

The First Baptist Informer Rockingham, North Carolina

“To know Christ and make Him known.”

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Resource Recording Team

Monday, March 5, 2012:
Bonnie Barnes, Louise Deaton

Monday, March 12, 2012:
Joanne Cadieu, Dale Ormsby

Attendance Report

Sunday, February 12 & 19, 2012:
Sunday School—94/88
Worship Service—131/122
Youth Worship (2/8)—27

Serving on Sunday, March 4, 2012

Ushers: Harry Coble, Steve McIver, Dicky Smith, John Yates

Greeters: Barbara Coble, Graham Jenkins, Charles and Mary Joyner

Nursery: Jan and Dicky Smith

2s & 3s: Michelle Ard

Children's Church: TBA

Sound: Lazelle Marks

Security: Gene Coen

Deacons of the Week: Kenny Melvin, Mark Tyler

Wednesday Family Night (3/7/12): Fried chicken, two vegetables, drink, and desert—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

Serving on Sunday, March 11, 2012

Ushers: Harry Coble, Steve McIver, Dicky Smith, John Yates

Greeters: Robert and Nora Smith, Virginia Cole, John and Beth Ray, Jean Woodall

Nursery: Helen Cox

2s & 3s: Virginia Auman

Children's Church: Beth Ray

Sound: Sam Brigman

Security: J.C. Lamm

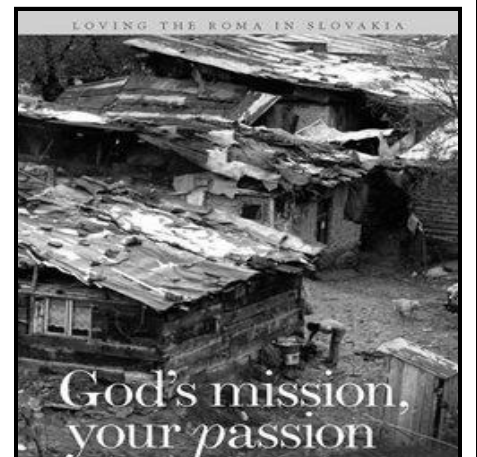
Deacons of the Week: John Yates, Leroy Yates

Wednesday Family Night (3/14/12): \$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

YOUTH WEEK MARCH 4-11, 2012



- 3/04 - Youth Receive Keys to the Church
- 3/05 - Youth Fun Night
- 3/06 - Youth/Deacon Banquet with George Galbreth
- 3/07 - Youth Mock Trial with Jim Nelson and Ric Buckner
- 3/09 - Youth Revival
- 3/11 - Youth Sunday/Morning Worship



WMU Week of Home Missions 3/11/12 - 3/18/12

2012 North American Missions Emphasis

Southern Baptist missionaries recognize unbelievers need someone who will invest in their lives and lead them to Jesus. Are you willing to do whatever it takes to reach North America with the gospel? Please give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and help support missionaries in the field!

2012 CBF Global Missions

The mission of the CBF is to serve Christians and churches as they discover and fulfill their God-given mission. By supporting Global Missions you are keeping missionaries in the field (here and abroad), working in disaster response ministries, church starts and faith sharing ministries, education ministries, and many others!



- 3/02 Anna Lee Crump
- 3/04 Margaret Smith
- 3/04 Lex Hilton
- 3/05 Melanie Cockerton
- 3/05 Charlie Auman
- 3/07 Joanna Watson
- 3/09 Irene Aiken
- 3/09 Lauren Brown
- 3/09 Teri Beth Cowan
- 3/10 Gene Davis, Jr.
- 3/14 Abbey Jenkins
- 3/14 Destiny Teal

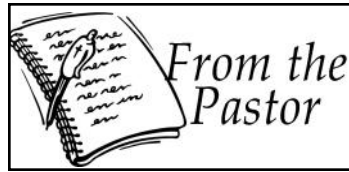


The members of the Lord's Supper Committee would like to thank the person who donated the new trays to be used for our communion services!



All services/lunches will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 12:00 pm.

- February 22, 2012** (\$4.00)
Rev. Mike Sykes
- February 29, 2012** (\$4.00)
Rev. Jim Nelson
- March 7, 2012** (\$4.00)
Rev. Dwight Williams
- March 14, 2012** (\$4.00)
Rev. Allison Farrah
- March 21, 2012** (\$7.00)
Rev. Debbie Holloway
- March 28, 2012** (\$4.00)
Rev. Pat Sykes



Picture the scene of a relatively minor car accident. No one is seriously injured, but fearing that one man may have some internal injuries, the investigating officer encourages him to go to the emergency room for a thorough examination. However, the man says, "No thanks. I'm fine. There's nothing wrong with me." So he walks away from the scene, goes home, and then collapses and dies from internal bleeding.

