

The Epistle

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NOMINATING MINISTRY GROUP WORKING ON 2010-2011 MINISTRY GROUP LIST

The members of the nominating ministry group are working to secure people for the 2010-2011 list of rotating ministry groups. Prayerfully consider where God wants you to serve and let the group know of your desire to do so. Contact Jim Rogers, who is serving as chairman of the current nominating ministry group, at 386-2280.

Just helpful information as to how the rotating ministry groups work: The ministry groups are made up of 3 to 9 people with one-third of each group rotating off each year. In other words, if a group has 3 members, one will rotate off the bottom and another person will rotate onto the top of the group, 6 members - 2 off the bottom and 2 onto the top and 9 members - 3 off the bottom and 3 onto the top. Each person who begins serving on a group, each year, serves for a 3-year period. Should there be a vacancy on a group during someone's 3-year rotation period, the person filling that vacancy just completes that person's rotation. Persons serve only one rotation on a specific group and then must be off that group one year before going back on it, however, they may serve on a different group.

NOTE: The 2010-2011 rotating ministry group year is October 1-September 30.

BRIEF REPORT OF BELIZE MISSION TRIP

Team members were told to expect about 100 children, possibly more, for the day camp (VBS). First day, they had 79 children, ages 6-18, second day - 120, third day - 179, and on Thursday they had 244, ages 2-22 plus several mothers. Some walked as far as two miles each way. Camp included classes, music, crafts, and recreation. There was a strong evangelical emphasis in all the classes and services. By the end of the week, between Bible Camp and the three church services, there were 81 professions of faith. Very few of the children have sponsors so they can attend school, however, 9 more children gained sponsors during the week of the camp. Harold Snodgrass and two other members of the team spent their days fabricating and installing security bars on the windows of the Uriah Baptist Church that the CVBA team helped build last year, making it a safe place to worship in Belize.

2010 ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Thomas Village Baptist Church

Saturday, September 11, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

*Speaker - Rebecca Alexander ~ Special Music - Brenda Isaacs
Special Testimony of Faith - Kris Emmert*

You are invited to join with ladies of Thomas Village Baptist Church and others throughout our area for a women's worship and praise conference, **Loyalty Among Royalty**, celebrating our loyalty to our God and to our country.

Cost of the Conference is \$15.00.

Each lady is responsible for sending in their own registration form.

Registration deadline is September 3. Seating is limited – register early.

Registration forms are available on the mailroom hallway table.

See the brochure on the hallway bulletin board for more information.

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DEACON'S MEETING SUNDAY EVENINGS AT 6:00

DEACON ORDINATION
Sunday, September 19, 11:00 a.m.

DEACON SELECTION—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Men nominated on the first Sunday in August who believe that God is calling them to serve as a deacon will be presented for selection on Sunday morning, September 12.

JULY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday School Average Attendance - 152
Morning Worship Average Attendance - 270
Sunday Evening Average Attendance - 97
Wednesday Evening Average Attendance - 52

Regular (Budget) Checking Account

Weekly Average Undesignated Offerings - \$5,795.88
*Designated Offerings (regular checking) - \$2,877.50
*includes \$137.00 World Hunger loose change & donations
Total Budget Offerings (undesignated & designated)

Received Jan.-July, 2010 - \$206,815.55

Special Programs Account - End of July, 2010

8006-Phase 1 Building Fund (TTT) - \$373,762.27
8008-Property Acquisition - \$14,426.56

PRAY IN FAITH—NEW ADULT STUDY

Brother Jerry L. Hall will be leading this 6-weeks study beginning on Wednesday, September 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. The study requires individual workbooks at a cost of \$9.95. Please call the church office or sign up at the hallway bulletin board ASAP. We have 15 books on order and must know if there is need to order more so we can get them on time.

STUDY OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST HISTORY

The Pastor will begin a study of SBC History in September. Watch the bulletin for the starting date and other information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

“SHOE BOX” MINISTRY NEWS FROM ANGELA
Thanks to the generosity of the Sunday School classes who give donations on a regular basis and other individual donations, we have supplies to fill at least 250 shoe boxes this year. A request for donations toward the cost of shipping the boxes will be made within the next few weeks.

OCC Workday in Boone Scheduled

Contact Angela at 386-7334 to sign up, on a first come/first serve basis, to go to Boone, NC, for a workday on Monday, December 6. The group will leave at 7:30 a.m. We only have 20 spots.

Note: We are limited for storage space and request that no more shoe boxes be brought in until such time that we announce a need for them.

