

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Tom McEwen's recent tests reveal his cancer has spread. He will begin additional chemotherapy soon... Kimberly Wood will have knee surgery Friday... Astin Luttrell remains at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock. He is doing much better and may be home by the end of the week... Dawn Jourdan is having cataract surgery today (Tuesday)... Tim Snider has returned to the nursing home... Alberta Casey is back in Baptist DeSoto rm. 622 with an infection... Betty Blythe fell last week and was hospitalized for several days. Fortunately she did not have any broken bones... Vickie Eddlemon's father, Malcolm Chism, is now at Baptist Rehab in Germantown... Nancy Herron's 4 week old great granddaughter is in the hospital in Tupelo for tests... Elvis Davis' mother, Ruth Davis, has been hospitalized in Booneville, MS with heart problems... Ron Thompson's father, James Thompson, is now at home... Kathy Chadwick's mother, Jeanette Barnes, has returned to Baptist Memphis rm. 2444... Danette Lofton's aunt, Tina Schmidt, was injured in an auto accident last week and is in The Med... Darrell Wright's mother, Mildred Wright, is undergoing chemo... Brenda Fowler will be having eye surgery soon...

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Jimmy Stewart and Elaine Jones in the passing of their father, James Stewart, this past week.

Our sympathy is also extended to Beth Ramsey in the passing of her father, Julius McCoy this past week in Booneville, Mississippi.

LIFE CHANGES TRAINING

On Sunday, November 2nd, there will be a training session with Linda Oxford from AGAPE for those involved in the Life Changes Initiative. The session will be from 1:30 to 4:30 in the Family Life Center. The training is for ministry leaders, elders, deacons, their spouses, and Life Changes Initiative ministry team members. Childcare will be provided for families that need it. For more information, contact Michael and Catherine Davis. In next week's bulletin there will be a complete write up about the Life Changes Initiative here at Goodman Oaks. This will be an important part of our work in 2009.

BIBLE HOUR

Will be meeting during the 5:00 worship hour.

AGAPE BENEFIT DINNER NOVEMBER 8

Our annual Benefit Dinner for AGAPE will be Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. Jeff Shocklee will be preparing the meal again this year. We will have entertainment (The Boomers) and a small silent auction. Tickets are on sale NOW. If you have any items we could use in the silent auction please see Louisa Allgeier. We will have a listing of these items posted before the dinner. Be sure to sign up this week!

WBS TEACHERS

All WBS teachers are asked to meet on Wednesday evening, November 5th in Rm. 24 during class time. Important new information will be discussed. Please make every effort to attend.

PLEASE RETURN

If you have used one of the Hearing Devices from the sound booth and have not returned it please do so. Also, if you have borrowed the camcorder from the sound booth please call the church office or Mike Allgeier. Thanks.

BABY SHOWER

For Andrea & Aaron Cole on Sunday, Nov. 9 from 3:30 - 4:30 in the foyer. They are registered at Target and Babies R Us. It's a girl!

HARDING ACADEMY CHORUS

A long standing tradition here at Goodman Oaks—the Harding Academy Chorus will present a program for us on the Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving—November 25th.

FCG INFORMATION SHEETS

Each family is asked to complete the information sheet you recently received in the mail and return it to the elder who is in charge of your Family Care Group (or the office). Extra copies of these sheets are available at the information desk in the foyer.

NUMERICALLY SPEAKING

October 26, 2008

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SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

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

"I will extol the Lord at all times, His praise will always be on my lips, My soul will boast in the Lord, let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together."

(Psalm 34:1-3)

God has been praised by the efforts of the Goodman Oaks church this week. He has been praised by the preaching of His word in a most capable way by **David Gibson**. He has been praised by your worship and the excellent singing led by **David Alexander, Dan Beard, Keith Billingsley, Todd Cottrell** and **Leon Sanderson**. God has been praised by the faithful attendance of so many and by the responses both public and private that you have made. May the flame of revival within our hearts continue to burn brightly in the coming weeks and months.

RESPONDING TO THE LORD

We rejoice with **Nikki Thurmond** who was baptized into Christ last Tuesday. Nikki is a young mother of two precious little girls who wants to set the right example for them and bring them up in the *"nurture and admonition of the Lord"* (Eph. 6:4). Then on Sunday morning we witnessed the baptism of **Hunter Foster**, a twelve year old young man who has visited with us several times recently with his family. We will try to have more information about both of these as we receive it.

