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From our Pastor

Beloved,

The New Year: 2009 is here! I always look forward to the beginning of a new year. It can always be a time for a fresh start, especially spiritually speaking. I hope your new year is off to a good beginning. Recently in my reading I read a prayer that captures how I want to live my life in this new year by God's grace:

O Lord, help me to live this year –
quietly, easily
To lean upon your great strength –
trustfully, restfully
To wait for the unfolding of your will –
patiently, serenely
To meet others – peacefully, joyfully
To face each tomorrow – courageously

Winter Bible Conference: Dr. Rick Byargeon will be our Conference speaker. The date is January 18-21. Our study will be the book of Exodus. Dr. Byargeon has taught at OBU, Southwestern Seminary, and New Orleans Seminary. He earned his Ph.D in Old Testament. He has also written articles for publications such as Biblical Illustrator. Plan to be with us for a great time of Bible study.

Thank You: I want to thank the church family for all of your expressions of love to Jone and I during the Christmas season. Every card, note, gift, and word of encouragement is an incredible blessing to us. Please know that we love you dearly and count it a blessing to serve the Lord with you here in Elk City.

Glad to be your Pastor,

Russell

**Youth Choir & Bells begin
Sunday, January 11.
Graded Choirs and
Preschool Choirs begin
their Spring classes
Wednesday, January 14.**

WINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE January 18-21, 2009



Dr. Rick Byargeon will lead the January study. The conference will be the study of Exodus.

Dr. Byargeon, a native of North Louisiana, received his B.A. in Religion from Louisiana College and earned a M. Div. and a Ph.D. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth, TX. He has written numerous articles in various publications, such as *Biblical Illustrator*, as well as academic journals. Currently, Dr. Byargeon serves Temple Baptist Church in Ruston, LA where he resides with his wife, Jonann and their 14 year old son,

The Lottie Moon Post Office has closed for the season. Please check the table near the chapel for any cards that may have been "sent" to you. We have received \$29,252.17 for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Many Thanks from Josefath & Silvia for the 106 toys you sent to Mexico for Christmas!!! Pictures of the children with their new toys are posted on the bulletin board near the S.S. office.



First Baptist Church Elk City, Oklahoma

January 8, 2009

Women's Bible Study begins

Sunday, January 11
 This 10-week Beth Moore Study, *Esther: It's Tough Being A Woman* will be offered Sundays at 4:30 p.m. facilitated by Christie Spieker & Latia Murray or 7:15 p.m. facilitated by Rhonda Roper
 The cost for the class is \$16.

Doc's Notes



2009 Spring "Music" Schedule

You are invited to be part of our 2009 Music Ministry. NOW is a great time to join our FBC Music Ministry. Please mark your calendar for the following days:

1. Wednesday:
 - 1) 3:15 p.m. – FBC vans pick up 1st-6th graders at Elk City and Merritt schools.
 - 2) 4:00 p.m. - 1st-3rd Grade Choir, 4th-6th Grade Choir
 - 3) 5:15 p.m. – Preschool choirs.
2. THIS Sunday evening, Jan. 11:
 - 1) Youth – 4:30 p.m. Youth Bells, 5:00 p.m. snack supper, 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir.
 - 2) Adult Bells – 7:00 p.m.

Adult Choir

Our rehearsals for the 2009 spring semester have begun and YOU are invited to join a growing adult choir family. We will be performing a variety of music and plans are begin made to combine with FBC Weatherford and Clinton again this year in JUNE. A nursery is provided and rehearsals begin at 7:30 p.m. and end promptly at 8:30 p.m.

Live Embers

I will be mailing a schedule for our 2009 Thursday luncheons this week. Please put these dates on your calendar. We are also in the process of planning future trips and events that we will let you know about at a later date.

Doc

Extended Session:

- Babies:**
 Sara Cloud/Lori Cloud
1 year olds:
 Cody & Christian Callaway
2 year olds:
 LaDonna Farrell/Darlene James
3 year olds:
 Megan & David Nellis
4 year olds:
 Josh & Christi Thomas



Weekly Report

January 4, 2009

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	272
Youth.....	72
Children.....	92
Preschool.....	72
Fellowship.....	16
Total.....	524
Hispanic Mission.....	11
Total *incl. mission.....	535
New S.S. Members.....	12
Enrollment:.....	1390

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$29,380.00
Received.....	\$29,296.82
Below.....	\$83.18
Bldg Received.....	\$6,598.00

And the Lord Added...

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

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	36
By Statement.....	2
By Baptism.....	24
Total.....	62

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$29,380.00
Received.....	\$29,296.82
Below.....	\$83.18
Building Received.....	\$6,598.00
Balance on Note.....	\$172,439.02
Principal Paid.....	\$31,560.98

ACTIVITIES BUILDING SCHEDULE



Gym Hours:

Jan 12	6:00-8:00 p.m.
Jan 13	6:00-8:00 p.m.
Jan 14	5:00-9:00 p.m.
Jan 15	6:00-8:00 p.m.

THANK YOU's

Have been received from the following:

- The Family of Mildred Moore
 Darryl & Rae Moore, Clay & Toni Moore,
 and Terri & Tim Fielder
- Susan Eastom/Elk City Schools
- Sandy Fanning
- Fairview Elementary
- Irene Sullivan
- The Sherry Nutley Family
- Rhonda Colbert
- Karla Kennemer
- The Family of J.C. Farris
- Jewell Brown

Look for them on the Bulletin

Coming Events

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| Jan 11 | 9:30 a.m. Sunday School |
| | 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship |
| | Noon New Member Lunch,
Fellowship Hall |
| | 4:00 p.m. ESL |
| | 5:00 p.m. Baptist Faith & Message, AD4 |
| | 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship |
| Jan 12 | 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Outreach Team A |
| Jan 13 | 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall |
| Jan 14 | 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, Adult 6 |
| | 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 |



WINTER BIBLE STUDY JANUARY 18-21, 2009