

The Chimes



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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:

Lordship of Christ Mt 22:37

Ongoing Stewardship Mal 3:10

Reaching out in Evangelism Mt 28:19-20

Disciplineship Training II Tim 2:15



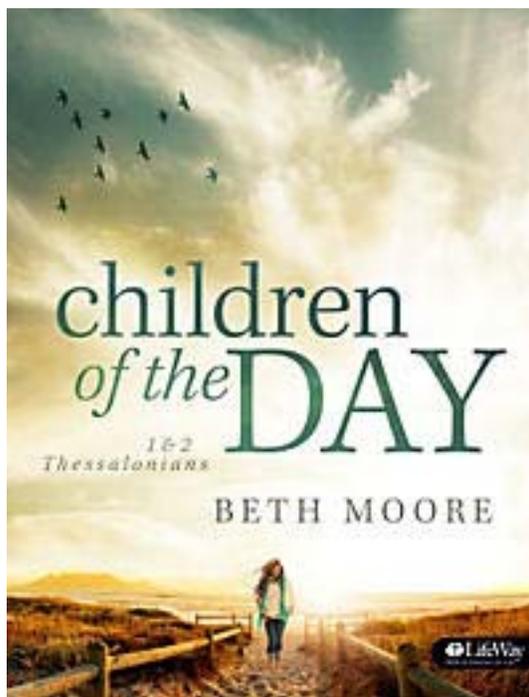
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Ladies Fall Bible Study

Begins Tuesday,
September 2

In the Fellowship Hall
9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.



Facilitated by
Susan DeVos



Our Mission Trip with the youth and leaders to Myrtle Beach turned out well. It was a great experience for all who made the trip. We passed out lemonade to people on the beach and asked if we could pray with them. We visited two youth detention centers. Our youth mingled with the youth

from these centers. We had an opportunity to pray with the youth and share a short devotional. One morning we passed out water and snacks to Lifeguards on the beach. We invited the lifeguards to a dinner and then helped serve a meal to the many lifeguards who came on Tuesday night. The highlight may have been visiting at an assisted living facility. Our youth attended a worship service and we had devotionals for the youth and workers every day. Praise God for the opportunity, and we thank all of you who supported the youth through the spaghetti meal and the youth car wash.

As I write, we have just completed day two of the Sports Camp/VBS. We are so thankful to all our volunteers. We could not do this ministry without volunteers. The second night we had 86 children and about 30 workers. We are praying for these children as they learn about Christ.

Let us continue to pray for God's wisdom and guidance as we move ahead.

Proverbs 28:25b "he who trusts in the Lord will prosper."

Proverbs 28:26b "he who walks in wisdom is kept safe."

Pastor Gary



BUDGET REPORT

Financial Summary June 2014

<u>General Contributions</u>	<u>Y-T-D</u>
Budget \$ 37,340	\$194,168
Actual \$ 40,099	\$232,583

<u>Expenses</u>	
Budget \$ 32,361	\$194,169
Actual \$ 20,020	\$222,089

<u>Church Funds</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Ren/Cap Expansion	\$13,797
Mission Trip	18,530
Rebuild Unit/Equipment	4,923
Music	188

*Thank you for your
continued contributions*

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

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.

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WHEN IS YOUR WORK COMPLETE?

During the spring session, The Joint Heirs Sunday School class studied "Finding Joy in What We Do" and "Let Hope in." In Paul's writings, hope focused on the future blessings believers obtain through Christ. In hope, believers endure hardship, keeping their eyes fixed on God. 2 Thess. 2:16-17

"Voices of the Faithful" is an inspiring daily devotional book by Beth Moore and friends. There are stories about courage from Christians serving around the world who have put their lives on the line for God.

David and I are using this book of short stories in our daily devotion time and highly recommend it. Following is the June 21st story from a missionary in South Asia entitled "When Understanding is Absent".

"The deaths came one right after another - a missionary colleague, a pastor friend, another missionary and national believers martyred by their own neighbors. The deaths made no sense to me. Each man was in the prime of his service unto the Lord, honoring Him and bearing fruit for His kingdom.

I could not understand why the Lord would allow the deaths of these godly men. However, as I read John 17:24, it became clear that their deaths were the desire of His heart.

Jesus finished His work on earth and then went into the presence of the Father. His desire then was that His disciples would finish the work that He had given them to do so that they could be with Him and see His glory.

From my earthly perspective, I saw that these men still had much work to accomplish for the Lord and that their deaths had left that work incomplete. However, I would have thought the same about the timing of Jesus' death had I been there to witness it. Certainly those in His inner circle looked upon the cross and thought their Master's life had been taken prematurely. Yet it was while He was on the cross that Jesus declared, "It is finished."

From heaven's perspective, the men who died had finished the work that the Lord had given them to do and were ready to be with Jesus. God is still sovereign, even though I don't always understand His plan." Written by Chele, South Asia.

