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**First Baptist Church  
West Columbia**

**“So whether you eat or drink or whatever  
you do, do it all for the glory of God.”**

**1 Corinthians 10:31**

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**Sunday, October 2, 2011**

**10:30 a.m.**

## **Come Celebrate Our History ...Be Part of Our Future Celebrating 115 years of Service, Worship, and Fellowship**

On Sunday, October 2, our church will celebrate our 115th anniversary. We will have a special worship service beginning at 10:30 a.m. (no Sunday School) followed by a covered dish lunch.

The worship service will include testimonies, special music, and a message from Pastor Emeritus Lonnie Shull.

Tours of the building will be available after lunch.

Invite your family to join you on this special day.

We also want to reach out to our community and invite them to *DISCOVER FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.*

Pray that this day will be a great celebration that honors our God, celebrates our great heritage, and looks forward to where God will lead us from here.

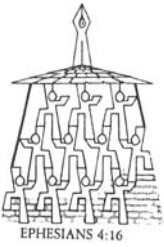


**SEASON OF PRAYER  
FOR STATE MISSIONS  
September 11 - 18, 2011**

**Janie Chapman Offering  
for State Missions,  
Missions Education and  
Experiencing Kingdom Life**

**State Goal: \$2,000,000**

**First Baptist Goal: \$3,000**



## THE PASTOR'S LINK

I Corinthians 14:33 tells us "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace". Therefore anything or anyone authoring confusion or disturbing peace is not of God. When confusion and conflict exists or arises, one must first look at one's relationship with Christ. The first step to clarity and peace may mean being born again or confession, repentance, denying self and completely following Jesus. When we are truly born again we will constantly seek clarity in Christ and harmony with our brothers and sisters. Our goal at FBCWC is to mirror the clarity and harmony that Christ brings when we submit ourselves completely to Him. We accomplish this as we are led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14). We must follow the teaching, correction and instruction from God's Word (II Timothy 3:16-17). We also seek to organize, work together and communicate as a body of believers "joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love". (Ephesians 4:16).

Every church, and believer, has a different personality. Our differences can lead to confusion and conflict or opportunities to grow in clarity and peace. Obviously the Bible is our 1<sup>st</sup> source as the foundation to eliminate confusion and bring peace. In addition to the Word of God FBCWC has several documents to help us grow in clarity and peace as we serve our Lord. We have a Constitution & By-Laws to assist our work as an autonomous body. We have Ministry Committee and Team Policy Guidelines to guide our ministry teams and committees. Our Personnel Policies Handbook guides staff procedure. The Financial Policies Handbook explains those matters. All of these documents, available to each member, help us grow in communication, understanding and harmony. Continue to take full advantage of prayer, God's word and the above mentioned guides as we continue to grow in clarity and peace.

## UPCOMING SERMONS

### Sunday, September 4

AM "The Goal of a Successful Church"  
1 Timothy 1:5

PM Small Groups Discipleship Studies

### Sunday, September 11

AM "Responding to Attack"  
Ephesians 6:10-14

PM Small Groups Discipleship Studies



We had a great **Children's Choir** Kickoff last Wednesday night with a ton of kids taking part. Stop by the Children's Choir area over the next few weeks and check out their art work! We have groups for kids age 4 through grade 6. Bring your children to join us!

**Student Singers** also got off the ground with 10 youth coming to sing. We have room for a lot more, so bring your teenager on Sundays at 4:30. We'd love to have them!

**Sanctuary Choir** is always open for new members, but especially now as we will soon begin our preparations for Christmas. We are also looking for folks to play **Handbells**. Let me know if you are interested.

**JUBILANT SINGERS** will begin our new year on Thursday, September 8 at 11 a.m. in Burriss Hall. All Senior Adults are welcome to join in the fun!



Thursday, September 15  
11 a.m. Burriss Hall

Join us for a musical good time  
presented by Ministers of Music  
in the West Columbia area.

