

SENIOR PASTOR

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SABBATICAL

Every year, I take one week in January to plan our sermon series for the entire year, and this week is the week. Please pray that God would speak His truth upon my heart as I seek what messages He would have me deliver. I take the responsibility of preaching God's Word seriously because I realize God holds me accountable. In my absence, you are in for a real treat this coming Sunday. The Chairman of our Deacons, Larry Allen, will speak in both morning services. He has a message that everyone needs to hear. As you pray, please include Larry in your prayers.

APPRECIATION

Thank you for praying for Joyce and Grace after their automobile accident and for Joyce's stay in the hospital. Your outpouring of love and help overwhelmed us. Always remember that we love you.

Deacons of the Week January 21-27
 Robert Duncan 936-248-4924
 David Huff 903-693-5115
Please feel free to call on our deacons if you have a ministry or benevolence need.

Attendance Report

Sunday School Attendance**338**
 8:30 a.m. Early Worship120
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship.....415
 Total Morning Worship**535**

Tithes & Offerings

General Fund.....\$15,837.50
 Building Fund200.00
 Youth Fund905.00
 Total **\$16,942.50**



Nursery Workers Sunday, January 21
 Ashlee Alexander/Amy Rich/Karen Shamburger

Thank you

Thank you notes from the families of Estell Hand & Ellis Rich are posted on the back hall bulletin board.

SENIOR ADULT PASTOR

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Very soon a calendar of upcoming events will be mailed to each member of the JOY GROUP. Check the calendar for the events in which you might have an interest. If you wish to sign up for any of these events call me at the church (903-693-3569), home (903-693-3104) or my cell (903-692-0671). This time of the year bad weather might create a problem. If you are uncertain about the event, call the office for information.

Of course, not everybody will want to participate in every event. Please feel no obligation to do so. In fact we have a simple rule that we abide by: If you want to participate, fine! If you do not want to participate, fine! But the fact that somebody doesn't want to do something doesn't keep the ones who want to from participating.

PRAYER ROOM WARRIORS ARE NEEDED

Someone once said, "The more spiritual the exercise, the more difficult it is for the flesh and blood to maintain it." That is so true. We have had as many as 36 different people help in the Prayer Room, yet in the past few weeks the number who work each week has dwindled to a very few. Some are working double and triple shifts. It should not be this way with all of the people we have who ask for an interest in prayer. The sign-up sheets are in the Prayer Room. If you would like to help, please go by and select a date and help maintain the schedule.

Mark your calendars:

January 25-JOY GROUP Fellowship
 12:00 Noon-Activities Building
January 27-42 Tournament
 10:00 a.m.-Activities Building

**2007 Pictorial Directory
 February 13-17**

Sign up times: Sunday Mornings, January 21 & 28
 Tables will be located in the main foyer or online at www.firstbaptistcarthage.com.
 Contact: Stephanie Monroe 903-690-0665 for scheduling or information
 or the church office 903-693-3569 for information only.

MUSIC NOTES

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY VIKTORIA



Viktoria will turn 2 this Thursday. Susie, Daria and I are patiently waiting for the day we get to bring Viktoria home. Keep praying for the re-accreditation process and for the judge in Ulyanovsk.

CHOIR SCHEDULES

All choirs are back to their normal schedules:
 ***Heaven's Angels** (Pre K) meet Sunday at 5 p.m.
 ***SonShine Singers** (Gr. K-2) meet Sunday at 5 p.m.
 ***King's Kids** (Gr. 3-6) meet Sunday at 5 p.m.
 ***Sanctuary Choir** meets Wednesday at 7 p.m.
 ***JOY Choir** (60+) meets Wednesday ay 5 p.m.

HEARTS OF PRAISE CONCERT

This Sunday night, January 21, *Hearts of Praise* will present a concert. This group is from Central Baptist Church in Jacksonville. One of the members is Jane Smith whom many of you may remember as Jane Hoffpauir. Make plans to attend this time of praise and worship.



EDUCATION NEWS

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MT. OLIVE DISTRICT W.M.A.

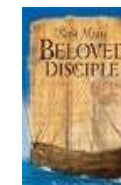
Ladies, mark you calendars! The Mt. Olive District W.M.A. will be held Tuesday, January 23, 6:30 p.m. at Jackson Baptist Church in Joaquin. Finger foods will be served prior to the program. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

BETH MOORE STUDIES - Just for Ladies!



The **Daniel** study will begin Tuesday, January 30 at 6:00 p.m. Deadline to sign-up is this Sunday, January 21. Please contact Marja Williams at 903.693.2638 to sign-up or for more information.

The Beloved Disciple: The Life and Ministry of John This 11 week study will begin Tuesday, February 6 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Please contact Mary Nell King at 903.693.6574 to sign-up or for more information. Deadline to sign-up is Jan. 26.



STUDENT MINISTRIES

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Princess Retreat

We will leave for First Baptist Church, Natchitoches, La. this Saturday from the Activity Center parking lot at 6:50 a.m. Don't forget to bring your Bibles.

Love & Respect Marriage Conference

Date: February 16-17
 For more information go to the website: www.gsfbc.org and click on the Love & Respect link.

February 2-4

4th-6th Grade Boot Camp @ Gary
Deadline: Sunday, January 28th
Cost: \$69.

February 23-24

Student Life Conference @ Houston
Deadline: Sunday, February 4th
Cost: \$55.

March 11-17

*Spring Break Trip to Mexico***
Deadline: March 4
Cost: \$300.

****PASSPORTS WILL BE REQUIRED****

F.Y.I.

IT NORMALLY TAKES 6 WEEKS TO GET A PASSPORT. IT IS 7 WEEKS UNTIL OUR TRIP!

SUMMER TRIP DATES FOR:

CENTIFUGE

GLORIETA, NM.
 JUNE 10-16, 2007
 7th & 8th Grades

Deadline: January 28, 2007
Cost: \$100.

OCOEE OUTREACH MISSION TRIP

CLEVELAND, TN
 July 14-21, 2007
 9th-12th Grades

Deadline: January 28, 2007
Cost: \$ 100.