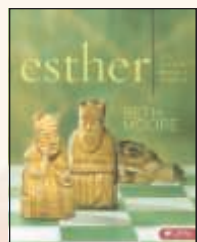
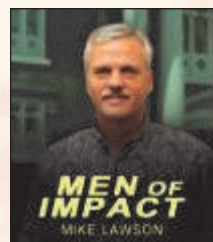


Women's Bible Study from Beth Moore



Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman
Sundays at 6:00 p.m. in the Activities Room.

Men's Bible Study with Dr. Mike Lawson



Men of Impact
Sundays at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.



Electronic Donations

E-Commerce, which includes online bill paying, online giving and online shopping continues to grow in popularity. For many people, the number of checks written every month is dwindling because of the ease of electronic banking. The Finance Committee is currently evaluating the feasibility of using electronic giving options for people who bank electronically. There are small fees associated with this added convenience, and those are being evaluated along with the benefits. Traditional giving methods including cash or checks will still be utilized by most members, so this would only be an additional option for those who choose to use it.

A number of local churches have already implemented electronic giving options. Through electronic giving, members can donate financially using credit/debit cards or electronic funds transfer. If you have any concerns regarding electronic donations, please contact a member of the finance committee or drop a note in the Sunday morning offering plate so that we can be aware of your concerns.

In His Service,
Dom Lampe, Chair, Finance Committee

Children's News



Upward Celebration Day will be Sunday, March 7. Joins us for Sunday school and worship and wear your uniform! Then come back at 3:00 for our Upward Awards Presentation.

Thank you to the Chapel class, Young Adult class and the Discovery class for providing food to all the volunteers the past couple of Saturdays. We truly do appreciate it!!

Save the Date
Saturday, March 27: Family Easter picnic at the Duffee's House
April 16th & 17th: Pre-Teen Retreat

In Christ, Michann

Upward Awards



Sunday, March 7 at 3:00 p.m.

We will be hosting Dave Davlin! Dave has set a Guinness World record by spinning 12 basketballs on his body at one time!

Dave Davlin



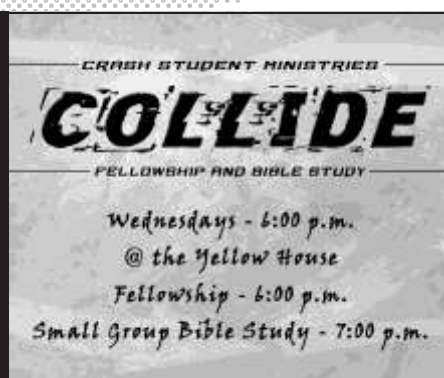
Precepts Bible Study
2 Thessalonians
So You Won't Be Deceived
About His Coming
Mondays at 9:00 a.m. in the Activities Room.
Led by Pat Larson



Meeting and Luncheon
Tuesday, February 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Student Ministry
Mark your Cal endar :
Important dates for 2010!!

- Disciple Now: April 9th - 11th
- 3rd Annual Dessert Auction: April 25th
- Senior Sunday: May 30th
- Student Life Camp: June 13th - 17th (Probably leaving the 12th, returning the 18th) Orange Beach, Alabama
- Senior Mission Trip (July- dates TBD)
- Falls Creek: November 12th - 14th
- Family Ski Trip: looking at December 27th - 31st



Middle School All-Nighter
From 6:30 p.m. on Friday, February 19 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 20
Guys meet at the Yellow House
Girls meet at the Bailey's

Children's Choir
The Children's Choir is working on the songs for our Spring musical. All kindergarteners through 6th Graders are invited to join us in the Rally Room each Sunday from 4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come join the fun!!!



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Recognitions
YELLOW HOUSE FUND
In memory of Joe Smith

50 + Wedding Anniversaries
Congratulations to Donor and Jo Etta Penn who celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary on Sunday, March 7, 2010.

