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Baptist Men's Day

January 29th

ATTENTION YOUTH!

1995 DISCIPLE NOW Award
Learn
Fayetteville's
First Baptist Church
February 24-26

"Disciple Now" Weekend

February 24-26

\$20.00 per student

(Includes T-shirt, Food, and Recreation)

Registration Forms Available Now!!

Sunday School Workers Meeting

Sunday, January 15

5:00 p.m.

Congratulations to Barbara Parker who will celebrate her 90th birthday on January 18, 1995. Her address is 279 Morris School Rd., Searcy, AR 72743.

Memorials

In Memory of Doyle Brooks
Ella M. Simmons

Bob & Jennie Riggs

Lola G. Reis

M/M Keith Robbins

M/M Robert C. Mayes

John & Pam Dill

Woodland Junior H.S.

Adult 6 Women's S.S.

In Memory of Neita Berry

Millie & Billy Bryan

Ed & Frances Buck

B&PW Class

In Memory of Mort Berry

Millie & Billy Bryan

In Memory of John Campbell

Millie & Billy Bryan

David & Feriba McNair

Beulah Parkhurst

M/M A.J. Winchester

In Memory of Jewell Forbus

Berta Seitz

In Memory of Tommy Jones

Gussie S. Jones

In Memory of Frances Lehn

M/M Hubert Cowan

Pearl & Audrey Clinehens

Jack & Marve Paul

Eliene Morrison

In Memory of Zetta McGaugh

M/M Paul Blackard

Pearl & Audrey Clinehens

In Memory of Ollie Phillips

Nellie Campbell

B & PW Class

Fern Maddox

The Russell Hall Family

In Memory of Bertha Price

Bill & Carol Brunner

In Memory of Gussie Price

Bill & Carol Brunner

Willie Wilson Price

In Memory of Randy Stewart

Berta Seitz

In Memory of Opal Smith

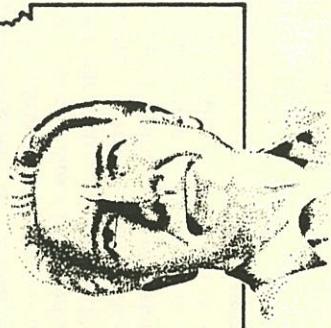
Berta Seitz

In Memory of Maxine Vaught

Berta Seitz

"Blessed
is the man
who trusts
in
God."

"As
for me and
my house..."



...Our beloved church family,

Our time here is going, going, gone - by the time you receive this. You have been a big part of our greatest furlough ever. Thanks so much for the lovely home you furnished us, for the generous love gift, for your prayer support and love, for your friendship. We pray for you and know we can count on you to pray for us.

In Jesus' Love,
Bill and LaVeta

...Those who helped dismantle the Mission House:

James & Patsy Sugg

Bob Harwell

Kenneth Bradley

Gerald Bradley

David & Barbara Moore

Robert McGowen

Lisa Wheat

Jane Jones

...Our friends at First Baptist,

We will always cherish your remembrance of our family - the prayers, food, flowers, cards, letters, and calls. May God bless you all.

The Doyle Brooks Family

and

The Roy Hummel Family

Mid-Week Meal, January 18, 5:00 p.m.

Stuffed Chicken Breasts

Wild Rice/Green Beans/Roll

Salad Bar - Potato Bar

Sandwich Bar



I READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN 1994

Congratulations if you read the Bible through last year. If you did so, please call the church office and let us know or complete the insert in the Bulletin next Sunday.

THE VOICE

FROM YOUR PASTOR

Happy New Year!! I hope you had a holy and happy holiday season.

A new year is before us. What will you do? I encourage you to make this a year of spiritual growth. There are a number of things that contribute to spiritual growth: 1) a salvation experience; 2) a determination to give priority to prayer, Bible study, church attendance and serving God and man.

There are also a number of things that hinder spiritual growth: immorality, grumbling, dishonesty, etc. Avoid those!!

Pray that God will lay His hand upon us as a church and use us for His honor and glory.

The deacons have elected new officers for 1995. They are Vaughn Skinner, chairman, Marion Williams, vice-chairman; and Bruce Jones, secretary. Pray for these men as they lead our deacons. Thanks to Harry Norman, Vaughn Skinner, and Noble Hembree who have served as deacon officers this past year.

I'm excited about what God is doing at Fayetteville's First Baptist Church. Pray for our church.

I'll look for you Sunday in Sunday School.

Love,
Preacher

YOUTH MINISTRY

Disciple Now Weekend is fast approaching - Feb. 24-26. Some of you may still wonder what *Disciple Now Weekend* is. It is basically a time for our junior high and senior high students to get into small groups and go into homes of church members for Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday morning. They will spend time in Bible study, recreation, and building deeper friendships. Six students from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary will lead these small groups for the weekend. This year's theme is "Lean On Me." The students will learn about the many aspects of friendship such as how to be a friend, encouragement, and many other areas dealing with the subject of friendship.

