



First Servant Weekly

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This Sunday:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude
Orchestra (8:30)
Donna McCown (11:00)

The Solid Rock (8:30)
Blessed Be Your Name
(11:00)

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

Sing to the King

Uncreated One
Worship Choir and
Orchestra

*Amazing Grace, My Chains
are Gone*

Offertory Prayer
Lecretia Mitchell
Preschool Ministry Associate

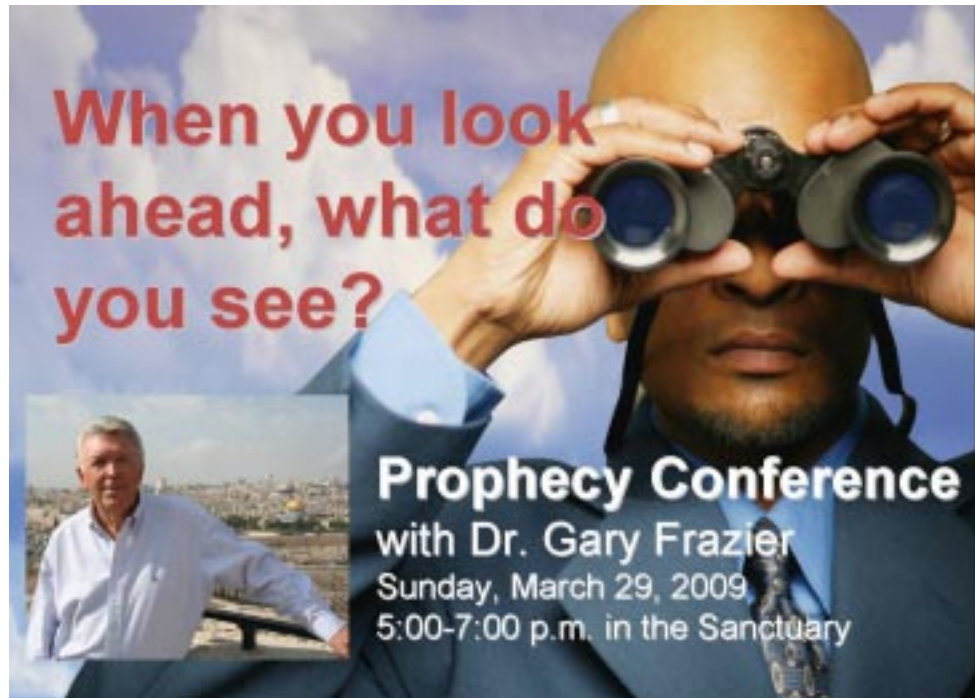
Piano Offertory
Cory and Jace Ferraez

Morning Message
Dr. Gary Frazier

*I Have Decided to Follow
Jesus*

My Tribute

Organ Postlude



Dr. Gary Frazier will also preach during both morning worship services on Sunday, March 29. He is the author of several books of prophecy and the founder of Discovery Ministries. Through this ministry he has led thousands of believers on educational tours of Israel and other areas of Biblical significance.



Vacation Bible School

Directors' Meeting

Sunday, March 29
4:00 p.m.
Room 216,
Children's Center
(VBS is June 8-11.)

Communion: The Life of Christ



*A Celebration of
the Lord's Supper
featuring the
Worship Choir,
Orchestra,
Drama and Dance*

**Sunday, April 5
6:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary**

From the Pastor...

When you look ahead at our world today, what do you see? Does the Bible have anything to say about the future? These are just two of the questions Dr. Gary Frazier will address this Sunday, March 29, during a one-day prophesy conference here at First Baptist Church. Dr. Frazier will preach in both morning worship services and then lead a two-hour session beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday evening. You will not want to miss morning or evening this Sunday!



For those of you who might have interest in a trip to Greece and Turkey for the purpose of retracing the Apostle Paul's second missionary journey, Dr. Frazier and I will conduct an information meeting this Saturday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall. We currently have 25 spaces available for this exciting trip. However, registration will begin immediately following this meeting and the spaces will fill fast. So if you have any interest in the details about this trip, please plan to be present this Saturday.

I want to thank you for working so hard this month to make *March Gladness* a great success. You have done a wonderful job inviting people to Sunday School and worship. We have already seen some fruit of the labor. However, I want to encourage you to not stop inviting people just because *March Gladness* is coming to an end. We should all make it a priority to invite at least one person to Sunday School and worship every week.

As you know, on Sunday, May 3, we are going to host a city-wide event called *T-Town Downtown Block Party*. It will be one of the greatest opportunities we will have all year to invite non-Christian and un-churched friends, neighbors, co-workers, fellow students, and family members to our church campus. I hope you are praying and preparing a list of those you plan to invite that day. Wouldn't it be awesome if every member of First Baptist Church brought a friend that day? I hope YOU will! -- **Bro. Gil**

Committees in Focus

Each week a different committee is highlighted, along with its primary responsibilities.

