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A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

June 28, 2009

“A Horse Named Friday”

What a wonderful week of VBS we had! There was so much good participation by the congregation. Every night we had more people attending this year than we had last year. Last year's average attendance was 161. This year's average was 172! That's quite an increase. There were at least a million smiles and a lot of laughter.

One of the things that made this year's VBS such a success was the participation by so many people. There was a unified effort to provide a sound, solid, and successful program. The teachers were well prepared and the kids were willing to learn. Learning about God's blessings was really rewarding and encouraging. The classrooms were well decorated. The annex was well decorated. The food was so good. If you went without eating you missed some really great hot dogs and cupcakes and ice cream. Our song leaders kept us singing and the pictures were great!

Our adult class teachers did a great job and the adult class average attendance was 79 and that says a lot about the desire of the congregation to make this VBS successful. There was plenty of work done behind the scenes as well. From the Director all the way to the last little rider of the Great Roundup – everyone did their part. If you didn't make it to this year's VBS you missed a really great one.

I wonder what next year's theme will be; hope you're making plans to make it as big a success as this one was! By the way, did you find the answer to the cowboy riddle?

—Frank

WHAT IS GOD'S PLAN FOR CHURCH ORGANIZATION?

Jesus promised to build his church (Matt. 16:18) and the Father made Him head of that church, which is his body (Ephesians 1:22-23). Since Christ is the only Head of the church, there is no room for any human authority over the church. The only organization of the church specified in Scripture is that of the local congregation. There is no biblical authority for any organization above the local congregation, such as a convention, association, or synod.

Christ chose the apostles to direct the church in the beginning, promising that the Holy Spirit would guide them (John 16:13). The miracles they did demonstrated that they were from God. Since the apostles had no successors, there are no apostles today, nor anyone to stand in their place to speak authoritatively to the church.

The system that God established to oversee the work of the church after the apostles were gone was one that allowed each congregation to be self-governed and independent. Each congregation was to follow the Bible, being overseen by men that Scripture refers to as elders, bishops, pastors, or overseers. The number of elders in each congregation is always plural in the New Testament. There is no example of a single elder or pastor overseeing a congregation alone (e.g. Acts 20:17).

Deacons are special servants who work under the authority of the elders. Paul addressed a letter to “the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons” (Philippians 1:1). Each congregation also had a plurality of deacons. Men such as Stephen, functioning as deacons, though not specifically called deacons, are first mentioned in Acts 6:1-6.

The primary mission of the preacher, or evangelist, is to “preach the word” (2 Timothy 4:2). Timothy was not a pastor, or bishop; he was an evangelist. He preached the word, and helped congregations appoint qualified men to serve as elders.

There is no reason for congregations to be organized today any differently than they were in the first century, with elders overseeing the work of the church, with deacons and evangelists serving under their guidance. This is God's pattern.

House to House

Read the New Testament in the Year 2009

June 29 - Acts 9:22-43
June 30 - Acts 10:1-23
July 1 - Acts 10:24-48
July 2 - Acts 11



July 3 - Acts 12
July 4 - Acts 13:1-25
July 5 - Acts 13:26-52



OUR SICK: Please Remember in your prayers

Mildred Barker underwent six hours of back surgery on Monday May 22nd. She is presently in Room 553 in the Ardmore Tower at the Baptist Hospital. She is making progress in her recovery but is still having some confusion due to the lengthy surgery under anesthesia and the pain medications she is on at this time. In all, she is making progress at recovering from such extensive surgery.

Please continue to remember Frank & Jane's friend, **Jack Clifton**, who is undergoing chemotherapy treatments at this time.

Prayer List

Lorene Brown, Jim and Gladys Harper, Jim Warner, Don Jackson, Nellie K. Dorse, Elwood Flinchum, Hilda Hauser, Johnsie Moser, Nora Holder, Rick Clemmons, Elmer Laudenslager, Wyatt & Dot Reeves, Nora Holder, Donald Richards, Mary Ellen Dull.

