

# The First Baptist Informer Rockingham, North Carolina

“To know Christ and make Him known.”

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Thoughts about Revival...we at FBC have scheduled revival services for October 2-October 4. However, just putting a revival on the calendar doesn't mean we will experience revival. Spiritual revival or renewal is a work of the Holy Spirit among the people of God when they genuinely seek to get right with God and one another.

Revival comes when we as Christians confess our sins and yearn for a closer walk with God. While we cannot create revival, we can seek to develop an attitude of heart where the seeds of revival can begin to grow. And it all begins in our personal prayer closets alone with God—earnestly seeking His presence and His will. But what kind of revival do we need?

### We need a revival that:

- will cause us to rediscover the Lordship of Christ and pledge our allegiance to Him as Master and Ruler.

- will revitalize our faith, reshape our lives, and revolutionize our commitment.
- will redirect and redefine our goals—such as loving God with all of our being and loving one another even as Christ loves us.
- will enable us to recover a lost passion for the things of God and restore a sense of faithfulness and loyalty to the church.

I believe that's the kind of revival we need—so that we can get excited about our faith, about our church family, and about our focus to be the loving presence of Christ wherever we are. Would you pray with me for such a revival and make a decision, now, to be present?

See you at church on Sunday!

Jim Nelson



**Terrific Tuesday:** I would like to thank the volunteers who have

stepped forward to work with our children, and the children from the community. Harvey and Hilda Auman, Sally Pierce, Myrtle Stogner, two parents and a grandparent of TT children, and a couple of youth have joined forces with Linda Byrd, Flo Aiken, Ric Buckner, John Ray, Judy Marks, Marjorie Hinson, Harry and Barbara Coble, and myself to make this program a success. We will be adding some new children over the next couple of weeks and look forward to the growth. There is a sense of excitement in our workers and I appreciate their servant hearts, their willing attitudes, their love for these children, their love for God and this church, and their commitment to help make this ministry a success. Thank you First Baptist members for making this ministry possible, and thank you volunteers!

**Gospel Journey Maui:** A new spiritual reality series will be offered to our youth on Sunday afternoons beginning October 9, at 6:00 pm. All youth 7th-12th grades are  
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**Resource Recording Team, Monday, September 26, 2011:** Beverly Carnes and Sally Pierce; **Attendance Report, September 18, 2011:** Sunday School 95; Worship Service—116.

**Serving on Sunday, September 25, 2011: Ushers—** Harry Coble, Steve McIver, Dicky Smith, John Yates; **Greeters—** Irene Aiken, Barbara Coble, Gene and Bonnie Barnes, Terry and Susan Brown; **2&3s—** Twyla Nelson; **Children's Church—** Bobbie Sue Ormsby; **Nursery—** Keith and Joanne Taylor; **Sound—** Kenny Melvin; **Security—** Dennis Holloway; **Deacons of the Week—** John Yates and John Ray; **Wednesday Family Night 9/28/11—** Parmesan Chicken, two vegetables, drink, and dessert: \$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

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201 North Randolph Street

Rockingham, North Carolina

OCTOBER 2-4, 2011

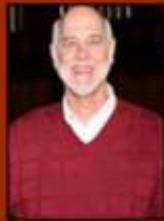
7:00 PM NIGHTLY

FEATURING...



Pastor  
Rev. David Ritcey

Praise Leader  
Rev. Larry Earhart



Come and  
enjoy a time  
of renewal,  
inspiration,  
and  
challenge!

Check out  
[fberockingham.org](http://fberockingham.org)  
to learn more  
about our  
featured speakers!

“One Faith, One Family, One Focus” will be the theme for three days of preaching, singing, and fellowship. Rev. David Ritcey and Rev. Larry Earhart from First Baptist Church, Toccoa, Georgia, will be preaching and directing music respectively. Special emphases and fellowships are planned.

ALL ARE INVITED!

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One Faith  
One Family  
One Focus  
Revival

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday:

11:00 am - Morning Worship  
(followed by a covered-dish  
luncheon)

5:30 pm - Youth Snack Supper and  
Program with Rev. Ritcey

7:00 pm - Evening Worship

Monday:

7:00 pm - Evening Worship

Tuesday:

7:00 pm - Evening Worship

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Fall Revival



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# WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 10/8/11

## Featuring:

Keynote Speaker



Sherry Watkins  
Kinston, North Carolina

### "Mirror, Mirror on the Wall"

Sherry Watkins will share a powerful testimony about living a healthy life and improving one's self-image.

## YOU ARE INVITED!!!

Please join us at Rockingham First Baptist Church for a day of inspiring testimony. You will be encouraged, and you will learn proven and practical applications to use on your journey through life's ups and downs. **NURSERY PROVIDED!**

8:30 - 9:00am	Registration
9:00 - 9:30am	Welcome & Keynote Opening
9:30 - 10:15am	Twyla Nelson
10:15 - 10:30am	Break
10:30 - 11:15am	Starr Ayers
11:15 - 12:00pm	Sherry Watkins, Keynote Closing

**Speaker—Rev. Twyla Nelson**, a Chaplain with First Health of the Carolinas, will discuss overcoming "Grief and Loss."

**Speaker—Starr Ayers**, a Women's Ministry Leader in Asheville, NC, will talk about maintaining focus while caring for a loved one in need.

