

WEEKLY EVENTS AT FBC

SUNDAY

Classic Worship Service..... 8:30 A.M.
 Church Library (FLC)9:00-9:30 & 10:30-10:40 A.M.
 Sunday School..... 9:30 A.M.
 Celebration Worship Service 10:45 A.M.
 Church Library (FLC) 4:30-5:00 P.M.
 Evening Service..... 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY

Library 10:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.
 Pray & Weigh..... 12:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Preschool Play Day (FLC) 10:00 A.M.
 Teacher's Meeting (Chapel)5:45 P.M.
 Prayer Meeting (Chapel)6:15 P.M.
 WNW (Grades 6-12) 6:30 P.M.

VITAL SIGNS

Bible Study

	30th	6th	13th	20th	27th
Preschool.....	23	28	24	24	19
Children.....	13	15	15	15	21
Youth.....	24	24	20	19	35
Adults.....	125	154	145	138	135
General Officers.....	5	5	4	6	4
Total in House.....	190	226	246	202	214
Bible Study.....	29	28	29		33
Nursing Homes.....	38	38	38	38	38
Total.....	257	292	313	240	285
Av. Attendance to Date.....	282	282	281	280	280

Financial Report thru May 30 thru June

Annual Budget.....	\$702,332.00
Budget Required to Date.....	351,166.14
Budget Received to Date.....	298,448.03
Budget Required Weekly.....	13,506.39
Budget Received.....	56,897.01
Designated.....	21,589.75
Total.....	\$78,486.76

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Office	Prayer Room
283-2588	283-8557
Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	

Pastor.....Ross D. Shelton
 Minister of Worship & Music.....Mark D. Tolar
 Minister to Students.....Todd Pounds
 Sunday School Director.....Richard McCullough
 Pastor's Administrative Assistant.....Kay Katzen
 Education Administrative Assistant.....Richard McCullough
 Organist.....Anne Garner
 Pianist.....Judy Pool
 Director, Child Care Center.....Linda Boyt
 Building Supervisor.....Orriell Davis
 Chairman of Deacons.....Glenn Conner

CHANGES OR NEW EVENTS AT FBC

Sunday, July 4:

Independence Day

Monday, July 5:

Church offices closed

Tuesday, July 6:

Arts & Crafts..... 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 11:

Deacons Meeting..... 4:30 P.M.

Saturday July 17 through July 25:

Youth Trip

Sunday, July 18:

Business Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

Please Pray For

Nancy Phillips
 Clarence Jones
 Billy Tindel
 Bill Miller



If you can't make it to Sunday School or church, watch the service on cable channel 2.
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
Church 8:30, 10:45 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

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FIRST NEWS

Our mission, centered in worship, is to **REACH** people for Jesus, **CONNECT** them in Christian fellowship, **GROW** together spiritually, and **SERVE** our community and world as we become mature followers of Jesus.

From the Pastor's Desk

Like this time last year, it seems like the rainfall is not hitting Woodville, and we are going into a drought. It is easy to see the signs: brown grass, lake levels going down, sprinklers out at all times of the day, etc. Without life giving rain, plants wither and begin dying. Land undergoing drought has been used throughout the Bible as way of describing what happens to us when we are disconnected from God. Without the life giving nourishment of God and His word, we too begin to wither and die. The signs are also easy to spot: no passion for the things of God, lives in chaos and disorder, broken relationships, no desire for repentance and holiness, etc. When these signs are part of our life, it reveals to us that we are undergoing a spiritual drought.

The opposite of spiritual drought is given to us in the Book of Jeremiah. In Jeremiah 17:7-8 the Lord said the following to Jeremiah: "But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit." What stands out to me in this passage is that when the drought comes, the tree planted by the water does not have to worry because the nourishment of water is already available. It is also true in our lives. Many times the dry seasons come, and we are not prepared because we have not planted ourselves into life with God with such habits as Bible reading, prayer, etc. As our land reveals its need for water so too I pray that we realize how desperately we need a relationship with God. Allow the vision in Jeremiah to sink deep into your hearts and minds and let it be a vision of a kind of life that too few people know.