## SUNDAY NIGHT DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Come join in one of our small groups:

"Believing God" by Beth Moore is being led by Cathy Drees and will meet in Burriss Hall at 6 pm.

Our youth are studying "What We Believe" and will meet at the church at 5:15.

Bill Drees is leading a study of "Living in the Spirit" in the chapel at 6 pm. Remaining topics are:

September 4 - The Holy Spirit in the Body

September 11 - Blasphemy of the Spirit

September 18 - Walking in the Spirit

## HOMEBOUND MEMBERS OF THE WEEK

Sandra Amick (birthday is Sept. 14)  
Brian Nursing Center, Room 305  
3514 Sidney Road  
Columbia, SC 29210-4437

Walter "Doc" Hardeman (birthday is Sept. 14)  
Oakleaf Village, Apt. 308  
800 North Lake Drive  
Lexington, SC 29072



The new church year officially begins this week. Let me brag a little on our church and show you what is in store this Fall.

- New Member Orientation Class in September
- Backpack Ministry at BC Grammar begins soon with a new leader
- Church 201-401 Discipleship Classes beginning with a new Leader
- ACTeens now being offered for our youth girls

Added to this are many more new teachers for classes and faithful teachers and leaders continuing to serve! I want to say a special word of thanks and encouragement to Jim Shealy who served these past three years as Sunday School Director. Thanks to his wife, Janice, for working with him to make Sunday School run so smoothly.

As always, stay spiritually minded and seek first His kingdom in all you do!

**Russian Missionary Support Requested**

If you would be interested in helping our IMB missionaries begin a Special Needs Ministry the Ratcliffe's former city, Khabarovsk, Jody has some information available for you. Financial support is needed to support two Russian Christians who will receive training in the U.S and go back to train Russian Baptist Churches in spreading the gospel to folks with special needs. You can make a donation by marking checks "Russian Mission."



Karen Rollison will celebrate 19 years as our church pianist on September 5. Thank you, Karen, for your years of beautiful service in our music ministry.

**SPECIAL MUSIC MISSION OPPORTUNITY**

Next Spring, the SC Baptist Singing Churchmen will go on a mission tour to the Dominican Republic. They will be working with the missionaries to present concerts and attract crowds so that the Gospel can be shared. Our Minister of Music, Charlton Bozard, serves as the accompanist for the group.

The cost for the trip will be around \$1,000.00. The group is trying to make arrangements now in case prices and airfares go up! If you would like to help Charlton in meeting the expenses for this trip, please talk to him. Any donations you care to make will need to be made directly to him (for tax purposes). At any rate, begin now to pray for the 45 Singing Churchmen who have committed to the trip and the impact they will have in the Dominican Republic.



**Lighthouse Student Ministries**

**2011 Fall Retreat Sept. 3-5**

Please pray for us as the youth group heads to North Carolina for our Annual Fall Retreat! I am excited about this year's Bible study. It's called Transform US. We will teach the teens several ways Christians are called to be different from the world around them. They will be researching the scriptures in small groups and teaching one another also. We depart this Saturday at 10am and will return on Monday around 3pm.

We want to say "thank you" to Debra Gauden and Wilbur Johnson for being our Sunday School teachers this past year. Debra has served in our Youth Department for 6 years. Wilbur has blessed many lives in his first year of youth service. Both are being led to new ministries. Thanks for touching so many lives!

We have tied our record for the number of youth in the Lighthouse last week! We hope to break our record! Sunday Night Youth SMASH! is going great. We begin at 4:30 with Student Singers and then have Youth Small Group until 6:00pm. We did make a new record this last week of 13 teens!



