



FEBRUARY Birthdays!!

- 1 Doris Eason, Peal Weathers, Cliff McRoy
- 2 Joe Fann
- 3 Malcolm Goodman
- 4 Jean Randall, Marc Ray, Haylie Jones
- 5 Willie Keel, Byer Hill
- 6 Daniel Savage
- 7 Kay Buchanan
- 8 Chas Jones, Melissa Ray
- 9 Sylvia Matthews, Jack Frazier, Justin Rowland
- 10 Cora Moore
- 11 Shaylie Mattox
- 14 Melissa Donham
- 15 Sandra Bridgers
- 17 Mary Betts, David Greene
- 18 Tonya Gray
- 19 Bo Black
- 20 James Agnew
- 21 Evon Jordan
- 22 Alesha McCauley
- 24 Stewart Adcock, Darren Starling
- 25 Christin Savage, Mike Sowers
- 27 Colbie Howell
- 28 Steven Sizemore, Makenna Tysinger



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Tuesday Teller Teams

- Feb 2 Edna Bullard and Betty Griffin
 Feb 9 Barbara Stephens and Peggy Ross
 Feb 16 Suzanne Smith and Edna Bullard
 Feb 23 Ann Wilson and Olivia Keel

Sanctuary Flowers

- Feb 7 Open
 Feb 14 Open
 Feb 21 Open
 Feb 28 Open

Deacon of the Week

- Feb 6 Gregg Danford 552-6442
 Feb 13 Dale Tysinger 552-7995
 Feb 20 Brian Lisenby 552-1535
 Feb 27 Jeff Babb 773-0877

Wednesday Night Supper Schedule

(Prepare Desserts, Serve & Clean Up)

- Feb 3 Caring & Sharing Class
 Feb 10 Wortham Class
 Feb 17 Dale Tysinger Class
 Feb 24 Vaughan Class & Pathfinder Class

Minister On Call

After Hours

- Jan 24 – 30 Pastor Chad Whitley
 Jan 31 – Feb 6 Pastor Jack Lee
 Feb 7 – 13 Pastor Rick Carter
 Feb 14 – 20 Pastor Chad Whitley
 Feb 21 – 27 Pastor Jack Lee

Phone Numbers:

- Pastor Jack Lee** (919) 285-2036 or 740-5319
Pastor Rick Carter (919) 217-0118 or 637-0825
Pastor Chad Whitley (919) 412-3541

Average Sunday School Attendance

December 2009.....198

Average Worship Attendance

December 2009....268



The Pleasant News



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(Address correction requested)



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Rev. Chad Whitley, Minister of Youth & Congregational Services

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January 20, 2010



Baptist Men's Day

January 31, 2010



Baptist Women's Day

February 7, 2010



Parent's Night Out

Childcare Fundraiser for Youth Summer Mission Trip

Family Life Center

Friday, February 12, 2010

6 p.m. until 9 p.m.



Greetings,

It seems that tough times are getting tougher in our present day world, but alas, God has provided a way out of this mess. With the promise of God’s providential care found in Hebrews 13:5-6, we are reminded that He will never leave us, and that He is our helper. For this month of February, I would like for all of us to be reminded that God is still on the throne. Yes, it does appear that times are tough. Yes, it does appear that the economy is far from recovery. Yes, it does appear that evil is striving. However, according to God’s Word, He will never leave or forsake you. Imagine the great comfort we receive from this amazing promise...God is with us. Through the difficult storms of life, God is with us. Never forget this promise.

In Scripture, we learn that God’s glory has been displayed through a variety of means. Psalm 91:1 points out that “the heavens declare the glory of God.” From the indescribable magnitude of our vast universe to the intricate details of DNA, the glory of God’s power and creative wisdom is proclaimed. God also selected a group of people, the Israelites, to reflect and portray His glory in a special way. His divine protection and direction of the Israelites as they journeyed from Egypt to the Promised Land let the whole world know that He is a God of supreme power and goodness to His people. And, of course, the Bible points out that God’s glory is most clearly seen in Jesus Christ, the One who is “the radiance God’s glory and the exact representation of His being.” John 1 explains that the Word, God’s Son, came and pitched His tent among us so that we could see the glory of God, up close and personal.

At this time year, when people speak of love, remember this word from God that He is with us. This should bring great hope and comfort to you no matter the storm you are facing now and the future storms that loom on the horizon. God is with us. Remember that in 2010 God is indeed with us. We have nothing to fear. We have only hope, and the blessed assurance that comes with the knowledge that God is with us. Do something sweet and nice for others this coming month to remind them (and you) that God is with us.

