



# First Servant Weekly

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# Prayer for the Hurting

## Thursday, October 9

7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

*Please join us to pray with those in need,  
or if you would like to have someone pray  
with you.*



## This Sunday:

**8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

Prelude  
Donna McCown

No Other Name

All Hail the Power  
of Jesus' Name

Welcome to Worship  
Dr. Gil McKee

Come, Now Is the Time  
to Worship

Amazing Grace  
(My Chains are Gone)  
Worship Choir

There Is a Fountain

The Old Rugged Cross

Offertory Prayer  
John Lowe  
Minister to Students

Grace Flows Down  
Lisa Brantley

**Morning Message**  
Dr. Gil McKee

I Surrender All

My Tribute

## “Hurdles in the Life of a Believer”

New Sermon Series from Dr. Gil McKee begins  
this Sunday, October 5 during the morning worship services.

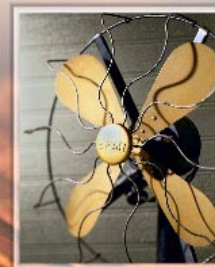
## Senior Adventure Ministry's

# ANTIQUUE ROAD SHOW

Tuesday, October 7  
(during next Triple L Meeting)

Two professional appraisers  
will be here to assess the worth  
of your favorite antique.

## WHAT IS IT WORTH?



## Word from the Pastor...

I don't know about you...but to me life can sometimes seem like one obstacle or one hurdle after another. And just about the time you clear one there is another staring you in the face. Can you identify with that?



If so, I think you will want to be here this Sunday, October 5, as I begin a new sermon series titled, "**Hurdles in the Life of a Believer.**" We're going to examine a number of hurdles in life that seem to be fairly common to all of us and go to the Scriptures to find out how to successfully clear those hurdles in life.

By the way, this would be a great series for you to encourage some of your non-Christian friends that you are praying for to listen in on. If they are not ready to attend church you might think about ordering a CD copy of some of these sermons and giving them to them to listen to in their car or some other place of their choosing.

I will look forward to seeing you this Sunday!

I love you!  
Bro. Gil

## Student Ministry Blackout

Our annual Student Ministry Fall Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, October 25 at Camp Tuscoba. The cost is \$30. Students will meet at Camp Tuscoba from 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m. We will have a HUGE day of worship, recreation, relationship building, watch the Tide tangle with the Volunteers, have an excuse for a new t-shirt and have dinner under the stars.

### Blackout Registration Form

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: **6 7 8 9 10 11 12**

T-Shirt Size: **YL S M L XL 2X 3X**

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Cost: \$30)

Please return this slip along with your registration fee.

## Deacon Advisory Council

The following men serve on the 2008 Deacon Advisory Council: Randy Allen, Jeff Cabaniss, Ken Fitzgerald, Grady Friday, Fred Graham, George Hodgson, John Marcum, Bobby May, Joe Smith, Jerry Thomas.

## Donated Items Needed

Your assistance is needed as we minister to several local families. If you have any of the items listed below (gently used and in good condition) and would be willing to donate them, please contact Kris Sullivan at 366-4401 or [ksullivan@fbctuscaloosa.org](mailto:ksullivan@fbctuscaloosa.org). Items include refrigerator, sofa, chairs, electric stove, pots and pans, plates, dining room table, bed, sheets, pillows, television.

## Children's Ministry

**RA Campout for Fathers/Sons:** Friday, October 17 - Saturday, October 18 at the Smith Farm

**GA Pajama Party for Mothers/Daughters:** Friday, October 17, 6:00-10:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Parents' Night Out:** Friday, October 24, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Contact Leigh Anne Darnell ([Leigh@fbctuscaloosa.org](mailto:Leigh@fbctuscaloosa.org) or 366-4418) to sign up for any of these events.

## Children's Discovery Class

The Children's Discovery Class is designed for children in grades 1-5 who have recently made a profession of faith or have questions about becoming a Christian and baptism. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend with their child. We will meet on Sunday, October 5 at 4:00 p.m. in room 215 in the Children's Center.

## Creation vs. Evolution

Beginning Wednesday, October 8 Leader: Dr. Joe Lary  
Room 236, Multi-Purpose Building 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Join Dr. Lary as he explores the ongoing controversy over the origin of life and examines the key scientific evidence concerning creation vs. evolution. Dr. Lary is convinced that the evidence for the special creation of life by God is scientifically superior to the evidence for the origin of life by naturalistic, evolutionary processes. This course will provide a scientific and scriptural defense of the Christian worldview against the naturalistic, materialistic worldview of today's secular society.

Dr. Joe Lary is a Tuscaloosa native and a member of Calvary Baptist Church. He earned a B.S. degree in physics and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in biology from the University of Alabama. Dr. Lary retired in 2001 from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention where he worked as a research biologist, toxicologist, and epidemiologist.

## Minister on Call

In case of an emergency need during the weekend (5:00 p.m. Friday - 8:00 a.m. Monday), please call 535-5988.

