



First Servant Weekly

Dr. Gil McKee, Senior Pastor

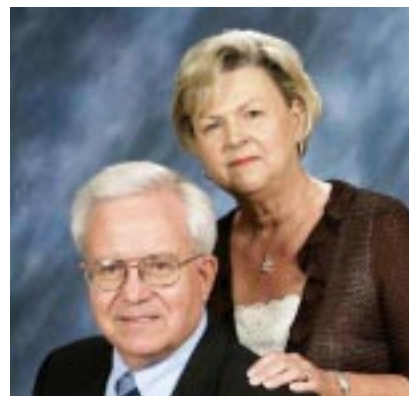
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Jerry Lake Joins Staff as Minister to Senior Adults



First Baptist Church is very excited to announce that Jerry Lake has been selected as the new Minister to Senior Adults. His first day in that role will be Sunday, February 1. Please remember to pray for Jerry and his wife, Helen as they begin work in this vital ministry of First Baptist Church. Their many years of faithful service as members of First Baptist will be a valuable asset as they lead our senior adults.



Mission Trip Meeting

This Week:
Thailand - Tuesday, February 3, 6:30 p.m. in the International Center.

For more information about all the mission trips planned for 2009, please pick up a brochure from the literature racks throughout the church, or visit our website, www.firsttuscaloosa.org. You may also download and print the mission team application.

This Sunday:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude
Orchestra

Baptism (11:00)

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Out of Ashes with And Can It Be
Worship Choir & Orchestra
Merrell Horsley, soloist

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

Majestic

O Worship the King with He Is the King

Offertory Prayer
Tim Simpson
Minister to College

The Potter's Hand
Lisa Brantley

Morning Message
Dr. Gil McKee

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

The Doxology



JOIN US EVERY THURSDAY
6:00 a.m. in the FELLOWSHIP HALL
- Begins February 5 -

Chick-Fil-A Founder to Speak at Gilgal Baptist Church

On **Monday evening, February 9**, we have the opportunity to hear one of America's most successful Christian businessmen share his story and testimony right here in Tuscaloosa. **Gilgal Baptist Church** is hosting **Truett Cathey, Founder and CEO of Chick-Fil-A**.

As you know, Truett Cathey is known for his invention not of the chicken, but of the chicken sandwich. Not only that, he runs one of the few corporations in the country that is not open on Sunday but honors the day as a day of worship. Truett Cathey's story is one of God's blessings upon a man who has remained faithful to his relationship with Jesus Christ in the midst of a corporate world that can be anything but Christian. He is an incredible example of how to be successful without compromising your Christian convictions.

Schedule:

- Free Meal: 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Truett Cathey speaks at 6:00 p.m.

If you plan to eat, please call Gilgal Baptist Church at 758-0034 no later than Monday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m. to assist them in planning adequately for the meal. If you plan only to attend the speaking time, please arrive early as seating is limited.

Parents' Night Out

Friday, February 13, 6:00-9:30 p.m. (babies - grade 5)

Cost: \$6 per child (\$18 family maximum)

To register, visit the Children's Center office to sign up and pay the registration fee. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, February 8. Hurry, limited space is available.

Senior Adult Ministry

- **Triple L Monthly Meeting and Lunch:** Tuesday, February 3 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Special guest is Miss University of Alabama, Nicole Jacobs.

- **Body Recall** is a proven exercise class for seniors which focuses on improving flexibility and mobility. Classes meet at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 313, Children's Center. Leader is Ann Willard.

Good Samaritan Clinic Open House

Sunday, February 8, 2009

2:00-4:00 p.m.

