

Meetings & Events

Wednesday, February 21

Community Lenten Service

12:00 p.m. FUMC

Ash Wednesday Service

6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Finance Committee Meeting

7:20 p.m. Conference Room

Sunday, February 25

Deacons' Meeting

7:00 p.m. Parlor

Thursday, March 1

Prayer Shawl Ministry

10:30 a.m. Parlor

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February 28; March 7, 14, 21

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Instructor: Sue Brown Parlor

Elder Care for Your Parents

Instructor: TBA Room 200

Religion in the News

Instructor: Chad Killebrew Room 202

Eating Smart and Moving More

Instructor: Jeannie Leonard Fellowship Hall

Attic Antics

Youth Lock-In!

On Friday, February 23 there will be a night of fun and fellowship for FBC youth only.

March 23 - 25, 2007

A Middle School Retreat in Sparta is planned for the weekend of March 23 - 25. The cost is \$15.00 and reservations should be in by March 11. See Steve for further details.

Extended Session

February 18: Bed Babies —M/M Chad Killebrew **Toddlers/2 Year Olds**—M/M Randy Leonard **3 & 4 Year Olds**—M/M Nathan Houser

February 25: Bed Babies - M/M Dave Thornhill **Toddlers/2 Year Olds** - M/M Bryan Lingerfelt **3 & 4 Year Olds** - M/M Bob Kirkendall



Save the Date

March 31, 2007

Touching Lexington with Love

*Our day of community missions on **March 31st** will include many opportunities...construction, non-construction, youth and children's projects, food service, etc. Project descriptions and sign up will begin on **Wednesday, February 28th**. There will be a place of service for everyone. Let's put our faith into practice!*

Committee Update

The Finance Committee has added Beth Bunce, Terry Berrier, and Gene Klump. Members continuing to serve include: Peggy Barnhardt, chairperson, Wake Hamrick, secretary, Don Bishop, June Honeycutt, and Chuck Taylor. Our church moderator, Chad Killebrew along with Jerry Gardner, treasurer and Dave Thornhill, assistant treasurer, also convene with the finance committee during monthly meetings. Our appreciation to Germaine Wagner for her prior service to the church in this capacity and to Wake Hamrick for serving as chair. The finance Committee meets the third Wednesday of each month and as necessary to address financial concerns of the church.

Quarterly Business Meeting

FBC held its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, January 31. Jerry Gardner, church treasurer, reviewed the financial summary statement for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006. The church failed to meet its 2006 budget of \$914,715.00 even though giving showed an increase for the year when compared to budget years 2003-2005. The church received total revenues of \$879,655.66.

The church allocated all revenues paying all bills and obligations. In addition, Missions chose to transfer \$12,500.00 until decisions can be reached on how the church would like to pay money designated for state and miscellaneous missions. Concerns have been raised over channeling these funds through the NC Baptist State Convention. Jerry further explained that approximately \$248,000.00 was given in 2006 to designated funds.

The HVAC Fund currently has a balance of \$61,455.28. It is felt this should be reserved to pay monthly interest payments to BB&T on the principal loan of \$481,000.00. Jerry reported that the Endowment Fund has a balance of \$451,683.78. Interest earned from the fund can be spent, while the principal cannot.

A question was asked as to the status of the columbarium. We have a loan balance of \$49,000.00. currently the fund has a balance of \$11,750.00. Each year we pay \$7,000.00 on the loan which will be transferred leaving \$4,750.00 to maintain and use as an operating fund.

Reports were shared about the progress in Belize and what is currently happening. Several calendar items were also shared and the Commitment Emphasis "Carry the Light" was highlighted.

