

# THE CHIMES

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Dr. Charles Lewis, Interim Pastor

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our Mission is to:

Glorify and Praise God
Grow and develop disciples
Go into our community and bring
people to Christ

#### **OUR GOAL**

We are Committed to:

L ordship of Christ Mt 22:37
O ngoing Stewardship Mal 3:10
R eaching out in Evangelism Mt 28:19-20
D iscipleship Training II Tim 2:15

# July

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# Patriotic Service

Sunday, July 5 11:00 AM

A patriotic tribute to our flag and our country.
Plan to attend and invite your friends, family and neighbors to join us for this special tribute.

# Pastor Gary DeBerry's Retirement Sunday







DeeDee Holmes George & Margorie Elmore





Michael & Kathy Johnson Jennifer Banks



We pray God's blessing on you and SuEllen as you transition to a new life and a new calling in Alabama.

Please welcome and encourage those who have recently been baptized or have united with our church family.

Check out the New Members board to see their photos located in the foyer near the office.

## Ministry of Evangelism and Outreach

Did you know that MFBC is sponsoring a baseball team? Thats right.....the McCormick Angels are a traveling team consisting of boys ages 10-12. Coaches are Jason Hodges, Rico Salliewhite, Brad Edwards and Ted Chiles. Practices are opened and closed with prayer and coaches stress the importance of representing themselves, their families, sponsors and community with dignity and pride. The team will attend services at MFBC in the coming months so watch for a group of young men in uniform at worship service soon.



# Good News Club A Ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship

"I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents." Luke 15:10

The Lakelands District celebrated our 7th year of Good News Clubs. There are now 23 GNC in our five county District. In these past 7 years, 907 children have placed their faith and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. Twentyone of the clubs are in schools and two are community clubs. The recent community club in McCormick is developing under the leadership of Jayne McMahon. McCormick Elementary School club is coled by Karen Willis of Plum Branch Baptist Church and Donna Derks of MFBC. There are many MFBC faithful volunteers and prayer partners participating to bring the children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Happy 7th Birthday Lakelands District!

#### Mark Your Calendar

Sunday School Appreciation Dinner

Friday, July 10 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall

For all Sunday School Teachers, Assistants and their spouses.

Dinner will be catered by Rose and Bubba RSVP to John Tabor 391-3307 or sign up on bulletin board today.

# Quarterly Fellowship Night Sunday, July 19 6 - 7 PM Fellowship Hall

This is a time to meet someone new to our church family over some games and munchies. This is for everyone: young people, kids, singles, retirees. Special entertainment is planned for this quarter and you don't want to miss it!



## Ministry of Evangelism and Outreach

The book of Job is very interesting. In it we can learn much about God. We learn that He is in control of all things. This is evident from early on in the book of Job.

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. 7 The Lord said to Satan, "From where have you come?" Satan answered the Lord and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." 8 And the Lord said to Satan, "Have -you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?" 9 Then Satan answered the Lord and said, "Does Job fear God for no reason? 10 Have you not put a hedge around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. 11 But stretch out your hand and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face." 12 And the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him do not stretch out your hand." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord. Job 1:6-12.

Did you notice verse eight? It was God who pointed out Job to Satan. God was in control no matter how Satan responded. When Job lost his livestock, God was in control. When Job lost his family, God was in control. When Job lost his good health, God was in control.

This fact is supported by other Biblical writers. Paul states in Romans 8:28 "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose".

My desire is to encourage you. No matter what may be going on in your life, God is in control of all circumstances. You may feel much like Job did. Life may be spinning out of control. Maybe you've received some bad news lately. No matter what the situation, we all need to be reminded that God is in control.

Associate Pastor Jared

# Highlights from Sports Camp 2015







The average nightly attendance was approximately 80 children with nearly 40 adults who volunteered.

# Thank you Pastor Gary



Ladies Day Out (Sewing Group) presented Pastor Gary with a beautiful hand-made quilt out of gratitude for his kindness shown to the ladies who meet at MFBC to sew each month. (L to R: Lynn Girard, Rosemary Kask, Lola Rek, Pastor Gary, Linda Crochet, Cathie Lang, Belinda Ramsey, Anita Passafaro). Other members of the sewing group from MFBC (not pictured) are Judy Nicely, Ellen Muller and Joy Walley.