3880 Watermelon Road, Suite A (Northport)

First Ladies Luncheon

Thursday, February 5 in the Fellowship Hall

Lunch is served beginning at 11:45 a.m. Please call the church office at 345-7554 for lunch reservations. Our mission project for February is to bring items for the State Disaster Childcare Unit of the Alabama Baptist Convention. We need small items that can be packed in tote boxes for children aged six months through fifth grade whose families have suffered a disaster such as a fire or storm. Please bring small items in the following categories: craft supplies, toy cars, balls, puzzles, Bible story books, Bibles, toys and stuffed animals. You may also bring Wal-Mart gift cards for the Childcare Unit to buy the items. These will be given out in Tuscaloosa County.

Girls Softball

Sign up is now underway for church league softball for girls age 6-18. Please pick up a registration form from any of the literature racks located throughout the church, or visit our website at www.firsttuscaloosa.org. Cost for softball is \$45 for the 6-8 year-old teams and \$60 for all other age teams. Payment must be made at the time of registration. Please return completed registration forms and payment to Dusty Jones in the Student Building by Sunday, March 1.

Disaster Relief Training

First Baptist Church will be the site for two Alabama Baptist Disaster Relief Training courses.

- Thursday, April 16: General introductory class. This class is necessary for all who participate in any of the Southern Baptist Relief programs. The cost of this prerequisite course is \$25.
- Friday and Saturday, April 17-18: Advanced classes in Chainsaw Operation. The cost of this course is \$16. Please contact the Tuscaloosa County Baptist Association at 339-2273 for more information or to sign up.

Committees in Focus

Each week a different committee will be listed, along with its primary responsibilities.

Building and Grounds Committee

Members: Bettye Bamberger, Ritchie Bailey, Hal Thurmond, Nancy Gamble, Nancy Hannah, Bill Walker, Jr., Kay Bunn, Bobby Babb, Kay McGiffert.

This committee is responsible for evaluating and maintaining the overall appearance of the church property and its furnishings.

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 01/27/09:

DCH Regional Med Center:

Jeff Walker

Northport Med Center:

Brandy Maxwell

Jeanie Newell

Forest Manor Rehab:

Opal Aycock

Sympathy to:

- Elaine Sloan and family in the death of her mother.
- Ann Marks and family in the death of her husband, Bobby Marks.
- The family and friends of Edith Galloway.

Congratulations to:

Randy and Shauna McMurry in the birth of a baby girl, Danica Aleta McMurry, on Monday, December 29, 2008.

February 1 Volunteers

TV Ministry

Bryan Owings, Ben Owings, Rick Dowling, Randy Glover

Russell Special Education

Becky Ingram

Wednesday Menu

February 4, 2009

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

Beef spaghetti

with tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread and cookies

Baked Chicken

with same side plus rice pilaf

Salad Bar

Kids: Pizza and chips

No reservations are needed.



January 25, 2009

Weekly Ministry Plan Need	\$76,089.45
Ministry Plan Gifts	\$45,034.21
Difference	(\$31,055.24)

Touching Tomorrow Today	\$1,123.00
Designated Gifts	\$10,982.00
Total Gifts for Week	\$57,139.21

2009 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need	\$304,357.80
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$198,120.11
Difference for Year	(\$106,237.69)

Touching Tomorrow Today

Total Amount Pledged	\$2,778,495.20
Contributions to Date	\$2,442,597.43
Remaining Balance	(\$335,897.77)

Gifts given in Memory of:

Georgia Hathcock
Sam McGee
Pete Pierson

Gifts given in Honor of:

Pam Givhan
Lecretia Mitchell
Beth Yates

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - January 25, 2009

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	113
Children	204	122
Students	213	219
College	229	112
Adults	1422	690
Total	2247	1256

Wednesday Nights at First

Wednesday Nights at First (WNF) activities have already kicked off in 2009, but it is not too late for your entire family to join in! For a Wednesday schedule including details about Adult DiscipleLife studies currently offered, please pick up a "Wednesday Nights at First" brochure from the literature racks throughout the church or visit our website, www.firsttuscaloosa.org.