**WELCOME, NEW MEMBER**

Will Zueger  
by profession of faith for baptism

**DISCIPLESHIP**

Have you had a chance to stop by and see the New Members/Discipleship bulletin board recently? One of the words framing the photos of our newest members is "blessings." They are indeed a blessing! The Greek word for "blessing" is "eulogeo." It is a verb and is defined to **celebrate with praises**, which we joyfully do as God blesses us with each new member. Other parts of the definition are **consecrate with solemn prayers** and **pray God to bless one's use**. We thank Him as we celebrate these blessings. As we consecrate and pray for each member, God gives more blessings and we see an outflow of spiritual gifts, talents and skills useful in the body of Christ in and through the work of His church. As disciples, our acts of obedience are to celebrate, pray for and mentor all of our members. As we are obedient, God will bless and together, we will all be recipients of multiple blessings! "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless His holy name." Psalm 103:1

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**Our Reports for August 21, 2011**

Sunday School 172      Guests 5

**Off-Campus Ministries**

In-Home Ministry	29
Helping Hands	98
Hope Bridge/Helping Hands	105
National Health Care	24

Budget Receipts	\$ 6,079.06
Janie Chapman	\$ 30.00
Youth	\$ 20.00
Backpack Ministry	\$ 50.00
Duffel Bags	\$ 96.00
Other	\$ 100.00
Total Received	\$ 6,375.06

**Our Reports for August 28, 2011**

Sunday School 160      Guests 11

**Off-Campus Ministries**

In-Home Ministry	29
Helping Hands	98
Hope Bridge/Helping Hands	105
National Health Care	24

Budget Receipts	\$ 7,673.29
FSATAT	\$ 70.00
Duffel Bags	\$ 20.00
Backpack Ministry	\$ 25.00
WMU/Pure Water	\$ 75.00
Bus Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Other	\$ 763.50
Total Received	\$ 9,626.79



**Lexington Medical Center**

Jim Schafer

Paul Player

Louise Lynch

has been a patient at Lexington  
 Medical Center this past week and  
 was released on Tuesday, August 30.



Our G.A.'s are beginning their new year with a special mission project. They are collecting items for Hannah House, a local shelter for abused women and their children. The girls are collecting Bibles, hygiene products, cleaning supplies, paper products, diapers and pull-ups, over-the-counter medicines. Donation boxes are near the church office.

**SPECIAL GIFTS**

**FBCWC**

In memory of Kim Caughman,  
Beatrice Roland, Edna Hammett  
and Doris Brewer  
 by Becky Lee Baston

**FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS**  
In Memory of Miriam Brown  
 by Martin Brown

**SECURITY UPDATE**

**As we begin the church year with new officers and leaders, building access codes will assigned as needed by the Security Committee.**

**Applications for Building Access codes are available in the church office.**



**Served every  
 Wednesday from  
 5:30-6:00 p.m.  
 in Burriss Hall**

**September 7**

Roast Beef

Rice and Gravy, Green Beans  
 Bread, Drink, Dessert

**September 14**

Ham

Potato Salad, Lima Beans  
 Bread, Drink, Dessert

Adults (10 & up) \$5.00  
 Children (5-9) \$3.00  
 Children 4 & under FREE

Reservations are necessary.  
 Forms are available at sanctuary  
 entrances and in registration booklets.  
Deadline to sign up or cancel  
 reservations is noon on Monday.



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY CLASSES FOR 2011-2012



## General Leadership

Director: Terri Lee  
Secretary: Myrtle Deese

## Adult Division

### Adult 1

Young Professionals  
Melanie Ratcliffe

### Adult 2

Young Married Class  
Sallie Bozard

### Adult 3

#### Co-Ed Class

Director/Teacher  
Dina Taylor  
Outreach: Billy Hayes

### Adult 4

#### Rainbow Class

Dir.: Margaret Blackhurst  
Outreach: Anne Brown  
Team Teachers:  
Bob Hazel, Tom Hook  
Rick Rickenbaker  
5th Sunday: Anne Brown

### Adult 5

#### Naomi's Faithful Class

Phyllis Johnson  
Cheryl Simpson

## Adult 6

Director: Theresa Bartley  
Asst. Dir. Gerry Berry  
Asst. Dir, Paul Player  
Secretary: Mayo Bryant

