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From our Pastor

Beloved,

It seems that, every year around Easter time, curiosity abounds about the Shroud of Turin. Perhaps you have seen the programs on the History Channel or Discovery Channel or some other station.

The shroud, etched with the image of a crucified man, has caused considerable speculation. Did it once contain the body of Jesus Christ, or is it a fabricated likeness? Many scientific tests have been conducted to try to determine its authenticity. Whether it is a legend or in fact real does not constitute significant evidence for believers anyway.

It is not the image of the crucified Christ on a shroud that makes the difference, but the image of the risen Christ in our hearts and lives. Sudie Stuart Hager share this idea in a poem:

I could not help Him heal the sick that thronged in Galilee,
nor serve the fishes and the loaves that day beside the sea.
I could not comfort while He prayed for strength to drink the cup,
nor lend my shoulder to the cross He, staggering, carried up.
But I can soothe a body's pain, serve those too weak to labor,
cheer hearts that quail before a cup, share crosses with a neighbor.

Easter time should remind us that the imprint of Christ on a shroud is not nearly as important as having the imprint of Christ on our lives.

Pastor Russell

**Lenten Services
Wednesdays
12:00-12:30 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church**

**Ryan Young will lead
the service on April 1.**



NATIONAL GOAL:

\$65,000,000

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**OUR
CHURCH GOAL :**
\$11,000.00
**To Date We
Have Received :**
\$6,538.87
Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks for your convenience.



**DISASTER RE-
LIEF
TRAINING**

Saturday, April 4

**First Baptist Church
Elk City**

**8:00-9:00
Registration**

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL
EMPHASIS
COMING
APRIL 2009**

**5TH SUNDAY
BUILDING
FUND
OFFERING
Sunday,
March 29**

Mary Kassian study, Vertically Inclined-Climbing Higher with God, Begins Sunday, March 29 at 5:00 p.m. in Adult 6. Facilitated by Christie Spieker.

Doc's Notes



EASTER program, Sunday evening, April 5

- 1) Adult choir –“1” rehearsal.
- 2) Youth choir and bells – “1” rehearsal.
- 3) Adult handbells – “1” rehearsal.
- 4) 1st- 6th Grade choirs - “1” rehearsal before our Easter program with Adult & Youth Choirs.

Mission opportunity

Erica Daniell will be going to London [June 27 – July 7] as part of the “Falls Creek Go Students” partnered with “I Witness Ministries. Erica still needs \$1,600 for the trip. Please make your check out to FBC [% Erica '09 Mission Trip].

Armenia and Israel [special prayer]

Please continue to remember Rick Wheeler, Doc and approximately 300 Singing Men of Ok. prepare for their April 16 – 30 Mission Trip.

Summer Mission Opportunities

We are beginning to “seek” opportunities for special mission projects in Elk City. Please pray for the mission committee as we meet and begin these plans.

Extended Session:
Babies:
 Shawn & Susan Carlsons
1 year olds:
 Helen Chester/Delilah Weatherly
2 year olds:
 Vicki Callaway/Tammy Allison
3 year olds:
 Anita Ball/Sharon Hill
4 year olds:
NEED HELP!!!



Weekly Report

March 22, 2009

The People Came...
 Sunday School Attendance
 Adults.....301
 Youth.....60
 Children.....74
 Preschool.....71
 Fellowship.....26
Total.....532
 Hispanic Mission.....37
Total *incl. mission.....569
 New S.S. Members.....4
 Enrollment: 1416

The People Gave...
 Budget Needs..... \$29,380.00
 Received.....\$19,930.94
 Below.....\$9,449.06
 Bldg Received.....\$1,349.27

And the Lord Added...
 By Letter 0
 By Statement 0
 By Baptism 0
 Professions of Faith..... 0

Year to Date
 Additions
 By Letter.....47
 By Statement.....5
 By Baptism.....29
 Total.....81

Giving
 Budget Need.....\$352,560.00
 Received.....\$349,633.76
 Below.....\$2,926.24
 Building Received.....\$25,315.53
 Balance on Note\$168,046.57
 Principal Paid.....\$35,953.43

Doc

Thank You's
 have been received from the following:
 Lois & Hubert Loch
 Betty Durland
 Dorothea Ward
 Eddie & Sharon Ward
 Lynn Woolf & Family
 Posted on the bulletin board near the chapel.

Coming Events

- March 29 5th Sunday Building Fund Offering
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 4:00 p.m. ESL; GriefShare, AD4
 4:30 p.m. Youth Bells/Choir
 5:00 p.m. *Vertically Inclined* Study Begins, AD6
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- March 30 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E.. Outreach Team E
- March 31 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
- April 1 Noon Lenten Service, Presbyterian Church
 Ryan Young will lead this week's service.
 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, AD6
 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
- April 2 6:30 p.m. S.I.S., Parlor
- April 3 5:30 p.m. GriefShare Dinner Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- April 3-4 Youth Ministry Lab, Ft. Worth, TX
 Oklahoma Ladies Retreat, Falls Creek
- April 4 8:00 a.m. Disaster Relief Training Registration, FH
 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Disaster Relief Training, FBC, Elk City



We need Nursery workers!!! Please call Katy Womack if interested.



ACTIVITIES BUILDING SCHEDULE
 Gym Hours:
 March 30 4:00-8:00 p.m.
 March 31 4:00-6:00 p.m.
 April 1 5:00-9:00p.m.
 April 2 4:00-6:00 p.m.



LOOK FOR OUR APRIL CALENDAR!!!