



Our Church Family

Reatha Crews is in Baptist DeSoto following heart surgery Tuesday... **Tim Snider** remains at Baptist DeSoto room 504... **Nancy Herron** is in Baptist Memphis rm. 3426 with pneumonia... **Carl Rounsaville** is now at home and is being treated with medication... **Wyatt Braden** spent a few days at LeBonheur last week and has been diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes... **Susan Harris'** father, Steve Gooch, is having knee replacement surgery March 16... **Jackie Lorenson's** son, Alan, is in Baptist DeSoto rm. 943...

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to **Dot McEwen** and family in the passing of Tom last week. The funeral was Saturday.

EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP

The following items are being collected for this year's trip leaving June 6. Please place them in the bin in the lobby. New undergarments (men, women, girls & boys), new socks, toothpaste, tooth brushes, used quilts, electrical wiring & electrical outlets. Also pens, pencils, stickers & writing pads for VBS.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May 31-June 3, 6:30 - 9:00pm. We still need lots of help. Please stop by the tables in the lobby to sign up.

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL

All WBS Teachers and families along with anyone interested in WBS will have a pot-luck lunch after morning services on March 22nd. Robin Cannon will present WBS news and updates. We will share questions and successes and enjoy a meal and fellowship. Contact Bob or Gwen Coker for more information.

ATTENTION TLC'S!

Brownbag will be this Friday, March 13, in rm. 1 at 6 pm. Meet at Hazel's Tuesday at 8:30 am.

BOY SCOUT YARD SALE

The Boy Scouts are now accepting donations for their spring yard sale. Questions or donations please call **Wayne Ashmore @ 901-283-4798**. The sales are scheduled for March 27-28 and May 15-16.

MEN'S RETREAT

Do you know who Shamgar is? Find out at the Men's Retreat planned for May 8 & 9, at Wall Doxey State Park. Cost is \$30 which covers 3 meals, overnight stay, a t-shirt, great fellowship and plenty of spiritual food. Sign-up sheets are on the way, but for now **MARK THE DATE**. Please see **Charlie Moore, Michael Davis or Don Hylander** to sign up and pay.

LADIES TRIP

Ladies, we are planning a trip to the Women's Exchange on Tuesday, March 17. We will leave the building at 11 am and return around 4:30pm. Our next lunch & shopping trip will be April 8 to Rowan Oak, William Faulkner's home in Oxford, MS. We will leave at 8am and return by 4:00.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Bunny will be here April 4 from 11am to 1 pm for our egg hunt. Bring your children and invite your friends to enjoy this family time. Bring your cameras to make pictures with the bunny. We will rotate by ages egg hunts, activities and lunch. **Please help us fill the eggs by bringing individually wrapped candies or small toys.** You can bring these anytime between March 1 and March 29. Some suggested candies – tootsie rolls, smarties, starbursts, jelly beans and all kinds of Easter candies including chocolate goodies. Thanks for your help.

NUMERICALLY SPEAKING

March 8, 2009

Sunday Bible Class	366
Sunday Morning Worship	786
Offering	\$ 25,956
Budget	\$ 22,743

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Sunday:
 Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.
 Worship - 10:00 a.m.
 Worship - 5:00 p.m.
 Fellowship, Study and Service - 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday: "Encouragement Class" - 10 a.m.

Wednesday:
 Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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Around The Oaks

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Thanks For A Memorable Weekend

I'm told that we had **248** individuals who participated in the **24 Hours of Prayer** beginning this past Saturday morning through the 8 a.m. hour on Sunday. This was followed by additional prayer in our Bible Classes and a splendid hour of worship at 10 a.m. with **786** present. We appreciate each of the men who led the beautiful service. How grateful we are for each of you who took time out of your busy schedules to come to the church building and participate in this event. I'm sure there were others who participated from the privacy of their homes. Only the Lord knows the benefits that will come as a result of your prayers and petitions.

We also enjoyed a delightful "Pot-luck" following Sunday morning's worship. I received a "deacons count" of 300 who stayed and ate. During the devotional that followed **Daniel Hester** did a marvelous job leading singing and **William Marino** presented an outstanding message as a fitting conclusion to a memorable weekend.

