



First Servant Weekly

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BEGINS

Sunday, August 23!

This exciting new weekly worship experience for kids in grades 1-5 will meet on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in the Children's Worship Center (3rd Floor, Children's Center).

Worship KidStyle Information Lunches:

Sunday, July 26, 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Learn more about *Worship KidStyle* by attending one of these luncheons.

This Sunday:

8:30

& 11:00 a.m.

Organ Prelude
Donna McCown

Baptism (11:00)

Awesome in This Place

*The Majesty and Glory
of Your Name*
Worship Choir
and Orchestra

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

Sweeter

Blessed Assurance

Who Can Satisfy

Offertory Prayer
Dr. Gil McKee

Piano Offertory
Barbara Smith

Morning Message
Dr. Gil McKee

You Are My King
(Amazing Love)

My Tribute

Quarterly Business and Communication Meeting

Wednesday, July 29
in the Fellowship Hall
This quarterly meeting includes the financial report and information about ongoing ministry events. It will take the place of the Mid-Week Devotion.



A Year of Ministry

Student Ministry Report
Sunday, July 26
6:00 p.m. in the Arena (Student Building)
The entire church family is invited to join the Student Ministry this Sunday night in the Arena to celebrate the ministry's events from the past year. This celebration and report, led by our Student Minister John Lowe, will take the place of the regular evening worship service.



Men's Fraternity Kick-Off Breakfast

Thursday, August 13
6:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Guest Speaker: James Spann

First session begins August 27.

From the Pastor...

This Sunday, July 26, marks the 5th Anniversary of ministry here at First Baptist Church for our Minister of Childhood Education, **Beth Yates**.

How thankful I am for Beth's ministry and influence among our children and young families. She brings to our church a love for kids and a deep desire to help them become the young men and women God longs for them to be. We are certainly blessed to have her on our staff and I pray that God will leave her here for many more years. Please take a moment this week to personally congratulate Beth on this special occasion and express to her your appreciation for her ministry.



I want to thank all of you again for your generous support of our special offering for the **Congo refugees in Uganda**. Thus far we have collected **almost \$13,000**. That means we have money to build 260 single-family huts at the Refugee Camp in Uganda. That is 260 families who will have a home to call their own because of your giving. We will continue to accept contributions for this special offering a few more weeks.

Finally...I want to make sure that anyone still interested in the **Greece trip** next month is aware of a final meeting **this Sunday, July 26, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. It is still not too late for you to register and go with us on this exciting trip designed to retrace the second missionary journey of Paul through Greece and Turkey. We still have several spots available but will need to relinquish those spots no later than August 1. If you have interest in seeing the itinerary, cost, and other details please go to the web page listed below.

www.discoveryministries.com/ministry/0815-2009a.php

I will see you Sunday!

Brother Gil

Sweet Dreams Ministry

Pillowcase Sewing Party

Tuesday, August 4

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Room 313, Children's Center
Join in this valuable ongoing ministry to make colorful pillowcases for the children in Birmingham's Children's Hospital. No sewing experience necessary; training will be available. For additional sewing instructions and material needs, please visit www.firsttuscaloosa.org/womenstouchministry.



Child Development Program

The Half-Day program has spaces available for the Fall semester in our classes for children aged two, three and four. The half-day program is 8:30 a.m. -12:15 p.m., Monday-Friday. Tuition is \$180 per month. Classes begin Monday, August 17. Please contact Lecretia Mitchell at 391-3115 for more information.

Children's Discovery Class

Sunday, July 26

4:30-5:30 p.m. in room 215, Children's Center

This 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.

Sunday School Leadership Training

Sunday, August 2 4:00-7:00 p.m.

In preparation for a new Sunday School year there will be Sunday School Leadership Training for the various age groups.

Preschool: Leaders will meet in room 309, Children's Center. They will receive new materials and the names of new class members, and share ideas for creative and effective teaching.

Children: Leaders for grades 1-5 will meet in room 313, Children's Center. They will receive new materials and a class listing, meet in their teaching teams, and discuss methods for transitioning children from their Sunday School classes to Worship KidStyle.

Students: Leaders for grades 6-12 will meet in the Student Building.

Adults (In the Fellowship Hall): Featuring special guest, Dr. Eric Pratt, Vice-President of Christian Development at Mississippi College in Clinton, MS. Dr. Pratt's topic will be "Teaching People the Bible."

Thailand Mission Trip

Location: Chiang Rai, Thailand

Dates: September 5-15, 2009

Cost: \$2450

Scope of Work: Children's English Camps and activities
Info Meeting: Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 p.m., International Center.

