

Teaching
THE
WORD...
Touching
LIVES

FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART



Dear First Family,
Gary Chapman once led a Marriage Conference at First Baptist Church and it was a blessing. Dr. Chapman recently sent a daily communication

titled, "Four Myths That Tempt Hurting Marriages." Here is a summary . . . "If I believe these myths I will be in bondage, but it is the truth that sets us free.

Myth #1 My state of mind and the quality of my marriage is determined by my environment.

The Truth: God can give peace of mind even in the worst of situations. I can be God's instrument for improving my marriage.

Myth #2 People cannot change.

The Truth: People do change every day, often dramatically. God is in the business of changing lives.

Myth #3 When you are in a bad marriage there are only two options: be miserable or get out.

The Truth: You can be a positive change agent in your marriage.

Myth #4 Some situations are hopeless.

The Truth: With God no situation is hopeless. He is the God of miracles. Focus your eyes on Him rather than your situation."

So, people of God, don't let Satan destroy your home. God is alive and can heal hurting marriages.

Thank you for the gift of shoes for needy children in Clarksville. Your church family distributed 225 pairs of new shoes in the "Back to School Bash" this week for children in Clarksville. Thank you for your gifts of ministry and missions.

The New Sunday School year has begun. The Preschool Open House on August 1 was such a blessing. Fifty (50) preschoolers who are beginning to read received a new Bible from the church in this great service on Sunday evening. Sunday School is the family place to be!

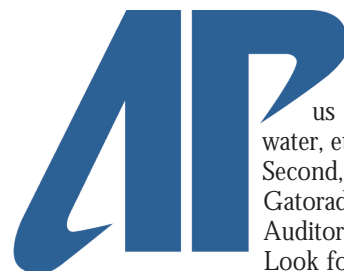
Thank you for your faithfulness! Our church indebtedness broke through another barrier last month and now stands at \$3,941,430. The beautiful new Children's/ Youth Building and new Laida Fellowship Hall which are so greatly used were built in recent years. Your gifts to **Find Us Faithful Still** go directly to principal payment. Thank you for tithes and offerings to the ministry of First Baptist Church through the church budget, World Missions Offering, and Find Us Faithful Still.

Parent's Day Out is now called "First Learners" and meets at First Baptist Church on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm for ages birth through Pre-K. Cheryl McCrary and Tara Vinson lead this great ministry outreach to families.

One of the most popular church hymns several years ago was, "Brighten the Corner Where You Are." Here is stanza one

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APSU DORM MOVE-IN



We will help move students in on August 26-27 and we need your help! First, we need volunteers to help us move students in, hand out info, food, water, etc.

Second, we need donations of bottled water and Gatorade. We have barrels in the foyer of Grace Auditorium for water and Gatorade donations.

Look for the sign-up table in the foyer. You can sign-up in your Sunday School class as well. Contact the College Ministry Office for more information at (931) 572-1521 or college@fbct.org.



...PASTOR'S HEART

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and chorus.

"Do not wait until some deed of greatness you may do,
Do not wait to shed your light afar,
To the many duties ever near you now be true,

Brighten the Corner where you are.

Refrain: Brighten the corner where you are!

Brighten the corner where you are!

Someone far from harbor you may guide across the bar;

Brighten the corner where you are!

(C. H. Gabriel, I. M. Duley Ogdon)

Friends, brighten the corner of First Baptist Church where you are. Smile to everyone. Call an absentee. Call a member who needs a prayer. Witness to a lost or unchurched person, and invite them to Sunday School and church. Brighten the corner where you are!

In His Love,

Roger P. Freeman

POSITION AVAILABLE

We are seeking a receptionist. Those wishing to apply can submit their resume and application at the main office, Monday-Friday between 8:00 am-4:30 pm.

FIREPROOF MY MARRIAGE - A TWO-DAY LOVE DARE



September 10-11, 2010

First Baptist Church
Woodstock, Georgia

The Conference on Friday runs from 7:00-9:30 pm and Saturday from 8:30 am-12:00 noon.

The Conference...