Memorials

HVAC Fund: *Paul Wilson, Sr.* by Martha Kinney, Catherine Pritchard, Bob & Doris Butchart, Zeb & Peggy Barnhardt, Jeanne Davis, Marylyn Hilton, Davidson Funeral Home, Harold & Jean Bowen, Silba Rae Fennell, Gary & Sue Wikstrom, Kathryn & Austin Frye, Hubert & Cateen Olive, Jack & Betty Sink, Billy & Susan Bryan, D. C. Dept. of Social Services, Mickey & Judy LeCroy, Margaret Brown, Tullia Hoover; *Robert Kinney* by Martha Kinney; *Virginia Sink* by David & Teresa Parks; *Jack Sink* by Marylyn Hilton, Catherine Pritchard, Bob & Doris Butchart; *Tom Wilson* by Minnie Banks; **History Committee:** *Eric Morgan* by Anna Morgan; **Belize Pastor Training:** *Paul Wilson, Sr.* by Phil & Ann Ryalls;

Honorariums

HVAC: *Ray & Joyce Howell, Tommy & Sandra Wilson, Phil & Melonie Rector* by Bob & Doris Butchart; *Faithful Workers SS Class* by Ann Corn, Elaine Alexander; **History Committee:** *Hoke Coon* by Anna Morgan;

Dear Church Family,

I have been reminded by the death of my father of the love and support of family and friends. This has been so apparent by my church family. Sandra and I and my family have been touched by the many expressions of love and sympathy you have extended to us during my father's illness and death. Through the numerous ways you have reached out to us showing your love and support we are most grateful. Almost twenty years ago God opened the door for us to be a part of this wonderful family of God and we continue to be blessed by you. Thanks be to God.

Tommy Wilson

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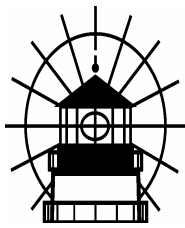
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20th Anniversary Annual Church Retreat Fort Caswell - NC Baptist Assembly April 27 - 29, 2007 "Come One - Come All"

The Family Life Committee is working and planning for our annual retreat. This year marks the 20th. Anniversary and plans are under way to mark this celebration. Space is limited due to the demand for the facilities so get your deposit in and make your reservation for this annual event. We have changed some meals and have plans for a special celebration dinner. The cost reflects those changes.

** Adults: \$85.00 - Age 6-5th Grade: \$25.00 Ages 2 years - 5 years: \$15.00**

A DEPOSIT OF HALF THE TOTAL COST IS DUE NO LATER THAN: Sunday, February 25 A brochure is available with more details and a reservation form. **SIGN UP TODAY** for a great weekend for all ages.

Grand Mediterranean Cruise May 26 - June 11, 2007

There are three cabins remaining for the Grand Mediterranean Cruise departing in May. This is your final chance to get on board. If interested, contact the office ASAP.

An Ounce of Prevention Keeps the Germs Away Wash Your Hands Often

The most important thing anyone can do to keep good health is to wash hands, especially after coughing and sneezing, and after using the restroom. Frequent washing helps eliminate germs picked up from others and contaminated surfaces. Everyone should wash their hands for 10-15 seconds to remove germs.

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The 21st. Annual Carolyn M. (Carrie) Parker Lectures

March 3 - 4, 2007

Dr. Chuck Poole

Careful About the Bible

Careful speech requires us to say that, when we read the entire Bible, we discover that the Bible sometimes speaks with varied voices. When it's time to apply scripture to life, how do we decide which of those voices will speak the loudest? Among the Bible's varied voices and verses, which will carry the most weight? And where does the Holy Spirit enter the equation? And what about Jesus? How did he handle his Bible?

Dinner and a Chat with Chuck

Menu: Chicken Ala Parisienne

Baked Potato, French Style Green Beans Almondine

Salad Bar, Croissant, French Silk Pie

Saturday, March 3, 2007

RSVP: 249-9158 by Sunday, February 25

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

6:00 o'clock in the evening

* Nursery available upon request

\$5.00/Adults; \$4.00/Children

Sunday Lecture Schedule

Careful About Quoting Scripture to God

9:45 a.m.

Acts 10: 1-48

Fellowship Hall

On Measuring Bible Verses

11:00 a.m.

Matthew 22: 34-40

Sanctuary

I'd Like to Have My Bible Back

7:00 p.m.

Acts 2: 1-21

Fellowship Hall

*Nursery available on request. Please contact the church office: 249-9158