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A place to belong... a place to become.

JULY 26, 2009

OPPORTUNITIES

July 26 - August 1, 2009

Deacon on Call: Chester Grisham

Sunday, July 26:

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
(WBIP-AM 1400)
- 6:30 p.m. Sunday School Fellowships
(There will be no evening worship service.)

Monday, July 27:

- 8:00 a.m. Mission Kids trip to Point
Mallard (attendance prize winners
only)

Wednesday, July 29:

- 6:30 p.m. Kid's Club, Wednesday YT,
Prayer Meeting

Friday, July 31:

- 8:00 p.m. Sunday Morning Worship
Service Broadcast (Cable 16,
www.ubntv.org)

Visit our church website (www.fbcbooneville.com)
for upcoming events and previous editions
of the newsletter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FELLOWSHIPS

Sunday, July 26

While Dr. Jones is away on vacation this week, Jackie Smith will be preaching Sunday morning.

Sunday School classes will have fellowships on Sunday night. There will be no evening activities or worship service here at FBC.

*"The days are coming,"
declares the
LORD,
"when I will
fulfill the gracious
promise."*



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When Sin Almost Destroyed the Church

By: Dr. Lynn Jones

Sin poses a great danger to the church. In fact, sin can destroy the church.

My older brother Wayne is a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Hornbeck, Louisiana. He said that one time many years ago, their pastor had a creative brain-storm. Whenever a pastor has one of these, as with all storms, it poses a danger to the church. The pastor's idea was that for their new year's worship service they would have a new beginning. They would ask the Lord to forgive them of their sins and take them all away. With this clean slate, they would begin the new year.

To symbolize this new beginning, the pastor placed a large, empty flowerpot on the communion table. In the bottom of the pot, he put a lighted candle. Then, during the service, he encouraged the members to write down on slips of paper the sins that they had committed during the past year. They then asked the Lord to forgive them of their sins, and, to symbolize the fact that these sins had been completely removed, he invited them to come forward and drop the slips of paper into the flowerpot, where they would be consumed by the flame.

This seemed like a very meaningful thing to do, and the members were almost all moved by their pastor's exhortation to participate in this part of the service. As they looked back over the past year, they listed many sins on many slips of paper. Then, at the appropriate time, they began coming forward to drop those slips into the flowerpot. It was at this point that it became obvious that not all was going to go accord-

ing to plan. For one thing, they had committed too many sins during the past year. This led to too many slips of paper being dropped into the flowerpot. As the members continued coming by the communion table to cast their sins into the fire, what was once a small flickering flame turned into a roaring blaze that began leaping to the top of the pot.

Another miscalculation was the nature of the pot. It was not designed to withstand a roaring fire and began cracking in the intense heat that was being generated by the combined sins of the flock.

The final miscalculation was the use of the candle. No problem as long as the only fire was its wick that was burning. But now under the intense heat of the larger fire, the entire candle began melting and wax began running through the sides of the cracked pot onto the communion table. This was the final straw for some of the more practical-minded deacons. They grabbed the communion table and, like Old Testament scapegoats, began bearing the sins of the congregation away into the wilderness outside the door.

Wayne said that it was a close call. Just a few more minutes and sin would have completely destroyed First Baptist Church of Hornbeck.

That's not the only church to face such a danger. Sin is always a deadly threat. We must never take it lightly.

--Sunday's Sermons: Dr Jones is on vacation this week. Jackie Smith will be preaching Sunday morning. Sunday School classes will have fellowships on Sunday evening.

COUNTING COMMITTEE:

David Jones, JoAnn Long,
Mitch McBride, L. C. Wright,
Jerry Ivey

USHERS:

AM

Mitch McBride, Mike Anderson,
Mike Moore, Jimmy Davis,
Ray Scott, Jobie Lindsey

PM

Jimmy Taylor, David West,
John Green

EXTENDED SESSION:

July Coordinator

Wendy Scott (728-0025)

July 26:

Sandra Gray
Tammy Jackson
Andrea Mathis

August 2:

Linda Crowson
Connie Vandiver
Stephanie Williford

GIFTS RECEIVED

*Gifts have been received
by First Baptist Church
in memory of
Mrs. Mary Robinson Talley
Mrs. Emily Green*



OUR NEWEST MEMBER
Dustin Wallis
Profession of Faith & Baptism


Pray for our Homebound:
Bruce and Jean Alexander

July 19, 2009	
Sunday School	251
Budget	\$5,779.51
Designated Offering	<u>1,686.21</u>
Total	\$7,465.72

Prayer Walk

Our children and teachers will be going back to school soon and we want to start praying for them. Join us in prayer walks and/or prayer rides around our schools on Sunday, July 26th. Please circle around them and pray for their protection and guidance as they lead and teach our children. As you know, they have an awesome responsibility.