Lena Lair Women on Mission
Monday, March 8 at 9:00 a.m.
in the Fireside Room
Week of Prayer for
North American Missions
Sunday, March 7 through
Sunday, March 14
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

January Attendance Report
On Campus: 324
Off Campus: 50
Total: 374

 First Baptist Church would like to offer sincere Christian sympathy to Jack and Mary Jackson and family in the **death of Mary's sister-in-law** Marguerite Turner who passed away on Tuesday, February 2, 2010; and to Virginia McClure and family in the death of her husband Bill McClure on Wednesday, February 3, 2010.

-  HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
- March 1 – Hunter Parker, Bryan Hancock
 - March 2 – Lori Lampe
 - March 3 – Marguerite Prichard, Joanne Butler, Shane Vaughan
 - March 4 – Gene Sharp, Frank Mezzacappa, Shannon Kirby
 - March 5 – Bill Steele, Butch Fife, Suzie Sommerfeldt, Allison Green
 - March 6 – Lola Flaherty
 - March 7 – Donor Penn, Buddy Roberts, Carrie Young, Samuel Hanson, Tracy Hale, Libby Jennings
 - March 8 – Carrie Jo Wilson
 - March 9 – Gary Kirby, Donna Bedgood, Marc Gibson
 - March 10 – Al Bartley, Joy Rogers, Bootie Terrell, Erin Naylor
 - March 11 – Jean Grunow, Tenna Byington, Joel Binford, Phillip Hill, Clarice Davidchik
 - March 12 – River Jones
 - March 13 – Amy Hamby, Tanner Stubblefield
 - March 15 – Darla Neill, Shawna Masters

Thank You
Dear First Baptist Family,
It is with a grateful heart that I want to express my appreciation for your love, prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers, and wonderful food that we have received during my recover from hip surgery. Your kindnesses have been overwhelming. My hip is healing nicely and I hope to be at church soon. Thank you and God bless each of you.
My love, Lynda Ayers

Prayer Request
Our former member Andy Rice and his father, former FBC Student Minister Larry Rice, have received an invitation to speak at the Huntsville Prison Estelle Unit. The dates for the visits are in the planning stage, and the Rices are requesting prayer, asking that God would open a door for continued ministry.
The Chaplain service on the unit have been concerned about a downturn in morale, and have reached out to the Andy and Larry for their spiritual assistance. As a former resident of the unit, Andy brings a unique perspective to this opportunity. Please pray for this process as it goes forward, both in terms of timing and with regard to the obvious opportunity for God to work in the lives of the men confined there.

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From the Pastor February 15, 2010
As I contemplate the times here at First Baptist Church many streams of thought course through my mind. Many months ago I wrote some articles regarding the health of the church. Without repeating those thoughts, I will say that there are some indicators that this congregation is beginning to experience healthy body life. I am thinking particularly about three different opportunities that cause me to make that declaration. First, on the occasion of our Wednesday evening prayer meeting, some wonderful things have been happening. As the group comes together to pray, that is precisely and mainly what we do. Several times of late we begin in prayer and simply continue in prayer until the hour is concluded. And oh what a sweet time it is. If you are missing this, you are missing something special. I am likewise encouraged by our Sunday evening gatherings. We have had wonderful attendance, but more than that, I believe our men really desire to have serious impact in the world. Beginning February 14, we will discover how to do that within the context of our families. I pray that our men will stand as wise, mature, strong leaders in their homes. I believe our ladies are serious about seeking the heart of God through His Word. What a blessing those times have been thus far. Finally, I am encouraged by our Sunday morning experiences. Our Sunday school is growing some. Our worship is spiritual and enthusiastic. We are able to welcome guests most Sundays. And we are having some response during times of invitation. Please continue lifting this body before the Father, asking for His hand of strength and blessing to remain upon us. Be encouraged sweet family of faith. God desires to do more in us and through us than our minds can ever imagine. I love you and am praying for all of us as we serve Him together.
Pastor Mike

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