THIS COMING SUNDAY

Sunday morning's service is going to be a special occasion as we focus upon prayer for our nation and the upcoming election. Though there will be a few brief sermon thoughts I believe we can all agree that the pressing need

of the hour is for God's people to join together in heart-felt prayer for our nation's well being in these uncertain times. May I encourage you to make a special effort to attend this service of praise and prayer.

Remember that this Sunday evening our assembly time moves to 5 p.m. We will begin a new series of messages entitled, **"Tempted and Tried—Winning the War Within"** These messages will focus on how to deal victoriously with the temptations and trials we so often experience in life. There will be study guides available to assist you as we embark upon this six week journey.

Following Sunday evening's worship service there will be additional opportunities for fellowship and spiritual growth beginning at 6:15 p.m. There will be group Bible studies, fellowship, youth activities and other opportunities for those who wish to take advantage of them. An attended nursery will be provided at both the 5:00 and 6:15 hours. The Lord's Supper will be provided in Rm. 24 at 6 p.m. for those who were unable to attend Sunday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS

This church is blessed with so many outstanding young people who are involved in a wide array of activities. This past Sunday we learned that the **Southaven High School Band** won the State Championship over the weekend and the **Lewisburg High School Band** placed a close second in their division. Several other bands from schools in our area also competed and achieved notable marks as well. Congratulations to all of the kids—your church family is proud of you...

~ Around The Oaks

Kevin's Korner

...Kevin Jourdan

SERVE

Last month we went to the South Park apartments and took food to families in need. We have people coming to the building daily for food. We also have people who call that don't have transportation to the building. Because of that we are going to help.

This Saturday we will meet here at the building at 9:00 to take food to those in need. We will also try to spend some time visiting and praying with those we serve. We will be done by noon.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who helped make Trunk-or-Treat a success. Saturday we had the opportunity to serve over 500 people from our church family and our community. A very special thanks to **Louisa Allgeier** and **Nettie Moore** for all of their hard work.

Every year **Bob Coker** cooks the hot dogs for this event, and Saturday, he and **Tommy Stewart**, and **Steve Coker** cooked almost 600 hot dogs. Thank you. There are so many others who helped fill coolers, pass out flyers, hand out food tickets, and control parking. I love watching God's people at work.

A very special thanks to all of you who brought your vehicle. Without you there is no Trunk-or-Treat. I look forward to this event every year and we are already looking forward to next year.



Starting
in
January

Youth News

... Jeff Shocklee

FALL PARTY AND COSTUME CONTEST

Costume party for youth group and their families this Friday, Oct. 31 starting at 8:00 at the home of Mike and Priscilla Jones. Prizes for costumes will be given in the following categories: Bible Character, Prettiest, Ugliest, Most Unique. Wear shoes for tromping in the woods (if you are brave enough!). Girls bring bag of large marshmallows and chocolate bars. Guys bring chips and a 2 liter drink. Everyone bring a wire hanger if possible and come dressed for outdoor fun! Maps are available at the information desk in the lobby.

YOUTH IN ACTION

We will be attending Youth in Action this year in Nashville, TN. It is from December 28-30. A deposit of \$35 is due by November 23. There will be an additional cost of \$45 due Dec. 14. You will need to bring money for 4 meals, as well as any souvenirs, CDs, snacks, etc.

MEXICO 2009

We plan to return to work in Monterrey, Mexico again this coming summer. The planned dates are June 19-27. There will be a meeting this Sunday at 4:30pm for more information. Let's start praying and preparing as we plan to help build facilities for the work of our brothers and sisters in Mexico.

HARVEST TIME

This past week we were able to serve 12 families with the blessings you offered to God on harvest Sunday. Already this week we have fed 4 families. God is at work in you. Thanks for your heart!

THANKSGIVING DAY FEAST

We have invited our friends from the school supply store to join us on Thanksgiving Day for a feast. I know many of you have traditions and will be traveling, but if you can join in the fellowship it will be an amazing day of community and thanksgiving. We will need help with food, decorating, serving, eating (yes, eating!) and cleanup. Some can be done ahead of time and nothing will take more than a couple of hours that Thursday. We will have more details next Sunday, November 9, after we have our RSVPs in. We are making a difference in our community!