

March 2, 2010



# Steeple Notes

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*"Believing in Christ, Belonging to Christ, Becoming like Christ"*

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### SUNDAY, MARCH 7

9:00 AM Adult 3 & 4 Sunday School Fellowship  
9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:40 AM Morning Worship  
2:00 PM Bridal Shower for Nathan Puls  
4:45 PM Deacon's Meeting  
6:30 PM Associational Prayer Rally

### MONDAY, MARCH 8

8:30 AM Lifeline Screening by appointment  
2:00 PM Crabapple Devotion  
7:00 PM Karen Cowin group at Janice Hoff's

### TUESDAY, MARCH 9

1:15 PM Bible Study & Jerry Cowin group  
6:30 PM Finance Committee

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

5:45 PM WMU Council Meeting  
6:00 PM Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Business Meeting, Youth, CiA  
8:00 PM Welcome Committee

### SATURDAY, MARCH 13

9:45 AM GPS Prayer Walking  
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting

### March 7 Workers

**Babies:** Marilyn Milburn & Sylvia Storie  
**Toddlers:** Edna Hoemann & Jannie Robertson  
**Truth Time:** Bro. Tommy Miller  
**Deacon of the Week:** Dale Milburn 629-3122  
**Welcome Table:** Mark & Patty Stockton

### March 7 Homebound of the Week

Paul Nappier  
1175 Sycamore  
St. Clair, MO 63077

### Attention all Girls in grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>

#### It's time to register for Retreat!

We'll be attending Bates Creek Baptist Camp in Potosi, MO April 30th - May 1<sup>st</sup>. See Michelle Pierce or Dawn Rost for info. **DEADLINE TO REGISTER: March 7th**

### SUNDAY, MARCH 14

9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:40 AM Morning Worship  
6:00 PM Discipleship & Teamkid  
7:00 PM Evening Worship

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

6:00 PM Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting, BYW, Youth, CiA

### THURSDAY, MARCH 18

6:30 PM Radiant Women, Janet Hofer's

### SATURDAY, MARCH 20

9:45 AM G.P.S. Material Distribution  
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting

### March 14 Workers

**Babies:** Marilyn Milburn & Sylvia Storie  
**Toddlers:** Hope Presley & Helper  
**Truth Time:** Norma Lutz  
**Deacon of the Week:** Cletus Lutz 629-1924  
**Welcome Table:** Tommy & Stacey Miller

### March 14 Homebound of the Week

Frances Hall  
1035 Plaza Court North St. Clair, MO 63077

-**Christian Sympathy** to Alice Generally and family in the passing of Alice's father, Clyde Generally.  
-**Christian Sympathy** to Jerry and Kimberly Reed and family in the passing of Kimberly's mother, Audrey Manning.  
-**Christian Sympathy** to Clete and Norma Lutz and family in the passing of Norma's aunt, Betty Ritchey.  
-**Christian Sympathy** to Carol and Laura Chitwood in the passing of Laura's mother, Gwen Seay  
-**Christian Sympathy** to Pat Presley and family in the passing of Pat's brother, Hershel Smith.  
-**Christian Sympathy** is extended to the family and friends of Alice Mallett  
-**Christian Sympathy** to Shirley Downey in the passing of her brother.



Witnessing Dolls for Haiti

### What a blessing!

This past Saturday we were able to complete 55 witnessing dolls to be used in an upcoming Mission trip to Haiti! There are still opportunities to take part in this wonderful project!

The "doll workshop" is open in the fellowship hall

during regular office hours. You can contact Myrna Turner to work during the evening.

We will meet again on **Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM** to continue this project! If you can use a pair of scissors, a hot glue gun, braid yarn, draw a face, sew, or use stuffing, or if you can count, We will meet in the fellowship hall to make as many dolls as we can to send with the missionaries for the children of Haiti.

*If you would like to **donate materials** we need: bags of polyester stuffing, light brown cotton fabric for the face, at least 1/4 yard of any fabric for the body, yarn (preferably brown or black), and scraps of narrow ribbon.*

If you can't make this date but would like to make dolls at home, donate materials, or need more information, please contact Jill Plymale



Our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) for North American Missions, goal is \$1,800. Received to date: \$105.00.

We will have a Missionary Guest Speaker on Sunday morning, March 14<sup>th</sup>  
Dr. Randy Dudik serves as Collegiate Ministry regional Consultant from Rolla, MO

### Associational Prayer Rally

March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM

First Baptist Church, St. Clair

Please come and be challenged to pray and participate in united prayer for revival and for God's anointing on efforts to reach each home in our area with the Gospel! **Please join us for Associational Choir Practice at 5:45 PM.**

### Wedding Shower



You are invited to a church-wide **Bridal Shower** given in honor of Nathan Puls and Tabitha O'Saile on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at

2:00 PM in the fellowship hall. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target, Walmart and phaltzgraft.com.

## The Pastor's Page

The apostle Paul wrote some very pointed words to the Corinthian church in 2 Corinthians 6:2. He began by quoting the Lord, as reported in Isaiah 49:8, "In the time of My favor I heard you, and the day of salvation I helped you." This was a reference to the time God mercifully heard Israel's prayer and released them from Babylonian exile.

Paul continued: "I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation." Paul gave further meaning to Isaiah's words "the time of My (God's) favor." Through this message he admonished the Corinthians to: 1) believe in Christ, because He is God's means to obtain forgiveness of sin; and 2) to obey the word of the Lord by sharing the message of God's through faith in Christ with others around them.

Paul did not want the Corinthians to miss either their own salvation or miss their responsibility to share that salvation with others. This is evident in his plea, in verse 1, when he urged them "not to receive God's grace in vain."

