

Pastor's column

Revive us Lord



Ed Sandefur

Is it just me or do you feel excitement in the air? Even with the recent loss in our church I have seen the Lord move in a powerful way, and part of my excitement comes from being a witness of His power and presence among His people. His love abounds!

I really try to attend the Houston Baptist Association pastor's prayer breakfast every

Tuesday to hear and share what God is doing in our churches. It is amazing sometimes to hear of God's movement within our association churches. Just recently sixteen people came to the Lord and were baptized as the result of God's movement in revival! Revive us Lord! Let's continue to pray for our sister churches.

Living in Byromville has provided an opportunity to re-enter my personal ministry of reaching out to our family, friends, and neighbors that enjoy hunting and fishing. Please pray that God will open doors and relationships through this outreach. Relationships built through a common bond (hunting) tend to lead into an opportunity to share the love of the Lord through the Gospel message and to salvation. I believe if we at BBC will whole heartily enter into prayer as hunting season approaches, we will see the Lord work in the surrounding area in us and through us.

Many of you have heard me speak of my brother in Christ, Danny Aaron. He and his wife Valerie will be packing bible study supplies for children in Costa Rica next week. Danny and Val will lead a group of people to continue work on a mission church that reaches out to the children and their communities. Please join us in prayer for this and other mission work. May God be glorified and people come to know the Lord through these people and their work.

It is a pleasure to serve at BBC, and Clara and I look forward to serving our Lord and watching the great things He will do in our community through our church family! Our focus is and always will be the Great Commission and in that we need to remember that "Jesus Christ changes people, and the world can't help but notice", but first they must notice the change in us.

In Christ, Bro. Ed



Transferred to the Church Triumphant



Lucy Thompson August 16, 2012



Congratulations to

Amanda and Winston Overton on their marriage August 4. Winston is the son of Cheri and Jeff Overton. Jeff was our pastor Nov. 1990–Sept. 1993.





"Rescue the Perishing...for we are well able" is our State Missions theme for 2012. With seventy percent of Georgia's population (that's seven out of ten, 6.8 million people) being unchurched and lost without Jesus Christ, the need to mobilize the rescue crews of our 3,600 Georgia Baptist churches could not be more pressing.

PRAY for the 30 ministry areas of the Georgia Baptist Convention that are touching lives across Georgia and how God can use you. Prayer guides will be available at the church house as well on our website and Facebook page.

GIVE to the State Missions Offering which supports ministries across Georgia.. Reaching our offering goals will be just one result of the power of cooperation among our 3,600 churches. We will be partnering together to reach our neighbors, to strengthen the work of our associations, to train our 1.4 million Georgia Baptists to reach the lost with the Gospel of Jesus. Offering envelopes will be available or just mark your check "for state missions".

GO and make a difference each day as you share Jesus everywhere you go!

Associational news

Voices needed for choir at annual meeting October 16

If you would like to sing in the associational choir for this year's annual meeting at Vienna First Baptist on October 16, attend the choral workshop September 27 from 6:30–8:30pm at Cordele First Baptist Church.



Tenth Avenue North to be in concert in Cordele Sept. 23

Cordele First Baptist Church and Cordele First United Methodist Church are sponsoring a concert of Christian contemporary music featuring Tenth Avenue North along with Audrey Assad and Rend Collective Experiment at the Crisp County Middle School Auditorium on September 23 at 7:00 p.m. Regular tickets are \$20; VIP tickets are \$30. Tickets may be purchased at www.itickets.com or from Zack Garland at Cordele First Baptist. Proceeds from the concert will go to local missions.

Ladies, plan for spiritual renewal at women's retreat, Nov. 9-10

"A Season–A Purpose" will be theme for the women's retreat for spiritual renewal at Camp Houston November 9-10. Cost is \$30 per person before October 24 and \$40 thereafter. The retreat will begin with registration 5:00 p.m. on Friday and dismiss at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, visit www.houstonbaptist.org or call 229-273-4127.

Visit <u>www.houstonbaptist.org.</u> for more news from Houston Baptist Association.

Ladies, let's study Deuteronomy with Beth

If you would like to participate in a bible study on Deuteronomy using the video teaching of Beth Moore, please meet in the FBIC classroom September 16 at 5pm to decide the when and where of the study.



Gospel benefit sing October 20

A gospel benefit sing, silent cake auction and tshirt sale are being planned for Ally Gregory on Oct. 20. Contact Vicki Lamberth or Robin Peavy if you would like to help.

You call that adultery?

