

# The Messenger

## 4<sup>first place</sup> health

discover a new way to healthy living

**First Place 4 Health,  
a Christ-centered total-wellness program,  
will be offered on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm.**

New member orientation will be held January 6  
and the classes will begin Wednesday, January 20.  
The cost for the complete kit, which includes the nutritional plan,  
Bible Study, Prayer Journal, First Place 4 Health Book  
and Scripture CD is approximately \$100.

THIS Sunday, December 27: Budget Vote in both services.  
Please see Pastor Tom's article.

#### James Island Baptist Church Staff

Pastor: Tom Brown  
Mission Pastor/Worship Leader: Ted Baker  
Pastor of Students: Brent Gordon  
Ministry Assistant: Neale Young  
Part-time Ministry Assistant: Ellen Anderson



# Perspective

# Pastor Tom

## IT WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR...

I love the song, whether I agree with the message totally or not. The Bible says this is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. The same would apply to the year. 2009 is a year the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. This Sunday, I will be sharing a “Year End Report” message. How did we do as a Church family in 2009? How would you measure how a church family does? It has to be a little more than just the subjective way we feel. Most of us are deeply in love with the part of Jesus’ family known as James Island Baptist. So, it is easy to “feel” like we have a good church family. Sunday, we will take a little closer look. We will see areas where we can rejoice and areas where we need to be in prayer. Either way, this is a year the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen!

## 2010 Budget Vote

This Sunday, in both services, will also be the time to vote on the 2010 Church Budget. Truthfully, this year’s budget is not that difficult to understand. We were under our needed budget by approximately \$1,500 each week. That is pretty significant. Our Finance and Budget Team are faith-based people, skilled at handling financial situations. Even so, there is very little we can do when faced with this size budget shortfalls. Our Missions and Ministry Teams and Church Staff have done an admirable job spending under their 2009 Budget, which allowed us to operate all year long without being in the “red”... having a spending deficit. The current offerings require that we reduce the budget wherever possible. Hard decisions, but necessary. As stated before, the staff did not receive any cost of living adjustment or raise. This will be the third year in a row the Pastoral Staff has not received these. I share that to let you know the staff is trying its best to lead the way in good stewardship and sacrifice. The vote on this year’s budget should be straight-forward. To vote “yes” to accept the budget is to vote in support of the general direction and stewardship leadership of our Church Staff and Finance/Budget Team. Voting to approve the budget does NOT mean you agree with reducing the Pastors salaries or any budget item. It means you agree, in principle, with the budget presented. Voting NOT to approve the budget means you disagree with the budget and do not want it approved. There really is not the option of voting to approve some parts and not others. It has been one month since the budget was presented to the church family. The Budget Team has been available to answer questions or address concerns. I am grateful for their leadership and willingness to guide our stewardship process. It has been blessed in the past and I believe it will continue to be so blessed. So, Sunday, there is really no discussion. It is simply a vote to approve or not approve the 2010 Budget. Thank you for your prayers and faithfulness in giving. It is making a difference.

See you Sunday, good Lord willing.  
Pastor Tom

This Sunday is  
Chaplain Josh White’s  
last before being deployed.



## Just a Reminder!

There will be no services on Wednesday night,  
December 30.  
We will continue the Wednesday Night meals,  
AWANA and Mid-Week Worship on  
Wednesday, January 6.  
Also, the Church office will be closed  
December 29-January 1.

## Weekly Updates

**Deacons for the Month of December**  
*Please feel free to call these deacons  
 for ministry or prayer*

Frank O. Hunt	795-5401
Danny Williamson	851-9316
Rodney Beard	571-7611
Curtis Moody	795-9176

### Extended Session Schedule for December / January

<b>December 27</b>	Janie Brown's class
<b>January 3</b>	Tom Brown's Class
<b>January 10</b>	Marge Bowen's Class
<b>January 17</b>	Fred Roark's Class

## A Look At The Numbers...

**Projected budget**  
**November 2009:** \$551,232

**Actual received through**  
**November 2009:** \$465,483

**This week's budget**  
**requirement:** \$11,419

**This week's budget**  
**receipts: 12/13/09** \$20,409

### 1908...It was a VERY good year!

- \* The first year Mother's Day was observed
- \* The Boy Scouts started
- \* The Wright Brothers patented their aircraft
- \* The First Model T Ford was built

#### And...

\*Mrs. Prudence Moore was born!  
 Happy 101 Mrs. Prudence!