In His Service,
Jack

News from Rick

While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” Acts 13:2

January 15...on this day I was ready to tell Jacob the bad news that David Cutcliffe announced that he would leave Duke and coach football at The University of Tennessee. But he chose, rather, to stay at Duke! Go figure. Words like, “it didn’t feel right”, “the timing wasn’t right” and “we followed our heart” are reasons that influenced Coach Cutcliffe’s decision.

On a much larger and meaningful scale, we read in Acts how other individuals sensed a definitive calling. Words like “praying, fasting, led by the Spirit and sent off” were used to describe another choice of life direction. This was to be a part of the beginning of spreading the gospel of Christ to the world. David Cutcliffe said no to a wonderful career opportunity and yes to his heart. Barnabas, Paul and countless others said no to established religion and yes to their commitment to Christ and to the spreading of their faith to others. Like them, let us make our journey in life reflective of our faith in Christ.

Rick

-and if I didn’t mention it...Go Duke!

Notes from Rick

Family Mission Team Covered Dish Luncheon: On Sunday, January 31st, those who have signed up for the Vermont Mission Trip in August 2010, are asked to join together for a covered dish luncheon immediately after Worship. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Mark Abernathy, our guest speaker and Baptist State Convention representative, will join us to answer questions, complete necessary forms for the trip, and join us in prayerful preparation for our mission project. Each family should bring an adequate amount of food to serve your family and share with others.

Baptist Men’s Choir Rehearsal will be on Wednesday, January 27th at 7:45 in the Sanctuary. All men are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

Dot Tysinger will lead a **Baptist Women’s Choir Rehearsal** on Wednesday, Feb 3 at 7:45. This group will also meet in the Sanctuary.

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will resume on February 16th. This 7 to 8 week study will focus on the theme of “Unexpected Occurrences”, a topical study of events from the Old and New Testaments. This study is open to both Church members and others from our community.



Chad’s Heap O’Stuff!!

What up, my peeps? That’s right—it’s time once again for your favorite column, CHAD’S HEAP O’ STUFF! HAPPY NEW YEAR! AND VALENTINE’S DAY! AND...PRESIDENT’S DAY?

Anyway.

Bullets!

February 7...Superbowl Party at Salmon residence...bring your friends, especially those who don’t know Jesus...also bring some money (\$5 would be great, but less is fine)...we’re collecting donations for the Raleigh Rescue Mission through the Souper Bowl of Caring (www.souperbowl.com)...

February 12...Childcare fundraiser for summer missions...sign-up sheet is downstairs...

March 26-28—Retreat at Fort Caswell...the theme is Re:Connect...we’ll be talking about and practicing various kinds of prayer...it promises to be a different experience...

April 23-25...Cherokee Cove...and summer holds much promise, as we move forward on mission for Christ...

June 18-25...Mission Trip to Kentucky...

July ???...Whitewater Rafting Experience (I’ll have a firm date if I can ever get anyone to CALL ME BACK.)

May this New Year greet you with the hope and promise found only in Jesus Christ. I cannot wait to see what He has in store for all of us as we continue to seek His will and His glory in all that we think, say, and do. I firmly believe that 2010 can be a banner year for us if we join in prayer together as one body for our membership and for those who are within our community but not within our walls. May we go in the grace of Jesus to reach those who are beyond our campus, but not beyond our reach.

Love you guys!
Chad

JANUARY SPECIAL GIFTS



In Memory

Robert Walton, Tommy King, Dan Betts, Tony Randall, James Cordell, Donald O'Neill, Lib Gardner and Thomas Allen for the Building Fund by Caring & Sharing Sunday School Class

Nell Slaughter, Sally Stutts, Berlena Seagroves and Sue Midgette for the Lottie Moon International Missions by Caring & Sharing Sunday School Class

Robert Walton for the Building Fund by Helen Walton

Bessie S. Hackney for the Building Fund by Betty H. Griffin

Janet Randall for the Building Fund by Alma Fuquay

Charlie Gardner for the Building Fund by Leroy & Gerry Veasey, Edie Holleman

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rowland for the Building Fund by Ruth Kilpatrick

Kathy Sandy for the Building Fund by Roy & Doris Morton, Edie Holleman, Grace Sandy, Billy Sandy, Jimmy Sorrell, Joe & Carolyn Bowling, Wayne & Dot Tingen, Maurice & Shirley Lindsay, Friends & Co-workers of Evelyn Clowers, Helen Walton

