

BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for

**FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

Family of Faith



From our Pastor

Dr. Russell Duck, Pastor
Danny Ringer, Associate Pastor
Doc Ware, Minister of Music
Ryan Young, Minister to Youth
Ann Koonce, Director of Children's Ministries
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Beloved,

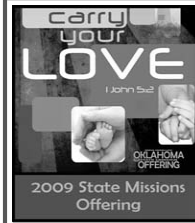
It was such a blessing last Sunday to be able to burn the note on our parking lot. The extra parking has helped us in so many ways. We still have some extra parking in the south parking lot, but the rest is usually full each Sunday morning. Thank you for your faithful giving to this needed project. It is a real blessing to be debt free as a church family, especially in these economic times. I also want to thank our Building committee for doing such a great job on this project.

Proverbs 29:18 tells us that "without a vision, the people perish." We are already in the process of studying what our next project should be. Currently, we are doing needs assessment studies and taking suggestions from many of you about our future direction. Whatever the next church project is, we will need to raise a lot of money ahead of time in this economic climate. So let me encourage you to continue to give to the building fund as we pray and seek the Lord about the future.

Our Hispanic Mission continues to do well. Recently, our church was given one half of a city block behind the Indian Baptist Church. This property has a pavilion on it that we hope to enclose and remodel as a permanent place for our Hispanic Mission. The Indian Church kept the front half of the block with their building, and graciously deeded to us the back half for our Hispanic work. We hope to bring a proposal soon to the church concerning what we need to do with this property. I think it will be a great location for our Hispanic Mission.

These are great days in the life of our church family. When I think of all that God is doing here through His people, I think of Psalm 118:23 "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." See you Sunday for a great time of worship!

Pastor Russell



Edna McMillan Oklahoma
State Missions

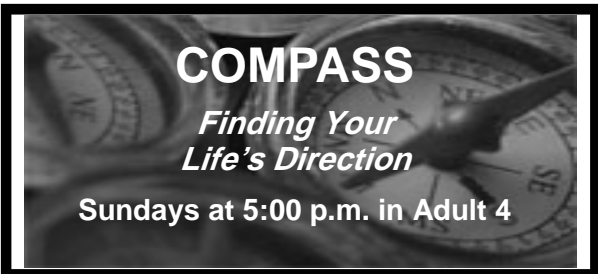
Offering Goal: \$1,150,000
Hallelujah Goal: \$1,200,000
Our Church Goal: \$6,000
Rec'd to Date: \$2,867.56



**DISASTER
RELIEF
TRAINING**
at
FBC, ELK CITY

**8 am Registration
9 am-3 pm Training
September 26**

**AWANA
workers are
needed
for all
age groups.
Please
contact Ann
(225-7951)
if you can
help.**



S.I.S. FOOD PANTRY DRIVE
Rescheduled

Sunday, September 20 (if not raining) sacks will be placed on your windshield by our Student Ministry. Please take these home & return them with any of the following items: soup, tuna, peanut butter, canned meat, paper towels or toilet paper. Thanks for helping with the on-going needs of the Food Pantry.

**Kay Arthur's "Covenant:
God's Enduring Promises"**
**Sundays @
4:30p.m.
in Adult 6**



**Facilitated by:
Christie Spieker**

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!!!**

By Baptism

Ofelia Cross
David Carroll Cross
302 Choctaw
Burns Flat, OK


Karla Faride Ruiz
P O Box 1342
Burns Flat, OK

Wee School Openings!!!


We have one spot available in the 1-year-old class and several in the 4-year-old class. Contact Katy Womack (225-7951) to enroll.



**S.I.S. will be
collecting New Small
stuffed animals to
donate to the Elk City
Fire Department &
Ambulance
Service
during the
month of
September.**



**ACTIVITIES
BUILDING
SCHEDULE**



Gym Hours:

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| Sept 28 | 4:00-8:00 pm |
| Sept 29 | 4:00-8:00 pm |
| Sept 30 | 5:00-9:00 pm |
| Oct 1 | 4:00-8:00 pm |

THANK-YOU's received from

Valdene Maberry
Judy & Mike Bugher
Lesabeth Romans
Pauline Hill

*Posted near the Chapel.

Doc's Notes



Graded Choirs

NEW Graded Choir divisions:

- 1) 3 yr olds Susan Potter [dir], Rose Trotter [teacher]
- 2) 4-5 yr. olds Patsy Pothorst [director] Stacey Barker, Shannan Cloud [teachers]
- 3) 1st-2nd gr. Donna Ware [dir] Teachers: Sally Coffey, Nita Rittenhouse, Estelline Coffey, Carson Guthrie
- 4) 3rd-4th gr. Jeff Guthrie [dir] Dawn Tillman, Linda Nix, Lou Ford, Cindy Miller [teachers]
- 5) 5th-6th gr. Lori Daubenspeck [dir], Doc Ware [teacher] Erica Daniell [pianist]

Revival Generation "schedule"

- 1) 4:00 p.m. Youth "BELLS"
- 2) 4:40 p.m. Snack supper
- 3) 4:55 p.m. Youth Choir

Adult Choir

We have begun rehearsing our Christmas music for Sunday evening, Dec. 13th. Come and join the choirs and experience the beautiful music of the Christmas season.

Doc

Coming Events

- Sept 20 8:45 a.m. Comm on Comm Tm Mtg, Conf Rm
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. Kay Arthur Study *Covenant*, AD6
5:00 p.m. COMPASS, AD4
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting
- Sept 21 6:30 p.m. C.A.R.E. Teams R
- Sept 22 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting, FH
- Sept 23 7:00 a.m. See You At The Pole
4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
5:00 p.m. Weds Meals **Make reservations!*
5:45 p.m. Weekly Teach Mtg, AD6
6:00 p.m. AWANA; ESL; Yth Tch Mtg, Yth Rm
6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
- Sept 26 8:00 a.m. Disaster Relief Training Registration
9:00 am-3:00 pm Disaster Relief Training, FBC Elk City

Extended Session:

Babies:
Ashley Laufer/Karistin Young

Creepers:
NEED HELP!!!

1 year olds:
Helen Chester/Delila Weatherly

2 year olds:
Steve & Cathy Hooper

3 year olds:
Vicki Callaway/Tammy Allison

4 year olds:
Josh & Christi Thomas



Weekly Report

September 13, 2009

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Adults..... | 294 |
| Youth..... | 83 |
| Children..... | 90 |
| Preschool..... | 73 |
| Fellowship..... | 24 |
| Total..... | 564 |
| Hispanic Mission..... | 48 |
| Total *incl. mission..... | 612 |
| New S.S. Members..... | 1 |
| Enrollment:..... | 1429 |

The People Gave...

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|--------------------|-------------|
| Budget Needs..... | \$29,380.00 |
| Received..... | \$25,407.52 |
| Below..... | \$3,972.48 |
| Bldg Received..... | \$1,082.25 |

And the Lord Added...

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|---------------------------|---|
| By Letter | 0 |
| By Statement | 0 |
| By Baptism | 3 |
| Professions of Faith..... | 0 |

Year to Date

Additions

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|-------------------|----|
| By Letter..... | 4 |
| By Statement..... | 0 |
| By Baptism..... | 12 |
| Total..... | 16 |

Giving

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|----------------------|----------------|
| Budget Need..... | \$1,057,680.00 |
| Received..... | \$1,057,220.44 |
| Above..... | \$459.56 |
| Bldg Rec'd To Date.. | \$100,871.31 |