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

MARCH 14, 2010

OPPORTUNITIES

March 14 - 20, 2010

Deacon on Call: Mark Pitner

Sunday, March 14:

- 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. Evening Worship,
(WBVV-FM 99.3)
- 7:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, March 17:

- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Business
Meeting, Adult Bible Study

Friday, March 19:

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

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for upcoming events and previous editions
of the newsletter.



FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

National Goal: \$70 million

Our Goal: \$11,000.00
Given-to-Date: \$1,200.00

GPS—God's Plan for Sharing



On Saturday, March 27, we, along with other churches in Prentiss Baptist Association, will participate in **GPS—God's Plan for Sharing**. On Saturday morning, March 27, we will meet at the church to divide into teams of two persons each. Each team will be given plastic bags to hang on the doors of homes on selected streets. Each of these bags will have three items: 1) A brochure with the plan of salvation; 2) A special invitation to attend our Easter morning worship service on April 4; and 3) An invitation to attend our Easter drama, which will be presented on Saturday night, March 27, as well as on Sunday night, March 28.

If you cannot go out on Saturday, March 27, but can go another day of the week, you may pick up your material on Sunday, March 21, after the morning worship service and go at a time that is more convenient for you.

Sign-up sheets can be found in each of our Sunday School classes and in the foyers. We are asking each class to have some representatives present for this distribution. We will assign the street(s) to teams by March 21. We are asking you during the week preceding the distribution to be praying for the persons on the streets where you will be going.

A Word of Encouragement

By: Dr. Lynn Jones

One of the areas in which school districts are evaluated is the dropout rate of the district. Recent studies have indicated that our state ranks 47th in the nation in our high school dropout rate. We graduate about 61% of our students. The dropout rate is a major cause for concern.

My mom taught school for 30 years. Seventeen of those years were at Plainview, Louisiana, and 13 of them were at Hornbeck, Louisiana. In those 30 years, she taught a lot of students. One of those students was Wingate Dowden.

In Mom's latter years, whenever Wingate would see her in a crowd, he would always tell this story. After beginning his senior year of high school, Wingate decided that he would drop out of school and get a job. He envisioned getting rich quick. In making this decision, he had not consulted with Mom.

According to Wingate, about a week after his decision to drop out of school, he was down in the field pulling corn. He looked up and saw Mrs. Jones coming. She made her way down into the cornfield and, after speaking to Wingate, came right to the point. Her point was that she thought he had made a big mistake in dropping out of school. He was too smart and too talented not to complete his high school education. She wanted to see him back in her class the next morning. Having delivered her message, she left the cornfield and left Wingate to do some serious thinking about his future.

The next morning Wingate was back in school. He was back to stay. He finished his senior year and graduated. He served a couple

of years in the army and then came home to go to work for the Louisiana State Police. He retired from the force as a lieutenant. Whenever he saw Mom anywhere, he would always tell the story about her coming to the cornfield to get him.

Mom was always embarrassed by the attention. She would often say, "I think Wingate has added a good bit to that story. I had three small boys then, and I don't think I had the time to go down into the cornfield to talk to Wingate."

Whether that detail was true or not, she never denied the fact that she did everything in her power to encourage him and to keep him from dropping out of school. She said, "He just had too much going for him to drop out of school and not reach his potential."

The dropout problem is one that plagues not only our schools but also our churches. The key ingredient in improving the dropout rate in both is to have a lot of people who care and who will offer a word of encouragement. Maybe you could be that person this week.

Wingate and Mom have both gone on to heaven now. Wingate will probably tell the story there if he can get some folks to listen. Mom will probably be embarrassed and quibble about some details. Neither of them will question the life-changing importance of offering a word of encouragement.