Brenda Terry's Father for the Building Fund by Roy & Doris Morton

Moon International Missions Christmas Offering

Our goal this year is \$9,000 Received to Date: \$6,828.16

In Honor

Bob & Dana Sizemore for the Building Fund by Don & Betty Hammonds

J.P. & Becky Savage, Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren for the Building Fund by Betty Harper

Shirley Lindsay for the Building Fund by Pioneer Workers Sunday School Class

Jack, Lisa & Mary Lee for the Lottie Moon International Missions by Lou Jean Peace

Leroy & Gerry Veasey for the Building Fund by Larry & Gail Rumler

Teresa Randall for her work on Wednesday Night Meals for the Building Fund by Edie Holleman

Shirley Lindsay for the Building Fund by Edie Holleman

Becky Ransdell and Mary Head (for their 9 years of service in the Financial Office) for the Building Fund by Edie Holleman



- *Sue Gardner-Kelly in the death of her son, Charles Gardner
*Billy Sandy and Family in the death of his wife, Kathy
*Danny and Brenda Terry and Family in the death of Brenda's father
*David and Jane Greene in the death of David's brother-in-law
*Willie and Olivia Keel in the death of Willie's nephew
*Bob and Frances Wortham in the death of Frances' uncle
*Ann Gray family, Don Gray family and the Jason Gray family in the death of Ann's father and Don & Jason's grandfather, Angus Hair



Kyle Burns and Karmen Elisabeth Burns 8320 Lake Wheeler Road Raleigh, NC 27603 757-1172

Deacon: Bob Sizemore

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Deacon: Dale Tysinger

J.T. and Kelly Allen 3709 West Lake Road Apex, NC 27539 239-2676

Deacon: Bob Sizemore



Please make the following changes in your PGBC Directory:

New Address: Bob and Frances Wortham 106 Millcreek Drive Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526

New Address: Ashleigh Rose 6313 Wheel Barrel Court Wendell, NC 27591

New Address: Wayne & Jennifer Mattox 1633 Struble Circle Willow Springs, NC 27592

Corrected Phone Number: Stephanie Adams Home phone is 779-6322



I would like to say thanks to each one of you who said a prayer, came to visit, brought food, sent a card, or made a phone call to check on me during my recent knee surgery and recovery. I appreciate everything and I'm grateful to be a part of such a caring church family.

Thanks again, Horace Evans

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers cards, food, and visits for Kathy while she was sick. A special thanks to Pastor Rick and Linda and Horace Evans.

Thanks again, Billy Sandy



The stuffed animal drive for the Wake County Sheriff's Department ended on January 13th. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for your generosity. We have many large plastic bags of animals to be picked up or delivered. The animals will be used to give to small children being separated from their parents. The Sheriff says the need is great - and we say a sincere thank you so much for meeting that great need.

The WMU Grace Sandy Mission Group

We are off to a busy, cold start of the New Year. Everyone has settled in after our winter break and we are enjoying chapel on Tuesday and Wednesdays with Pastor Jack and learning more and more about Jesus!:)

At the Christmas Program, the children of MMO had the opportunity to bring in hats, scarves, gloves, and coats of all sizes (adults included) to help out with Raleigh Rescue Mission's "Winter Warm up Challenge". We collected over 400 items that were delivered to them!!! Our prayer is that it will provide warmth to those who are in need!!!

It is almost Registration Time!!!!!!!

We will have our registration for the 2010-2011 school year on Thursday, March 4 at 8:30am for Church members and returning students. On Friday, March 5 we will begin at 8:00am and registration will be open to the public. Registration will be in the Fellowship Hall on both days.

Have a wonderful January and stay warm!!!!

Blessings!
Carla



**Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
Financial Report**

MONTHLY BUDGET NEEDS.....\$ 68,812.97	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET NEEDS.....825,755.84
December Actual Budget Receipts.....43,680.00	YTD Actual Budget Receipts.....517,214.83
December Actual Budget Expenses.....-43,515.16	YTD Actual Budget Expenses.....-631,642.65*
December RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....164.84	YTD RECEIPTS-EXPENSES.....-114,427.82*
*Includes Debt Retirement Expense	
FLC LOAN BALANCE AS OF December 31, 2009.....\$2,317,462.82	

**February Church Conference
Sunday, February 14 @ 7 p.m.**

For the February 14th Church Conference:

The PGBC **Brotherhood**, with approval from the deacons, recommends that the Brotherhood be allowed to prepare a donation based Breakfast of Pancakes and Sausage Biscuits in conjunction with the Upward Basketball program on March 6th from 8 to 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All proceeds will be split 50/50 between the Brotherhood and Upward Program.

