

The First Baptist Informer Rockingham, North Carolina

“To know Christ and make Him known.”

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First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School

**August 6 through August 10, 2012
6:00-8:30 pm**

*Jonah: An Overboard Adventure
Learning to walk in God's ways!*

**Come join the fun!
Come join the adventure!**

Contact Debbie Holloway to enroll!

Dr. Nelson will lead an Adult VBS study during the week beginning at 6:30 pm. All are welcome!!!



**FBC Summer
Conference
August 5, 2012
12:00 pm**

Committee reports
will be given,
including the
2012/2013
Nominating Report.



We will observe the

**The Lord's
Supper**

on Sunday,
August 12, 2012,

during the morning
worship service.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/01 John Ray
 8/02 Henrietta Bryant
 8/02 Hilda Auman
 8/03 Cynthia Morris
 8/05 Kathy Griffis
 8/07 Claude Brigman
 8/07 Mack Haigler
 8/08 Stephen Elliott
 8/10 Brandy Collins
 8/11 W. Richard Smith
 8/12 Carolyn Knowlton
 8/12 Marlyn Benoist
 8/15 Virginia Cole



Deacon Ordination August 26, 2012

Flo Aiken and Steve McIver



Painting Class

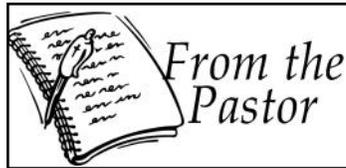
Facilitated by Flo Aiken
 Beginning September 4, 2012
 6:00 pm / E100

Tithes & Gifts

	Week of	Jul
Giving Summary	Jul 8&15	MTD
Gen. Oper. Fund	9,631	19,438
Chall. to Maint.	750	800
Memorials & Hon.	840	1,160
Radio Ministry	400	800
Katie Yates Fund	1,000	1,000
Summer Missions	60	60
Mile of Pennies		
Total Gifts	12,681	23,258

General Fund Yr-to-Date Summary:

Budget req. to date 2012	228,826
Actual gifts to date	210,888
YTD req. under actual gifts	(17,938)
% giving to req.	92%



What a great day in God's house this past Sunday—four baptized, two additional professions of faith, and a wonderful ice cream fellowship and hymn-sing! To God be the glory!

The summer Olympic games are here! For the next couple of weeks athletes from around the world will be competing for medals—gold, silver, and bronze.

In a way we as Christians are running for a prize, but a different kind of prize. The Apostle Paul said, "Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever." A reporter once asked Tom Landry (former coach of the Dallas Cowboys), "What makes a champion?" Landry said, "A Champion is someone who didn't give up when he wanted to." He went on to say, "Success is not accidental. There are four steps to becoming a champion. First, there is faith. It is believing you can win. Second, you must have training...the Cowboys work out four times a week. They lift tons of iron and run many miles every season. Third, you have to set high goals, and finally you have to possess the will to reach your goals."

That's good advice for athletes, but what about Christians? Well, I believe that as Christians we are already champions—not because of what we have done, but because of what God has done in us, for us, and through us. Yet, I also believe Landry is on target. If we are to win our race, if we are to become Christ-like and glorify God, then those four steps must become a reality in our lives.

- We must have faith in God. We must trust Him, believe in His word, and take action on His promises.
- We must be trained and equipped by being faithful in worship, Bible study, prayer, and Christian service.
- We must set good, worthy spiritual goals.
- And we must possess a tenacious will to keep on keeping on, always pressing on to bring glory to God.

Well, as many of you watch the Olympics and cheer on the American team and your favorite athletes, think about the Spiritual Olympics in which you are involved. Are you competing as a champion? I hope so! See you in Bible study and worship! Jim Nelson

Attention Senior Adults



Do you have any indoor/outdoor chores you could use a little help with? The FBC children and youth would love to help you. Just give Debbie Holloway a call (995-1857) and we'll schedule an appointment to come out and help with your chores!

Choir Notes



Thanks to all of the talented people who participated in the special music during the month of July. We are blessed to have you as a part of our church.

Choir rehearsals will resume August 1. We welcome new members!!! Marjorie Hinson

Children and Youth



Relationships and the Kingdom: As I sat ready to open my Bible for my daily scripture reading, a nagging thought kept pulling at me. Our children come to the Terrific Tuesday program and to the Wednesday night programs; so, where are they on Sunday? I believe there are a couple of answers, but "relationships" was the main answer I came up with. Relationships with leaders, relationships with each other,

Resource Recording Team

Monday, August 6, 2012:

Bonnie Barnes, Louise Deaton

Monday, August 13, 2012:

Joanne Cadieu, Dale Ormsby

Attendance Report

July 15 & July 22:

Sunday School—99/117

Worship Service—91/118

Serving on Sunday, August 5, 2012

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

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

Nursery: Jan Smith

2s & 3s: Hal Shuler

Children's Church: Angela Cockerton

Sound: Lazelle Marks

Security: Michael Beale

Deacons of the Week: Kenny Melvin, Mark Tyler

Wednesday Family Night (8/8/12): Hot Dogs with all the fixins', drink, and dessert—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

Serving on Sunday, August 12, 2012

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

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

Nursery: Cynthia Morris

2s & 3s: Linda Teal

Children's Church: Steve McIver

Sound: TBA

Security: Hal Shuler

Deacons of the Week: John Yates, Gene Barnes

Wednesday Family Night (8/15/12): Pork loin, two vegetables, dessert, drink—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.



