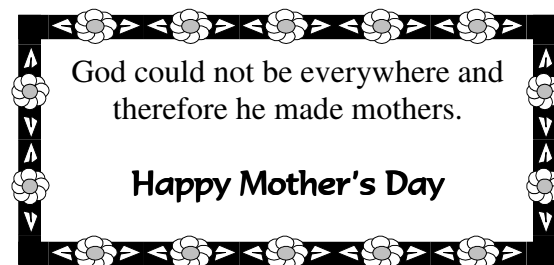


# MINISTRIES & UPCOMING EVENTS



**Circle of Love Tea**  
In the Garden Room  
Saturday,  
May 12th  
1:00 pm at the church

**Attention Ladies** ... Come and bring someone with you and wear a hat or a flower in your hair. There will be prizes, entertainment and fun for all. If you are planning on attending please sign up. This event is being hosted by the Silver Team.



**Women's Brunch**  
Saturday, May 26th  
11:00 a.m.

The Women's Fellowship decided this month to have a brunch here at the Church so come and bring your favorite dish to share. This is a fun time to get together and fellowship.

## Parking Lot Sale for African Mission



There will be more info in the next letter, but look at your stuff before you toss it. One person's junk is another's treasure! Save it for us and get a tax deduction.

## Team Report

The "GREEN TEAM" has been the lead team for the month of April with Ken Hillard as deacon.

Below is a poem composed by Eldora Walton

"Green is the color of grass and laves  
By faith we come, trust and believe  
We are to serve God and not deceive  
And serving Him brings it's blessings indeed.

Green is our color for us to use  
With God on our side we cannot lose  
We will serve Him with Love as He's at our side  
Then we can sit back and all abide".



**Praise the Lord!**  
**We exceeded our Goal.**

Our Church Goal was \$ 2,007  
We Received: \$ 2,066



**Bus Donation**

Our new bus cost our church about \$10,000. This includes taxes, registration and decals. Our hope is to raise funds to cover this cost. We have already raised half the amount we need. Can you help? Just write a check to First Southern indicating "bus". Thanks



Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm



Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship  
5:00 p.m.



## ~ New Beginnings ~

As I write this, I am beginning three new series of messages. I am not sure why all three of these are starting at once. I suspect that I waited until after the Easter season to allow these messages room to sprout and flower.

Last Sunday (April 22), I began an eight-part series of messages for Sunday morning services. This series is called "The Mountain-side Teaching of Jesus" and comes from the Gospel of Matthew, chapter five. These wonderful words embody the ethical teaching of Jesus. The dates and titles of these eight messages are printed on the front of this newsletter. You are welcome to come and hear what Jesus has to say about anger, lust, divorce, promises, revenge, and love.

Also last Sunday, at the evening service, we began a 19-week journey through the Gospel of John. On Sunday (April 22) we viewed together the first chapter of John taken from a video called "The Gospel of John". This 3 1/2 hour DVD is a word-by-word recounting of John's Gospel. The dramatization and visuals of first-century Palestine provide a special insight into God's Word. After the video, we dug deeper into the Gospel by asking several questions about what we heard and what we saw.

Finally, we have just started our Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship. After our family meal, I am beginning something called "Word of the Week". For the next several weeks the word will concern a distinctive feature of our Baptist tradition: Biblical Authority, Autonomy of the Local Church, Priesthood of All Believers, Two Ordinances, Individual Liberty, Saved Church Membership, Two Officers, Separation of Church and State. Put them all together and they spell **BAPTIST**.

## Vacation Bible School

For All Ages  
including Adults



July 29th - August 3rd  
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Our first planning meeting for all workers will be on Monday, May 21st at 7:00 pm at the church. If you are interested in helping please see Jane Thornell.



## Men's Breakfast

Saturday, May 26th  
8:30 a.m.

Vasiliki's Restaurant  
Hayward

On Memorial Day Sunday, May 27, First Southern will dedicate a plaque to the memory of Michael Balsley, a soldier who died in service of his country on January 23, 2007. The plaque will be permanently affixed to the church wall.



## "Pray for Our Men and Women in Uniform"

**Mike Brown** – Son-In-Law of Al & Jane Thornell  
**Branch** – Marines **Rank** – Master Sergeant  
**Assignment** – Stationed in Miramar

**Nate Fielding** – Grandson of Lillian Fielding  
**Branch** – Army **Rank** – PFC Medic  
**Assignment** – Iraq

**Jenny Merritt** – Great Niece-in-law of Jean Johnson  
**Branch** – Marines **Rank** – Corporal  
**Assignment** – Iraq

**Kevin Seigal** – Son of Elliott & Teresa Seigal  
**Branch** – Air Force **Rank** – Sergeant  
**Assignment** – Travis Air Force Base

**Todd Shaw** – Son of Bob & Caryl Shaw  
**Branch** – Army **Rank** – Staff Sergeant  
**Assignment** – 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Special Forces

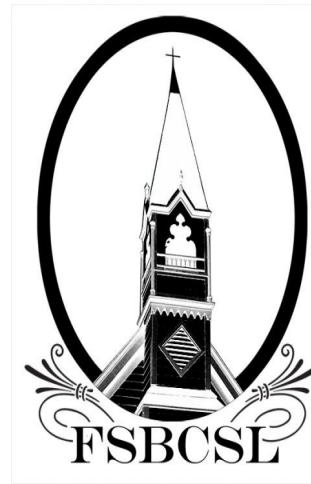
**Devon Henesley** – Grandson of Jean Johnson  
**Branch** – Navy **Rank** – Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> class  
**Assignment** – Overseas

# May Calendar

- 2nd - Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship - 5:00 pm
- 9th - Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship - 5:00 pm
- 12th - Women's Tea - 1:00 pm
- 13th - Happy Mother's Day
- 14th - Rest Home Ministry - 11:15 am
- 16th - Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship - 5:00 pm
- 20th - Lord's Supper - 6:00 pm
- 23rd - Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship - 5:00 pm
- 24th - Open Door Mission - 6:15 pm
- 26th - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 am  
- Women's Brunch - 11:00 am
- 28th - Rest Home Ministry - 11:00 am



- 1st - John King
- 6th - Lil Marsh  
- Kathy Musil
- 10th - George Bocar
- 20th - Yvonne Davis
- 23rd - Joyce Thornburg



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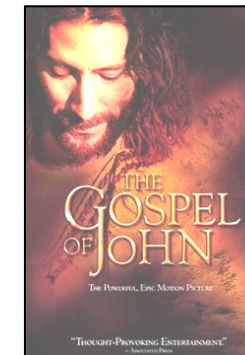
- ~ April 22 ~  
Nine unlikely blessings [Matthew 5:1-12]
- ~ April 29 ~  
Useless Salt and hidden Light [Matthew 5:13-15]
- ~ May 6 ~  
Laws Written on the Heart [Matthew 5:16-20]
- ~ May 13 ~  
Managing your Anger [Matthew 5:21-26]
- ~ May 20 ~  
Controlling your Lust [Matthew 5:27-32]
- ~ May 27 ~  
As Good as your Word [Matthew 5:33-37]
- ~ June 3 ~  
Denying Self & Following Christ [Matthew 5:38-42]
- ~ June 10 ~  
Radical and Unlimited Love [Matthew 5:43-48]



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### ~ The Gospel of John ~ Sunday evenings for 19 weeks April 22 to August 26



about one chapter per week  
Join us for this video journey

### ~ Baptist Distinctives ~ Wednesday evenings April 22 to June 10

**B A P T I S T S**

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**Return Service Requested**