Thank you as we work together for His Kingdom,
Freida Cartwright
Associational WMU Director



Our Newest Arrivals

Reese Corbett Anderson
Shayne and Julie Anderson are happy to announce the birth of their son, Reese Corbett. He was born May 26, 2009 weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.
Proud grandparents are Mike and Wanda Anderson.
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Aaron Matthew White
Matthew and Whitney (Yarber) White are happy to announce the birth of their son, Aaron Matthew. He arrived on July 20, 2009 weighing 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long.
Proud grandmother is Nanette Yarber.

MUSIC NOTES

Young Musicians Camp
Blue Mountain College
July 20 - 23

Our Young Musicians are currently at Blue Mountain College finishing a week of music and fun!

At 7:30 PM on Thursday, July 23, they will join the entire camp in presenting the musical

Heroes of Faith

Thank you for your prayers for our students!

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Promotion Sunday
Sunday, August 9th
9:45 AM
in the CLC



You're invited to a
Back-to-School Discovery Breakfast Party!
For 4 year olds through entering the 6th grade.

Sunday Night Fellowships and Child Care
We will have nursery and gym care this Sunday night from 5:45 PM until for those parents who are participating in the Sunday Night Fellowships.
Please notify the church office asap if you need child care

Kindness is the oil that takes the friction out of life.
But the fruit of the Spirit is...kindness.
Galatians 5:22 (NIV)

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Dear Dr. Jones,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the FBC Booneville Congregation in hosting *The Miracles*. We truly hope that it was as much of a blessing for you as it was for us. We would also like to thank you for your support and financial gift that will go to help sustain this wonderful program as well as The Baddour Center.

We would like to extend an invitation to your congregation to visit The Baddour Center. This would be an exciting opportunity for you to see all aspects of the residents' daily lives. Please feel free to schedule a tour by calling 662-562-0100, extension 1-230.

You and your church were true examples of Christ's love, and we pray that you will be blessed for your outpouring of that love. It blesses us throughout our travels when we are able to not only minister through our music, but to also be ministered to by the generosity of a congregation.

May the Lord Bless You,
Ryan Hayes
Director of *The Miracles*

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Cards of Thanks

We would like to extend a special thanks to the church family and staff at the Booneville First Baptist Church for your kind hospitality shown to us during the marriage of our daughter, Julie Brooke Thomas, to your own Blake Jones. She is blessed with great in-laws and a loving church family. The church staff is to be commended also, especially Mr. William Scott, who went above and beyond his call of duty.

Thanks again for sharing in our daughter's marriage to make it a most memorable, special day.

*Love in Christ,
Jackie and Sylvia Thomas*

Dear Laurie and VBS Kids of FBC Booneville,

Since we cannot receive mail here in our country, we pick up our mail when we go to Thailand. We just returned from a meeting of missionaries from 5 different countries. While we were there, someone told us, "You have 6 packages at the office!" We felt like we were having Christmas in July! How exciting it was to receive the items you collected for us during your VBS. These are items that we cannot buy here. We are enjoying the applesauce. We could make our own, but apples are very expensive. Tropical fruits like pineapple, mangoes, papaya and even watermelon are very cheap. Thank you for blessing us with your generosity.

We are currently writing materials for translation into the language here that we will begin teaching in a few weeks. Please pray for us as we continue to teach people about Jesus and the Bible in a country where very few people know Him. Many of these people have never even heard about Jesus. Thank you for praying for us. We could not be here without people back home praying for us. We also appreciate the wonderful encouragement that FBC Booneville has been to us and our family.

*Blessings,
Joey and Kathy*

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