30 a.m. Homebound Meeting, Conf Room
- 6:00 p.m. C.A.R.E. Visitation Training, FH
- 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Team C
- Mar 2 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
- Mar 3 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
- 5:00 p.m. Weds Meal
- 5:15 p.m. Preschool Choirs
- 5:45 p.m. Wkly Teachers' Mtg, AD6
- 6:00 p.m. AWANA; Youth Teachers' Mtg
- 6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate The Island
- Mar 4 6:30 p.m. S.I.S., AD4
- 8:00 p.m. Girls Night Out, Parlor
- Mar 6 9:00 a.m. Disaster Relief Training, FBC Elk City

Extended Session:

Babies:
David & Rachel Poole

Creepers:
NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
Glenda Ivins/Wanda Richardson

2 year olds:
Pete & Sheri Stover

3 year olds:
NEED HELP!!!

4 year olds:
Wayne & Stephanie Poole



Weekly Report
February 21, 2010

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	258
Youth.....	79
Children.....	71
Preschool.....	65
Fellowship.....	34
Total	507
Hispanic Mission.....	30
Total *incl. mission.....	537
New S.S. Members.....	4
Enrollment:	1424

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$30,117.00
Received.....	\$21,404.33
Below.....	\$8,712.67
Bldg Received.....	\$825.41

And the Lord Added...

By Letter	0
By Statement	0
By Baptism	1
Professions of Faith.....	1

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	13
By Statement.....	1
By Baptism.....	26
Total.....	40

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$240,936.00
Received.....	\$258,839.18
Above.....	\$17,903.18
Total Bldg Rec'd	\$145,612.33

LOOK INSIDE FOR THE MARCH CALENDAR!!!