Pastor Ross



*Fourth of July Celebration
 God and Country*

Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Special Music
Come worship with us.

With Gratitude

Dear Church Family,

Thank you to the members of First Baptist Church for your prayers, your concern, and your kindness following Malcolm's surgery and continued recovery.

Sincerely,
Malcolm and Jane Worrell

Dear Church Family,

We are so blessed to have a loving Church Family. We wanted to thank you for your prayers, support, food and the service of the Bereavement Committee. The serving of the meal before visitation was very appreciated.

We love you all,
Preston I. Broom Family

Dear Church Family,

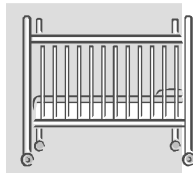
David & I feel truly blessed to be a part of such a warm and loving church family. We thank you all for the visits, phone calls and cards we received during my recovery. We especially thank you for your prayers. God has been so good and we felt your prayers lift us up.

Thank you again,
Susie Winn

Let the Church Office Know

If you know of a church member that is in the hospital, please let the church office know. Because of changes at hospitals, it is harder for us to find out the names of our members. Thanks for your help in ministering to others.

**Come Celebrate
Robert Carl's 80th Birthday
July 17th
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Cake & coffee
At 1517 CR 4250**



Thank You!

Thank you to Jack Clark for the donation that allowed our daycare to buy 15 new cribs! The donation was given in memory of his wife, Frances Clark.

Jacob's Ladder Learning Center

Our children had a great time learning about Jesus and His love during Bible School. Several kids asked the next Monday if we were going to have Bible School that week also! One of our grandparents bought Pizza Hut pizza and drinks for our children and staff. Another parent tie died shirts for our next field trip to the library.

Thank you for caring and praying for Jacob's Ladder. Thank you for your many gifts of toys, books, educational activities, handcraft materials, etc. You make a difference in families lives!

In Christ's love
Linda

SNBA Sunday School Conference

Sunday School in 3D

Invite: Make Sunday School classes inviting to newcomers, seekers, and guests.

Discover: Transform Sunday classes into dynamic study experiences through Scripture, stories, and shepherding.

Connect: Help members and prospects assimilate with others in Sunday School class through ministry and service.

**Saturday, August 21, 2010
8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.**

Hillcrest Baptist Church, Jasper, Texas

**Keynote Speaker: David Francis
Director of Sunday School LifeWay Christian
Resources**

July Birthdays

1: Seth White 2: Eleanor Holderman, Karen Poindexter, Drew Tucker 3: Mike Maness 4: David Rust, Kennedy Pate 5: E.G. Sheffield 6: Lillian Estes 7: Sharon Dickerson, Deborah Hodges 8: Laurie Haynes 10: Steve Randall, Alyson Rainey, Marcus Wagner, 12: Robbie Phillips 13: Eva Foxworth, Jan Borel, Amy Bythewood 14: Ann Mackey, Jacob Watts 15: Michael Neely, Bengy Shepherd 17: Robert Carl, Robert Allison Jr. 18: Barbara Allison, Vera Johnson, Patti Tucker 19: Robert Allison Sr., David Bordelon, Betty Spence, Lyndsay Shaw 20: Kay Katzen, David Hennigan, Neil Hennigan, Shanna Rose, Sarah Reese, Kristina Nash 21: Colette Cotton 22: Evelyn Pate, Edna Forsythe, Janet Wiggins 23: Barbara Crawford, Elizabeth Kenesson 25: Luis Ruiz 26: Lloyd Hendrix, Ryan Lowe 27: Susie Winn, Ashley Burkhalter 28: Todd Pounds, Shelby Ford 29: Faye Miller, Charles Soileau, 30: Leeza Blanchette, Kirsten Spurlock 31: Jimmie Cooley, Viola Stoops, Truett McCollum



SPAM Summer Trip July 17-24

Our youth are gearing up for their trip to FBC Tuscaloosa and Ridgecrest. Pray for us as we sing in both AM services at FBC Tuscaloosa. I am proud of our students. Thanks for your support church in making this ministry possible. Our final concert will be here Sunday night, July 11th.