## Recently Hospitalized

As of 09/30/08:

### DCH Regional Med Center:

Mildred Bailey  
Sam McGee  
John Webster  
Lynn Wilson

### Northport Med Center:

Charles Johnson

### Forest Manor Rehab:

Katie Channell

## Sympathy to:

- Lanny Gamble and family in the death of his brother-in-law.
- Willie Tidwell and family in the death of her brother.

## October 5 Volunteers

### TV Ministry

Bryan Owings, Ben Owings, Rick Dowling, Randy Glover

### Russell Special Education

Becky Ingram

## Wednesday Menu

October 8, 2008

The Family Night Meal is served from 4:45-6:00 p.m.

### Beef patty

with creamed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, rolls, strawberry shortcake

### Baked Chicken

with same sides

### Salad Bar

Kids: Pizza and chips

**No reservations needed.**



## September 28, 2008

Weekly Ministry Budget Need \$74,035.75  
Ministry Plan Gifts \$41,362.79  
Difference (\$32,672.96)

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Touching Tomorrow Today \$5,571.31  
Designated Gifts \$1,402.50  
**Total Gifts \$48,336.60**

### 2008 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need \$2,887,394.25  
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts \$2,425,995.79  
Difference (\$461,398.46)

Kathleen Mallory Offering \$2,944.20  
Goal: \$5000

### Gifts given in Honor of:

Morgan Kendrick

## Bible Study Attendance

### Sunday School - September 28, 2008

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	120
Children	204	119
Students	213	160
College	229	75
Adults	1422	681
<b>Total</b>	<b>2247</b>	<b>1157</b>

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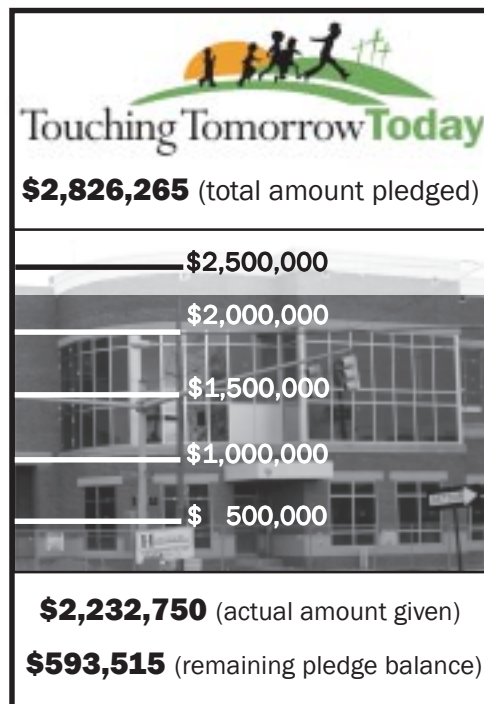
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## Sunday, October 5

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30-11:00 Library Open
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Discovery Class
- 4:30 ESL classes
- 5:30 *Bible Skills, Drills, Thrills*
- 5:30 First Baptist University for students
- 5:30 Small Group Study
- 7:11 Freshman Bible Study

## Tuesday, October 7

- 10:30 a.m. Triple L Monthly Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 7:00 Epic: College Bible study

## Wednesday, October 8

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer (Chapel)
- 9:00 First Ladies Bible Study
- 10:00 Watercolor Workshop
- 2:00-7:30 Library Open
- 3:00 p.m. Pre-Game (Students)
- 4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:30 Spanish Bible study
- 5:45 Committee on Committees meeting
- 5:45-6:30 Mid-Week Devotion
- 5:45-6:30 Children's Choirs
- 5:45-7:15 First Ladies Bible studies
- 6:00 Building and Grounds Committee
- 6:00-7:00 Adult DiscipleLife
- 6:00-7:15 The Arena (Students)
- 6:15-7:45 ESL classes
- 6:35-8:00 Worship Choir/Orchestra
- 6:40-7:30 Children's Missions
- 8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

## Thursday, October 9

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Fraternity
- 10:00 First Ladies Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 9:30 ESL Classes
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 7:00 Young Single Adult Bible Study at the Yeagers'
- 7:00 Prayer for the Hurting service

## Friday, October 10

- Brazil Mission Trip (through Oct. 20)
- 7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible study
- 9:30 Friday Night Lights



Bring tents, chairs, food, games, anything your family needs for an evening of fun and fellowship following the worship service. The church will provide drinks. Children will enjoy a bounce house, climbing wall and obstacle course.

## Sunday Night Small Group Studies

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**For Adults:** *Witness to the World*

Six-week small-group study in the Fellowship Hall; Cost of workbook: \$10

**For Students:** Character studies on Joseph and Noah (First Baptist University); meets in the Student Building.

**For Children:** *Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills*; meets in rooms 212 and 216, Children's Center.



*The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Mrs. Donna Bridger by Joe Bridger.*

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