

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 10

10:00 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship Service

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

10:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting
5:00 P.M. VBS Leaders Meeting
6:00 P.M. Family Supper
6:30 P.M. Mission Organizations
6:45 P.M. Youth Deep Impact
7:00 P.M. Business/Prayer Meeting
7:30 P.M. Sanctuary Choir

SATURDAY, MAY 16

6:00 P.M. Johnson/Ware Wedding

SUNDAY MORNING

NURSERY

Barry & Tommye Sue Hardin,
Andrea Collins, Allie Hoover, Lynn &
Julia Oliver, Chip & Cheryl Rogers

SUNDAY NIGHT

NURSERY

Stephanie Jackson & Hattie Bourne
NURSERY CONTACT PERSON

Jennifer Ingram

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Chuck Fisher

DEACON COUNTING COMMITTEE

Ben Ingram, James Earl Oliver, Danny Woods

SENIOR PARKING ATTENDANT

Larry Emmons



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

COVERED DISH

Sanctuary Flower Calendar

If you would like to place an arrangement in the sanctuary in memory or honor of a loved one, the following dates are available.

May 31 June 21
June 28 July 5

BIBLE STUDY REPORT

MAY 3, 2009

Adult.....155
Youth.....25
Children16
Preschool23
Visitors2
ON CAMPUS TOTAL.....221
Winona Manor.....15
Kent Street Ministry3
TOTAL IN BIBLE STUDY239

FINANCIAL REPORT

Budget Gifts..... \$16,854.86
Designated Funds \$2,551.00
TOTAL GIFT \$19,405.86
Weekly Budget Needs \$13,342.42
Monthly Budget Needs..... \$66,712.10
Budget Gifts to Date..... \$16,854.86

Thank You Notes

Thank you notes have been received from the following and are placed on the bulletin board at the Family Life Building main entrance:

Evelyn Glenn



HOMEBOUND OF THE WEEK

RUTH BRISTER

255 BILLINGSLEY BASKIN RD.
WINONA, MS 38967

Staff Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following staff on their anniversary at First Baptist Church.

Cindy Boone

(7 Years)

Brenda Locke

(4 Years)

Joy Loden

(22 Years)

From Your Pastor:

I was listening to the Bible this morning and was impressed in my mind by a most interesting verse. In Genesis 19:14 it states, "Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, and said, 'Up, get out of this place, for the LORD will destroy the city.' But he appeared to his sons-in-law to be jesting."

What a remarkable response to the gospel! (Yes, the gospel - the message of deliverance from divine judgment). How great a condemnation came upon the city of Sodom indeed, that the sound of the gospel was viewed as something laughable! The LORD's judgment and man's only hope of deliverance became a moment for laughter and joking.

Not long ago I was speaking with a dear friend and mentor in the faith and he shared an insightful thought with me about apathy towards the gospel in a nation. When people no longer respond by (1) being converted or (2) being driven to anger and thus hating the one sharing the message, then it becomes apparent that the judgment of God rests firmly on a place. It happened frequently in the lives of Israel. "Peace, peace, when there is no peace." Often they made light of the message of judgment and often they paid a dear price for it. So it was true for Sodom and the other cities of the valley.

Then I began to think about America. What comprises so many late night comedy routines? What is the media "joke" whenever Christianity is discussed? What causes more people in the pew to roll their eyes and search for something better to do on any given Sunday? It is the plain message of the gospel. "Quick, get out of the place you are in, for God's terrible wrath is going to fall upon all who remain in their current condition. Believe (faith) these words and flee (repent) so that you will not be destroyed." That is the essence of the gospel. Of course, we believe on Christ and flee from self and run to the cross. But this, my friends, is what is scoffed at, what is mocked, what "appears to be jesting."

What a terrible judgment America must already be under that the common and overwhelming response to the gospel is to shrug the shoulders, raise a grin, and continue on as if someone has shared a pleasant little quip!

May God have mercy on us indeed!

In Christ Alone
Bro. Phillip



PARENT-CHILD DEDICATION SERVICE

This service is planned for
May 24, 2009

All parents wishing to involve their families with this special time of dedication should contact the church office.

Sympathy

The pastor and entire church family extend sympathy to the family of:

Esther Heath's Great Nephew



Congratulations

To Frank & Laura Faulkner who are the proud parents of a baby girl, Gracee Kay, born April 27th, weighing 8 lbs., 8 ozs. Griffin is the proud big brother.



Wedding Occasions

Johnson/Ware

May 16, 2009

6:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church, Winona
Reception Following: Winona Country Club



**2009
Vacation Bible
School
June 1-5**

8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

It will soon be time for Vacation Bible School. Please continue to pray for our children and leaders as this time approaches. A leaders meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13th at 5:00 p.m.

There is a need for a departmental director with older children and a need for someone to help decorate the sanctuary. If you can be a part of this years Vacation Bible School Leadership, please contact the church office.

**Fighting for the
Family**

Sermon Series

**“From my
House to God’s
House”**

This Sunday Morning
May 10th

NOTICE

**Carroll-Montgomery
Baptist Association
MISSION TRIP**

JUNE 7-12, 2009

Lakeshore Baptist Church
Lakeshore, Mississippi

Assisting with Rebuild
Lakeshore Ministry

Various type construction work

Those intending to participate call the
office at 283-4172

or

Betty Ferguson at 283-2657
as soon as possible.

**WE MUST HAVE ALL MEMBERS SIGNED UP
PRIOR TO MAY 31ST**

For more info you may call the above numbers

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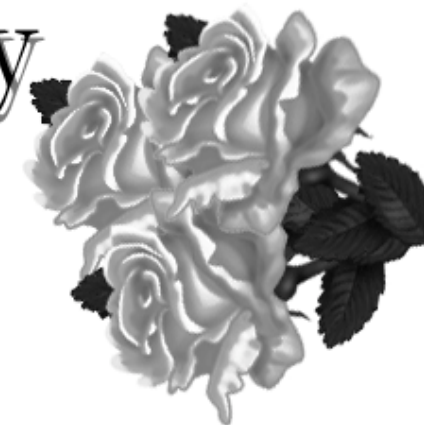


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**Happy
Mothers
Day**



God Bless our mothers



And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit..

II Corinthians 3:18

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