### Presented by:

First Baptist Church  
Women on Mission  
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Mr. Jackie Auman  
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Coen

Mr. Donald Smith  
Anonymous  
Mr. and Mrs. Gene Coen

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invited to join us on Sunday evenings to wrestle with life's BIGGEST questions...Is there a higher power? What is the purpose of life? Why are there so many religions? What happens when we die? Why do bad things happen? Who is Jesus and what is his message?

A group of eight young people of varying religions gathered together on Maui to discuss these issues. The cast members are: Jasser—a devout Muslim who, while hiking up Molokai, stopped and prayed five times for the five pillars of Islam; Emma—a free-spirit, who always quotes Buddha, took every free moment while on Maui to practice yoga; Jonathan—Jewish by birth and agnostic by choice, went clubbing almost every night of Maui; Rachael—raised a Baptist, and a converted Mormon, is scared of heights and started giggling uncontrollably after the helicopter ride over the island; Zane—a surfer dude transformed by the gospel, wants to help young adults stop looking for happiness in all the wrong places; Rachel—with a “new age” jumble of beliefs, views God as the “Oracle” from *The Matrix*, and rejects the idea of a literal hell; Greg—a passionate Jesus follower, sparks some intense spiritual discussions by asking gnarly tough questions; and Priscilla—a Seventh Day Adventist, has lived on the fence of her faith, wanting to have her worldly cake and religion too. Parents are welcome to join us for this study.

**Puppets, Drama, Signing, and Praise Singing coming in October:** Beginning October 9 at 4:30 pm, children grades 4-6 and youth are invited to join us for Puppet Practice, Signing to Music, Drama and Skit Practice, and Praise Singing on Sunday afternoons. Watch your Informer and Sunday bulletins for more details and schedules.

**Parenting Children and Teens Discussion Group:** I have had several parents discuss some of today's issues that they, as parents, and their children are facing in school and today's society. If you are the parent of a child or teen and would be interested in attending a discussion group on Sunday afternoons, while the children and youth are participating in activities here at church, please call and let me know.

**Supporting Our Troops:** We are continuing to collect items for Jordan Beale and his unit, and cards for Justin Harding (Ina Haigler's grandson). There are boxes in the office complex hallway where items may be dropped off. Thanks for your support for our troops as they serve our nation. Prayers for these young men and women and their families are much needed and appreciated!

**Trunk or Treat:** Candies and small prizes to be given during the playing of games, and trunks to distribute candies for “treating,” are needed for our Trunk or Treat event this year. Candies and small prizes may be dropped off in the office suite. Please let us know if you plan to decorate your trunk and join us for this event. Debbie Holloway

### Choir Notes

The revival is coming up soon! The choir is excited to have Larry Earhart leading us in rehearsals and working with us on new anthems.

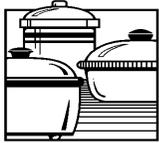
This Sunday, we will enjoy trumpets in the service. Bobby Hinson and my husband, Lloyd, will accompany me on the anthem, *This Is the Day*, by Mark Blankenship. Marjorie Hinson

### Fall Auction

The Richmond Christian Counseling Center will hold a Fall Auction on Saturday, October 8, 2011, at FBC (E100). They will be auctioning household goods, baked goods, services, etc. Donations are now being accepted and may be brought to the church from 8:00 am—5:00 pm, Monday through Friday...or you may call the church office, 895-4016, to arrange a drop-off time. Proceeds will benefit the ministry of Richmond Christian Counseling Center. Please contact Rose Webb, 582-6655, with any questions regarding donations. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.



September 25, 2011  
3:00-5:00 PM



**Covered Dish Luncheon**  
**October 2, 2011**  
**12:00 pm**

Please join us for lunch on the first day of our Fall Revival. The church will provide a meat and drinks, and we hope you will provide delicious casseroles, side dishes, and desserts. Plan now to come and enjoy wonderful fellowship with your church family!



The 2012 Proposed Budget Packets will be available on October 2, 2011, and located in the Sunday School Classrooms and the sanctuary vestibule.



- 9/25 Ethan Harrelson
- 9/26 Ernest Evans
- 9/27 David Crouse
- 9/28 Joe Davis
- 9/28 Jonathan Dawkins
- 9/28 Ben Bullard
- 9/29 Willie Ballard
- 9/30 Will Shuler
- 10/01 Kaye Beale



Please join us this Sunday, September 25, as we dedicate Miss Madelyn Kay Goodwin, daughter of Gabrielle Robinette and Matt Goodwin. Madelyn Kay was born May 3, 2011.



