



... and we sent Timothy, our brother and God's fellow worker in the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you as to your faith.
1 Thessalonians 3:2

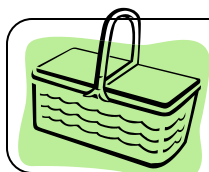
One of the great privileges of being the people of God is the calling to be His witnesses beginning in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the remotest places of the earth (see Acts 1). In the great work of proclaiming the gospel of Christ, we have been invited to be used by God. With this responsibility in mind, First Baptist Church has been invited by two of our ministry partners – Washington Madison Baptist Association (WMBA) and Arkansas Baptist State Convention (ABSC) – to help plant a new church in northwest Arkansas. With the tremendous population growth in our region, more Bible-believing and Christ-centered churches are needed to reach more people with the gospel.

A visionary and faith-led church planter, Andy Swart, was led by God to start a Southern Baptist church which would work to reach young families and professionals who are transplants to northwest Arkansas. This new church, The New Community Church (NCC), has already begun penetrating the community with mid-week Bible studies and, recently, with worship services. They currently meet in an elementary school in Bentonville. Even as they began their first Bible studies in 2007, the church was in contact with the ABSC to establish a church planting partner.

For several weeks, our Evangelism and Missions Committee has been praying and working with this request to be the sponsoring and partnering church for The New Community Church. During the regular church business meeting on Sunday, April 20, the committee will bring a recommendation that First Baptist Church enter into a covenant relationship with The New Community Church! Praise the LORD!!

I want you to know as much as possible about NCC and our covenant relationship before we formally discuss this as a church family, so you can prayerfully seek God's direction. Here is an anticipated plan to help disseminate the information: announcements will be made in the morning worship services, a letter will be mailed to the entire church family, the partnership covenant will be made available in the church office and on-line, and Andy Swart will be invited to come on a Wednesday evening to share a meal with our church family as well as to share his vision for NCC. Of course, you are always welcome to talk with the committee (chaired by Tim Reddin) or with me about any questions you have or information you need.

This is a time of rejoicing as we anticipate partnering with and encouraging this new church plant. Please pray for NCC as they continue to get established, and for FBC as we seek to fulfill our calling. May God be glorified as the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed to all people.



Buffalo River Adult Picnic

April 24 — 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

Seating is limited! Register now at the Information Center!

LOOKING AHEAD**SUNDAY, APRIL 13**

9:30 am	Sunday School
10:50	Morning Worship
12:00 noon	New Members' Lunch
3:00 pm	Korean Worship
3:30	Resound Rehearsal
4:00	Stewardship C.
Youth Sun. AM & PM Teachers	
4:30	VBS Mtg.
5:00	Experiencing God
6:00	Evening Worship
College Group Leaves	

MONDAY, APRIL 14

7:00 am	Men's Prayer Mtg.
12:00 pm	FHS Underground
6:00	State VBS Training
6:15	FIRST Touch

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

6:00 am	Men's Fraternity
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

9:30 am	Quilting Group
12:15 pm	Ladies' Handbells
4:00	Campanella
5:00	Family Meal
	Youth Bells
5:30	Properties C.
5:45	Graded Choirs
	Middle School Choir
	Youth Mission Training
6:00	Bible Study/Prayer Mtg.
	Sunday School Overview
	College Bible Studies
6:30	Chinese/Eng. Bible Study
	Youth Prayer Groups
6:40	Sanctuary Choir
	Middle School Bible Study
	Missions Orgs.
6:45	Youth Worship & Study
7:40	Choir Childcare

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

6:30 pm	Women's Craft Night
7:00	Adult Basketball
8:00	Collegiate Impact, BCM

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

6:00 pm	Adult 5 Dinner
	Eskew Class Retreat Begins
8:30	5 th Grade Lock-In Begins

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

8:00 am	5 th Grade Lock-in Ends
	Eskew Class Retreat ends

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

12:30 pm	Youth Fellowship
	Wedding Shower
4:00	Women's Min. C.
	Welcome C.
	PlayLearn C.
	Public Relations C.
	Youth Alpha Zone Leader Mtg.
5:00	Experiencing God
6:00	College-led Worship
7:00	General Business Mtg.
	College SPF

Adult Events**Adult Trip to Branson
May 22****9:00 AM-9:00 PM****Cost: \$50* per person***Cost includes bus transportation, lunch and the show at
Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater.***Not included is the Dutch Treat dinner that evening.***SCHEDULE:**

- ◆ Leave FBC-9:00 AM
- ◆ Lunch at the **Dick Clark American Bandstand Theater**.
- ◆ Concert by **The Comets**.
- ◆ Pasta dinner in Harrison at **Neighbors' Mill**
- ◆ Return to FBC-9:00 PM

The Comets-Featuring all five of the surviving members of **Bill Haley and the Comets**, these legendary performers will knock your socks off when they perform such beloved hits as "Rock Around the Clock," "Shake Rattle & Roll," and "See Ya Later Alligator," as well as exciting all new material.

