

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Alberta Casey remains in Baptist DeSoto rm. 844... Dot McEwen is having back surgery today (Tuesday) at Baptist Memphis... Tom McEwen will be undergoing additional chemotherapy this week... James & Shirley Foshee's grandson, Clint Hopper, received a successful cornea transplant last week... Ed & Martha McIntosh's twin grandchildren, Sarahbeth & Houston Shackelford, remain in neonatal ICU at Methodist Germantown... Their daughter, Amy Shackelford is experiencing complications following the birth... Susan Brownfield's sister, Betsy Meyers, continues to take chemo for liver cancer... Judith Scott is still suffering with a lot of back pain... James Stewart, father of Jimmy Stewart & Elaine Jones, is not doing well at Methodist Germantown ICU... Horace & Pearl Davis' granddaughter, Lisa Knauff, had surgery last week in Memphis... Mark Stacks' mother, Minnie Stacks, had stents put in on Monday...

SYMPATHY

David Lipsey's nephew, also named David Lipsey, passed away last week in Houston, Texas, following a lengthy illness.

TEACHER & HELPER NEEDED

For the 4 & 5 year old Wednesday night class for the winter (Nov. - Jan.) and summer (June - Aug.) quarters. Call Betty Hill at 662-349-3362 or the office at 662-349-3600 to volunteer.

BRIDAL SHOWER

For Amanda Dyess, bride elect of Blake Massey, on Sunday, October 5, from 4:30 - 5:30 in the lobby. They are registered at Miss Punkin's, Dillard's, Lowe's and Pampered Chef (online).

BOY SCOUT YARD SALE

The Boy Scout yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 27 in the church parking lot. If you can donate items please contact Wayne Ashmore at 901-283-4798.

MILITARY BOARD

It is time to update our military list again. For information on what is needed contact Wayne Brummett: cell 901-553-3836 or email rwbrum@bellsouth.net.

OCTOBER RETREATS

Ladies': Oct. 17-18: Bonnie Jamison of Harding Academy will be speaking. Please stop by the information desk in the foyer and pick up a registration form.

Men's: Oct. 24-25: Bobby Kuonen of Russellville, AR. will be speaking The retreat is at John Kyle State Park in Sardis, MS. and the theme is "Facing Your Giants". For more information, contact Michael Davis or Charlie Moore.

BUDDY WALK

On Oct. 19 the Down Syndrome Association is having a walk to raise awareness and funds. You can register to be a part of it for \$10 by picking up a form at the information desk, the church office or by going on line:

www.buddywalk.kintera.org/dsam

The opening page is a picture of the Alexander family. Make sure to register with "For the Love of Lane" and let's show Lane how much we love him!

PANTRY ITEMS

Please bring pancake mix, syrup, instant oatmeal, cereal, juice, canned fruit, soup, tuna helper.

NUMERICALLY SPEAKING

September 21, 2008

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FALL REVIVAL October 26-29 with David Gibson "Revive Us Again - Fill Each Heart With Thy Love" Includes image of a man with a megaphone.

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Sunday: Sunday School—9:00 a.m. Worship—10:00 a.m. Worship—6:00 p.m.

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

Wednesday: Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

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Around The Oaks

... with Steve Reeves

The world looks to north Mississippi this week as the first Presidential debate takes place at the University of Mississippi in Oxford. Such an important event coupled with the continued economic development of our area even in these "slow times" is indicative of the blessings God has bestowed upon us. An area like this needs a great church like Goodman Oaks to be a beacon of faith, hope and love for all to see. I am thankful to be a part of this church!

This past Sunday was a day full of encouragement as both morning and evening services drew near-capacity crowds. One young man responded for prayer Sunday morning and the entire day was characterized by sweet and encouraging fellowship.

HARVEST TIME IN OCTOBER

Several big events are planned for us in the coming month. On **Sunday, October 19th** we are asking every family at Goodman Oaks to fill a sack full of grocery items needed in our pantry. Bring these with you to worship and place them on the stage at the front of the auditorium. Our goal is to have every square foot of the stage area covered with sacks of groceries. These items will be stocked in our food pantry and used in coming months to help feed those who are poor and needy in our community. This will especially help us during the upcoming Holiday Season.

Saturday evening, October 25th will be our annual "Trunk-Or-Treat" in the parking lot. This event has grown each year and is a wonderful opportunity for us to serve the children from our community. Be making your plans to decorate your trunk, wear your costume and join us for an evening of fun.

