

**SENIOR PASTOR**

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**DEACONS' MEETING**

We will meet this Sunday, upstairs in the activity building at 4pm, as we continue our planning for the Deacon Family Care Ministry. Thank you.

**NEW BUILDING RECOMMENDATION**

The Building and Grounds Ministry Action Team (MAT) is calling for a special business meeting on April 1 after our evening services for the approval of a new office complex. Drawings of the new building are located in both auditorium foyers.

The building will sit at the very back of the new parking lot (next to the trees) and down by the cemetery. It will face the student center. For site preparation, construction, and furnishings, the building will cost about \$481,500. If all goes well, we should be in the new building before the end of the year.

While the process has taken longer than anticipated, I believe you will be pleased with the design of the new offices. Finally, the entire staff will be together under one roof. Moreover, our senior adult ladies will not be tempted to park in the street to get into the offices (which will be a big sigh of relief to me).

**PLEASE PRAY**

Our youth and sponsors are returning from Mexico this Saturday. Please continue praying for God's protection and blessings. Thank you.

**SENIOR ADULT PASTOR**

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**GENESIS STUDY**

Wednesday night we began the fourth chapter of Genesis. Several new firsts came under consideration: the first children and the first murders. No the parents didn't do it! Our goal is to study the first ten chapters of Genesis. We would like to invite you to come join us in this exciting study. Our study begins at 6:00 and we are always through by 6:45. With the time change there is plenty of daylight left for those who do not like to drive after dark.

**WAXAHACHIE TRIP**

It is not too early to begin signing up for this trip. The date is March 29 and you may sign up by calling the church office or me. Remember that we plan to visit the Children's home, State Missions office and the Baptist Progress.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**MARCH 19-20**

JOY Choir Trip to Bryan, Texas  
Attending Sr. Adult Choir Festival

**MARCH 27**

JOY Group "Out to Eat" fellowship  
for Mexican food in Longview

**MARCH 29**

JOY Group to Waxahachie  
for a visit to the Children's Home, State Missions Office and the Baptist Progress

Carolyn Lewis said, "Ladies, get out your favorite cookie recipes and dust off your cookie sheets. We will be taking homemade cookies for all the kids at the Home."

**Attendance Report**

Sunday School Attendance.....**345**  
8:30 a.m. Early Worship ..... 113  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..... \*401  
Total Morning Worship.....\***514**  
\*Includes those on the mission trip

**Tithes & Offerings**

General Fund..... \$21,409.65  
Building Fund..... 390.00  
Youth Fund..... 1,580.00  
Total ..... **\$23,379.65**

**MUSIC NOTES**

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**HANDBELL CHOIR**

The Handbell Choir will meet Sunday night at 7:00 p.m.

**SENIOR ADULT CHOIR FESTIVAL**

Next week, Monday and Tuesday, the JOY Choir will attend the Senior Adult Choir Festival in Bryan. It will be held at First Baptist Bryan and is sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas. The bus will leave Monday morning at 8:00 a.m. I am looking forward to a good time with our Senior Adult friends!

**DO YOU HAVE DIRECT TV?**

Make sure you watch NRB Network (Channel 378) this Friday at 7:00 p.m. **Exalting Him 2007** will air and will feature our own Adam Paul Williams. Exalting Him is a Christ centered talent search (kind of like a Christian American Idol). Friday night's episode is the finale.

**EDUCATION NEWS**

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**HIGH ATTENDANCE DAY**

April 1 is our **YOU COUNT! High Attendance Day**. Our goal is to involve as many people as possible in Sunday School. This Sunday, March 18, each Sunday School class will be asked to set an attendance goal for the day.

**Why have a High Attendance Day?** Special emphasis creates excitement and motivates us to reach out to others. **Numbers are important.** Throughout the Bible there is an interest in numbers. **People are important.** We must be careful to continually show our friends and family that they are important to us and to our church. We want to minister to each individual. They are not just another "number".

Let's all work hard to convey the message to each person we meet that . . . **YOU COUNT! To God, to our Church and to me.**



**Nursery Workers** Sunday, March 18  
**Celisha Creech/Holly Nowalk**

**REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME MEMBERS**

**At Home**

Virginia Bate  
Vivian Burnaman  
Jane Holder  
Laura Lee Johnson  
Jewel & Maina Poss  
Fern Powell  
Merva Sinclair  
Lurline Wilson

**Marian Place**

Allois Moore  
  
**Carthage Healthcare**  
Walter Gary  
Marie Lawrence  
Benny Faye Milam  
Rex & Dessie Taylor

**Winkler House**

Bill Landers

**Briarcliff**

Ellen Carroll  
Grace Cassity  
Margaret Duke  
Thelma Jones

**Oak Brook Whitehouse**

Mrs. Novis Jones

**Panola Care & Rehabilitation**

Abbie Monroe  
Grace Duke



**NEEDED**

**2 full time paid nursery workers**  
To apply or for more information  
please call Donna Randolph @ 903-754-3344.

**Pictorial Directory  
Last Call**

If you are planning to turn in a picture for our church pictorial directory please do so by Monday, March 19 to the church office. We want everyone to be a part of our directory.

**Deacons of the Week March 18-24**

Pat McMillan 903-622-4131  
Bryan Stacy 903-693-6149

*Please feel free to call on our deacons if you have a ministry or benevolence need.*

**Thank You Note**

*A thank you note from Pete Williams is posted on the back hall bulletin board.*