Linda Miller (member at West Jefferson), **Peggy Weeks** (Gene Southern's sister), **Jack Clifton**, (friend of Frank & Jane Shepard), **Will Barber**, Shannon Harper's step-son, **Judy Allen**, (mother of Jennifer Lee), **Jonah Alexander** (Son of Patrice Crump Williams), **Don Richards, Faye Hinson**, (Todd Hinson's mother), **Sykes Family** (family of a friend of Debbie Southern), **Corey Lloyd** (brother-in-law of Jason Cravy), **Calli Moody** (2 yr. old undergoing cancer treatment at Duke, **Tim Miller** (friend of Mark Roy), **James Bobbitt** (Emily Workman's grandfather), **Jessica Fulcher's husband** (friend of Lisa and Laura), **Larry Russell** (friend of Frank & Jane Shepard), **Barbara Adams** (Carole Porter's sister), **Randy Turner** (neighbor of the Moore family), **Keith Brenigar** (Sherrill Stewart's neighbor), **Frank Barbe** (Rodney Brown's cousin), **Linda James** (Jessica Frazier's mother), **Dana Wadford, Jane & Buddy Lawrence** (friends of Kathleen and Adam Warner), **Tim Stanley** (friend of the Cooper family, Kari Woodbury's uncle, **Mary Rackley, Lois Watkins**, friend of Joanne Piper), **Ronnie Seats** (Kenny Brown's stepfather) **Nita Kirkland** (Ellen Wingo's mother), **Earl Knost** (Bill Knost's brother).

Also:

* the leaders of our country and all those who serve.

Please let us know if there are any that may be taken off the prayer list if their health has improved and they are now well.

WELCOMB

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING. WE INVITE YOU TO RETURN THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. FOR THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE AND AT 7:00 P.M. EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO REMAIN FOR A "COVERED DISH" FELLOWSHIP MEAL SPONSORED THIS MORNING BY ZONE 4.

WARNERS CHAPEL EVENTS:

June 28 - The Elders will be available to meet with members of congregation in the library following the evening worship service.

June 29 - Elders/Deacons Mtg. at 7 p.m.

June 30 - Youth Devotional at 7 p.m.

July 5 - No congregational Meal - due to July 4th holiday.

July 18 - NCSBS Graduation

September 11-13 - Youth Rally



BROUGHT ONE VBS AWARDS

**Meredith Everett
Savannah Everett
Mason Horne**

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday June 21, 2009

Sunday Bible Study 169

Sunday Morning Worship 228

Contribution for June 21, 2009

Daily Adult Bible Readers: 26

Chapters Read: 573

Daily Children Bible Readers:

Chapters Read: 29

Sunday Evening 174

Wed. Evening Bible Study 6-24-09 178

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Sunday - June 21 175

Monday - June 22 163

Tuesday - June 23 176

Wednesday - June 24 178

Thursday - June 25 169

LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS - JULY 5, 2009

Serving the Lord's Table for July:

Frank Shepard

Jake Woodbury Justin Minor

Homer Holland Gene Ruark

Preparing Communion for July:

Jeannie Moore

Making Announcements on Sunday:

Steve Martin

Making Announcements on Wednesday:

Jody Everett

DEVOTIONS:		OPENING PRAYER:		SONG LEADER	SCRIPTURE READER
Scripture	Rodney Brown	Morning	Carl Cooper	A.M.- Tim Allen	A.M. - Tommy Rose
Song Leader	Steve Tesh	Evening	John Allen	P.M. - Ryan Pickens	P.M. - Brian Downs
Prayer	Steve Martin			Wed. - Mark Roy	

NURSERY (0-2 1/2):		NURSERY (2 1/2-4):		TAPE MONITOR:	FELLOWSHIP MEALS:
Morning	Meredith Southern	Morning	Mary Anne Allen	Justin Minor	<i>No Meal - due to 4th of July</i>
Evening	Marie Harper	Evening	Jeannie Moore		<i>Holiday</i>

Opening and Closing Building

Sunday July 5

Wednesday July 8



BIRTHDAYS - June 29-July 5, 2009

Anna Carothers - June 30

Johnny Allgood - July 4

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES - Nursery open for small children during all services.

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes 10:00 AM

Morning Worship 10:50 AM

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY: Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM

GBN PROGRAM - Each day at 9 -10 a.m. - (Various Speakers) on Cable 75
"GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE" at 10:30 p.m. each week night on Cable 8
SEARCH PROGRAM - Sunday Mornings at 7:30 a.m. on Cable 68

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ELDERS

Steve Martin
David Moore
Tim Allen
Joe Everett

DEACONS

Steve Tesh
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Tommy Rose
Keith Warner

Andy Santiago
Mark Minor
Todd Hinson