From the Marriage Enrichment Ministry and the Church Debt Refinancing Committee:

As many of you know the Marriage Enrichment Ministry is currently conducting a "Managing Finances...God's Way" study during the Sunday School Hour. On February 7th, the entire congregation will combine with this class in the Sanctuary during the Sunday school hour for the segment on Giving as an Act of Worship. All adult classes from College and Career to Seniors should meet in the Sanctuary at 9:30a.m. Each class will take their role. Offerings will be collected during morning worship. For any of you that will not be attending worship, please ask a class member to put your gift in the offering plate during Church. Teachers for preschool, children, and youth should teach their classes as normal.

The session on giving will start promptly at 10:45a.m. Bob Vaughan will be leading this session and will also be providing some information on the Church debt and refinance options. This is a great lesson on giving that puts things in a spiritual perspective. Please plan to be there.

**Managing Our Finances
God's Way**



Tired of living paycheck to paycheck?
Could your \$ do more?

If the answer to both questions is Yes, then this program is for you!

This is a seven-week, DVD-based curriculum from Crown Financial Ministries that features speakers such as Rick Warren, Chip Ingram, Ron Blue, Howard Dayton, and Chuck Bentley.

This class is great for both married couples and individuals.

- When:** Each Sunday, Jan. 17, 24, 31 & Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28
- Time:** 9:30 –10:30 a.m. During Sunday School Hour
- Location:** Pleasant Grove Fellowship Hall
- Facilitator:** Craig Salmon
- Contact:** Rev. Chad Whitley @ 552-4634 or chad@pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org

The cost is \$10 per book and can be paid for on January 17.

Sponsored by Marriage Enrichment Ministry Team

Could this be You?

Another couple in the Church may be looking for you and your spouse to be models, encouragers, imparters of knowledge. **As a Marriage Mentor** you would walk alongside a young couple as they grow and mature in their marriage.

Interested? Contact the Stapletons at 557-7712 or 602-0024 or Chad Whitley at the Church Office.

Sponsored by the Marriage Enrichment Ministry Team

Representative of What a Marriage Mentor is NOT:

“What we need is someone to talk to who has walked down the path we’re just beginning”

A Mentor is not:

- **a mother of father.** Your job is not to parent the person(s) you are mentoring. They cannot usually offer the distance and objectivity that a mentor gives
- **automatically a pal or a buddy.** Your job is not necessarily to be friends for the purpose of socializing
- **a professor.** Your job is not to instruct in the traditional sense; you’ll typically not need to prepare for your meetings or do any research. Your life experience is your teaching tool. Your job is not to have all the answers.

Representative of What a Marriage Mentor IS

- **Willingly shares** what they know in a noncompetitive way.
- **Represents skill, knowledge, virtue and accomplishment** because they have gone before the couple they are mentoring
- **Takes a personal and heartfelt interest** in the other people’s development and well-being.
- **Offers support, challenge, patience and enthusiasm** while guiding other couples to new levels of competence.
- **Points the way and represents tangible evidence** of what another couple can become.
- Exposes those they are mentoring **to new ideas, perspectives and standards.**
- Has more expertise in terms of knowledge **yet views themselves as equal to those they mentor.**

Marriage Mentoring is not a huge time commitment. It does not have to be a long term commitment or it can be. There will be a training session Friday evening, March 19, and Saturday, March 20, to give you all the information you need.



Parent’s Night Out

Childcare Fundraiser designed to provide a safe and loving environment for children 6 weeks through 5th grade. Children will enjoy free play, making personal Valentine’s cards for a loved one, gym time and a G-rated movie to end the evening.

A completed registration form and payment is required for registration. The form can be downloaded from www.pleasantgrovebaptistonline.org or picked at the Church Office. You may bring or mail your registration form and payment to the Church Office. Deadline for registration is February 1 @ 4 p.m.

Family Life Center

Friday, February 12, 2010

6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

\$5 per child/\$15 max per family



Kathryn Milton is celebrating her 29th year as Church Secretary on February 1.

Nancy Seagroves is celebrating her 4th year as Pianist on February 15.

2010 Volleyball Season Registration Begins February 7

Sign up sheets will be in your Sunday School Class if you are interested in playing this season. Open Practice/Evaluations will be held **Sunday, February 21 and 28** from 4 until 5 p.m. for interested players. Please attend at least one of these dates. The Recreation Committee will meet **Sunday, February 28** at 5 p.m. to create team rosters. You will receive an email notifying you of you designated team and practice night & time. The first game will be **Thursday, March 18th.**

We are looking forward to a very exciting season...come join us!!!