The romance that begins with a spark can go up in flames. This two-day Love Dare event will show you how to withstand the inevitable fires that all marriages face. Led by the creators of the movie *Fireproof* and *The Love Dare* journal, this unique marriage conference provides Biblical teaching, true worship, and practical help for married and engaged couples. You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll learn. And your marriage will never be the same.

The Cost...

The church is paying the conference fee of \$40 per person. Couples will be responsible for their own transportation and lodging expenses. Space is limited to four couples. Don't miss it - register early by contacting Bro. Freddy Valcarcel at 472-1168 or freddy.valcarcel@fbct.org.

SUMMER SLUMP BUSTER

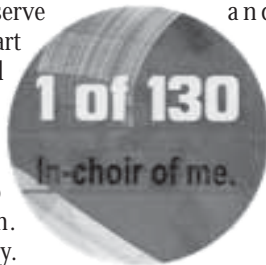
THANKS FOR BEING A SUMMER SLUMP BUSTER

Many of you made the commitment to be present for Sunday School and worship this summer. Thank you for your commitment of being faithful to being in church. In a few weeks, after we have had a chance to look at all of the records, we will recognize those Sunday School classes that did the best job of keeping their attendance up this summer.

BE 1 OF 130 VOICES

Our Adult Choir and Orchestra is praying for God to bring an average each Sunday of 100 in the Adult Choir and 30 in the orchestra. This is all about His glory and not numbers. He deserves our highest praise. We want to grow for Him!

If you have a musical talent, we urge you to pray about visiting a choir or orchestra rehearsal. We meet on Wednesday nights at 6 pm in rooms 3229 and 3334. You will find a place to serve and people to be a part of. You can find the reward of serving the Lord and pointing His people to worship Him. Come give us a try.



FIRST REPORTS

ATTENDANCE

August 1, 2010

Total Sunday School	1421
Midweek Bible Study	249
Total Bible Study	1670
Korean Church	21
Hispanic Church	25
Missions	0
Total Worship	1634
Exit One Church Sunday School	81
Exit One Church Worship	326

August 8, 2010

Total Sunday School	1600
Midweek Bible Study	210
Total Bible Study	1810
Korean Church	22
Hispanic Church	27
Missions	52
Total Worship	1964
Exit One Church Sunday School	79
Exit One Church Worship	332

STEWARDSHIP RECEIPTS

August 1, 2010

Operating Receipts	\$113,678.47
Operating Budget	\$75,923.08
World Missions Receipts	\$5,872.44
World Missions Budget	\$5,769.23
FUFS Receipts	\$11,412.80
FUFS Budget	\$10,338.81

August 8, 2010

Operating Receipts	\$68,779.21
Operating Budget	\$75,923.08
World Missions Receipts	\$5,771.40
World Missions Budget	\$5,769.23
FUFS Receipts	\$5,519.61
FUFS Budget	\$10,338.81

Year To Date

Budget Received YTD	\$2,416,379.37
Budget Required YTD	\$2,555,538.46
World Missions Received YTD	\$155,785.68
World Missions Required YTD	\$184,615.36
FUFS Received YTD	\$394,602.06
FUFS Required YTD	\$330,841.80

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

Adults \$5 • Children \$4

Heart Healthy \$5 • Family Maximum \$15

Serving from 4:30-5:45 pm

*Menu is subject to change without notice.

Let Us Pray for You

As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD by failing to pray for you.
1 Samuel 12:23

Prayer Line: 572-1534
Or prayer@fbct.org

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

THE PASTOR AND CONGREGATION EXTEND CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO...

...**James McKay** in the death of his wife, Beverly. Mrs. McKay passed away on Sunday, July 25.

...**Anna Radford (Cecil)** in the death of her father, Jessie May. Also to Jeff Radford (Kim) and Deborah Elrod (Lonnie) in the death of their grandfather, to Jeremy Radford (Jessica), Anna and Sarah Elrod in the death of their great-grandfather and to Valerie, Chloe, Julianna in the death of their great-great-grandfather. Mr. May passed away July 29, 2010.

