

Parents,

Over the month of January we (the children's ministry) have talked about obedience and how we can obey God. Does our obedience to God affect every part of our lives? The answer is it should. God calls us, His people to obey His commands and that should affect every aspect of our lives. I found this passage while reading through Exodus, "Moses said to the people, Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear of him may be before you, that you may not sin." (Ex 20:20 ESV) Do we fear God these days like Moses did? I think that sometimes we don't, but we should. Just as this verse teaches us, we should fear God in such a way that it keeps us from sin. Do you remember fearing God and your parents growing up? As I think about it, I did. Not in a bad way, but a good fear. One that kept me from doing the things that I shouldn't. No, I am not promoting that we be mean to our children in a way that they fear our every move. But instead a fear of knowing right from wrong. A fear that when the tough decisions arise in life that they will turn to God and seek His direction. This is a good fear and this fear leads to the obedience that we have been talking about over the past month. I encourage you over the next month to pray with your children and help them to understand that we can honor God through our obedience to Him.

Will

**CentriKid camps** For those going to CentriKid this summer, there will be a parents meeting on April 17th @ 5:00pm in the children's department. If your child is signed up, please make every effort to attend this very important meeting.

Be looking for more information about VBS in the next month as we prepare for this Summer! We will have a volunteer preview meeting in the coming months and date and time to be announced soon.



**Parents Night Out**

We are planning a Parents Night Out for March 4th. PNO is for birth to 5th grade. Cost is a minimum \$10 donation per family. Money collected will go to cover food cost and all money left over will be put towards the playground fund. Registration is required, to register call the church before Feb 25th. If you are interested in helping with PNO please contact Will Easler.

**VIP's Needed**

We are still in need of volunteers to help rotate with our VIP's on Sunday and Wednesday nights. If you can help us with this important ministry please let me know.

Sunday School News

**SUPER SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 6, 2011**

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST  
IN DESIGNATED AREAS**

YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR NOTICE FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS DESIGNATED AREA IN YOUR CLASS ROOM

JOHN COX



Lottie Moon Offering

FBC Goal \$37,000

Given as of January 31

\$31,502.29

**Church Events**

**February 6th  
Super Sunday  
Continental Breakfast  
in designated areas  
Of the Church  
9:30 a.m.**

**Super Sunday Mission Project  
Bring clothing donations for Hope Ministries of Greenville  
Call church office for more information  
334-9452**

**February 28  
Forever Young  
Guest - John Cox**

**New Members**

**Beth & Burt Flanagan**

**Congratulations**

Dr. & Mrs. Bill Meredith on the birth of their first great grandchild, Shelby Kate Stokes.

Proud parents are Sgt. & Mrs. John Stokes and proud grandparents are Steve and Laurie Meredith Stokes of Columbus.

**Sympathy**

Charlie Lum & family in the death of his sister, Ruby Martin.  
Bell Bethune & family in the death of his sister, Robbie Ann Sykes.  
Terrell Forman & family in the death of her grandmother, Imogene Terrell.  
Tammy Shepherd & family in the death of her sister, Susan Buckner.  
Nan Keith & family in the death of her great granddaughter, Alana Elizabeth Everitt.  
Kim Tarver & family in the death of her mother, Phyllis Melton.  
Terri Brewer & family in the death of her father, Charles Adams.  
Mandi Cobb & family in the death of her uncle, Kenneth Cobb.  
Diane McWhorter & family in the death of her aunt, India Jones McGhee

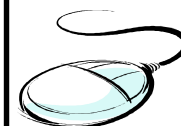
**Our Staff**

Dr. James L. Nichols, Jr..... Senior Pastor  
Matt Darby .....Minister of Music  
Guy Burke..... Associate Pastor & Pastor of the Chinese Mission  
Greg Simmons ..... Minister of Youth  
Will Easler.. Minister of Preschool/Children  
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Amy Howe..... Financial Officer  
Pat Buehler ..... Receptionist  
Gerald Claxton..... Instrumentalist  
Kyle Beckham ..... Instrumentalist  
John Williams .....Household Supervisor  
David Williams.....Housekeeper  
Sandra Jones ..... Dietitian

**Memoriam**

**Mr. L C White  
January 12, 2011**

**Mrs. Frances Ranson  
January 14, 2011**



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# THE CLARION

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### One "FAST" Mission Trip

"Gentlemen, start your engines!" That's the famous phrase spoken at the beginning of every NASCAR race. But did you know that behind the scenes of every race are opportunities for missions? Two to three days prior to every race, fans begin flooding the race track and the surrounding grounds. Many of these fans are spiritually lost. Many have children who need to hear the Good News about Jesus.

