

Praise Record ~ August 25

Sunday School Enrollment	967
Sunday School Attendance	500
New Sunday School Members	3
Morning Worship	525
Evening Worship	125
Decisions	2
Received August 25	\$ 14,665.13
Required August 25	\$ 16,153.85
Received in August	\$ 61,802.86
Required in August	\$ 64,615.40
Received in 1996	\$ 533,389.49
Required in 1996	\$ 549,230.90
Find Us Faithful	\$ 5,091.00
Find Us Faithful since 4/14/96	\$ 89,701.39
Balance owed Cornerstone	
loan 7/31/96	\$ 1,029,649.26

Extended Session ~ September 1

Babies: Linda Townsend,
Lola Mae Shackelford
Older Babies: Eva Cornwell, Dolores Hoover
Ones: Nelda Gaines, Jennifer Dunn
Twos: Jane Eaves, Shannon Davis
Threes: Cyndy Meares, Barbara Hinton
Fours: Johnnie Williams, John Robinson

Parking/Van Ministry - September 1

Parking all members
Van Bobby Harwell

New Members

Jason Ricketts
31 S. Stadium Dr.
413 Pomfret Hall
Fayetteville, AR
718-1901

Chad Smith
738 N. Oakland, #3
Fayetteville, AR
443-3670

Deacon of the Week

Pearl Clinehens, September 1-7

Congratulations

Congratulations to Bob and Jennie Riggs on the arrival of a granddaughter, Ashley Elizabeth Riggs on August 20, 1996. Ashley Elizabeth weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19 inches long. Parents are Jimmy and Barbara Riggs of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Memorials

In memory of Audrey Watson Heck
Marshall C. Heck

In memory of Joe Mundy
Lawanna Mundy

In memory of Evelyn Stubblefield
Luther Freeman's Sunday School Class
Margaret E. Liles & Family

Gift Given In Honor of Pastor & Staff
by Andrew & Harriet Hall

WOMEN ON MISSION

Multifocus Mission Group II

will meet

Tuesday, September 3 at 9:30 a.m.
in the conference Room.

Come to study about early missionaries
such as the Judsons, William Carey
and others.

CALLING ALL MEN: PROMISE KEEPERS IS COMING!

Friday & Saturday, October 11-12

at the

Liberty Bowl, Memphis Tennessee

You have heard the stories of 50,000-60,000 even 70,000 men gathering to meet with God, of hundreds of men accepting Christ as their Savior, of thousands of lives changed and re-committed to God. Don't miss your opportunity to attend! We have 25 tickets, so call the church office quickly to reserve yours! The cost per person is \$85 (\$60 for the conference, \$25 for lodging at Best Western). Get yours today!

Fayetteville's First Baptist Church Staff

Pastor - Jere Mitchell
Minister of Education - Bob Hopkins
Minister of Music - Mike Paslay
Minister of Youth - Jim Thomas
Preschool Coordinator - Clementine Hembree
Minister of Children - Lisa Wheat
Minister of University Students - Bruce Salsman
Organist - Jennie Riggs
Pianist - Rita Savage

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From Your Pastor

One of the main functions of the church is fellowship. Fellowship is much more than just having a social event. Fellowship is the developing of love and caring concern for each other. Fellowship is opening up to each other and developing of a oneness with brothers and sisters in Christ. While it is true, fellowship is more than social events, social events are opportunities to develop fellowship. In those type of events you have opportunity to visit and get acquainted with church members whom you do not normally have the opportunity to get to know. Social events are also great opportunities to bring friends who do not go to church to non-threatening activities. Our annual ice-cream social on Labor Day weekend is a wonderful fellowship building opportunity.

Royce Ann and I plan to make a freezer of ice cream and invite someone to come. I hope you will also.

I will look for you this Sunday in Bible study and worship. I will also look for you Sunday evening at Gulley Park.

Love,
Preacher

THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1



At Gulley Park

5:00 p.m.

Games & Recreation

6:00 p.m.

Ice Cream Supper

Please join your church family in
good food, fun and fellowship!

For those of you bringing homemade ice cream
to the social, Marshall Heck has graciously
donated ice cream salt. You may find it in the
church kitchen pantry. Thank you, Marshall!

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

"Training in Christian Living and Christian Leadership"

Begins Sunday, September 8, 5:00 p.m.

Adult Options

Truth Matters - Leader: Jim Thomas - 209

Help for parenting children and youth using materials written by Josh McDowell. (see Jim's article)

Today's Christians facing Current Social Issues - Leader: Tim Tarvin - 220

A Biblical insight to current ethical issues. A relevant study for the election season.

Basic Conversational Spanish - Leader: Juana Gilstrap - Conference Room
Learning Spanish with the purpose of developing mission opportunities to the many Spanish speaking people migrating to Northwest Arkansas. The cost of the materials is \$15.

A Survey of the Nation of Israel - Leader: Dan Eckels - 220

What we need to know about Israel. The study will use the video tape materials published by the "Focus on the Family" ministries.

Evangelism Training - Leader: Bob Hopkins - 225

Training in witnessing to people in need of a Savior. The study will feature the "Continuing Witnessing Training" materials published by the Home Mission Board.

Registration begins this Sunday, September 1st.