...**Richard Eskildson (Lori)** in the death of his father, Neal Eskildson. Also to Adam in the death of his grandfather. Mr. Eskildson passed away July 31, 2010.

...**Evelyn Griffin** in the death of her brother, Edward Hildreth, Sr. Mr. Hildreth passed away August 1, 2010.

...**James and Blanche Shepherd** in the death of their son, Blake. Blake passed away on August 7, 2010.

...**In Memoriam of Frank Romasco.** Mr. Romasco passed away on August 7, 2010.

WEDNESDAY MENUS

August 18, 2010:

Side salad, spaghetti with choice of meat sauce or veggie sauce, fried green tomatoes, fried okra, garlic bread, chocolate mousse, cookie

Heart Healthy Choice:

Baked spaghetti, eggplant parmesan, side salad, sugar free dessert

Children's Menu:

Spaghetti, garlic sticks, carrots and celery with ranch dressing, chocolate chip cookie, milk or lemonade

August 25, 2010:

Side garden salad, salisbury steak in brown gravy, mashed potatoes, southern green beans, corn cakes, triple berry pie with ice cream

Heart Healthy Choice:

Beef or all veggie stir fry over rice, pita bread, sugar free pie

Children's Menu:

Pizza bread sticks with marinara sauce, chips, apple wedges, pudding or ice cream

MOPS

THERE IS NOTHING LITTLE ABOUT A MOTHER'S IMPACT.

The early years of child-rearing are so significant and formative—so precious and fleeting...

Moms know this, so they pour themselves into mothering. But who pours themselves into moms?

We do!



MOPS at First Baptist is here to help.

Please join us select Fridays every month 9:15 am-12 pm, child-care provided.

For additional information, please contact our 2010-2011 Coordinator:

Carrie Abraham, 931-431-2533
cchilcott@hotmail.com

Facebook:

MOPS at First Baptist Clarksville



SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Crossville Trip Coming October 7-8

We will take an overnight trip to the Cumberland Playhouse to see "Brigadoon." These prices include: one night stay at Best Western Inn, play and van transportation.

Total cost for couple-\$172.00

Single-\$135.00

Two in a room-\$86.00 each

If you desire to drive your car the price will be \$112.00 per couple.

Meals (3) will be at your expense.

A \$50 deposit is required with your reservations. Remainder of balance is due by September 3, 2010. Call the Legacy Office at 572-1527 for details.



LOST AND FOUND

Lost and Found tables are set up in the Grace Foyer in front of the windows by the parking lot on Sunday, August 15. Please claim your lost articles. Unclaimed items will be donated to charitable organizations. This is the last Sunday to claim your items.

RECREATION VOLS.

There is a need for volunteers in our recreation ministry. We need people who would be willing to volunteer a few hours each week to check people in and provide instructions and check out equipment. If interested, please contact Ron Moore at 572-1505.

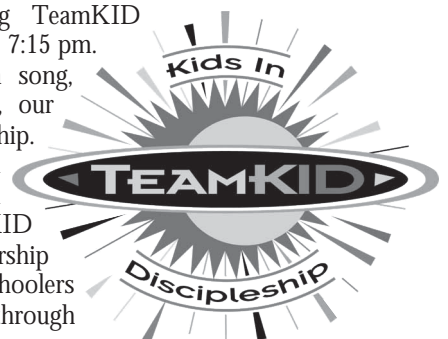
PRESCHOOL TEAMKID

PRESCHOOL TEAMKID IS READY TO BLAST OFF!

Our high energy popular Wednesday evening TeamKID program is happening every Wednesday from 6:00 - 7:15 pm.

Whether acting out the Bible Story, singing a song, creating a masterpiece, or running a relay race, our preschoolers learn about Jesus and discipleship.

During the night our preschoolers rotate through Bible Study, Tournament Games, Crafts, and Music. Throughout the year our TeamKID preschoolers will help lead the church family in worship by singing their songs. TeamKID is for all preschoolers who will be three by September 30, 2010, through Kindergarten.