And The Survey Says . . .

We have recently received the results of the Family Census Survey we conducted in the fall. Over the next several weeks I want to share a bit of the demographic information about our congregation with you. Then, on April 5th David Jordan from Agape will be with us to talk about the state of our families here at Goodman Oaks.

Who are we? It may surprise you to know that over one third of our congregation (36.5%) have come here in the past seven years. An additional third (32%) have been here between 8 and 16 years. 17% have been attending Goodman Oaks for more than twenty years.

According to the survey the majority of our members live in our immediate vicinity with 15% traveling more than 20 minutes to get to our building from their home.

70% of us are married with children. 26% are single adults and the largest age group is the 40-48 year olds (21%) followed by 50-59 year olds (17.5%). Teens and pre-teens make up 14.5%.

As we share more information in coming weeks I think we'll all be made aware of some critical family and fellowship needs.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Maria Brummett** who on March 5th, was inducted into Gamma Beta Phi. This is a national honor society at Ole Miss that emphasizes community service as well as excelling in university studies. Maria is in the School of Accounting.

We are also proud of **Grayson Dunning** who placed 2nd in the Talent Contest at Lewisburg Middle School. She played the guitar and sang. Grayson entertained at one of our Christmas dinners a couple of years ago and has great talent! Congratulations!

I hope you'll be sure to join us this coming Sunday as we begin a new journey toward developing a deeper personal relationship with God and His Son. See you then!

~ Around The Oaks

Kevin's Korner

...Kevin Jourdan

Game Night

This Friday Night the College and Young Singles will have game night at mine and Natalie's house at 6pm. Bring your favorite game or just come and play the games we have. Dinner will be provided and we will eat around 6:30. Hope to see you there.

Small Group Bible Study

This Sunday we will resume our small group Bible study at 6:15. At the present time we are studying the "One Another" passages in Scripture. I always look forward to this time because it gives us the opportunity to study the Bible together on a more intimate level. I want to encourage those who come to bring a friend or ask someone to come who normally doesn't come on Sunday nights.

Life of Christ

Back in September the young adults started a study on the Life of Christ on Wednesday nights. Because of the holidays we took a break from our study and began a study on "Overcoming." Starting this week on Wednesday nights we will finish our study on the Life of Christ. Back in November we had made it to the Transfiguration. For the next five weeks we will be studying Jesus and the Last Supper, Jesus in Gethsemane, Jesus before Pilate, Jesus' Crucifixion, and the Resurrection of Jesus. I hope you will come and be a part of this good class on the Life of Christ.

Lock-in

This Friday night there will be a Lock-in for 5th-8th graders. The Lock-in will be from 9pm-7am. The cost is \$6. Guys please bring a 2 liter drink and girls please bring a snack. There will be lots of activities and games and a movie. Please bring a friend. If you have any questions see **Paul Tullos**.

Youth News

... Jeff Shocklee

AREA WIDE DEVO

This coming Sunday we will be attending the Area Wide Devo at the Como church of Christ. We will be leaving at 3:45 and returning at 8:15. Please be here ready to leave at 3:45. You will need no money. Supper is provided by the Como church. This is a great chance to spend time with each other, meet other Christians from the area, and worship God.

Next month's devo will be hosted here at Goodman Oaks on April 19. Be watching for ways you can help welcome brothers and sisters from North Mississippi to our congregation.

ATTENTION PARENTS

Mark your calendars for March 29. We will get together to look at our upcoming events, make plans for some new things, and think about how to increase the spiritual growth of our children. Additionally, we will be spending time in prayer and covering all the details of our summer activities. We need your help!

SPANISH CLASS

Our Spanish class is off and talking! We meet at 6pm on Wednesdays. You need to bring a Spanish-English dictionary. You will also need a Spanish-English Bible. We have those available for \$12. Come learn to communicate with our brothers and sisters in Mexico and El Salvador. You will be blessed!

BIBLE STUDY

No Thursday bible study this week and next. We will resume meeting on March 26.

SENIOR NIGHT

Our Senior night this year will be on May 3. Seniors need to turn in 10 pictures on a CD by April 5.