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From our Pastor

Beloved,

I want to share my congratulations to all of our graduating Seniors. You have reached a special milestone in your life and I am proud of you. You will be facing new days of transitions in the weeks and months ahead. Some will go on to college while others will enter the work force.

As you enter a new stage in life, I want to remind you of the importance and value of life. Each day is a gift of God that we need to use wisely. Ephesians 5:15-16 tells us, "So watch your step. Use your head. Make the most of every chance you get. These are desperate times! Don't live carelessly, unthinkingly. Make sure you understand what the Master wants." (The Message Bible)

The story is told of a missionary assigned to a poor area of South America who made an interesting observation as he watched the impoverished children playing with marbles in the dirt. He noticed that the marbles glistened with great brilliance in the sun. A closer look revealed that the marbles were not marbles at all—they were diamonds that were native to the area!

Neither the children nor their families had any idea of their incredible value. Let me remind you that life is a gift from God. Unfortunately, we are often unaware of the incredibly valuable gift He has given to us. If life is a gift—and it is—let's use it wisely and dedicate it to God.

**In His Grace,
Pastor Russell**

Joining Hearts
Mother's Day Offering
Your Gift Brings Hope for ages
0-100 to the Baptist Retirement Villages & Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children.



CONGRATULATIONS
To Our Graduates!!!

Graduate Recognition Sunday
May 18, 2008

8:30 a.m. *Graduate & Family Breakfast*
10:45 a.m. *Graduate Recognition.*
(Graduates need to bring their caps & gowns and meet in the Foyer at 10:35 a.m.)

Congratulations on your achievement!
We look forward to celebrating this event with you!

B MBA JUNIOR CAMP 2008
"Press On!"
Philippians 3:14
May 27– 30
(For students finishing 3rd-6th grade)

The time to sign up is NOW!!! Cost is \$60.

Mandatory Parent/Camper Meetings Sunday, May 18 at Noon or Wednesday, May 21 at 6 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. You must attend one of these meetings.



It's almost time for VBS snacks!!!
If you'd like to help with a monetary donation, please mark your envelopes "VBS Snacks". Thanks! This will help us buy themed snack items.

We Need Your Help in Kids4Christ!

Please contact Ann if you have an available Wednesday this summer you could help. Thanks!!!

Wee School Substitute Teachers are needed now. We are also looking for Fall Wee School Teachers. If interested, contact Katy Womack.

WOMEN of FAITH INFINITE GRACE Conference 2008 Oklahoma City, OK November 14-15, 2008

\$65 for Fri eve/Sat Conference
\$119 All day Fri & Sat w/lunch
Contact Jeri Bordine at 821-0661 to register.

ACTIVITIES BUILDING SCHEDULE



Open Gym Hours:

May 19 3:30-7:00 p.m.
May 20 4:00-8:00 p.m.
May 21 4:00-9:00 p.m.
May 22 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Men's Church League Basketball each Thursday from 6:30-10:00 p.m.

May 15 FBC has a Bye.

May 22 at 8:10 p.m.
FBC vs. Prairieview Baptist

THANK YOU'S

Have been received from the following:

The Family of Duain Cook

Oleta Ross Denton

Gary, Evelyn, Tom & Tim Osborne
Jada Galley, Kate & Dennis Moss

Look for them on the bulletin board near the elevator.

Doc's Notes



Thank You,

This sums up the past few weeks... "I want patience and I WANT IT NOW!" Thank you for allowing me to stay home and heal. Shingles and surgery really don't go together but I'm finally beginning to feel pain in "2" areas. Really! I don't wish shingles on anyone.

Proverbs 3:5... "I trust in the Lord with all of my heart, and I lean not unto my own understanding.

Psalms 138:8... "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me."

Thanks you for all the phone calls, visits, cards, meals and "goodies". Our church family is blessed to have Billy Shaw to lead in Worship and Praise [you are appreciated]! Please don't tell Bro. Russell about the chocolate desserts...he just might come over more often...hah! I welcome your visits and continue to pray for you!

"WARE" UPDATE

1. Brother Harold will begin 35 love radiation treatments the end of May.
2. Brother Gerald will be going back into surgery for possible "hernia".

ADULT CHOIR

We are planning to go to area churches again this summer. Please JOIN US for this great time of "SWEET" fellowship and worship! I look forward to being back in rehearsal next Wednesday evening! I have really missed our time together - see you at 7:30 p.m.

Doc

Coming Events

- May 18 8:30 a.m. 2008 Senior Breakfast, FH
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship/Senior Recognition
Noon Junior Camper/Parent Mtg, Choir Rm
3:00 p.m. Elkwood
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting
- May 19 6:30 p.m. CARE Outreach Team R & E
- May 20 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
2:00 p.m. W.O.M., Parlor
- May 21 6:00 p.m. Kids4Christ; Yth Teach. Mtg
Junior Camper/Parent Mtg, Choir Rm
6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal; ESL Class
Junior Camper/Parent Mtg, Choir Rm
- May 22 6:00 p.m. DivorceCare, Parlor

Extended Session:

Babies:

David & Rachel Poole

1 year olds:

Jacinda King

2 year olds:

Delores Hargrove/Shirley Long

3 year olds:

Donna Womack/Linda Beals

4 year olds:

Jeff & Greta Louis



Weekly Report

May 11, 2008

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance	
Adults	270
Youth.....	69
Children.....	77
Preschool.....	59
Fellowship.....	28
Hispanic Mission.....	22
Total.....	525
New S.S. Members.....	3
Enrollment.....	1351

The People Gave...

Budget Needs	\$28,258.00
Received.....	\$30,239.17
Above.....	\$1,981.17
Building Need.....	\$3,462.00
Received.....	\$1,604.35
Below.....	\$1,857.65

And the Lord Added...

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

Year to Date

Additions	
By Letter.....	20
By Statement.....	0
By Baptism.....	29
Total.....	49

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$536,902.00
Received.....	\$602,260.87
Above.....	\$65,358.87
Building Need.....	\$65,778.00
Building Received.....	\$72,289.91
Balance on Note.....	\$0