As children's pastor, I listened as a fourth-grade Sunday school teacher shared a concern. Completing a quarter's lessons on the Ten Commandments, he had asked the kids, "What is the hardest commandment for you to keep?" to which most of them responded, "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

We couldn't understand why fourth graders would find that command a problem until a mother quizzed her son on what he thought committing adultery meant. Without blinking, the boy replied, "Thou shalt not sass back to adults."

—Sheryl Tedder, Omaha, Nebraska. Christian Reader, "Kids of the Kingdom."

About the cover



The Double Y Class visited Louise Kirksey one afternoon last month. Pictured are left to right: Nate Kitchens, Sarah-Averill Brannen, Cami Neisler, Louise Kirksey, Russ Wilkes, Kylee West and Roger Roney.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Se	pte	mbe	zr	20	12	1
2	3 Labor Day	4	5	6 6:30pm Byromville City Council Mtg. , Municipal Complex	7	8
9 Grandparents Day	10	11	12 Church Music Week	13	14	15 8:00am Brotherhood Breakfast
	Wee	k of Pray	er for St	ate Miss	ions	
16	Rosh Hashanah 11:00am Women on Mission going out to eat and return for meeting 2:00pm Birthday Party at Pinehill	18 6:00pm Turkey Creek Festival Association Mtg., Municipal Complex	19	20 6:00pm Seasoned Saints leaving for Pat's Camp 6:30pm GEMS at Terri Gregory's Home	21	22 Autumn begins
Conference after 6pm Worship 30 5:00pm Fun and Fish at the Ballfield	24	25	26 Yom Kippur See You At The Pole	27	28	29



Birthdays

Rusty Wilkes
Ed Sandefur
Jamie Gauthier
Terri Gregory
Madison Hunter
Vernon Kirksey
Nancy Musselwhite
Keith Lamberth
Alexandra Braddock
Thomas Braddock
Denver Massey
Lawson Massey
Karli Thompson
Hannah Morrow

9-21 Pat Hatcher 9-23 Louise Kirksey 9-24 Amy Langford Ben Brinson Christopher Phillips 9-25 **Ansley Scarborough** 9-26 Kimberly Godfrey 9-27 Cole Gaultney Steve Peavy Scott Woodruff Todd Woods

Newt Brock

Taylor Bryant

Tonya Hunter

9-28



Virginia Lockerman Clint Payne Chip Woodruff Brandy Elrod Shani Payne Juston Trimback Paul Bush Beverly Carroll Brandi Miller

9-29

9-30

10-1

10-2

Please pray for these folks on their birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY	
Sunday School	10AN
Worship	11AM
Worship	6PM
WEDNESDAY	

Nursery for all services. Children's Church for Sunday 11AM Worship

Prayer Meeting..... 7PM

Schedule of Volunteers for September

Please remember it is up to you to arrange coverage if you are unable to serve on your scheduled day.

Date	Flowers	Nursery AM	Nursery PM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Ushers
Sep. 2	Open	Kim Godfrey Terri Gregory	Brenda Lockerman		Frank Thompson	Mark Peavy Arthur Roney
Sep. 9	Open	Jenn/John John Averill	Patricia Kent		Floyd Tucker	Bob Latimer Kyle West
Sep. 16	Open	Paula/Mark Smith	Robin Peavy		Joe Kent	Clinton Brannen Ronnie Hatcher
Sep. 23	Open	Vicki/Steven Lamberth	Sue Thompson		Jimmy Lockerman	Jared Averill John-John Averill
Sep. 30	Open	Katrina West Sherry Wilkes	Rhonda Youngblood		Arthur Roney	Frank Thompson Matt Yungblood

August Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults 8 **FBIC** 14 CIA 4 VOC 7 Young Adults Older Youth (ages 14-17) Double Y (ages 11-13) 4 Older Children (ages 8-10) 3 Younger Children (ages 6-7) Older Preschoolers 0 Younger Preschoolers 4 Nursery 3 General Officers 2 **TOTAL** 55

Volunteer to staff our nursery

Nursery Coordinator Paula Smith is working on a new nursery worker schedule. Contact her today to volunteer at 478-957-6954.

You make the choice; God makes the change.

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Financial \$ummary

July receipts	
General offerings	\$8,441.50
Special-MailBox Club	20.00
TOTAL	8,461.50
July disbursements	
General expenses	6,786.61
VBS	123.33
Houston Baptist Association	358.65
Cooperative Program	1,387.79
TOTAL	\$8,656.38

Sign up now!



A new signup sheet for sanctuary flowers has been posted on the bulletin board across from the nursery.



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