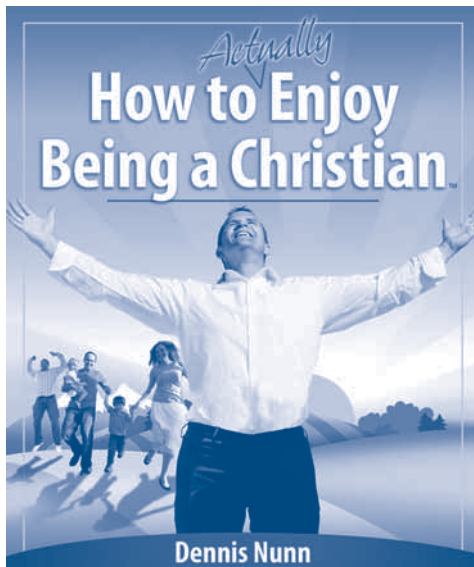


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CHURCH WIDE EVENT

This Fall ~ October 3-6, 2010

Dennis Nunn will be here to lead "How to Actually Enjoy Being a Christian." You'll remember Dennis from the "Every Believer a Witness" event of last year. Mark your calendars now.



Dennis Nunn

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Bible Study
Led by Dr. Roger Freeman

Tuesday Mornings beginning

September 11

10 Week study of the Great Men of the Bible

6:30 am - Breakfast

7:00 am - Testimony

7:15 am - Bible Study

7:45 am - Adjourn

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 am Deacon Prayer Time
Laida Fellowship Hall (2230)

Worship

8:15 am,
9:30 am Grace Worship Center
& 10:55 am

Bible Study/Sunday School

8:15 am & Bible Study Classes for all ages
9:30 am
10:55 am Adult Bible Study Classes

Sunday Evening

6:00 pm Worship (Grace Building)
6:00 pm Preschool Mission Friends
(Grace Preschool Area)

Wednesday

4:30 - 7:30 Wednesday 2 Wednesday
Outreach
4:30 - 6:00 Fellowship Meal
6:00 - 7:15 Prayer Meeting/Bible
Study in Grace Worship Center
6:00 - 7:15 Discipleship Training
Institute Classes
6:00 - 7:15 Adult Choir and Orchestra
Rehearsal
6:00 - 7:15 Children's Backyard
6:00 - 7:15 Preschool TeamKid
6:00 - 7:15 Middle School and
High School Worship
7:00 The Gathering

Lillian Bradley Library Hours

Sundays 9:00 am - 12 pm & 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Wednesdays 4:00 - 6:00 pm
The Library is located in Room 2326 on the third floor of the Hope Building.

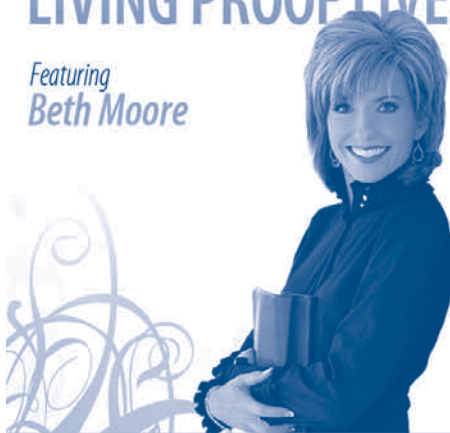
T.V. Ministry

Charter channel 9 or Broadcast channel 49.
Sundays at 9:00 am
Mondays at 8:00 pm
Wednesdays at 8:30 am

BETH MOORE SIMULCAST

LIVING PROOF LIVE

Featuring
Beth Moore



*Because you are living
proof of God's love.*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010

Who knew Bible study and worship could be so much fun!

Beth Moore's life-transforming Bible study challenges and inspires women of every age, everywhere. Joining Beth at this weekend event is acclaimed worship leader Travis Cottrell and the Praise Team.

Beth's focus will be on the Scripture that God lays on her heart for each individual Living Proof Live event — no two are the same. As she explores the Bible and how it applies to real life, you'll be amazed by her own experiences as a believer, and you'll be inspired to magnify and strengthen your own relationship with God.

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