Then on **Sunday morning, October 26th** we'll begin our **Fall Revival with David Gibson**. David will speak at three services on Sunday and then each evening Monday through Wednesday

of that week. His messages will be encouraging and uplifting as he applies Biblical truth to our daily lives. Will you resolve to be present for every service? If not - why not?

LADIES AND MEN'S RETREATS

Speaking of good things in October let's not forget about the plans being made for both the annual Ladies retreat, October 17th—18th and the Men's retreat October 24th—25th. Both of these gatherings will offer the opportunity to meet others, make new friends and enjoy some wonderful fellowship and spiritual food. Time is drawing near so be sure to sign up shortly.

"IDLE WORSHIP"

A native preacher from India was writing a letter to Christians in the United States. Reporting on the progress of his work he wrote, "this place is full of 'idle' worshippers." Of course he meant that the area was full of those who worshipped idols. However, through his use of a misspelled word he brings to mind another thought worthy of our consideration.

How many of us are "idle worshippers?" When the song leader begins a song do you join in as best you can or do you engage in "idle worship" by sitting back and withholding the "fruit of your lips" (Heb. 13:15)? As our minds are directed in prayer do you attentively participate or sit by idly as your mind wanders? As the Lord's Supper is passed do you spend those moments reflecting upon the Cross and examining your spiritual commitment or do you think idly of the past evening's activities or your plans following the service? As the offering is collected do you give cheerfully or keep your heart and money idle.

Let's all do our part to make sure that we never fall into the trap of "Idle Worship"...

~ Around The Oaks

Kevin's Korner

...Kevin Jourdan

Thank You

On Sunday I made an announcement about the Light the Night walk; a walk at Shelby Farms that helps raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Paul Tullos and others were at the doors taking up money for the walk and this church gave over \$700. Thank you so much.

Young Marrieds

This Sunday, September 28 the young marrieds will have lunch here in the FLC after morning worship. On Friday, October 3 there will be dinner and a bonfire at **Brian and Chelsea Anderson's** at 6:00.

SERVE

Starting Saturday, October 4 we will have a new opportunity to SERVE. Once or twice a month we will find ways to get out into our community and serve others. Last week in our Wednesday night Bible class on *Learning from Jesus* the young adults studied Luke 4, which is about Jesus' early ministry and him stating his purpose and mission. Steve also preached from Luke 4 Sunday and then we prayed about it on Sunday night.

Quite often we only talk about the things we should do; I am the world's worst. I, personally, am tired of sitting back waiting for people to come to our building or for a catastrophe to happen. In August we had over 150 families come to our building to get school supplies. We have a lot of their information that states what other needs they have. I think it's time we go to them.

On October 4 we are going to take food to some families that came to the school store. We will meet here at 9am and hopefully spend a couple of hours visiting with different families.

Through SERVE there will also be ways to help our church family. I have a long list of things we will be doing in the coming months to help those in our church family and those in our community. If you would like to SERVE please be here for the first one on October 4.

Youth News

... Jeff Shocklee

BUDDY WALK—OCTOBER 19

Join Lane's team! October 19 the Down Syndrome Association is having a walk to raise awareness and funds. David Alexander has registered a team for Lane. It is called For the Love of Lane. You can register to be a part of it for \$10 and go walk a mile with Lane and the others in the Buddy Walk. You can also get sponsors to raise money for the DSA. You can pick up registration forms at the information desk and in the church office. You can also pick up sponsorship forms if you want to ask people to sponsor you. You can also register at www.buddywalk.kintera.org/dsam.

FOOTBALL AT SOUTHAVEN

This Friday night I will be attending the Southaven-Olive Branch game. No one has signed up to host a tailgate so I will just be there to visit and hang out with students and families from the two schools. Look for me...I'll be looking for you!

TEACHERS NEEDED

One of the greatest needs we have is for teachers. Although this is true for the whole church body, it is also true for the youth group. Any time we have an opportunity to help, many of you jump right in...except when it comes time to sign up teachers. I feel as though I have worn out the few who are willing for lack of other options.

Nick Eddlemon is helping with the Jr. High from October - December and C.C. Vernon will be helping in the new year. But we need other faithful, studious, men who can teach. And women! A girls class every year would be great! I would love to see as many as 6 classes taking place at a time so that we can be more intimate and thorough in our study. For that...we need teachers.

If you are willing and able, please let me know. If you are willing but feel you are unskilled, talk to me and we will help train you for the task. If you are able but simply unwilling, talk to me and we will pray for a transformed heart. We need you!

REMEMBER OUR BIBLE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY AT 7PM AT THE GROVE!