Jill Emerson hosted the FBC Book Club at Café on Main in Hamlet Friday, July 6.

The club discussed Sophia Kinsella's, I've Got Your Number, a contemporary novel set in London. The novel concerns a young woman finding her way through a romantic "misadventure" via a discovered cell phone. (Contributed by Helen Cox.)

We will next meet on Friday, August 3, 2012, 6:00 pm, at Ichiban's Restaurant. New members are always welcome!

and relationships with Jesus Christ. Let's take a look at each of these relationships.

1. Leaders - Are our leaders here to greet them when they arrive? Are our leaders prepared for them? Do our leaders make them feel welcome and wanted? Do our leaders keep them up-to-date on important events going on in their groups? Do we contact them when they're absent? We all need to work together to ensure that we are prepared and that we let each child know how important he/she is to each of us. When leaders care, the children care.
2. Each Other - Kids are kids. Kids rip, run, and play together until there is an odd number of them to play a game and one is left out, until one wants something another one has, until one gets hurt and thinks another did something hurtful on purpose, until they are tired and cranky, until, until, until...kids get along, spat, and make up but when they have had a spat they don't want to play or be in a group with the other person involved. We as adults need to help them resolve their issues and let each child know how important they are to each other. When they care for each other, they will want to be together.
3. Jesus Christ - Do we share Jesus Christ with our children on a regular basis? Do they know how important a relationship with Jesus is for their lives? Do they know God loved us so much he demonstrated it when Christ died for us on the Cross. When they have a relationship with Christ, they will have better relationships with each other and their leaders.

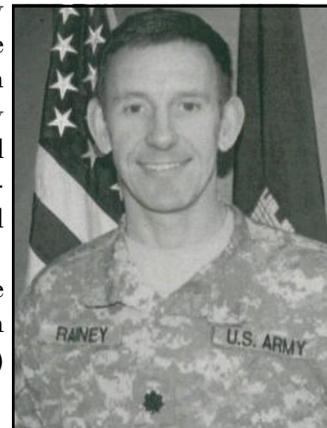
Over the past three years, the Terrific Tuesday children have heard many lessons on "love the Lord your God" and "love your neighbor." I've been reading my Bible through beginning with Genesis - the early chapters in our Bible speak of relationships: first, relationship with God and then, relationship with others. Relationships are vital to a healthy lifestyle. Let's all take note of our relationships, work on our relationships, and work together to build the kingdom of God.

Join us on Wednesday, August 1, 6:30 pm, S150, for a Children and Youth presentation—PASSPORT Kids, Deep Impact, and Summer Day Camp. Debbie Holloway

Congratulations to Nathan Rainey

Lieutenant Colonel Nathaniel W. Rainey retired from the United States Army on June 15, 2012, after twenty-one years of service. After graduating from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, in 1991, Nathan was commissioned into the Corps of Engineers. He has served and traveled all over the world. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Humanitarian Service Medal. In a thank you message to his family and friends, Nathan writes, "Your love, encouragement and guidance are the foundation for the successes I have enjoyed throughout my Army career. My successes are not my own, but are shared with the many teammates and colleagues with whom I have had the honor to serve. I have had many exciting and challenging experiences across the United States and around the world that have given me a career of fond memories...I thank God whose grace and mercy have made all these things possible."

Nathan is the son of Mrs. Marjorie Rainey and the late Mr. Bobby Rainey. He and his wife Valerie live in California with their two children, Daniel (3 years old) and Eleanor (2 years old).





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PENNIES** for 
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Homes of
North Carolina

EVERY PENNY COUNTS!



Children and Youth
are sponsoring a
**Mile of Pennies
Mission Offering**
during the summer of 2012.

If you'd like to donate your pennies (we accept silver coins, cash, and checks, too!), please turn in to Debbie Holloway. **Thanks for your support!**



Come G.R.O.W. With Us

The G.R.O.W. Outreach will begin in September. We need **YOU** to be part of the team. Call the church office (895-4016) to sign up!!!

First Light Contemporary Service

Beginning September 9, 2012

8:45 am

FBC Sanctuary

Please be in prayer for those planning this new service, and for the First Light worship leaders!

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