How tragic! His life could have been saved had he not said, "I'm fine. There is nothing wrong with me." Those can be dangerous words, not only physically but also spiritually. According to the Bible, there is something wrong with all of us. It's called sin. And a Christian is one who acknowledges, "there is everything wrong with me, but by faith in Christ all of my wrongs have been forgiven!"

We have just entered into the season of Lent, a forty-day period prior to Easter. It is a time of self-evaluation and self-denial as the Christian community prepares to remember Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. Because Jesus died and sacrificed his life on the cross, during this forty-day period many Christians seek to make various sacrifices themselves. They seek to give up something which they have previously enjoyed—a certain kind of food or activity. Now, if these "sacrifices" enable them to grow closer to Christ, I think it is a good thing. But maybe our Lord would be better pleased with another kind of sacrifice. Go back to the opening paragraph and remember the man who died of internal bleeding because he said, "I'm fine. There's nothing wrong with me!" You see, what pleases God is a humble, contrite, penitent heart which confesses, "yes there is something wrong with me. There is sin in my life. I struggle with things like pride, and jealousy, and envy, and anger, and hypocrisy. So, God, during this time of Lent help me to give up more than a certain food or activity, help me to give up my sinful attitudes and actions!" That is the kind of sacrifice which will please God.

May we pray for one another during these coming weeks, asking God to cleanse us of our sin so that we may better honor and glorify Him! Jim Nelson

Choir Notes



It was great to have Dale Bailey as our guest on Sunday, February 19. The Pfeiffer Concert Choir will be at the First United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 17, 7:00 pm. Encourage family members, and especially youth, to attend this concert.

"An Afternoon of Praise" will be held on Sunday, March 25, 5:00 pm. Our special guests will include Bum Ministries, Layton Allen, and the fabulous voice of Alyse Player. Plan now to come and be blessed. Marjorie Hinson

Children and Youth



Children - PASSPORT Sumer Camp, June 20-July 3, grades 3-6. If you have a child or grandchild who would like to attend this mission summer camp at Wingate University this year, please let me know by Monday, February 27. We must apply and send our deposits immediately.

Kite Day, Saturday, March 3, 10:00 am—12:00 pm. Families with children up to sixth grade are invited to bring children and grandchildren to fly kites with us. It is sure to be a day filled with high excitement!!

Eggstravaganza is coming soon! April 7, 10:00 am—12:00 pm. This year's Eggstravaganza will be filled with "veggie" fun. We need some help from our church family to make this an eventful day for our children and grandchildren. We will need some individually wrapped candies to fit into the plastic eggs. We will need some volunteers to bake some cupcakes. We will need parents and grandparents to help the children decorate hats for a hat parade. We will need some parents and grandparents to wear their own hats for a hat contest. We need you all to come, bring children and grandchildren, and have a great time with the Children's Council and the children.



Mrs. Mildred Garrett Kirkley
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clarke

Mr. Harold Matthews
Dr. and Mrs. Bill Haltiwanger

Mr. Ed Ormsby
Ms. Doris Allen
Anonymous

Mr. Kenneth Bostick
Ms. Cassandra Crump
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Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fisher
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Mrs. Betty Matthews
Mr. and Mrs. Tim Matthews
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Morris
Mrs. Marjorie Rainey
Ms. Linda Sharpe
Mr. and Mrs. Dicky Smith
Dr. and Mrs. Reese Steen
Ms. Elaine Wilson
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Yates



Mrs. Betty Matthews
Mr. and Mrs. Doug Mudd

Mr. and Mrs. Chris McDuffie
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith

New Pre-teen Group Begins in March. Parents with children in grades 5-8 are invited to bring their children to our beginning session to discuss activities, dates, and times that this group will take place. The Orientation/Information meeting will be held on Sunday, March 4, at 4:00 pm.

Addition to Children's Church: Regular Children's Church for children ages 4 through 2nd grade will continue as scheduled each Sunday. We will be adding a Children's Church curriculum for children grades 3-6. This group is optional for parents. We will be using a 52-week curriculum called, "Fruit of the Spirit." This group will begin on March 18.

Youth - Youth Week is approaching. We will be giving the youth the keys to the church on Sunday, March 4, and our youth will lead worship on Sunday, March 11. Please be in prayer for our youth as they prepare for this time, especially Chuck Auman (our high school senior). The Deacons will be providing a banquet for the youth with guest speaker George Galbreath.