The cost for the weekend is \$20 which includes a T-shirt, recreation expenses, and food. We are still in need of some co-host families to help with transportation and food and also one more host home. If you feel that God may want you to help with *Disciple Now Weekend*, please let me know. Please be in prayer for our host homes, co-host homes, youth staff, guest leaders, and most importantly, for our students. Pray that God would use this weekend to change lives. May He receive all of the glory. God Bless.

In Him,
Jim - Romans 1:16

MUSIC MINISTRY

INSPIRING! We have many capable soloists. Last Sunday, Cathy Williams and Rita Savage not only sang beautifully, but also inspired us with their messages in song. (I especially enjoyed Cathy's "P.K." story regarding a favorite stuffed bear and our need to invest in lasting treasures; a clever and thought-provoking analogy.

FORTY-NINE.... Yes, there were forty-nine in the choir loft Sunday. The choir looked and sounded great! But fifty would have made a world of difference. "Come on, Mike," you say, "forty-nine, fifty, what's the big difference?" The difference one makes is not noticeable to the worshippers, but is huge in the life of that one called to serve who fails to answer. My goal is not necessarily numerical (though fifty is a nice round number). My goal is to encourage every person called to lead in worship through the choir to whatever the call, the process is simple: (a) listen for the call of God - be open to do whatever He asks; (b) answer the call gladly and quickly; and (c) act on your response - don't merely give lip service. Choir practice is each Wednesday at 6:40 in the Sanctuary - no audition required.

LONG, LONG AGO.... Way back toward the end of October, I identified five tasks necessary for us to commit to learn in worship, related specifically to the musical portion of our services. If we are to learn we must;

- (1) commit to work at the task,
- (2) be less self-centered in our attitude,
- (3) use the Bible, not our personal taste as our standard,
- (4) pray for those involved in planning and leading worship, and
- (5) make worship a way of life instead of an event.

Next week I want to review number 1 and then continue in the following weeks with the others.

Mike

UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

Hey students! Don't miss the Christmas break bash this Saturday, January 14, at 7:00 p.m. We will be at Mandy Sivlis' house - 1800 S. West End Street, Springdale. For directions, call Bruce at 444-6425 or Mandy's home number, 750-7302. We will not watch the game as I said. (It's an afternoon game.) But we will eat, visit, and play games. See ya' there!

Bruce

ROBERT C & MAXINE MAYES
3069 LONLEY
FAYETTEVILLE AR 72703

Praise Record ~ Jan. 8

Sunday School Enrollment	929
Sunday School Attendance	465
Sunday School Members	2
Morning Worship	480
Evening Worship	163
Decisions	2
Weekday Bible Study	4
Received Jan. 8	\$14,775.25
Required Jan. 8	\$15,332.77
Received January	\$24,582.41
Required in January	\$30,665.54
Received in 1995	\$24,582.41
Required in 1995	\$30,665.54
Debt Retirement	\$261.00
Balance Owed	
Property Acquisition Loans \$18,582.08	
Comerstone of Faith (c. of F.) \$3,485.50	
C. of F. Since 4/1/93	\$573,019.66

Extended Session ~ Jan. 15

Babies: Maxine Mayes, Margaret Little, Audrey Clinehens
Ones: Carolyn Paul, Kathleen Doss, Katie Batson
Twos: John & Tina Barfield, Kelli Quinn
Threes: Mamie Spooner, Dolores Hoover
Fours: Johnie Williams, Stanley Cain, Julie Prater
Evening: Jane Skinner

Parking/Van Ministry - Jan. 15

Parkingall members
VanHarry Norman

Hospitalized

Gerald Davis MD Anderson
Wilma Bradley NW Rehab #111

New Members

Wendy Smithwick Anita Scism
1908 Lawson 417 E. Lafayette
Fayetteville, AR Fayetteville, AR
521-6324 444-9835

Baptist Women II

BWII Prayer Group will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17th, in the Conference Room.

Congratulations...

...to Thurl and Onita Copeland on the birth of a grandson, Grant Butler Copeland, on Dec. 24, 1994. Parents are Mark and Lili Copeland of Dallas, TX.

Sympathy

Our Church family extends Christian love and sympathy to Forrest Brooks and Betty Hummel and their families, on the loss of Doyle Brooks, husband and father, on Dec. 30, 1994.

.....to family and friends of Ollie Phillips who died recently;

....and to family and friends of Zetta McGaugh, who died in Arizona on December 25, 1994..

STAFF:

Pastor - Jere D. Mitchell
Minister of Music - Mike Paslay
Minister of Youth - Jim Thomas
Preschool Coord. - Clementine Hembree
Mins. of Children - Tammy & Lisa Wheat
Min. of Univ. Students - Bruce Salsman
Organist - Jennie Riggs
Pianist - Rita Savage

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