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Associate Pastor Emeritus

Sunday, February 1

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30-11:00 Library Open
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 4:30 ESL classes
- 4:30 Student Ministry
Super Bowl Fellowship
- 5:00 DivorceCare
- 6:00 Evening Worship
- 6:00 Bible Skills, Drills, Thrills

Monday, February 2

- 6:00 p.m. Volleyball for Adults

Tuesday, February 3

- 10:30 a.m. Triple L monthly meeting
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 6:30 Thailand Meeting
- 7:00 Epic: College Bible Study

Wednesday, February 4

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer (Chapel)
- 9:00 Quilters
- 9:00 First Ladies Bible study
- 2:00-7:30 Library Open
- 3:00 p.m. Drawing class
- 3:00 Pregame for students
- 4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:00 First Ladies Prayer
- 5:30 Spanish Bible study
- 5:45-6:30 Mid-Week Devotion
- 5:45-6:30 Children's Choirs
- 5:45-7:30 *Financial Peace University*
- 5:45-7:30 First Ladies Bible Studies
- 6:00-7:00 Adult DiscipleLife
- 6:00-7:15 The Arena (Students)
- 6:15-7:45 ESL classes
- 6:35 Choir/Orchestra rehearsal
- 6:40-7:30 Children's Missions
- 8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

Thursday, February 5

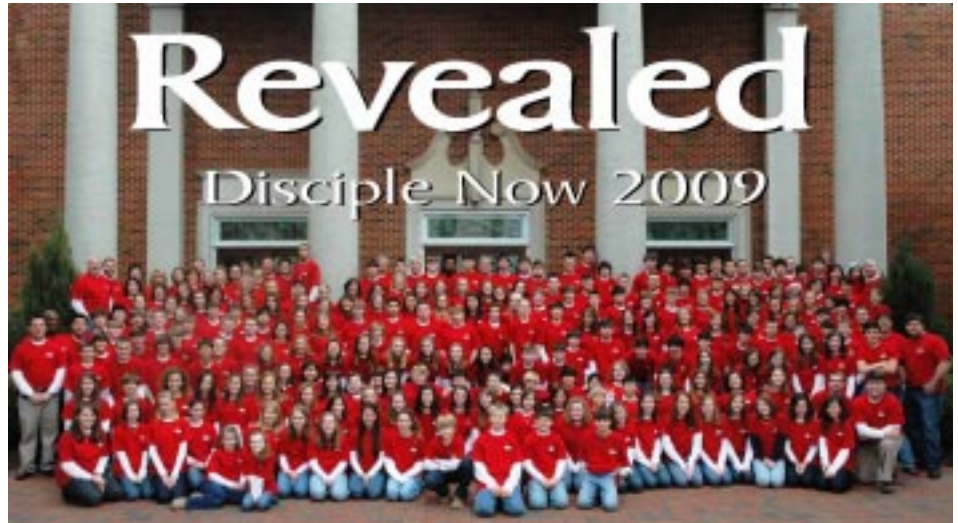
- 6:00 a.m. Men's Fraternity
- 9:30 ESL Classes
- 10:00 First Ladies Prayer Shawl
- 12:00 p.m. First Ladies Luncheon
- 1:30 Body Recall

Friday, February 6

- 7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible Study

Saturday, February 7

- 9:00 a.m. Upward Basketball
- 3:00 p.m. Student Ministry Winter Jam



Dear Church Family,

What a great Disciple Now Weekend! Our 175 students, 22 host families and 23 Bible Study leaders had an incredible time studying why it is important to deepen our relationship with God through His Word. The times of small-group Bible Study were incredible. To gather in our beautiful Student Ministry Building for corporate times of worship was an indescribable experience. The weekend could not have ended on a better note than to gather with you in the 11:00 worship service and to witness the students proclaim to the world that Jesus is their Savior. Thank you for enabling us to have such great experiences over this past weekend. -- **John Lowe, Minister to Students**



*The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday
in loving memory of Ray and Lillie Spencer by their family.*

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