PUCKETT FAMILY UPDATE

The Puckett Family can be reached at 479-872-3839! They are currently 8 hours ahead of our time. Be sure to do the math before you call. Their email addresses are: sam@cksmile.com; kim@cksmile.com; chris@cksmile.com. Their mailing/shipping address is:

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IMPORTANT: If you plan to mail or ship them anything, please contact Nancy Eckels before you send your package if you have ANY questions at all as to whether your items would be appropriate to send. H 582-3682, cell 466-6789, eckels5@cox.net

PRAYER REQUESTS: Personnel issues for the school; Financial issues regarding travel; Strength and patience in a spiritually dark environment; Samantha and family as she prepares to remain in the states to attend the U of A next fall; Safe travel to the states in June (for their summer break). Their birthdates are: Christopher (12/11/67) Yes, he recently turned 40!! Kimberly 02/11/66); Samantha (07/07/91); Mason (10/31/95); Isaac (12/15/99); Eli (10/16/02)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT-If you wish to contribute to the Puckett Family's project, please send your donation to:

NICS/Oasis
 PO Box 1260
 Southaven, MS 38671

Please write PROJECT # 001970 in the memo. Do not write their name, only the project number. *Prayer photo cards of the Puckett Family are still available at the information center. Please continue to pray for them as they serve the international students and neighbors of OIS Ankara, Turkey.*



2008 On Mission Camps

Camp Paron

4-Day Camp

June 16 - 19

For girls who have completed grades 3

-6 Cost: \$96.00

Mother/Daughter Camp

June 20 - 21

For girls who have completed

Grades 1-3 & their mothers

Cost: \$53.00

Parent -Child

Dedication

Sunday

May 11

in the Morning

Worship

If you would like

your child

dedicated on this Sunday, please let

Lisa Wheat or Linda Dilley know

by Sunday, May 4. We would also

like you to submit a photo of your

child for the bulletin.



VBS 2008 Planning Meeting



Sunday, April 13

4:30 p.m.

Mitchell Hall

If you have signed up to work in VBS or you are going to sign up to work in VBS, this meeting is for you.

We will be handing out literature and handbooks and sharing important information about VBS 2008.

The dates for our VBS will be June 23-27.



Graduate

Recognition Day

Sunday, May 4

Two items DUE by
Sunday, April 27 for publication
in the Voice:

1. A Senior picture
2. The Senior information card available at the Youth Information Desk

4:00 PM Sunday, April 6
Youth Connection Leaders Mtg.

FUGE

Youth Summer Camp

June 9-14

Total camp cost: \$290

Women's Craft Night



Thursday, April 18

6:30 PM

Room #322

Attention College Seniors, Masters and PhD Candidates:

We would like to honor all graduates during the morning worship service on May 4. Please complete and return the information card below to the church office by Sunday, April 27.

Undergraduate/Graduate Recognition Information Card

Full Name: _____

Degree(s) you will be receiving: _____

College Attended: _____

School Attended: _____

Future Plans: _____

Current Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

Praise Record - April 6

Sunday School Enrollment	1062
Sunday School Attendance	592
New Sunday School Members	3
Morning Worship	660
Evening Worship	200
Decisions	2
Other Weekly Bible Studies	29
Received for week	\$39,750.03
Required for week	\$32,371.42
Received in month to date	\$39,750.03
Required in month to date	\$32,371.42
Received in 2008	\$473,859.54
Required in 2008 to date	\$505,438.80
CBCG Goal	\$2,238,599.20
Received this week	\$3,486.00
Received to-date	\$2,186,008.18

Called to Build Called to Grow

Goal: \$2,238,599

\$2,000,000	\$52,591 Remaining Pledges	
\$1,500,000		
\$1,000,000		\$2,186,008 To-date
\$500,000		
\$0	\$3,486 This week	

DECISIONS

On Promise of Letter

Nate & Maureen Nantz
2042 Cherry Hills
Fayetteville 72701
225-0922



IN MEMORY OF JEANETTE ANDERS

Keith & Jackie Robbins

IN MEMORY OF PAULINE GARNER

Keith & Jackie Robbins
Elizabeth Sanford

IN MEMORY OF SONIA GUILLORY

Robert & Marie Hall
Keith & Jackie Robbins

IN MEMORY OF VERL THOMPSON

Anonymous
Robert & Marie Hall
Keith & Jackie Robbins

IN MEMORY OF MARLEEN VENEMA

Robert & Marie Hall
Keith & Jackie Robbins

ETC ~ APRIL 13, 2008

Babies 1-James & Carole Butter
Babies 2-Marquita DenHerder, Ellen
Tidwell

Ones-Aaron & Allison McBride
Twos-Ron Eaton, Madi Rader
Threes-Jacob Springer,
Kirsten Holden

Fours -Matthew & Naomi
Kirkpatrick

HOSPITALIZED:

John Pickard, WRMC #3216
Chanin Moore, WRMC #2218

VAN DRIVERS ~ SUN., APRIL 13

Bill Rose (267-2541)
Matthew Kirkpatrick (283-0058)

DEACON OF THE WEEK April 13-19

Luther Freeman ☎ 443-2026

FAMILY MEAL-Wed., April 16 @ 5PM

MENU: Chicken Marsala, Green
Beans, Rice Pilaf, Rolls, Potato/
Salad Bar, Dessert

CHILDREN'S MENU (PS-Grade 5 only):

Chicken Nuggets

KITCHEN WORKERS:

Kathy Dees & Tiajuana Gough
Herb Huneycutt & Joe Young

FIRST Touch April 7

Visits: 10 YTD: 39

Letters/Emails: 42 YTD: 91

Next FIRST Touch
Monday, April 14
Adult 6 Department

To-Go Food Box CHANGE

Due to the overwhelming requests for to-go food boxes on Wednesday evenings, a change has been made in how they are provided. Now to-go boxes will be prepared after everyone in attendance has been served if food is still available. At 5:45 p.m., to-go boxes will be prepared in the order they were requested (from the sign-up list). If you pay for a to-go box but food is not available to prepare it, you may request a refund that night or receive a credit for the following week. While we cannot predict an unusually large attendance on a given Wednesday, our goal is to serve every person every week. Thank you for your understanding of this change.

DID YOU KNOW?

Mary Earhart and her Team Cheer U.S.A. competitive cheerleading team won the Grand Champion title at the Cheerleaders of America national competition in Kansas City, Missouri on March 29, 2008.

Congratulations to Mary and her teammates!



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