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 07/21/09:

DCH Regional Med Center:

Curtis Bonner
Fuller Kimbrell

Glen Haven Rehab:

Shirley Anderson
Don Norton

Sympathy to:

- Elaine Appleby and family in the death of her aunt.
- Tom Stipe and family in the death of his uncle.
- Frances McCrary and family in the death of her husband, Judson McCrary; Ruby Shaffer and family in the death of her brother-in-law; Jackie Sharp, Debra McCrary, Deloris Chastine and Mark Powell and families in the death of their uncle.
- William Lawley and family in the death of his aunt.

Thank You Note

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the kindness shown me during my recent hospitalization. Your prayers, cards and visits meant so much. May God bless each of you.

With love and gratitude, Doris Novatnak

Wednesday Menu

July 29, 2009

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

Meat loaf

with creamed potatoes, green beans, pear salad, rolls, ice cream sandwiches

Baked Chicken

with same side items

Salad Bar

Kids: Hamburger and chips

No reservations are needed.



July 19, 2009

Weekly Ministry Plan Need	\$76,089.45
Ministry Plan Gifts	\$42,482.33
Difference for week	(\$33,607.12)

Touching Tomorrow Today	\$1,031.00
Designated Gifts	\$12,502.00
Total Gifts for Week	\$56,015.33

2009 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need	\$2,206,594.05
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$1,834,537.65
Difference for Year	(\$372,056.40)

Touching Tomorrow Today

Total Amount Pledged	\$2,777,995.20
Contributions to Date	\$2,496,473.34
Remaining Balance	(\$281,521.86)

Gifts given in Memory of:

Helen Cargo

Gifts given in Honor of:

Emily DeFrance's 21st Birthday
Wendell Prentice and others who cut trees

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - July 19, 2009

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	107
Children	204	102
Students	213	110
College	229	49
Adults	1422	665
Total	2247	1033

Welcome New Members

by Baptism:

34: Sara Ringo
35: April Whinery

Visit our church's website,
www.firsttuscaloosa.org.

*The Lord said to him,
"Who gave man his mouth?...
Is it not I, the Lord? Now go;
I will help you speak and will
teach you what to say."*

Exodus 4:11-12

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Sunday, July 26

8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:30-11:00 Library Open
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship
 11:00 *Worship KidStyle* info luncheon
 12:00 p.m. *Worship KidStyle* info luncheon
 4:30 ESL classes
 4:30 Children's Discovery Class
 5:00 DivorceCare
 6:00 July @ Nite for kids
 6:00 Student Ministry Report
 7:15 Deacons' Meeting

Monday, July 27

11:00 Student Ministry 11-2
 2:00 p.m. Randall Group
 5:15 Nightlighters
 6:00 Prospect Visitation
 6:00 Adult volleyball/basketball

Tuesday, July 28

6:30 p.m. Line Dancing Exercise classes
 6:30 Thailand trip meeting
 7:00 Epic: College Bible study

Wednesday, July 29

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer (Chapel)
 9:00 Quilters
 2:00-7:30 Library Open
 3:00 Student Ministry Pregame
 4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
 5:45 W.O.W. for grades 1-5
 5:45 Preschool Manners class
 5:45-6:30 Quarterly Business Meeting
 5:45-7:15 Worship Choir/Orchestra
 6:00-7:00 Adult DiscipleLife
 6:00 The Arena for students
 6:15-7:15 ESL classes
 8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

Thursday, July 30

8:00-4:30 Gym open
 11:00 a.m. Senior Adult Choir

Friday, July 31

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.

August Events

August 1-8: Builders for Christ mission trip to Monroe, Ohio

Sunday, August 2: Sunday School Leadership Training, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 4: Sweet Dreams Pillowcase sewing party

Sunday, August 9: Promotion for Student Ministry
 Biscuit Sunday for Senior Adults

Tuesday, August 11: Triple L Monthly Meeting and Lunch

Wednesday, August 12: Missions and Music Kickoff for children
 Regular Wednesday Schedule resumes

Thursday, August 13: Men's Fraternity Kickoff Breakfast
 English as a Second Language classes begin

Sunday, August 16: New Sunday School year begins
 Promotion for Preschool and Children
Discover First session and luncheon

Wednesday, August 19: Adult Bible Studies begin

Sunday, August 23: *Worship KidStyle* begins, 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 25: First Ladies weekly LunchTime Study begins

Thursday, August 27: Men's Fraternity begins

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in honor of Bill and Caroline Darden on their 50th Wedding Anniversary by their children Leanne and Sam Downing, and Michael and Tamzin Darden.

The flowers are placed in the Vestibule this Sunday in celebration of the marriage of Gloria Shows and Rodney Oglesby.



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