Singing Sunday Night August 29

Mark your calendar for another night of musical praise. We will have a guest choir this night from Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. We will hear solos, duets, trios, and ensembles.

Our Worship

is so important. Real worship costs. David knew this and said "I will not offer to the Lord my God sacrifices that cost me nothing" (2 Samuel 24:24) One thing worship costs us is our self centeredness. We cannot exalt God and ourselves at the same time. We don't worship to be seen by others. We deliberately shift the focus off ourselves.

When Jesus said, "Love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength," He was pointing out that worship takes effort and energy. It is not always convenient or comfortable, and sometimes worship is a sheer act of the will-a willing sacrifice. It's not easy to get up early to attend church on the weekend; its not easy to give up personal taste in music and sing songs that help others draw close to God. We live in a self-centered, self-serving world. We are told, to make it, we have to be decisive, cut-throat, and merciless. We are taught to walk over others before they walk over us.

But the scripture says to be Christ-like ... to live like Christ. Paul says to "clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience" (Colossians 3:12) to be Christian leaders, we go against the grain of what the world states it takes to be a leader. We are to be Christ-like people. We have been chosen by God as His special and dearly loved people. Thus we seek to do right in this life, not in order to gain God's favor, but in response to that favor freely given. Our individual and corporate worship should celebrate God's love for us and remind us that we are sinners saved by grace.

These excerpts are from Rick Warren and Dr. Mark D. Roberts. They spoke volumes to me and I hope to you. Thank you for your faithfulness and your commitment to our Lord and this place we call First Baptist Church! The best is yet to come!

Mark



Grades 6-12

MISSION POSSIBLE: REACH SEEKERS - BUILD BELIEVERS

FUGE/MISSION TRIP 2010: Just a reminder that the trip is just around the corner! July 17-24. I am praying for another meaningful experience for our teenagers. Church family, please pray that God will do a great work during this week.

Forms and Stuff: We need all forms for the FUGE/MISSION trip completed and turned in by Sunday, July 11.

Leading Worship: The SPAM Choir will lead worship in both services at FBC Tuscaloosa, Alabama on Sunday morning, July 18. What an awesome responsibility. With that in mind, we need everyone to be present on July 11. The choir will rehearse for the last time and give a final ministry performance in our evening worship service. Parents please help your teenager(s) get to this extremely important ministry performance.

HangOut: In July we will have opportunities to hangout every Tuesday and Thursday evening. The gym and coffee/game room will be open from 6pm till 8:30pm.

Bible Study: We will begin a six weeks Bible study for youth parents on Sunday, September 12. The study is DVD based and provides thoughtful, challenging group discussion and personal devotional tools. It is titled "The Mission of the Church Matters." The study will challenge us as parents and leaders to trade the pursuit of the American Dream for a world that desperately needs Christ and to be intentional with our time, our money, and our passions as we serve the King and serve the world around us. Please mark this date on your calendar and commit to participating in this study. You will be glad you did.

Food for Thought: Just imagine going to a worship gathering in a secret house church in Asia. Despite its size, sixty believers have crammed into it. They are all ages, from precious little girls to seventy-year old men. They are sitting either on the floor or on small stools, lined shoulder to shoulder, huddled together with their Bibles in their laps. The roof is low, and one light bulb dangles from the middle of the ceiling as the sole source of illumination. No sound system. No band. No guitar. No entertainment. No cushioned chairs. No heated or air-conditioned building. Nothing but the people of God and the Word of God. And strangely, that's enough. God's Word is enough for millions of believers who gather in house churches just like this one. His Word is enough for millions of believers who huddle in African jungles, South American rain forests, and Middle Eastern cities. BUT, is his Word enough for us? (*Platt, David, Radical, pg. 26*)

1 Peter 1:23-25 (New International Version)

²³For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. ²⁴For, "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, ²⁵but the word of the Lord stands forever." And this is the word that was preached to you.

God Bless,
Todd