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From our Pastor

Beloved,

I've been thinking about Vacation Bible School and all the children and the terrific opportunity we have to teach them God's Word and model to them what it means to be Christian.

It took me back to a devotional I read several years ago by John Piper entitled "Jesus and the Children." Piper said this: "One thing to watch for when assessing a person's spiritual fitness for ministry is how he or she relates to children. Put a child in the room and watch. This is what Jesus did to make his point.


When Jesus saw that his disciples were arguing over which of them was the greatest, "He sat down and called the twelve...and he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.' (Mark 9:34-37)

Receiving a child into your arms in the name of Jesus is a way to receive Jesus. And receiving Jesus is a way to receive God. Therefore how we deal with children is a signal of our fellowship with God. Something is deeply amiss in the soul that does not descend (or is it really ascend?) to love and hold a child." The author then mentions several ways Jesus related to children in the Scriptures.

Piper closed by saying, "May the Lord teach us this profound truth—that loving children in the name of Christ is loving God the Son and God the Father. Indeed it is more; it is welcoming and receiving and communing with God." I want to say "thank you" to all of our workers for what you did in VBS this past week for our children.

In His Grace,
Pastor Russell

Business Meeting
Sunday, July 20
7:00 p.m.



The Lord's Supper
 we will
 observed
Sunday, July 20
at 6:00 p.m.


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 * **A Great Big** *
 * **Thanks** *
 * **to all** *
 * **of you who** *
 * **helped** *
 * **make** *
 * **VBS 2008** *
 * **a success!!!** *




WEE SCHOOL
Teachers Needed!!!
Please contact Katy Womack or the
church office if interested.
Wee School begins August 13.

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We need nursery workers.
If you are willing to help,
please contact
Katy Womack.



**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!!!**

By Baptism



Allison Hammond
Rt 4 Box 7875
Elk City, OK

We will be receiving
a Love Offering for
our Summer Interns,
Katie Fuchs and
Tyler Geohagen on
Sunday, July 27
and August 3.

**ACTIVITIES
BUILDING
SCHEDULE**

Open Gym
Hours:



July 21	3:30-8:00 p.m.
July 22	3:30-8:00 p.m.
July 23	4:00-9:00 p.m.
July 24	3:00-8:00 p.m.

THANK YOU'S

Have been received from
the following:

- Audrain Newberry
- Lotee Hefley
- Joan Butcher
- Tina Lorenz
- Joe & Lynn Sapp
- Lois Harrison

Look for them on the
bulletin board near the elevator.

Doc's Notes



Glorieta Music Week

400+ Singing Churchwomen and Orchestra. What an evening! 6 Red Carpet buses and 70 cars met at Glorieta early Monday morning. We rehearsed all day and were the only featured group to dedicate the New Baptist Hymnal. The dedication lasted 1 hr. 20 min. The ladies then presented a concert directed by Billy Earl Green. Fantastic praise and sound! Donna Morris and Debbie Beaty were in the choir along with Colene Barham's daughter, Lizabeth. I had the privilege of sitting with Colene during the performance. The ladies were amazing!

Missions "FYI"- 24 called to full or part time service.

I wanted you to know that of the 44 FBC members who surrendered to special service since 1981 that "24" are presently serving in churches, home and foreign missions or married to ministers: Sean & Jennifer Estes, Rick & Sandy Wheeler, Eric McFall, Jon & Kristal Bawden, Sara Bawden, Curby & Eve Boone, Kristie "Anderson" Duncan, Scott & Mary Bates, Matt Bates, Steven Laufer, Mark & Sandy Fanning, Lynn "Roberts" Chen, Darcy "Ware" Stowe, Danny Ringer, Guy Shafer, Jason and Rachelle Helmbacher, Derek Wheeler.

Please remember our former members in your prayers as they serve across our nation and world.

Doc

Coming Events

- July 20 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
- 3:00 p.m. Elkwood
- 4:45 p.m. Preschool Ministry Team Mtg, Conf Rm
- 6:00 p.m. Lord's Supper will be observed.
- 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting
- July 22 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
- July 23 5:30 p.m. Adult Choir to Cheyenne
- 6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate, The Island@Fuch's; KFC
- July 26 6:30 a.m. Mission San Antonio Departs

Extended Session:

Babies:

- Laura Barber-Jay
- Sandra McClure

1 year olds:

- Vicki Callaway/Tammy Allison

2 year olds:

- Jenny Kauk/Sheila Sutton

3 & 4 year olds:

- Wallace & Linda Baker



Weekly Report

July 13, 2008

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults	242
Youth.....	66
Children.....	68
Preschool.....	64
Fellowship.....	26
Hispanic Mission.....	14
Total.....	480
New S.S. Members.....	4
Enrollment:.....	1341

The People Gave...

Budget Needs	\$28,258.00
Received.....	\$40,284.62
Above.....	\$12,026.62
Building Need.....	\$3,462.00
Received.....	\$1,601.00
Below.....	\$1,861.00

And the Lord Added...

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

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	22
By Statement.....	1
By Baptism.....	40
Total.....	63

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$791,224.00
Received.....	\$844,936.52
Above.....	\$53,712.52
Building Need.....	\$96,936.00
Building Received.....	\$110,818.94
Balance on Note	\$198,536.75