

Meetings & Events

Monday, January 21

MBCC and FBC Office Closed MLK Day

Sunday, January 13

Missions Committee Meeting

8:45 a.m.

Parlor

Wednesday, January 16

Finance Committee Meeting

7:20 p.m.

Conference Room

Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Service

7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, January 30

6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Christmas Food Boxes

This year we distributed 60 food boxes to families in our community. Food Lion on Talbert assisted us in this annual distribution. We had over 30 who were able to pick up the food, pack the boxes and deliver them. We were able to have a card in each box. Thanks to everyone who helped with this Mission emphasis. A special thank you to Peggy Barnhardt for her wonderful organization and calling of those whom we assisted, to Harold McNeil for providing the boxes and Gale Lanning for the cards.

Financial Statements

Year end statements will be mailed in the coming days. If you have questions please contact Melissa Helmstetler. 2008 offering envelopes are also being mailed. Children and preschooler's envelopes are located in the hall outside the church office.

A New Year's Resolution

Eat less, exercise more in order to develop a healthy lifestyle. A walking group is meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Join us for exercise and fellowship.

Medical Equipment

Several pieces of medical equipment have been donated to the church. The inventory includes a wheelchair, adult crutches, a walker, a shower chair, and a potty chair. Call the church for information if you would like to borrow one of these items.

Learn and Live Annual Luncheon

Friday, February 1, 2008 12:05 p.m.

The Health and Wellness Council will be sponsoring a luncheon in the Learn and Live series. Dr. Sims Riggan, a local physician, will be the presenter. His topic is **"Osteoporosis is Preventable...If You Have It...It's Treatable."** Tickets are \$10.00 and available in the church office or from any member of the Health and Wellness Council.

Academy 2008

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

The month of April will be our next Academy. As in the past we hope to offer several options of learning and growth for the congregation. If you have a topic or wish to lead an upcoming Academy please contact Tommy. We are grateful for those who have led us in the past.

Staff Appreciation

Melissa Helmstetler joined FBC as our financial secretary on January 2, 2006. We are happy to have her with the FBC family. Thank You for your dedication!

Extended Session

January 13: BedBabies - M/M Kevin Foster
Toddlers & 2 Year Olds - M/M Scott Rhodes
3 & 4 Year Olds - M/M Jon Myers

January 20: BedBabies - M/M Nathan Hall
Toddlers & 2 Year Olds - Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal Alexander
3 & 4 Year Olds - Cindy McNeill & Rebecca Tutterow

Views from The ATTIC

We return to our normal schedule this week meeting Wednesday, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. and Sundays, Middle School, 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. and High School 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Our first lock-in will start on Friday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m. until Saturday, January 12, 9:30 a.m. Please bring \$5.00 to cover the cost of dinner and something to sleep on, i.e. (sleeping bag & pillow).

Our ski retreat is coming up the weekend of February 22 - 24. There is still very limited room for those of you who haven't signed-up and paid your deposit. Check with Jenn to reserve your spot. Jenn will be contacting those who have signed up to start collecting money for lift tickets and equipment rentals.

Finally, Jenn's made a New Years Resolution to be better at communicating all of this wonderful information via a weekly e-mail. If you wish to be added to the list, please sign up on her office door or send her an e-mail. (jenn@fbcclex.org)

Chrismon Ministry

Our Chrismons, which date back to 1977, are in need of attention and repair. If you are interested in helping the the Chrismon ministry, plan to meet briefly after the Wednesday night program on January 16. The location of the meeting will be announced later.

Memorials

HVAC: *Jean Bowen* by William & Georgia Niven, Ann Corn; *Wesley M. Inman* by Stephen Inman; *Bob McGuinn* by Wade & Opal Johnson, Jackie Inman, Ann Corn; *Bob Philpott, Dozier Linder, JoAnne Alexander, Jan Gibbons* by Ann Corn; **Belize Mission Fund:** *Jack Sink* by Brooke & Jordan Bryan; **Music Ministry:** *Bob McGuinn & Ronald Walton* by The Jackson; **Small Jobs Ministry:** *Jack Sink* by Billy & Susan Bryan

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Honorariums

HVAC: *Jackie Inman* by Stephen Inman; *Ray & Joyce Howell, Tommy & Sandra Wilson, Phil & Melonie Rector, Jean & Ralph Ashley, Jenn Fretette, Jeanne Davis, Libby Everhart, Melissa Helmstetler* by Ann Corn; *Edgar, Belinda & Eddie Thomas* by Virginia Hartman; *Billy & Susan Bryan, Betty Sink* by Booty Hilton; *Booty Hilton, The Jackson* by Billy & Susan Bryan; **Music Ministry:** *Betty Sink, Catherine Pritchard, Billy Bryan Family* by The Jackson; **Belize Mission Fund:** *Brooke & Jordan Bryan* by Booty Hilton; **Novella Tyler Music Fund:** *Frances McLendon* by The Ruth Class

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Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

Your cards, calls, visits, and prayers have been so greatly appreciated. I feel truly blessed to be a part of such a loving and caring church family.

We are thankful for you and love you with all our hearts.

Raye Leonard and family

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2008 Birthday Banquet

Wednesday, January 23 5:45 p.m.

Entertainment The Healing Force

Sunday, January 13 will be the last chance to purchase tickets for the Birthday Banquet.

Adults (\$6.00) Children under 12 (\$3.00)

Family Limit (\$20.00)

21st. Annual Church Retreat

Fort Caswell NC Baptist Assembly

April 25 - 27, 2008

The Family Life Committee is working and planning for our annual retreat. Space is limited due to the demand for the facilities so get your deposit in and make your reservation for this annual event. **Adults:\$90.00
Ages 2 years - 5 th. Grade: \$30.00**

DEPOSIT IS HALF OF THE TOTAL COST - DUE NO LATER

THAN: Wednesday, February 20.

A brochure with more details and reservation form will be made available. This promises to be great weekend for all ages. **SIGN UP TODAY**

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Commitment Emphasis 2008

Personal Christian Financial Planning
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Top Ten Estate and Financial Planning
Mistakes to Avoid

Saturday, January 26, 5:00 p.m.
Covered Dish Supper Fellowship Hall

Biblical Stewardship: Preparing for the Future God's Way

Sunday, January 27, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Hour Fellowship Hall

Passing the Stewardship Baton to the Next Generation
and Disinherit the IRS!

Sunday, January 27, 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall
Childcare Provided

God has a plan for your personal finances. Join us for three seminars that will help you understand and implement Christian principles into your daily financial planning. We will be led by Daniel Hicks, an attorney with the firm of Nexsen Pruet from Greensboro.

Daniel specializes in estate planning and administration and speaks to churches across the United States on personal Christian financial planning and goal setting. We invite you to attend any or all of the three meaningful seminars. Please invite your friends and family to join us also.

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