

CLASS 401: Discovering My Life Mission

(Lead by Pastor Ted)

The 4-part class will be held on Wednesday nights

August 4, 11, 18 and 25

from 7-8:30 pm

in the Fellowship Hall

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

Perspectives

Pastor Brent

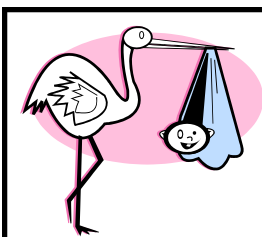
A Kingdom of Connection

One of the biggest lessons that I have learned in my walk with the Lord is what it truly means to be “the church.” I struggled much in my youth with faith, mostly because I wrestled with the idea of becoming a part of what I called a goofy country club. I always thought church people were the strangest people on the earth, I guess that’s because half my family is devout catholic and half are independent fundamental Baptist. This strange brew would cause any young man to struggle with his faith. For most of my life, church was a place where myself and every member of my family dreaded going on Sunday morning. As a youth it appeared to me that no one actually enjoyed attending church, it was just something you were “supposed” to do. Our consumer Christian Americanized idea of church has led most church goers to feel apathetic about church. Most of us only go to hear the best music or the most entertaining speaker and we bounce from church to church to find it; we have lost, in a sense, the true meaning and value of being the “body.” I think this is why people in our country feel more lonely, depressed and disconnected than ever before. We are looking for entertainment, not relation and community. I thank God that through struggling with my beliefs and faith as a young boy He has lead me to His word where I have begun to discover what it means to be His church. As a young man I can honestly say I love Jesus and I love the church and I want as many people as God allows me to influence to experience the joy of this connected community we call the fellowship of believers, or, the church.

“I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God.” - Exodus 6:7. Since creation God has been gathering for Himself a people set aside for His glory. He has called this people His bride, His body, His object of affection. What an awesome thought. God made us as communal creatures whose design was to be a lover of God and of others. While most people who walk upon the earth struggle to find identity in this world, the Christian must understand who he/she is - a child of God, the bride of His son, and the dwelling place of the Spirit. Through the work of the cross in salvation in one’s life we become a new community, and this is where we find our identity. The church is who we are, it gives our lives definition and Christ-like shape. This is something I have fallen in love with and my prayer is that you will too.

“The church is at the very center of the eternal purpose of God. It is not a divine afterthought. It is not an accident of history. On the contrary, the church is God’s new community. For His purpose, conceived in a past eternity, being worked out in history, and to be perfected in a future eternity, is not just to save isolated individuals and so perpetuate our loneliness, but rather to build His church, that is, to call out of the world a people for His own glory.” *John Stott*

Pastor Brent



Congratulations to Charles and Candy Oliver on the birth of their new baby, Cai Stewart. Camp’s little brother was born on Thursday, July 8, and weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces. His proud grandparents are Paul and Carole Moran.

Prayer Requests

Home/Hospital

- Barby Pickett (surgery 7/12)
- Sonnie Alls (surgery 7/13)
- Bo Mathis (Scott's father)
- Sharon Durham (Mark, Sandra's sister-in-law)
- Peggy Atwater
- Frank O. Hunt
- Prudence Moore (Roper)
- Debbie Myers
- Donna Wyman
- Neal Morrow
- Donna Sharp
- Diane Driggers
- Elaine Parrish (Laureen Deibert's mother)
- Frank Longshore
- Logan Heisey
- Bill Driggers
- Elizabeth Huey
- Frances Bates (Judy Dillon's mother)
- Bubba (A.P.) Presnell (Home)
- Bev Driggers
- Myrtle Maull
- Lisa Oberg

- Carole Baker
- Harper Drolet
- Ron Hanna
- Robin Clayton

Special Prayer

- Yates 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 de Wit - South Africa
- Charles and Judy Dillon – New Orleans
- John and Yi Ling Pittman – Asia
- Pastor Marius and Cristina Moisin—Bethany Baptist Church—Campulung, Romania

Military

Josh White, David Hunt, 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

Our Christian sympathy is extended to Nicole Parkinson, and her family, in the passing of her step-father, Joseph Harley. His funeral services were held on Tuesday.
Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Extended Session Schedule/July

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| July 18 | Janie Brown's class |
| July 25 | Pastor Tom's class |

Deacons for the Month of July

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| Ronnie Cooper | 795-8699 |
| Dean Kelly | 588-0241 |
| Mark Livengood | 762-2075 |

A Look At The Numbers...

Projected budget through	
May 2010:	\$241,362
Actual received through	
April 2010:	\$200,782
2010 weekly budget requirement:	\$10,971
This week's budget receipts: 7/4/10	\$11,894

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
6:00p Praise and Prayer in Library

Mondays

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

Wednesdays

- 7:00p First Place 4 Health

Thursdays

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

Missions



“On Site Noon Prayer”
for the month of July will be on
Monday, July 26, at
New Beginnings Community Church,
849 Fort Johnson Road.
Please join us as at noon as we
pray for this church.

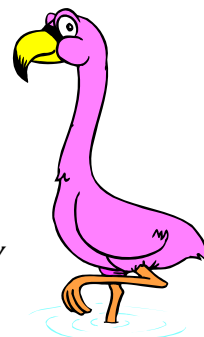
Show them you care with a Flock of Flamingos

Regular flock (25 flamingos) \$25 donation

Super size flock (50 flamingos) \$50 donation

Don't want to be flocked?
Buy insurance for \$15

*Note: Flamingos are NOT allowed on public property
or apartment complexes.*



Fundraiser is sponsored by Sojourn Youth

Bulletin Board

Stono Café is now open for summertime lunch
Tuesday-Friday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Cool and light sandwiches, soups, salad and dessert
Take-out is available
762-6660

(Located next to the Common Grounds Café)



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