Giving Summary	Week of	Sep
	Sep 18	MTD
Gen. Oper. Fund	3,700	17,200
Chall. to Maint.	400	400
Memorials & Hon.	75	290
Radio Ministry	—	800
Van Fund	—	20
Baptist Men Fund	100	200
NC Mission Offering		65
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>4,275</b>	<b>18,975</b>

**General Fund Yr-to-Date Summary:**

Budget req. to date 2011	328,230
Actual gifts to date	267,187
YTD req. under actual gifts	(61,043)
% giving to req.	81%

## In Case You Missed It...

(Reprinted from the Daily Journal, September 9, 2011.)

**Team Reaches Out to Victims:** When Hurricane Irene roared toward the East Coast, Richmond County residents breathed a sigh of relief when they realized this area probably wouldn't get more than a cooling breeze and bands of rain.

Not everyone in the state was so lucky, and some Richmond County residents decided to count their blessings on the way to help others who had not been so fortunate.

The North Carolina Baptist Men organization mobilized members from around the state to areas that were hit hard by the storm.

Dennis Holloway, Steve Bullard, and Don Auman, from First Baptist Church in Rockingham, were joined by Don Gilliam from North Laurinburg Baptist Church, on a trip to New Bern, N.C., following Hurricane Irene.

"We were there from Thursday through Sunday," said Holloway. "Our job was to cut trees that had fallen onto houses, and then cover any holes or leaks with tarps."

So far, damage in New Bern has been estimated at around \$8 million, and a FEMA disaster recovery center was opened in the area two days ago.

"New Bern was hit pretty hard," said Holloway. "Some people lost everything. We were there with NCBM to not just help with their homes, but also to provide comfort and minister to them."

Holloway said part of their support was to let people know that someone cared.

"I've been involved in NCBM for four years, and this is the third trip we've made this year," he said. "Two of those trips were to help provide aid in Fayetteville after the tornadoes in April."

Holloway is retired, but the others in this group of church friends take time off from work when they travel to aid other areas.

"They lose money every time we go do this," said Holloway. "But we gain something even more valuable."

## Belk Charity Day

Belk has asked First Baptist and our Mission Committee to become involved in their "Charity Sale." This sale will be held on November 5, from 6:00 am to 10:00 am. The first 100 customers can win a gift card from \$15.00 up to \$1,000.00. The Women on Mission, church office, and Harry Coble have tickets for sale. The cost is \$5.00. This \$5.00 will be taken off your first purchase the day of the sale. Please purchase a card from one of the above and help the Missions Committee make this a success. God Bless You, Harry Coble, Missions Committee Chairperson

## Operation Christmas Child

Beginning October 2, each Sunday School class will have a box and a list of items to collect to fill shoeboxes. These donations should be in by November 13.

On November 13, we will have a soup and sandwich luncheon after church and will pack the shoeboxes.

The church will supply plastic shoeboxes. Anyone who would like to donate money instead of, or in addition to, items can give this to the office or Beth Ray.

...and remember, each shoebox must have \$7.00 included for postage!



**Women's Conference**



## Seniors on the Move...

**Friday, October 14...Seniors to the State Fair.** Depart at 8:00 am, stop for breakfast in Southern Pines, proceed to Fair and, weather permitting, stay until around 3:00 pm. Cost of bus trip, \$10.00. (If over 65, there is no entry fee to fair!)

**Thursday, October 27...Seniors to Seagrove Potteries.** Depart church at 10:30 am, go to K&W in Asheboro for lunch, return to Seagrove to various potteries, and return home around 6:00 pm. Lunch on your own and bus trip, \$8.00.

**Thursday, November 17...Seniors to Southern Christmas Show.** Depart at 8:00 am. Stop for breakfast at Bojangles in Monroe. Enjoy the show until 3:00 pm and return to church around 5:00 pm. Cost of ticket and bus trip, \$18.00.

Please contact Cathy McDuffie to sign up and reserve your seat, 997-6572!

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, September 25

Prayer Time	9:00 am
Praise Singing in E-100	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Radio Broadcast on G-104 FM	10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am
Morrison Worship Service	3:00 pm
Children Usher/Acolyte Training	3:00-5:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	4:00 pm

### Tuesday, September 27

Terrific Tuesday	3:15-5:15 pm
Morrison Ministry (Yokefellow)	7:00 pm

### Wednesday, September 28

<i>SYATP (See You At The Pole)</i>	
<i>The Way of Forgiveness Study</i>	5:30-7:30 pm
Wednesday Family Night	5:45 pm

	Supper	5:45pm
	Adult Prayer Meeting	6:30pm
	Children's Mission Study	6:30pm
	Youth Mission Study	6:30pm
	Adult Choir	7:30 pm

### Thursday, September 29

Lewis Class Luncheon/S150	12:00 pm
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### Saturday, October 1

Youth Hiking Trip	8:00 am—5:00 pm
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