Education Ministry

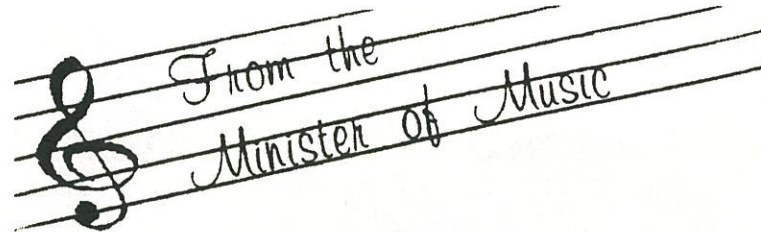
Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. [2 Timothy 3: 16]

Friday, September 6 is an important date for the leadership of the church. It's a time for training of all church leadership. At six o'clock, the evening begins with a banquet featuring a challenge from our pastor. Age level conferences follows the good food and motivation. Each conference is designed to equip leadership for effective service. A time for fellowship and a midnight snack at eleven o'clock will conclude the festivities. All Sunday School, Music, and Missions leadership are cordially invited and encouraged to attend.

Promotion Sunday went about as smooth as can be expected. Thank you for all who promoted and for our leadership who worked hard to make the day a success. One evidence of success is the good number of new volunteer ministers who began their ministry as leaders of the Sunday School. We are off to a good start for a new advance in the new Sunday School year.

Discipleship Training for this fall begins Sunday at five o'clock, September eighth. The adult options are printed on the front page. The children will train under the leadership of Lisa Wheat and opportunities for preschoolers are led by Clementine Hembree. Youth choir, led by David Savage is scheduled during Discipleship Training time.

Bob



CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS! Congratulations to Jennie Riggs, our church organist (oh, alright, to Grandpa Riggs and Aunties Becky and Debbie too) on the arrival of a new grand daughter. Ashley Elizabeth Riggs was born in Tulsa last Tuesday, weighing in at 8 lbs., 3 oz. and 19" long! Bob and Jennie travelled to Tulsa to help out last weekend, and we appreciate Wanda Freeman playing the organ last Sunday in Jennie's absence. I've said it before, and I'll say it again, "We are fortunate to have the keyboardists we do, and exceptionally capable folks to fill in when they are away!" Ask Jennie for a look, I'm sure she has pictures. Tell Wanda thanks, I know she plays for the Lord, but she'll appreciate a kind word from you as well.

CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST! Last Wednesday evening the Sanctuary Choir celebrated Christmas in August with all kinds of delectable *goodies*, a preview of the proposed Christmas presentation. The choir will be voting at this week's rehearsal on the proposal. Sooooo, next week I'll be sharing with the church family at large what our plans will be. Whatever we decide, it will be presented the weekend of December 8. Be watching for more details!

FALL SCHEDULE REMINDER: Well, we have the first week of public/private school behind us. Classes began Monday at the U of A. Yet, it is always hard to remember when everything at church commences. So, I've listed below once again the starting dates for each organization within the ministry of music:

Sunday, SEPTEMBER 8

- Youth Choir begins, 5:00 p.m. - Choir Room
- University Ensemble begins, 5:00 p.m. - Sanctuary
- New Song begins, 5:00 p.m. - Room A150 (Lower Auditorium)

Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 11

- LADIES HANDBELLS BEGINS, time *tba* - Bell Choir Room
- CAMPANELLA BEGINS, 4:00 P.M. - Bell Choir Room
- M & M NIGHT First night of regular Wednesday evening schedule for preschoolers and children:
Graded Choirs - 5:45 p.m.
Mission Organizations 6:40 p.m.
Call Becky Riggs or me for more information.

Mike

YOUTH MINISTRY

of Fayetteville's First Baptist Church

What is the greatest struggle our students are facing today? Is it the temptation to drink? Is it the temptation to participate in premarital sex? Is it the temptation to do illegal drugs? Is it the temptation to rebel?

I think that all of these things impact our kids on a daily basis, but they are just symptoms of a deeper problem. Our kids greatest struggle lies in a basic ignorance of what is right and what is wrong and how to determine the difference. Most do not even know if an absolute standard of truth really exists.

On Sunday, September 8th, 1996, I will begin leading a nine week Discipleship Training seminar called *Truth Matters*. This seminar will deal with the issue of right and wrong and will help you to understand the dilemma in which our students find themselves today. It will also help you to understand a Biblical absolute truth that transcends theory so that you can teach our students to make daily decisions that will honor God and keep them from falling into the trap of moral numbness and confusion.

This seminar is open to any parent of children or youth, Sunday School workers, or anyone who is concerned with seeing our kids learn how to truly determine right from wrong. We will be working through an eight week notebook that is formatted much like the *Experiencing God* notebook that we used this past spring. We will be using some video and may even get a panel of students to come in to allow you to interact with the real thing. Please pray about your participation in this seminar. I truly believe that the greatest place for absolute truth to be taught and practiced is in the home. It begins with you, the parents. If we want to see this next generation grow up with godly, moral values, we must take the time to learn how we can impart those values to our students.

Please pray for our students as they start back to school. Thanks so much. May we be the godly examples they need. God bless.

In Him,
Jim



Children's Ministry

of Fayetteville's First Baptist Church



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Wednesday, September 4, 5:45 - 7:45 p.m.
Movie at the Church - Lower Auditorium
Please bring \$1 for snacks.
Reservations to the church office by Tuesday, Sept. 3.
Contact the Church, 442-2387

☆ ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS ☆

On Wednesday, September 11 will begin a new and exciting year in Music & Missions. We are looking for dedicated Christians who are willing to make a one-year commitment of service to the Lord's precious Children.

If you would like to be involved in the Christian development of children in our congregation, and if you enjoy spending time with God's inheritance, please contact Lisa Wheat.