There will be a special trial on Wednesday, March 7, 6:30 pm. One of our youth will be accused of being/not being a Christian. There will be a prosecutor, defense attorney, judge, and jury. Some of you may be subpoenaed as witnesses. If you do not have a standing reservation for the Wednesday night meal and would like to join us, please call the church office. Debbie Holloway

Seniors on the Move...

The Senior Adults will travel to the Southern Spring Show on Thursday, March 1. Departure time will be 8:00 am and we will stop in Monroe for breakfast. Cost will be \$13 for ticket and gas. Call Cathy McDuffie for a seat, 997-6572.

FBC Visitation

As springtime draws nearer, church-wide visitation becomes even more important because we want to contact those with special needs, absentees, and first time visitors. Tuesday night, at 7:00 pm, is when our deacons lead-out in this endeavor. We would love to have you join our visitation team!

If you have never visited before, you will be paired with someone with experience and will visit in groups of three. If Tuesdays, or evenings, are not a good time for you, please call me at home for an assignment to be completed at your leisure, either in person or by telephone. You will receive a blessing! Norvin Forester (910-461-3391)

Children's Kite Day

March 3, 2012

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Children, toddlers to sixth grade, and families are invited to participate in this fun day. We will meet at the church at 9:45 am, depart at 10:00, and return at noon. Please contact Debbie Holloway to sign up.

WMU Week of Home Missions

Luncheon

March 13, 2012

12:00 pm - \$150

From the Director of the WMU, Frances Godwin: WMU is pleased to have the opportunity for Home Missionaries, Rick and Lita Sample, to be with us on Tuesday, March 13, at 12:00 pm. After a light lunch of soup and sandwiches, they will speak to us about their work with Afghanistan refugees in California. Later that same day, they will be speaking to the children at the Terrific Tuesday afternoon program. ALL WOMEN are invited to join us for lunch and to meet Rick and Lita.

We are continuing to collect canned goods for the "Our Daily Bread" ministry. We are also making plans for our annual Parade of Tables. Watch for information in the next *Informer*.



	Week of	Feb
Giving Summary	Feb 12&19	MTD
Gen. Oper. Fund	9,998	24,999
Chall. to Maint.	400	670
Memorials & Hon.	1,373	1,428
Radio Ministry	400	800
Van Fund	—	20
Baptist Men Fund	—	10
Total Gifts	12,171	27,927

General Fund Yr-to-Date Summary:

Budget req. to date 2012	61,436
Actual gifts to date	60,720
YTD req. under actual gifts	(716)
% giving to req.	99%

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MARCH 1, 2012 - MARCH 15, 2012

<u>Thursday, March 1</u>	
FBC Prayer Group/Conference Room	11:00 am
Senior Adults to Southern Spring Show	8:00 am
<u>Friday, March 2</u>	
FBC Book Club/Peking Wok	5:00 pm
<u>Saturday, March 3</u>	
Boy Scout Recruiting Day	8:00 am—5:00 pm
Children's Kite Day	10:00 am—12:00 pm
<u>Sunday, March 4</u>	
Praise Singing in E-100	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Radio Broadcast on G-104 FM	10:45 am
Morning Worship/Keys to Youth	11:00 am
Morrison Worship Service	3:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	4:00 pm
<u>Monday, March 5</u>	
Missions Committee	7:00 pm
Building Maintenance Committee	7:00 pm
Youth Fun Night	
<u>Tuesday, March 6</u>	
Terrific Tuesday	3:15-5:15 pm
FBC Art Group/E100	6:00 pm
Morrison Ministry (Yokefellow)	7:00 pm
WMU #3	7:30 pm
Youth/Deacon Banquet	
<u>Wednesday, March 7</u>	
Community Lenten Service & Lunch/FUMC	12:00 pm
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Youth Week	
3/4/12 - 3/11/12	

Wednesday Family Night	5:45 pm
Youth/Mock Trial	6:30 pm
<u>Thursday, March 8</u>	
FBC Prayer Group	11:00 am
<u>Friday, March 9</u>	
Youth Revival	
<u>Sunday, March 11</u>	
Daylight Saving Time Begins	
Youth Sunday	
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
Praise Team Rehearsal	4:00 pm
<u>Monday, March 12</u>	
WMU #2	10:00 am
<u>Tuesday, March 13</u>	
WMU Luncheon/S150	12:00 pm
Terrific Tuesday	3:15-5:15 pm
FBC Art Group/E100	6:00 pm
Morrison Ministry (Yokefellow)	7:00 pm
<u>Wednesday, March 14</u>	
Community Lenten Service & Lunch/FUMC	12:00 pm
Wednesday Family Night	5:45 pm
<u>Thursday, March 15</u>	
FBC Prayer Group	11:00 am
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3/11/12 - 3/18/12	

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