



Douglas Falknor
pastor

Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.
Romans 16:16

Newcomers have a hard time. When they visit our church (or any church) for the first time, they are uncertain about where to park or what doors will be the best to enter. Even as they find the guest parking lot and walk through the “correct” door, they feel uncertain and disoriented. Strange faces (in the new sense!) greet them in the parking lot or at the doors.

Sometimes newcomers feel like there is a spotlight on them.

Sometimes they feel as if they are invisible to the hustle and bustle of the crowd.

Even as someone walks them to a Sunday School class or the Sanctuary, newcomers get turned around. “Can I find my way back to the car later?” If they put children in the nursery or in a Sunday School class, they think, “How will I find my way back to the kids later?” Losing the car is one thing. Losing the kids?

Then they walk into a room filled with 500-600 people. Everyone else seems to know one another and to be known. Everyone else knows where to sit. Everyone else knows what to expect.

Paul often devoted time in his pastoral letters for greetings. Romans 16 contains twenty-two greetings with a very specific instruction to welcome (greet) one another. Here are two suggestions for us to help newcomers know they are welcomed when they are our guests.

We will reserve our guest parking lot for guests. Because the construction project has removed part of our parking space for a season, we have been more crowded in the parking lot and needing to use every available space. As a result, our guest parking lot has been squeezed. Let me encourage us all to reserve our guest spaces for guests, especially as we move toward the start of the school year. Please, those who are able, park at the bank, at the courthouse, at AutoZone, behind Marvins, and in other more remote spaces. This allows our folks who need more accessible parking to know they will find an available space in our main parking lot.

We will introduce ourselves (by name) to people. If you don’t know someone, they probably don’t know you, either. Some of them may be members, but you need to greet them, too! [July 31 is nametag Sunday. We will provide nametags for everyone so can learn those names we are too embarrassed to ask. Again.] If the person is a guest, invite them to walk with you or to sit with you. Make sure they receive a worship folder. Is a group/class having lunch? Invite them to join you. Our goal is to include, encourage, and welcome.

In all of our efforts, we remember that newcomers are guests. Other places may treat them as intruders taking the best parking or the best seats. We greet them as guests: honored, welcomed, and loved with the love of Christ.

Bro. Doug

LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY, JULY 17

9:00 am	Sunday School
10:15	Morning Worship with Chris Puckett
5:00 pm	Youth Teacher Training College Book Study ENGAGE Rehearsal
6:00	ENGAGE Worship reports by Pucketts
7:00	Business Mtg.

TUESDAY, JULY 19

10:45 pm	Children's trip to Prairie Grove Aquatic Park
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

9:30 am	Ladies' Quilting, 322
5:30 pm	Family Meal, MH Library Opens
6:00	College Summer Study
6:15	Bible Study/Prayer Mtg., 322 Sanctuary Choir Jesus & Me Middle School Bible Study Youth Bible Study
7:15	ENGAGE Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 21

9:30 am	Ladies' Bible Study, 320
11:30	Preschoolers to Fun City
6:30 pm	Adult Basketball

FRIDAY, JULY 22

6:30 pm	Preschool & Children's Sunday School Leadership Dinner
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SATURDAY, JULY 23

2:00 pm	Anne Jones' Class Mtg., P
6:00	Adult 4 Ribfest, MH

SUNDAY, JULY 24

9:00 am	Sunday School
10:15	Morning Worship with Gideon Presentation
5:00 pm	College Book Study ENGAGE Rehearsal
6:00	ENGAGE Worship

**Big
Thank
You!**

VBS 2011

What an amazing week of VBS! We worked hard, played hard, sang loudly, made some fantastic crafts, learned about missions, and most importantly learned how to step out in faith, connect with Jesus, & share the message of Christ with our world! We had 275 enrolled and 3 professions of faith that we know of. Seeds were planted during the week and we give God all the honor and glory for all He did!

Thank you for all of your prayers and donations of time, money, and resources. Thank you to Tracy Vinson for decorating our church! Thank you to all who taught, prepared snacks, registered kids, prepared crafts, led in recreation, taught missions, and filled in wherever we needed you. You are an amazing church!

Lisa Wheat

August 14 - 3pm



Arkansas Gospel Mass Choir employs gospel music to express the power of the Holy Spirit and bring a message of faith, hope, love and joy to the country and the world.



Nametags will be available in Sunday School and at the Information Center. Everyone is asked to wear one !



BCM House Window Project Saturday, August 6 8:00 a.m.—??

Can you swing a hammer, or help those who can? If so, please join us at 8:00 a.m. on August 6 to replace windows in one of the BCM houses. Bring a hammer, tape measure and yourself. Breakfast (donuts and coffee) and lunch will be provided. Questions? Call Cyndy Meares at 387-2742.



Prairie Grove Aquatic

Grades K - 5

Park & Picnic

Tuesday, July 19

10:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

We will picnic at the Battlefield Park

Cost: \$4.00

What to Bring & Wear:

Swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, sack lunch and drink, money for snacks



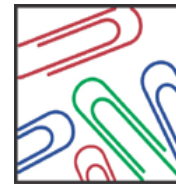
**waterpark
trip**

Please sign up by **Sunday, July 17** at the Information Center.

Permission forms can be picked up when you sign up.

Parent sponsors/drivers will be needed.