# July 2015

1	Judy Nicely		
2	Hunter White		
3	Aaron Wood		
4	Vicki Hunt		
6	Gloria Edmunds		
7	Jimmy Daniels		
8	Mary Ann Currey		
9	Sandra Gordon		
	Faye Neal		
10	Art Mann		
11	Susan Everett		
13	Arlen Ward		
17	Patty Henderson		
	Mark Young		
21	Susan Tempest		
22	Dave Becker		
23	Diane Young		
	Mi'Kayla Patterson		
25	Travis Gable		
28	Bob Sanders		
	Marlene Lovelace		
29	Charles Watts		
	Keith Creswell		

# Ministry of Fellowship



#### Wednesday Night Supper

Plan to bring a dish and join us at  $5:15 \, \text{PM}$  for a good time of food and fellowship.

Don't wait for an invitation just come with a simple dish to share on Wednesday night.



Herbert Anderson, Jr. Bob Everett Catherine Gilbert George Shrine Jr.

Our Shut-ins:

George Bolin Lillian Brown Margie Bussey Sandra Gordon Marvin Hammond Dessie Jennings John Talbert

#### **Christian Education**

#### **Pathfinders Class**

Vacation time is here and our attendance varies each Sunday, but it's always feels so good to come back home to Sunday School and our church family. This month we are discovering that everybody is a leader in some capacity. That's a scary thought for many of us. However, through our study of Joshua, we are beginning to find ways that each individual can be changed into the leader that God desires.

Submitted by Gaye McKee

The **Jesus Seekers** Sunday School class is proud of some of its members who have graduated and/or are moving on to other institutions of higher learning. We are so proud of them, but they will certainly be missed. We pray that God will lead other young people and people in transition to the class.



Preschool Grade 1-3 Grade 4-6 Youth New Horizon Genesis Koinonia Joint Heirs Deborah New Seekers New Beginning Jesus Seekers Pathfinders G.I.F.T. Class

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES



THE ARMORY SUNDAY EVENINGS 6:00pm-7:15pm

D-GROUPS WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 5:45pm-7:15pm



Youth Bowling Party

# Reminder

Please keep our youth in prayer as they prepare to leave July 13 - 18 for M-Fuge Camp at Charleston Southern University.

They will join hundreds of other youth on various mission projects in the city.

## Volunteer Schedule





**Financial Summary** May 2015

Contributions YTD July 5 Audio William Matheny Budget \$169,970

Actual \$188,518 Projection Gaye McKee

July 12 Audio Lynn McMahon

Gaye McKee

Projection Andrea Mann Expenses YTD Budget \$169,970

Actual \$159,607 July 19 Audio Larry Baker

**Funds** July 26 \$6,646 Missions Audio William Matheny 4,922 Projection Diane Shaffer Rebuild Mission Trip 17,605 Capital Imp. 32,632



Projection

#### July

Noreen Eichem

#### August

Lois Fultz

Nursery Volunteer Schedule July			
July 5	Joy Roberts	391-3625	
July 12	Judy Brown	391-3706	
July 19	Ashley Keown	852-9387	
July 26	Melissa Gable	443-5705	



Misc.

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Every Sunday we record the entire 11:00AM Service on CD. These are mailed weekly to our shut-ins. If you know of someone who should or would like to

receive one of these, please let us know so that we can put them on the distribution list. We usually have a couple extra that we are now putting in a basket in the foyer on the table. Please feel free to take these.

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If there is a particular Sunday you wish to have a CD for, contact Mary she has the master to make you a copy. We keep the recordings on file for several months.

Also, the sermon is posted on our website and left there, you can access it by going to the "resources tab" and selecting "sermons", then pick the date you want to hear. The sermon notes are listed with the audio to follow along with.

# Notes

Dear McCormick First Baptist Church,
Thank you so much for welcoming me so
graciously every time I have come to visit.
It has been a pleasure to meet so many of
you. Thank you for the opportunities you
have given me to share about God's work
in Africa and for asking about it when I have
been in town visiting my parents. You have
been an encouragement to me!
Blessings in Jesus. Mary Elmore

(Mary is a Missionary in Africa and the daughter of Cecil and Jackie Elmore. See her most recent newsletter and photo on the bulletin board near the parlor).

Dear McCormick First Baptist Family,
On behalf of the board members and staff
of the Cross Roads Pregnancy Center, I
want to thank you for your donation during this quarter. Thank you for enabling
us as we continue to serve the Greenwood community and surrounding counties. We thank you for your faithfulness.
Lyndia Belcher
Director
God Bless You

**Deadline** for **August** *Chimes* is **July 12. Email** information to church office or drop in *Chimes* tray located by secretary's office.



# Dr. George McElhenny

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Gilmore

# Elizabeth West

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Henderson