--Sunday's Sermons:

AM: "Love Is for Losers"
John 13:33-35

PM: "What Goes into God's Memory Bank?"
Malachi 3:13-18

COUNTING COMMITTEE:

Webster Cleveland, Ricky Ford,
David Jones, JoAnn Long

USHERS:

AM

Travis Browder, Bobby Manley,
James Chase, Herschel Morgan,
Jon Andy Scott, Derick Davis,
Kevin Manley

PM

Dan Volk, Bob Griffin,
Joe Carter

EXTENDED SESSION:

March Coordinator

Tonya Nichols (416-0263)

March 14:

Linda Crowson
Jarett Nichols
Lisa Wright

March 21:

Andrea Owens
Tonya Nichols
Keith Stevens

IN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy and our prayers are extended to Dan and Ruby Volk and Danielle Jones in the death of their sister-in-law and aunt, Mrs. Bernice Volk and to Roger and Mary Rhodes and family in the death of her mother, Mrs. Effie Pharr.

GIFTS RECEIVED

Gifts have been received by First Baptist Church in

memory of

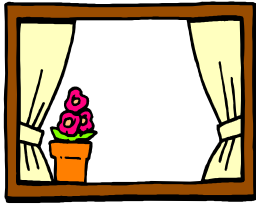
Mr. Cletus Rhodes
Mrs. Effie Pharr
Mrs. Marie Wright
Mrs. Mary Ann Ward
Austin Rhodes
Mrs. Marjorie Waters
Mr. Billy Joe Green

and in honor of

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert McDaniel.

MUSIC NOTES

March 7, 2010	
Sunday School	276
Budget	\$13,846.11
Designated Offering	<u>3,230.75</u>
Total	\$17,076.86



Pray for our Homebound:
Mrs. Vena Baldwin
Mrs. Peggy Williams



**William Martin
Hanley**

Martin and Suzanne Hanley proudly announce the birth of their son, William Martin, born Friday, March 5, 2010. He weighed seven pounds and was 20 inches long. He is welcomed home by a big sister, Emma.

Proud grandparents are John and Sue Hanley!

An endless veil of dust from the ancient streets of old Jerusalem has settled over the long-awaited hopes and dreams of God's people. They are weary. They remember the stories of old. They keep the appointed feasts instituted by God through Moses when they entered the land, but this land of promise no longer feels like theirs. There are intruders, trespassers walking their streets. God's people are required to endure them, but they are not welcome.

No Jesus, the Rabbi, is here and His teachings turn everything upside-down. Suddenly everything needs to be viewed through a new lens; enemies are offered a place in the Kingdom and Israel's teachers of the law who claim to know God are called blind men.

You are invited to walk those dusty streets with us, to meet the people Jesus Inexplicably invited into the Kingdom. Let their journeys shed light on your journey. They share with you a common bond for at the end of all our journeys—

*There Stands a Cross!
Saturday and Sunday, March 27-28*

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Children's Bible Drill, Mission Kids, and G.R.O.W.
will NOT meet during the week of spring break, but will resume on Sunday, March 21.



A very special thank-you to all of you who participated in "Buckets of Hope" for Haiti. Just one bucket provides food for an entire family for one week.

Thank you for your generosity and for giving to such a worthy cause.

Bible Drill News



Please pray for our children and youth as they continue to prepare for the upcoming Bible Drills:

Church Drill

Wednesday, April 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Associational Drill

Sunday, April 18 at 2:00 p.m. (FBC sanctuary)

State Bible Drill

Thursday, April 22 (Harrisburg Baptist)
(Departure time will be announced later.)

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Don't forget to
"spring forward"
THIS Saturday night in order to make it
to Sunday School on time
this Sunday morning!

Tuesday and Wednesday night **Ladies' Bible Studies** will **not** meet
for the next three weeks, due to the Easter Musical, but will resume
April 6 and 7.

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One Day Women's Conference
Featuring RITA SWEATT presenting
Ruth's Story...A Loyal Love

Glendale Baptist Church
2478 Highway 72E
Glen, MS 38846

Step back in time with Rita as she presents the story of Ruth in a
dramatic monologue and two accompanying study sessions. Ruth
experienced young love, infertility, leaving home, deep friendships,
arriving in a new place, starting over, a second chance, and
motherhood! Through it all, her loyalty to God was evident.

GOD'S loyalty to HER...even more!

May you see her life, and YOUR OWN, in a new light!

APRIL 3, 2010

Pre-registration--\$12

At the Door--\$15

9:00 am—3:00 pm

Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be served.