

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



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From our Pastor

Beloved,

In a book entitled *Rejoicing On Great Days*, author C. Roy Angell said, "Six hundred students at a university were asked to write on a piece of paper the most beautiful word in the English language. 422 of the students wrote the word "mother." 112 of them wrote the word "home."

Fast forward now to a number of years later and you will discover that these two words suggest concepts that are under attack everywhere in our culture today. Motherhood and homemaking are regularly attacked by radicals in our day, while the home is being redefined by secularists. No longer does it consist of a father, mother, and children. Instead, it is reordered to be whatever you want it to be.

In God's plan and in his Word, the home is still the basic unit of society and deserves our best efforts to conform it to the divine pattern. Rather than being influenced by the culture, my prayer is that our families will be influenced by the Scriptures.

One person put it like this: "Blessed is the mother who can hold onto her children while letting them go; who puts a tranquil home ahead of an immaculate house; who really believes that prayer changes things; whose faith in the future sweetens the present; whose Bible never needs dusting." Join us this Sunday as we discuss those two most beautiful words, mother and home.

Pastor Russell



DEMONSTRATING CHRIST'S LOVE ACROSS GENERATIONS

Join the Offering in Your Church
Sunday, May 9th, 2010

Our Mother's Day Offering, *Joining Hearts*, benefits both our Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children and the Baptist Village Retirement Communities.




**Happy
Mother's
Day!!!
Sunday,
May 9**

**Baby Dedication
Sunday,
May 23, 2010**


**A mandatory
Parent/Baby Orientation Meeting will
be held at 5:00
p.m. on May 16 in
the Conference
Room.**

**If you missed the
1st meeting, make
plans to attend
this one if you
want to participate
in
Baby Dedication
on Sunday, May
23.**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!
By Baptism



Gene & Candy Ferris, Cody



and Dustin
 19931 E
 1070 RD
 Elk City,

Our S.I.S. Food Pantry needs Peanut Butter & Soup.




We are currently taking applications for the following positions:

(1) Receptionist/Youth & Children's Ministry Assistant

(2) Custodian/FLC Facilitator.

Applications available at the church office.

Gym Hours:



5/10 4:00 - 8:00 pm
 5/11 4:00 - 8:00 pm
 5/12 5:00 - 9:00 pm
 5/13 4:00 - 8:00 pm

THANK-YOU's

Have been received from the following:

Martha Sila
 Singing Churchwomen West

*Posted on the bulletin board near the Chapel.

Doc's Notes



Live Embers
 Our special guests will be the *Hearts of Western Ok* choir and handbells. Come & enjoy a great time of fellowship & entertainment.

Graded Choirs
 FBC vans will pick choir members up after school on May 12th for games at FBC. Parents, pray about YOUR child being part of our Graded Choir program in the fall.

YM Choir TRIP [5th -6th gr.]

1. Date: Tuesday, May 25th
2. Leave Elk City 10:00 a.m./Home around 7:45 p.m.

Cost: \$17 each Ice Skating [\$7]/Incredible Pizza [\$10] ["Extra" cash for game and snacks .. your call]. NOW is the time to come by the church office & pay the \$17 per person! Parents, I need to know if you can go and help sponsor this group. Call 225-7951 today.

Adult Choir [July 4th ...Patriotic musical production]
 We've started rehearsals on the July 4th musical "AMERICA, We Must Not Forget". Come & be part of the choir, an ensemble, trio or duet. Rehearsals at 7:30 p.m. Welcome back – Shelly Ashley, Julie Knutson.

Youth Choir & Bells
 "2" rehearsals until we travel to Amarillo. Parents, please call Doc if you are planning to go! Drivers needed!

60+ Ministry ...Golf Tournament:

1. Date – Thursday, May 27th
2. Place – Boiling Springs [Woodward]
3. Leave FBC – 8:00 a.m. [FBC people mover & van]
4. Cost per person - \$25.75

Contact person – Kermit Kingsford [225-0523] **Doc**

Coming Events

May 9 Happy Mother's Day!
 8:45 a.m. Deacon's Prayer Meeting, Parlor
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 4:00 p.m. Youth Bells/Choir; FPU, AD7
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

May 10 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Team A
 *Wee School Enrollment for church members begins today.

May 11 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
 3:00 p.m. Singing Churchwomen 20th Anniv Concert Trip, OKC - Sign-up Sunday to go!!!

May 12 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs/games
 5:00 p.m. Weds Meal *last meal until August*
 5:30 p.m. Budget/Finance Mtg, Conf Rm
 5:45 p.m. Wkly Teacher's Mtg, AD6
 6:00 p.m. AWANA Year Ends
 Youth Teachers Mtg, Yth Rm
 6:30 p.m. The Island; Weds Worship; Regenerate

May 13 Noon Live Embers, FH

Extended Session:

Babies:
 Tammy Langford/Cindy Buckmaster

Creepers:
 NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
 Valerie Jiles/Nicole Smith

2 year olds:
 Jennifer Rainey/Jacinda King

3 year olds:
 NEED HELP!!!

4 year olds:
 Billy & Jamie Shaw

Weekly Report



May 2, 2010

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	339
Youth.....	86
Children.....	94
Preschool.....	93
Fellowship.....	27
Total.....	639
Hispanic Mission.....	48
Total *incl. mission.....	687
New S.S. Members.....	5
Enrollment:.....	1445

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$30,117.00
Received.....	\$39,647.64
Above.....	\$9,647.64
Bldg Received.....	\$2,663.50

And the Lord Added...

By Letter	0
By Statement	0
By Baptism	4
Professions of Faith.....	2

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	19
By Statement.....	1
By Baptism.....	40
Total.....	60

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$542,106.00
Received.....	\$601,633.84
Above.....	\$59,527.84
Total Bldg Rec'd	\$242,782.37