We're currently in talks with the chaplain at Texas Motor Speedway about our church sending a team to help him with these mission needs April 7-10, (see information below). The chance to impact people for Christ in the most unlikely of settings...priceless! If you're interested, email Will Easler at [weasler@fbcgreenville.net](mailto:weasler@fbcgreenville.net) for more information.

### County-wide Prayer Rally

Dr. Jim Futral, the executive director for the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will join ministers and laity from Washington County at 2: p.m., on February 10th, on the steps of City Hall. This will be a time to pray for our county and nation. I will be there. Will you consider joining me there? Let us show this county what happens when God's people get together to pray!

### Baptism Service

Baptism will be held Sunday, February 20th. If you or someone you know has not been baptized and would like to be, let us know. What better way to give glory to Jesus for what He has done in your life than following in the act of baptism.

### 11% in 2011

All the talk on the news continues to be the state of our nation's economy, but a little closer to home is the state of our church's economy. All the cuts in spending have certainly helped, but I'm asking everyone to consider sacrificing a little bit more by giving 11% in 2011. If we all give just a little bit more, the ministries of FBC can continue to reach this community for Christ. I know times are tough. If you can't give 11%, give what you can. The Lord will bless it AND you. Together with Christ, we will weather this storm.

Pastor James



**TMS Mission Trip**  
**April 7th-10th, 2011**  
**Cost per person \$150.00-includes**  
**food and lodging**  
**\*ticket to race is not included**



### Youth News



### YOUTH MINISTRY



Student Life at Daytona Beach  
 July 11-15 2011  
 Sign-up Now through March 20.  
 \$100 deposit reserves your spot

Super Bowl Party at Greg's House.  
 February 6 at 5:30 until its over.  
 Contact Greg if you would like to bring food for  
 the party.

### A Note from Matt

As we begin the month of February I am excited about what we are doing in the music ministry at First Baptist Church Greenville. The Sanctuary Choir is beginning their work in preparation for the Easter Musical presentation. This year's musical offering will be an exciting collection of anthems that lift up the resurrected Lord. Please pray for the Sanctuary Choir as we prepare for Easter and every week as we lead worship.

I know there are some out there that have considered joining the Sanctuary Choir. This month is a great time to join the Choir and begin experiencing the blessing of music and worship in a choral setting. The music we sing gives us a wonderful opportunity for worship and artistic expression. It also enriches our lives through teaching and nourishing biblical truths. If you have ever thought about singing in the Choir I invite you to come join us for rehearsal this week

#### Sanctuary Choir Info

If you would like to be a part of the Sanctuary Choir, or if you would like to get involved in the music ministry, there are several ways you can do that:

#### Join the Sanctuary Choir

We rehearse every Wednesday (except during the summer) at 7:00 in the choir suite, and all are welcome to join.

#### Sing a Solo

If you would like to sing a solo in one of our worship services, please give me a call.

#### Play an Instrument

If you play an instrument, I would love to help you get involved in the music ministry.

Please pray for your Sanctuary Choir as they practice and prepare to lead worship each week. It is truly our joy to lead you and to serve you.

Matt

### Chinese 基督 Mission

### Happy Chinese New Year!

Mark your Calendars! We will be celebrating Chinese New Year and Valentine's on February 13!

This will be an outreach event. So please bring someone you know as we have a time of bible study and fellowship to follow.

Guy

### Senior Moments (the good kind)

Here's the NEWS! Saints Alive Choir will RESTART on February 9th. I want to encourage all of you to join us for Saints Alive Choir. We need you and you might just find that you need us. You don't have to be a great or even good singer, just willing to learn and grow. Come join us - it really is a tremendous blessing to lead the congregation in Worship! See Ya'll on the 9th!

#### February Calendar

- February 3rd - 9 a.m. to Noon - Senior Activities
- 9th - 1 p.m. - Saints Alive Choir Restart
- 10th - 9 a.m. to Noon - Senior Activities
- 16th - 1 p.m. - Saints Alive Choir
- 17th - 9 a.m. to Noon - Senior Activities
- 23rd - 1 p.m. - Saints Alive Choir
- 24th - 9 a.m. to Noon - Senior Activities
- 26th - 1 p.m. - Saints Alive Choir
- 28th - Forever Young - Guest John Cox

John T.