### Dorcas/Love Class

Greg Shepherd  
Asst. Virginia Hill

### Hope/Winsome Class

Janice Shealy  
Asst.: Mary Fox

### New Discovery Class

Sharon Snyder

### Joy Class

Betty Noell

### Ready Class

Jim Schafer  
Asst. Dewy Cockrell

### Seekers Class

Jack Hill

### Brothers in Christ Class

Allan Murray

## Fishers of Men

Dir./Teacher: Eric Fowler

## Youth Division

Director: Jody Ratcliffe  
Grades 7-12  
Belinda Inabinet  
Mary Knotts

## Special Education

### Joyful Hearts Class

Director: Pat Fulmer  
Teachers:  
Alice and John Livingston

## Children's Division

Director: Eunice Lee

### Grades 1-2

Doris Fowler  
Teri Lee

### Craft Instructor

Allison Fowler

### Grades 3-4

Joyce Gunter  
Larry Brown

## Preschool Division

Directors: Wanda Gunter  
Amelia Schafer  
Secretary:

### Babies & Age 1

Sara Frances Watson  
Debra Williams

### Ages 2 & 3

Gina Harmon  
Amy Hudson

### Ages 4-5

Amelia Schafer  
Wanda Gunter  
Joyce Crider

## Sunday School Greeters

Boyd & Azalee Anderson  
Nan Bannister  
Gerry Berry  
Clyde & Jonnie Blackburn  
Evelyn Dunlap  
Legare Gunter  
Marion Gunter, Sr.  
Jack & Virginia Hill

Andrew Hutto  
Gary & Terri Lee  
Bill Sanderson  
Jim & Janice Shealy  
Vivian Summer  
Dorothy Thompson  
Iris Wellborn  
Nick & Jill Zueger

## Extended Session

### Coordinator

Jill Zueger

# CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2011-2012

## Church Treasurer

Jim Tindal

## Assistant Treasurer

Janice Shealy

## Church Conference

### Moderator

to be elected by the Deacons

### Vice Moderator

to be elected by the Deacons

## Church Clerk

Alice Livingston

## Assistant Clerk

Pat Fulmer

## Counting Committee

Mayo Bryant

Janice Shealy

Jim Shealy

Vivian Summer

Jim Tindal

## VACATION BIBLE

### SCHOOL

#### Director

Jody Ratcliffe

### VBS Team

Sallie Bozard

Matt Burnette

Cathy Drees

Allison Fowler

Sheri Green

Gina Harmon

## Discipleship Training

### Director

Terry Smith

## Prayer Room Coordinator

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## God's Helping Hands Board

### Member

Brenda Hyatt

## WMU DIRECTOR

Brenda Hyatt

## Missions Coordinator

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## Women on Mission

### Facilitators

#### Martha Hawthorne Group

Brenda Hyatt

#### Mildred Taylor Group

Joyce Crider

#### Gertrude Ross Group

Mayo Bryant

#### Josephine Hair Group

Sara Frances Watson

## Aceteens Leader

Anne Brown

## RA Leaders

Larry Brown

Dylan Grice, Travis Bradley

## GA Leaders

Julie Barfield

Cheryl Simpson

## Mission Friends Leaders

Brenda Hyatt

Teri Lee

Rachel Simpson

## Men's Ministries Director

Glenn Duke

Jim Shealy, Asst.

## Lexington Baptist Association Executive Committee

Jim and Pat Tindal

## Worship Greeters

Azalee Anderson

Linda Baker

Theresa Bartley

Gerry Berry

Jonnie Blackburn

Mayo Bryant

Eunice Cromer

Evelyn Dunlap

Margie Hazel

Brenda Hyatt

Faye Hutto

Joyce Schwartz

Iris Wellborn

Carolyn Williams

Debra Williams

**Committees will be listed  
in the next issue of the Tie  
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