My appeal to you is to not receive the grace of God in vain. Those of us who are Christians have been saved by God's grace. We know forgiveness of sin because of God's sacrificial gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, on the cross of Calvary. Please don't miss the fulness of this act of God's grace by failing to be obedient to the Lord in sharing that act of grace with others in St. Clair!

This week begins our two-week Prayer Walking/Driving project, the first phase of GPS. We will pray God's blessing on the families of St. Clair, that they will be open to the gospel, and that they will respond to an invitation to attend services on Easter. Will you join us this Saturday at 9:45 A.M. to pray? If you need to pray at a different time, call the office for an assignment.

Bro. Phil

There are **Thank you cards** on the bulletin board from Maudine Bailey, Bea Carpenter and family, the family of Audrey Manning and Narcotics Anonymous.

## Youth Link

Good afternoon! I hope that you are enjoying your week and this wonderful warm weather that we are having. This Sunday night in youth group we finished up the book of Judges and next week we are moving into the book of Ruth. On Wednesday we are still studying the book of Matthew. Here at the end of the month we will be heading to **Dare2share**. All students who are going need to have paid their 50 dollars and filled out a permission slip from Dare2share. We have them in the office or you can print them off the Dare2share website. We ask that you continue to pray for the youth group and this event and events to come. Once again if there is any work out there that you would like to sponsor a youth to do, they are willing to work. Thank you to all the folks who have sponsored kids!

Bro. Tommy



A lot of people are with God on His mission--His mission to provide backpacks for the Haitians. Two weeks ago God moved two people to provide \$300.00 for the material and supplies to make backpacks; He then moved the high school superintendent to have the home-ec classes make them; He now has inspired the home-ec classes to make backpacks out of another roll of material. They have made 250 out of the first 100 yards and now requested more material to make another 250. Praise the Lord! If you want to be a part of this exciting mission outreach by contributing money for the supplies, write Backpack Project on your offering envelope or on your check

Reports for the **March Business Meeting** are needed in the church office by Tuesday, March 9th.

**Address Change** for Gladys Wideman.  
21 Harrison Street, Cottage 31-D  
Quincey, IL 62301

## IMMEDIATE PRAYER REQUESTS

**Barnes Hospital, St. Louis** Clark Palmer  
**St. Joseph's, St. Charles** Jenell Gullett  
**St. John's, St. Louis** J.W. Elbert  
**St. John's, Washington** Loretta Greenlee  
**Victorian Manor, Sullivan** Lela Robbins  
**Home:** Ray Antonnaci, Judy Bethel, Joyce Brown, Bea Carpenter, Rob Cornwell, Betty Dockery, Rev. Gene Edwards, Mechelle Enloe Vicki Enyart, Meleya Haberberter, Stella Hinson, Emele Hinterlong, Matt Lane, Vivian McCaughan, J.J. Osborn, Janet Palmer, Russell Pelster, Bro. Jim Perdew, Frank Reed, Merle Reynolds, Aliyah Richardson, AJ Rodgers, Kayla Rodgers, Keith Rogers, Bea Sanders, Brady Sherrow, Michael Simcox, Carolyn Stahlman, Jerry Warden, Judy Wideman, Joy Wooton, God's Plan for Sharing (G.P.S.)

## SHORT TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Kennedy Simcox

## LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Shelby Ahoit, Marissa Bethel, Mary Bragg, Jim Hoff, Sarah Mier  
**NURSING HOME/ ASSISTED LIVING/HOMEBOUND**  
Opal Ashworth, Alice Banderaman, Louise Crews, Hazel Crow, Dorothy Dixon, Roy & Francis Hall, Edna Haynes, Wilma Hickey, Bill Kopf, Dorothy Minks, Louise Mothershead, Betty Patzke, Etta Pederson, Mary Reece, Lonnie Robbins, Hazel Sohn, Alice Wideman, Beulah Wideman, Orono Wideman

## Life Line Screening Event

Have you suffered a broken bone? Do you feel as if you are getting shorter? You may want to consider being screened for the risk of osteoporosis. We are pleased to offer a **Life Line Screening** event that can detect such a risk. We use a quantitative ultrasound bone densitometer, measuring the heel, to assess one's risk. This screening compares your bone density to the average 20-year-old female, according to World Health Organization guidelines, and is not only for women. Of the 10 million Americans who have been diagnosed, 2 million are men. The screening will take place on 3/8/2010. Call 1-888-653-6441 to pre-register.

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT - February 21, 2010

Sunday School Attendance	111
Discipleship Attendance	14
Budget amount needed weekly	\$5,333.25
Tithes Received	\$3,974.55
Amount under budget	-\$1,358.70
Special Offerings Received:	
AAEO	\$50.00
Assoc. Building Fund	\$160.00
Haiti Backpacks/Dolls	\$50.00
Total Received for Gen Fund	\$4,234.55
Designated Funds Received:	
Old Building Maintenance	\$206.00
Total Designated Funds Received	\$206.00
Total Tithes & Offerings for the wk	\$4,440.55

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT - February 28, 2010

Sunday School Attendance	114
Discipleship Attendance	22
Budget amount needed weekly	\$5,333.25
Tithes Received	\$4,825.90
Amount under budget	-\$507.35
Special Offerings Received:	
Assoc. Building Fund	\$160.00
Haiti Backpacks	\$100.00
AAEO	\$55.00
Total Received for Gen Fund	\$5,140.90
Designated Funds Received:	
Old Building Maintenance	\$115.00
Total Designated Funds Received	\$115.00
Total Tithes & Offerings for the wk	\$5,255.90

**Congratulations to Kenneth and Janice Hoff** on the birth of their great granddaughter. Paytin Kaye was born on February 23rd and weighed 6 lbs and 14 ozs.



It's that time again!  
Time to

**SPRING FORWARD!**

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday night, March 13th.

