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**From our Pastor**

**Beloved,**

Our budget for 2009 is completed and was handed out last Sunday after worship. If you did not get a copy, they are available in the church office. This coming Sunday night after evening worship, we will have a question and answer session and then vote on the budget. I hope you will look over the budget and come ready to vote as the Lord leads. Our budget increase for 2009 is the smallest increase we have recommended in the last five years (3.8%).


I want to thank our church family for your faithfulness in giving during the current year. We are well ahead of our budget so far and I appreciate your faithful giving, especially in these challenging economic times. If we are faithful to our Lord, He will be faithful to us. If we take care of God's business, He will take care of our business. Be generous to the work of God, and God will be generous to you.

A story is told about a beggar in the middle ages who approached the king of his country and asked the king for a gift. The king looked into the eyes of the beggar and said, "Give something to me first." The beggar was taken aback by the request. He reached into a large pocket of his robe that was bulging with kernels of corn. He gave one kernel of corn to the king.

The king reached into his robe and gave to the beggar a nugget of gold equal in size to the corn. For the rest of his life, the beggar lived in sorrow that he had not responded in a more sacrificial way to the king's request. Some of us give like that. We give what we never miss. The lesson: be generous to our King (Jesus) and he will be generous to you!

**In His Grace,  
Pastor Russell**

 Elk City Ministerial Alliance  
Community Thanksgiving Service  
Monday, November 24

**THANKSGIVING BANQUET**  
**Sunday, November 23**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
(Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls and drinks provided.)  
Each S.S. Department has been asked to bring a dessert, salad or vegetable dish.  
**PLEASE BRING ENOUGH TO FEED 10 PEOPLE.**  
**SALADS:** ADULT 3, 4, 7 & 11  
**VEGETABLES:** ADULT 2, 5 & 6  
VEGETABLES OR SALADS: CHILDREN'S WORKERS, ADULT 14, 15 & 16  
**DESSERTS:** ADULT 1, 8, 9 & COLLEGE/ CAREER, YOUTH & PRESCHOOL TEACHERS/DIRECTORS  
We'll enjoy the *Master's Voice* men's quartet following our dinner.  


**Cedar Top Men's Retreat**  
**November 14 & 15, 2008**  
Cost \$10  
includes 2 meals  
6 p.m. meet at FBC to travel together or meet us there at 6:30 p.m.  


**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS!!!**

**By Baptism and By Letter**




Tyrel & Heather French  
(letter) (baptism)  
Rt. 4, Box 29  
Weatherford, OK

**We will have a  
Question & Answer  
Session followed by  
a vote on our  
2009 budget  
Sunday evening,  
November 16.**

**Baptist Faith &  
Message Study  
Sundays  
at 5:00 p.m.  
in Adult 4**

**ACTIVITIES  
BUILDING  
SCHEDULE**



Open Gym Hours:

Nov 17	5:00-8:00 p.m.
Nov 18	5:00-9:00 p.m.
Nov 19	5:00-9:00 p.m.
Nov 20	5:00-8:00 p.m.

**THANK-YOU'S**

Have been received from the following:

Joe and Lynn Sapp  
Joseph, Chris & Brian

Talitha Francis

Mark & Sandy Fanning

Posted on bulletin board by the Chapel.

**Doc's Notes**



**Thanksgiving "Community" service and choir:**

You're invited to be part of the community choir on Monday evening, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>. Choir rehearses at 6:30 p.m. and the service begins at 7:00 p.m.

**Graded Choirs:**

Parents, Our Christmas program is Sunday evening, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> just "3" rehearsals from now! EVERY rehearsal is a must! Thank you directors and teachers for your fine work with each choir!

**Mark your calendars for these "concerts":**

1. Nov. 23 – Master's Voice [Thanksgiving Banquet]
2. Dec. 3 – OBU Chorale [Hanging of the Green]
3. Dec. 14 – FBC Music Ministry Christmas program
4. ALL FBC "Caroling" – Sunday evening, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>.

**THANK YOU**

One thank you isn't enough for all the work done in preparation for the Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma! THANK YOU...you're the best! Please put the Armenia Mission Trip [April 15 – May 2] on your prayer list.

**"TOYS" – Old Mexico for Christmas**

The Sanchez family will be visiting family in Mexico and have asked for TOYS to take to children as a mission project in December. ALL toys will be needed by Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. Goal – 100 toys for boys and girls! Please call Doc if you have any questions!

*Doc*

**Coming Events**

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| Nov 16 | 9:30 a.m. Sunday School   |
|        | 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  |
|        | 3:00 p.m. Elkwood   |
|        | 4:00 p.m. ESL   |
|        | 4:30 p.m. Youth Handbells/Choir<br><i>Disciple's Prayerlife</i>           |
|        | 5:00 p.m. Baptist Faith & Message Study, AD4                              |
|        | 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship   |
|        | 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting/'09 Budget Q&A/Vote                            |
| Nov 17 | 6:30 p.m. CARE Outreach Teams R & E                                       |
| Nov 18 | 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall                         |
| Nov 19 | 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs   |
|        | 5:00 p.m. Weds Meals  |
|        | 5:15 p.m. Preschool Choirs  |
|        | 5:45 p.m. Weekly Teachers Meeting, AD6                                    |
|        | 6:00 p.m. AWANA; ESL ; DivorceCare<br>Youth Teacher's Meeting, Youth Room |
|        | 6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate, The Island                            |
| Nov 20 | 6:30 p.m. AD8 Fellowship, Gym   |
|        | 7:00 p.m. Children's SS Teachers Fellowship, Hylton's                     |

**Extended Session:**

- Babies:**  
Carolyn Comer/Linda Crow
- 1 year olds:**  
Steve & Cathy Hooper
- 2 year olds:**  
Lou Ford/Patty Ford
- 3 year olds:**  
Ty & Tiffany Ford
- 4 year olds:**  
Billy & Jamie Shaw



**Weekly Report**

November 9, 2008

**The People Came...**

Sunday School Attendance	
Adults .....	294
Youth.....	74
Children.....	92
Preschool.....	73
Fellowship.....	30
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>563</b>
Hispanic Mission.....	35
<b>Total *incl. mission.....</b>	<b>598</b>
New S.S. Members.....	3
Enrollment:.....	1373

**The People Gave...**

Budget Needs .....	\$28,258.00
Received.....	\$35,455.12
Above.....	\$7,197.12
Building Need.....	\$3,462.00
Received.....	\$2,223.24
Below.....	\$1,238.76

**And the Lord Added...**

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

**Year to Date**

Additions	
By Letter.....	33
By Statement.....	2
By Baptism.....	16
Total.....	51

**Giving**

Budget Need.....	\$1,271,610.00
Received.....	\$1,418,078.99
Above.....	\$146,468.99
Building Need.....	\$155,790.00
Building Received...	\$192,623.81
Balance on Note .....	\$201,199.57