The church family signed birthday cards for her this past Sunday with lots of wishes and blessings and a group went Christmas Caroling to her house.

## Prayer Requests

### Home/Hospital

- Matt Alderman
- Shannon Cone (Cathy Carvander's granddaughter)
- Georgia Baldwin
- Peggy Atwater
- Walter Blackwood
- Lisa Oberg (Home)
- Caleb Almond
- Jeffrey Swinton
- Marcella Malphrus (Life Care)
- Marvin Sineath
- Ron Hanna
- Beulah Alexander
- Robin Clayton
- Harper Drolet
- Carole Baker
- Larry and Elinor Hamblin
- Bill and Bev Driggers
- Charles and Judy Dillon
- Sharon Owens (Sam and Joyce Owens' daughter-in-law)

### Special Prayer

- The Amrhein Family

### Mission Prayer

- Refuge Point Recovery – Pastor Ted
- Ryan and Kristin Parker – South Asia
- Chinese Fellowship
- All Stars Children's Worship
- Hispanic Church
- Nicole Wilcox - South Africa
- Charles and Judy Dillon – New Orleans
- John and Yi Ling Pittman – Asia
- Pastor Marius Moisin-Campulung, Romania

### Military

Josh White, Andrew Iler, Trey Kluttz, Jefferson Weathersbee, Wade Suggs, Kevin Stirgus, Drew Monroe, Marcus Montez, Taisha McLaurin, Marty Sineath, Brad Jackson, Aaron Diezman, Addison Poole, Travis Kornahrens, Mauronda Wilder, Jack Blevins, Art Perez, Timothy Marlowe, Bryan James Walker, Scott Thomas, Staff Sgt. Edwin Brown, PFC James Garner, Adam Clack

## Ongoing Events

### Sundays

- 8:30a Blended Traditional Worship  
9:45a Bible Study  
10:00a Hispanic Church in Spanish  
11:00a Contemporary Worship  
Chinese Worship  
All Stars  
(Children's Worship)  
5:00p Middle School (5th-8th-grade)  
High School (8th-12th-grade)  
Worship in Youth  
Room (Dinner provided—\$2)  
6:00p Celebrate Recovery @  
Common Grounds Café  
6:30p Praise and Prayer in Library

### Mondays

- 1:30p Senior Aerobics  
5:45p W.I.T. Fitness

### Tuesdays

- 6:30p Men's Bible Study (Genesis  
classroom)

### Wednesdays

- 5:30p Family Fellowship Dinner  
6:00p AWANA  
7:00p First Place 4 Health  
7:00p Adult Bible Study and Worship

### Thursdays

- 1:30p Senior Aerobics  
5:45p W.I.T. Fitness



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## Ministry

### Shepherd's Cloak Ministry

The Shepherd's Cloak Ministry provides new coats for children and adults who cannot afford them. Primarily, this ministry works with the local school guidance office to know which children are in need. This volunteer hands-on ministry helps the children find a coat that fits, loves them, provides a "Christmas Card" with their picture... all in the name of Jesus. You can volunteer to help sort and size the coats here at JIBC or volunteer to go and help give the coats away. You can also make a donation to that ministry. It's not too late to "sponsor" a coat for a needy child this year. For more information, call Lynn Moyer at 214-4992 or 766-2334.



*\* Total students with new coats (so far): 122*

Love to teach little ones?

There's a spot waiting just for you!

The Preschool Department needs a co-leader in the 2 to 3-year-old Sunday School class at the beginning of the New Year. Please call the church office at 762-0244 if you're interested.

The Sunday Night Prayer Group will not meet the next two weeks. Have a Happy New Year and plan to meet with us again on Sunday, January 3.

## Bulletin Board

### Flower Calendar

If you would like to remember a loved one or commemorate some special event in your life by placing flowers in our sanctuary, please sign up on the flower calendar on the main bulletin board. The flowers, provided by Seithel's Florist, are approximately \$40. For a special arrangement, call Pam Bingham at 762-0038.



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