

SENIOR PASTOR

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SUNDAY MORNING

Proverbs 3:1-10 has five keys for experiencing "Perfect Success." As we begin this New Year, come this Sunday morning to discover how you can have a breakout year spiritually, emotionally, and physically.

SUNDAY EVENING

Daniel 9:23-27 explains the prophetic "70 Weeks" as it relates to the end times. Join us Sunday night as we dive deep into the meat of God's Word for today and the future.

THANK YOU

I appreciate all the birthday wishes. Getting another year older is a lot more fun when you know the Lord and His people, especially the people of First Baptist! Always remember that God loves you, and so do I.

OFFICE BUILDING UPDATE

As you can see when you drive into the parking lot, our new office building is almost complete. Thank you for your encouragement, prayers, and support. Because we are in the final stages, a thousand "little" things have to be done, and done in the proper sequence. As a result, I hope that we will be in the new office complex by the end of February.

After we move out of the current offices, we plan to replace the carpet, paint, and do a little touch up before we begin moving classes. Let me also take a moment to thank Lovil Hudson and Rusty Shields for their relentless efforts for a job well done.



Dr. & Mrs. Allen Tilley along with the entire First Baptist Church Family wishes to express sympathy to Jimmie Cureton in the loss of her daughter.

Tithes & Offerings

General Fund.....	\$19,003.54
Building Fund.....	20.00
Youth Fund.....	1,105.00
Total.....	\$20,128.54

Attendance Report

Sunday School Attendance.....	420
8:30 a.m. Early Worship.....	177
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship.....	425
Total Morning Worship.....	602

SENIOR ADULT PASTOR

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GREAT TOURNAMENT

The Brotherhood "42" tournament was a grand success. We raised over \$500 and after the cost of the meal is deducted the balance will be sent to BMAA missions. Praise the Lord!!

Congratulations to Louise Wooley and Billie Cassity for winning the tournament with a score of 96. That is the highest score I can remember in one of our tournaments. I am still somewhat surprised that they would treat a team consisting of two old men, one on oxygen, the way they did! You ask, "What did they do?" They beat us like a drum!

All in all it was a good day. Following the Brotherhood breakfast last Saturday morning, several men helped set up tables and prepare for the tournament. Thanks men! Bill's Meat Market provided a delicious meal of steak. I know everybody enjoyed the meal and the fellowship.

IF YOU MISSED, YOU MISSED A BLESSING

At District Brotherhood, there were 88 in attendance, 30 of which were from First Baptist. My thanks to each one from First Baptist who attended. Jerry Fulton was the speaker and did an excellent job representing the different Departments of our Texas work. It is always good to hear the "Glory Bound Quartet" sing. As usual, they put it on the top shelf. We raised over \$500 for the Baptist Progress. We did not have steak, as I announced, but we did have a delicious meal.

Please join our family on this joyous occasion when our parents

Bob & Barbara Wright

celebrate

Fifty Years of Marriage

at a reception in their honor

on Saturday, January 19, 2008

2:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Fellowship Hall

The Wright Children

Your love is a treasured gift,

We request no other

MUSIC NOTES

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2008 GOAL

Involve as many people as possible in the music ministry of First Baptist Church.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

The Sanctuary Choir rehearses each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Any adult who has a song in their heart is welcome. This is a wonderful time to join as we begin preparation for Easter and the 150th Anniversary celebration.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

All of our Children's Choirs will resume meeting Sunday, February 3.

CD OF THE MONTH

For the month of January, I have chosen the National Christian Choir *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* CD. This is a collection of favorite hymns. Each CD is \$20. You may call the church office to order your copy.

EDUCATION NEWS

by *David Yarbrough*

DISTRICT WMA

The **Mt. Olive District WMA** will meet Tuesday, January 22, 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Joaquin. Fellowship and snacks will start at 6:30 p.m. All our ladies are invited to attend.

ATTENTION LADIES

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDIES

The *Stepping Up* study started this past Tuesday and meets at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Center.

The *Jesus, the One and Only* study will begin this coming Tuesday, January 22 and will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

• **Tax Information**

In order for your donation records to be accurate, we need your help in the following areas:

- ❖ *write your complete first & last name on the offering envelope*
- ❖ *write the amount of offering on the outside of the envelope*

These two areas are very important for your financial contribution records to be kept accurately in the church office.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

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SPONSORS NEEDED

We are in need of adult sponsors for our 4th-6th grade Boot Camp at Daniel Springs Encampment. The dates are February 1-3. We are delaying opening registration for the camp until we are certain we have sponsors. Please call the church office for more information.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

****CENTRIFUGE****

7TH-8TH GRADES

JUNE 8-14

Cost: \$100

Deadline: January 27

****OCOE OUTREACH MISSION TRIP****

9TH-12TH GRADES

JULY 19-25

Cost: \$100

Deadline: January 27

Remember to pray for our Homebound/Nursing Home Members

At Home

Virginia Bate
Vivian Burnaman
Wilma Garrett
Laura Lee Johnson
Walter Mauritzen
Jewel & Maina Poss
Fern Powell
Merva Sinclair
Lurline Wilson

Carthage Healthcare

Walter Gary
Jane Holder
Bill Landers
Marie Lawrence
Benny Faye Milam
Rex Taylor

Marian Place

Allois Moore

Briarcliff

Grace Cassity
Margaret Duke
Thelma Jones

Oak Brook Whitehouse

Novis Jones

Winkler House

Abbie Monroe