Kindergarteners and children who cannot swim or cannot swim well, must have a parent accompany them on the trip.



FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE

Have you moved recently?
Changed email addresses?
Added/changed phone numbers?
Changed business locations? If so, please let us know in the church office so we can update our database. Call 442-2387 or email

tjohnston@fbcfayetteville.org

REQUESTS



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***"TO PLAN ANYTHING,
COMPLETE A GREEN.***

***TO HAVE IT TOLD,
COMPLETE A GOLD."***

It is our desire to serve the needs of our church family. You can assist us in this effort by making your event and announcement requests as far in advance as possible (*three weeks is desirable*), and by completing the appropriate request form as thoroughly as possible.

Gold Communication Request forms and **Green Calendar Request** forms are available on-line, at the Information Center and in the church office for persons wishing to make announcements, post information, or schedule events and activities.

If you choose a paper form, rather than one online, please turn it into the office in person, or fax it to the office. Calendar requests are reviewed at the next Monday morning staff meeting.

Preschoolers to Fun City

For preschoolers, parents, & guests



Thursday, July 21
11:30 a.m. - ????

Meet at Fun City in Springdale.

Join us for a time of
fellowship for parents and fun for
the kids.

Phone: 479-442-2387 Fax: 479-442-2265

Church Staff	Extension
Pastor - Douglas Falknor.....	12
Minister of Music - Mike Paslay.....	19
Associate Pastor - Travis Wollenberg.....	18
College Minister - Josh Mauldin.....	16
Minister of Students - Steve Alberts.....	21
Minister of Childhood Education - Lisa Wheat.....	20
Church Administrator - Kevan Kutter.....	15
Pastor's Secretary - Sheila Smith.....	12
Publications Secretary - Terri Johnston.....	11
Play Learn Director - Carolyn Tanneberger.....	22
Preschool Coordinator - Linda Dilley.....	23
Security - Jordan Reddin.....	26

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

PRaise RECORD—JULY 10

Sunday School Enrollment.....	1032
Sunday School Attendance.....	539
New Sunday School Members.....	2
Morning Worship	564
ENGAGE Worship.....	118
Decisions.....	2
Other Weekly Bible Studies	20
Received for week.....	\$35,452.26
Required for week.....	\$32,997.07
Received in month to date	\$66,298.26
Required in month to date.....	\$65,994.14
Received in 2011	\$864,402.47
Required in 2011	\$923,917.96
One Heart One Treasure	
This week.....	\$2649.00
Since 9/27/09.....	\$903,714.28

HOSPITALIZED:

William Mullins, Willow Creek, NICU

DEACON OF THE WEEK JULY 17

Bill Jowers (442-7600)

VAN DRIVERS~SUN., JULY 17

David Fellows + night (236-2977)
Roger Cunningham (466-1143)

INFORMATION DESK

WORKERS

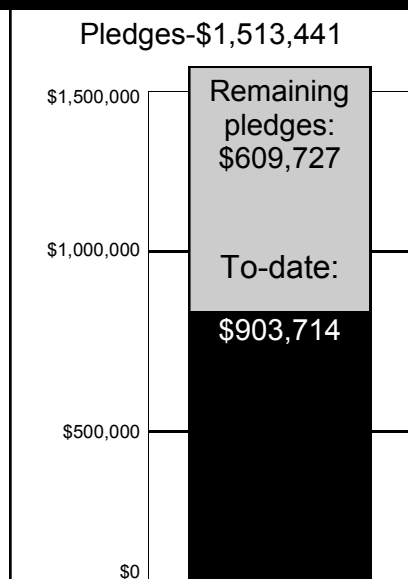
SUN., JULY 17

Gracie Pendleton, Liz Hutchens

NEW MEMBERS

Tommy & Cathy Deweese
2253 Golden Oak
Fayetteville 72703
521-5456

ONE HEART ONE TREASURE



ETC ~ JULY 17

Babies 1 – Terri Johnston,
Brittany Flores

Babies 2 – Brian & Kerry Cochran

Toddlers – Rick & Karen McCoy

Twos – Layne Shelton, Alex
Shelton

Threes – Chris & Michelle
Harvey

Fours – James Shelton, Baylee
Shelton

FAMILY MEAL WED., JULY 20 AT 5:30 PM

Cost: \$3 per person. Free for
preschoolers, Family maximum: \$12

MENU: Polish Sausage, Red Beans
& Rice, Potato/Salad Bar,
Dessert

CHILDREN'S (PS-GRADE 5 ONLY):

Hot Dogs

WORKERS:

Deidre Townsend

Byron Humphry, David Savage

CONGRATULATIONS

To Bill and Ann Lohmar on the birth
of a granddaughter, Sayla Pearl
Lohmar, of Boulder, Colorado on
June 15. Sayla weighed 6 pounds 14
ounces and was 20 inches long.
Parents are Eric and Gayle Lohmar of
Boulder, Colorado. Also welcoming
her is big sister, Grace Ann.



Please join us for a drop-in
wedding shower honoring
Lacey Dantzler, bride-elect of
Stephen Gilstrap, on
Saturday, July 16,
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.,
in Mitchell Hall. This shower is
given by the Adult 4 Women's
Class. Lacey is registered at Bed,
Bath, and Beyond

We need a few volunteers to help
serve Wednesday night family
meals. If you are interested,
please contact Tina Barfield at
442-8775.