~ **CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED - SEPTEMBER 6** ~

BAPTIST WOMEN I MEETING

Scheduled for the 3rd Thursday,
August 19, 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.-Worship
9:30 a.m.-Breakfast & Fellowship (FLC)
10:00 a.m.-Sunday School

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER TIME

Each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. (sanctuary)

PLEASE READ...

“Children’s Chatter” - important events

YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD...

No "Youth" Sunday evening, August 15, or Wednesday evening, August 18.
Regular schedule (6:00-8:00 p.m.) will begin on Sunday evening, August 22.

WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY TO THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILIES

The Gene Kilbourne family—uncle, Mr. Claude Falin
Rev. Jerry L. Hall family—uncle, Mr. J. P. Mawell
Tom & Beatrice Phillips and Jim & Christine Phillips families—Tom & Jim's uncle,
Mr. Carl Phillips

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Michael and LuAnn (Kirk) Lynch who were married on June 19.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Caleb Asher Williams (7 lbs./2 ozs.), son of Jason and Tammy Williams, born July 20.
Grandparents: Frank & Delores Johnson; great-grandmother: Mrs. Vastine Williams.
*Lynn and Cherie Wolfe announce the birth of a granddaughter, **Kaylie Anne-Marie***
Slemp, (6 lbs./12 ozs.), born July 22.

REMINDER: The 2010-2011 Church Officers and Deacons year begins October 1.

BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Don't forget to bring in children's books for the
"Book Fair" at "Trunk or Treat".

CHRISTIAN GOLF MATCH – SEPTEMBER 11

Greenway Hills – 8:30 a.m.

The green fee of \$19.00 should be turned in to Jim Rogers or the church office
by August 29. Questions? Contact Jim Rogers or Jody Wolfe.

NO EVENING SERVICES—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

AWANA LEADERS NEEDED

Leaders are needed for T & T (Truth and Training) clubbers (Grades 3-6).
If interested, contact Anita as soon as possible.

JUST A THOUGHT!!!

There Was a Man...

There was a very cautious man
Who never laughed or played;
He never risked, he never tried,
He never sang or prayed.

And when he one day passed away
His insurance was denied;
For since he never really lived,
They claimed he never died!

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

- 1 Betty Kerns
April Osborne
Robert Ratliff
- 2 Chris Repass
- 3 Christy Bledsoe
Linda Duncan
Betsy Gibson
Pam Johnson
Grace Odle
- 4 Madison Garrett
- 5 Wayne Burke
- 6 LaNae Noe
- 7 Catherine Daily
Betty Mann
- 9 Alyssa Clark
Gayle Ervin
- 10 Judy Kinkead
- 11 Edsel Hilton
Amanda Wolfe
- 12 Peggy McConnell
- 13 Keith McConnell
Brandy Spivey
Kim Rogers
- 14 Edwin Carter
Gwenn Holmes
Danise Snodgrass
- 16 Aimee Lawson
- 17 Randy Gibson
Gene Johnson
- 18 Cara Hamilton
Jim Rogers
Donna Williams
- 19 Brent Kilbourne
- 20 Brandi Broadwater
Vastine Williams
- 21 Mary H. Wilbanks
Chris Peters
- 24 Becki Osborne
Hayley White
- 25 Joe Grimm
- 26 Amanda Calton
Sidney Osborne
- 27 Sylvina Cunningham
Angela Hylton
Connie Price
Sue Ruffel
- 28 Terry Thorpe
Bart Williams
- 29 Madison Hensley
Tommy Phillips
Merri Pippin
Randy Snodgrass
Clara Faye Wood

Happy Birthday!
Church members and
children enrolled
in Sunday School
through the 6th grade.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



PROMOTION DAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School year runs from September 1-August 31. Those promoting in Sunday School will be given an opportunity August 29 to visit the new department or class they will be going into the first Sunday of the 2010-2011 year, September 5.

**“GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE”
BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursday, September 2, 3:00-7:00 p.m. (church parking lot near the office building)

Sign up at the hallway bulletin board or call the church office ASAP. We need all the donors who can possibly give at this drive. We should be giving at least 80 to 90 units each year to support our Church Blood Assurance Program. To date, we have given 35 units for the 2010 year.

ANNUAL CHURCH “FAMILY” PICNIC

Sunday Afternoon, September 12, 3:00-8:00 p.m., Natural Tunnel State Park (Shelter #5)

The annual church picnic is for every family in our congregation. It is a time when families can come together in a recreational setting and have time to fellowship and get to know each other better. Each family brings the equivalent of a meal you would normally prepare for your family including drinks. The church provides the paper products, plastic utensils, and ice. The meal is served around 5 o'clock. Mark your calendar!