Lord's Supper Committee

Members: George and Susan Allen (chairs), John and Melanie Hollingsworth, Ken and Lisa Fitzgerald, John and Peggy Hogue, C.D. and Genie Elliott.

This committee is responsible for preparing and maintaining the elements and supplies for Lord's Supper services.

First Ladies Luncheon

First Ladies Noon Luncheon will meet Thursday, April 2 in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be served beginning at 11:45 a.m. A program on our First Ladies **Sweet Dreams Ministry** will be presented. We will be taking a love offering that will be used to help a family in need. Bring a friend with you and join us for good food and fellowship.

Mission News

Hearing Aids Needed

Many of you have asked in the past if we needed used hearing aids. Until now we have not had a way to make use of them, but that has changed. The team traveling to Dominican Republic this summer will be taking as many as can be collected. The need is very great. Please bring any hearing aids and batteries you wish to donate to the Missions Office.

Disaster Relief Training

- Thursday, April 16: General introductory class - Necessary for anyone participating in Southern Baptist Relief programs. Cost: \$25.
- Friday and Saturday, April 17-18: Advanced classes in Chainsaw Operation. Cost: \$16. Classes will be held at the Tuscaloosa County Baptist Association's office at 4300 Highway 69 N in Northport. Please contact 339-2273 for more information or to sign up. You may also register online at www.sbd.org. Payment should be labeled "Disaster Relief Registration" and sent directly to the Tuscaloosa County Baptist Association.

Mission Derby

Wednesday, April 29 in the Family Life Center

Girls and boys in grades 1-5 may participate in the race using the wooden cars they design and build. Car kits are available for purchase on Wednesday nights on the second floor of the Children's Center. Kits are \$6 each; weights and graphite tubes are \$3 each. Cars must be turned in by 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28 to qualify for the race. More information is available during RA's and GA's on Wednesday nights.

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 03/24/09:

DCH Regional Med Center:

Tommy Dockery

Northport Med Center:

Jeannie Newell

Sympathy to:

- Danny Lee and family and Joy Campbell and family in the death of their father; Trip Farmer and family in the death of his uncle.
- Rhonda Waldrop and family in the death of her father.
- Joe Powell and family in the death of his mother.



Wednesday Menu

April 1, 2009

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

Baked Ham OR Baked Chicken with creamed corn, field peas, collard greens, sliced onions and beets, cornbread, assorted pudding

Salad Bar

Kids: Hot dog and fries

No reservations are needed.



March 22, 2009

Weekly Ministry Plan Need \$76,089.45
Ministry Plan Gifts \$45,717.00
Difference for week \$30,372.45

Touching Tomorrow Today \$862.00
Designated Gifts \$1,352.50
Total Gifts for Week \$47,931.50

2009 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need \$913,073.40
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts \$733,602.95
Difference for Year (\$179,470.45)

Touching Tomorrow Today

Total Amount Pledged \$2,777,995.20
Contributions to Date \$2,458,533.83
Remaining Balance (\$319,461.37)

Annie Armstrong Offering Goal \$25,000.00
Given to Date: \$8,028.50

Gifts given in Memory of:

Ruby McHugh
Ellie Stokes

Gifts given in Honor of:

Buddy and Buna Woodruff

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - March 22, 2009

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	118
Children	204	115
Students	213	133
College	229	30
Adults	1422	684
Total	2247	1080

March 29 Volunteers

TV Ministry

Ken Faught, David Kendrick, Rick Dowling, Randy Glover

Russell Special Education

Midy Holt

Sweet Dreams Ministry

Pillowcase Workday

Monday, April 13, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

No prior sewing experience is necessary to help create these pillowcases that are given to clients at Children's Hospital in Birmingham.

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Sunday, March 29

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30-11:00 Library Open
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 4:00 p.m. VBS Directors' Meeting
- 4:30 ESL classes
- 5:00 DivorceCare
- 5:00-7:00 Evening Worship:
Prophecy Conference
- 5:00 Bible Skills, Drills, Thrills
- 5:00 FBU for Students

Monday, March 30

- 6:30 p.m. Line Dancing Exercise classes

Tuesday, March 31

- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 7:00 Epic: College Bible Study

Wednesday, April 1

- 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 Pregame for students
- 4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
- 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, April 2

- 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 p.m. Body Recall

Friday, April 3

- 7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible Study

Mission Statement:

First Baptist Church meets to **magnify** Jesus Christ and **multiply** His Kingdom, to **mature** believers into effective Christ-followers, and to **minister** to others in Jesus' name.



Easter
Eggstravaganza
Saturday, April 1
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
at Camp Tuscoaba
Union Chapel Road in Northport

Egg Hunts
Bouncy Games
Train Rides
FREE Hot Dog Lunch

Bring your Easter basket,
a lawn chair and a friend!

Invite your friends and neighbors
to this fun event for the entire family!

For more information, contact the Children's Center at
391-3115 or visit our website: www.firsttuscaloosa.org.



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Joe McCrary by Debra McCrary, Margaret and Jonathan Whitehurst, and Joanne and Brian Brasseal.

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