

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



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From our Pastor

Beloved,

Roy Hession tells this story: "A small company in the early days of gold mining in South Africa sank shaft after shaft in different locations, finding only a small amount of gold in each shaft which was not enough to satisfy its thirst for that precious metal. Ultimately, the prospectors discovered that all they needed to have done was to go deeper in the first shaft, for, as they did so, they found gold in abundance."

Hession went on to say, "I testify that, although I have tried all sorts of different shafts, hoping for greater results in my life, Christ has now become the end of all my searching. Revival for me has meant coming back to the place where I first began, and I intend to stay there. Tell me not of any other way. I need to go deeper at His cross—much deeper."

The apostle Paul puts it like this in Colossians 3:1-4 (The Message), "So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, *act* like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from *his* perspective. Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. *He* is your life."

The real key to the Christian life is loving Jesus. That is true for both the individual believer and the church corporately. Vance Havner says, "Revival is the church falling in love with Jesus all over again." Even as we pray for revival and make contacts and other preparations, nothing can substitute for a personal, fresh surrender to Jesus.

Pastor Russell

Join us Wednesday,
October 28th
6:00-8:00 p.m.
for our Fall Festival of Fun!!!

Please bring candy to donate to the Fall Festival boxes on either side of the Auditorium. The Festival requires a lot of candy and your donations are greatly appreciated!

FALL REVIVAL
FBC, Elk City
October 25-27, 2009

Keith Russell will be our Evangelist and Bill Green our Music leader.

We will celebrate our 110th anniversary as a church on Sunday, the 25th with a church-wide lunch following the morning service. The church will provide ham, bread and drinks. We are asked to bring a vegetable, salad or dessert according to S.S. department we attend.

Make plans to be here for the revival Sunday, Monday & Tuesday!

Final
Olan Mills
Picture
Directory
Sign-Up
Sunday, October 25

You will be signing up for the *last* session November 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7. Times available every 10 minutes between 3 & 9:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 10 am-5 pm Saturday. ##

If you have had a recent address change for 911 emergencies, please contact the church office to update your address with us. Thanks!!!

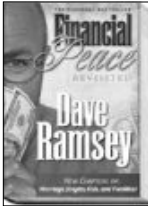


Can't find the pie plate or casserole dish you know you own? It may be in the church kitchen! Please pick up any dishes you have left for funeral meals SOON! Thanks!!!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY Classes

Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in Adult 4.

Join us!!!



Wee School Openings!!!


Available spots in the 1-year-old class. Contact Katy Womack (225-7951) to enroll.



ACTIVITIES BUILDING SCHEDULE

Gym Hours:

Oct 19	Closed
Oct 20	Closed
Oct 21	5:00-9:00
Oct 22	Closed



THANK-YOU'S

Received from the following:

Gayle Albert and Bo Albert
The Families of Jim Albert

Susan Grabeal
Bro. Larry Parvin
Rachel Miller

Posted on the bulletin board near the chapel.

Doc's Notes



Revival Choir [Bill Green]

Come and be part of the revival choir with "BILLY EARL" Green.

- Sunday, Oct. 25 - [1:15 pm– 2:15 pm] "1" hour rehearsal AFTER the all church luncheon
- Mon. & Tues. – meet in the choir room at 6:30 p.m. Please be on time!

Graded Choirs

Graded Choirs will not meet Oct. 28 [FFF], Nov. 25 [Thanksgiving], Dec.13 [Christmas program – 6:00 p.m.]

Revival Generation - No bells or choir
Oct. 18th [Fall break]. EVERYONE is needed on Sunday evening, Oct. 25th.

Prayer Request:

Susan Grabeal – Udmurtia, Russia [Oct. 12 – 27]. Pray for travel, home visits, Jesus film, repairs to homes, community service projects and possible work in orphanages.

Doc

Coming Events

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- Oct 18 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 - 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 - 3:00 p.m. Elkwood
 - 4:00 p.m. ESL; Fin Peace Univ, AD4
 - 4:30 p.m. *Covenant*, AD6
 - 5:00 p.m. COMPASS, AD3 Men's Personnel Team Mtg, Conf Room
 - 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
 - 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting
 - Oct 19 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Teams R & E
 - Oct 20 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
 - Noon-6:00 p.m. **OBI Blood Drive**, FBC Gym
 - Oct 21 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
 - 5:00 p.m. Weds Meals
 - 5:45 p.m. Weekly Teachers Mtg, Adult 6
 - 6:00 p.m. ESL; AWANA; Yth Tch Mtg
 - 6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
 - Oct 22 5:30 p.m. Dinner-BMBA Annual Mtg-6:30 p.m. At FBC, Hammon

Extended Session:

Babies:
Jane Thomas/Mildred Nesser

Creepers:
NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
Keith & Sondra Weaver

2 year olds:
Marisa Moran/Julie Knutson

3 year olds:
NEED HELP!!!

4 year olds:
Sandy Bledsoe/Sissy Burch



Weekly Report

October 11, 2009

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults.....	276
Youth.....	74
Children.....	69
Preschool.....	57
Fellowship.....	22
Total.....	498
Hispanic Mission.....	48
Total *incl. mission.....	546
New S.S. Members.....	2
Enrollment:.....	1432

The People Gave...

Budget Needs.....	\$29,380.00
Received.....	\$26,476.79
Below.....	\$2,903.21
Bldg Received.....	\$902.00

And the Lord Added...

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

Year to Date

Additions

By Letter.....	6
By Statement.....	0
By Baptism.....	14
Total.....	20

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$1,175,200.00
Received.....	\$1,162,968.10
Below.....	\$12,231.90
Bldg Rec'd To Date..	\$106,330.31