Our church family has recently grieved the passing of many sisters and brothers from

our congregation. Did we think their work was done? Let us take comfort that from Gods' perspective their work was done.

Submitted by
Donna Derks



Discover the Biblical Jesus

Discovering the Biblical Jesus is a new series of studies that the new Seekers class started on July 20. The class, taught by Forrest Gilmore and Del Owen, will read about and discuss the person and work of Jesus Christ as presented in the Bible. Now this sounds like Christianity 101, and it would be a great study for new Christians or those who are not currently active in Sunday Morning Bible Study. However, we will be studying in depth the Biblical passages in the Old and New Testaments that tell us about Jesus. False portraits, inaccurate caricatures, and erroneous theology are prevalent in the 21st century, and Christians need to fully understand the truth about this person who made some astounding statements and lived a life like no other human being. We will examine some of the false teachings of various cults and theologians and compare them with what Jesus did and taught. We will engage the modern debate head-on, looking to God's Word for the right perspectives and truthful answers to our questions.

The book we will be using was published by Lifeway several years ago. It contains 6 chapters, but because it covers a great deal of material which we discuss at some length and often use outside resources as well, it will probably take us at least 3 months to complete this study. If you are not in a class already, or if you want a change of pace from your current studies, we invite you to join us for this new study.



Taylor Buckner has recently completed a six-week summer research program at The Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston SC. She stayed in the dorms at The

College of Charleston along with about 15 other Governors school students. Her area of research was pulmonary fibrosis in scleroderma patients. All rising seniors from The Governors School for Science and Mathematics participate in summer research as part of their senior year credit; some attended The University of South Carolina, Clemson, College of Charleston and three even went to Germany.

Taylor will be returning to The Governors School for Science and Mathematics in Hartsville SC to begin her senior year on August 13. Keep up the good work. We are so proud of you!

◆ **SAVE THE DATE!**

Growing in Grace

2014 Ladies' Conference
October 11 for our 5th year celebration!
Featuring Guest Speaker
Vicki Mutchler

Look for more information soon.

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◆ It is always interesting to find out what others are doing around our fellowship, however, this is an impossible task without news from you. Why not make yourself a committee of one to report each month news that might be of interest to MFBC family.



LADIES

Do you remember what it used to be like to be
"children of our day"?
Times were different
Our world was different
Life was more carefree
Responsibilities were less
It was all about US

BUT EVEN AT OUR AGES NOW

We are called to be "children of the day"
Just as we lit up a room when we were young
We are to light up our little part of the world with
THE LIGHT OF GOD TODAY
ONLY NOW
IT IS ALL ABOUT HIM
The Holy Spirit of God is to shine bright through each
of us
Whether we are grocery shopping, strolling through a
park, grabbing a coffee at our favorite locale, going
through crisis, receiving a difficult medical diagnosis,
or facing fears, afflictions, doubts, relationship issues,
or other real concerns
WE ARE TO CARRY HIS LIGHT WHEREVER OUR
LIFE'S PATH LEADS
SO THE WORLD MAY SEE AND COME TO KNOW
GOD THROUGH US

JOIN OUR FALL BIBLE STUDY
LEARN WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TO BE

"CHILDREN OF THE DAY"

I & 2 Thessalonians

By

BETH MOORE

SAVE THIS DATE*****SHARE THIS NEWS

**TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 2**



Ministry of Fellowship

August Volunteer Schedule



August 3

Audio - Larry Baker
Projection - Megan Seigler

August 10

Audio - Adam McCoy
Projection - Gaye McKee

August 18

Audio - Len Daugherty
Projection - Joan Prince

August 24

Audio - William Matheny
Projection - Sylvia Smith

August 31

Audio - Larry Baker
Projection - Gaye McKee



Tommy Henderson (Front Door)
Larry and Judy Brown (Back Door)



Nursery Volunteer Schedule

August 3	Judy Brown	391-3706
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August 10	Katherine McElhenny	391-3290
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August 17	Diane Shaffer	391-4103
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August 24	Andrea Mann	852-6210
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August 31	Sherrill Browne	992-0378
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August

1	Jack Grove
3	Donna Derks Susan McKinney
5	Bubba Combs, Jr. Ken Thornton
8	Kendarius Blair**
11	Jackie Cox**
13	Allen Moragne
14	Haley Keown*
16	Mark Coleman Elzy Jones Ashley Keown
17	Tim Harris
18	Larry Baker Rachel Watkins
19	Janis Lindsey Terry Jones
22	Susan Wood
23	Marie Hale Adam McKee
24	Alyson Matheny Jester Nathan Greene**
26	Helen Lynn
28	Dick Tempest
29	Gail Collier
31	Lillian Brown

*Child

**Teen

(Is your name missing from the birthday list this month?
Please stop by or call the office to update
your membership record.)



August

10	Tom and Sharon Mowday
16	David and Jo Nauwyn
19	Jason and Elizabeth Hodges
28	David and Fran Becker

Youth/Children



August 19

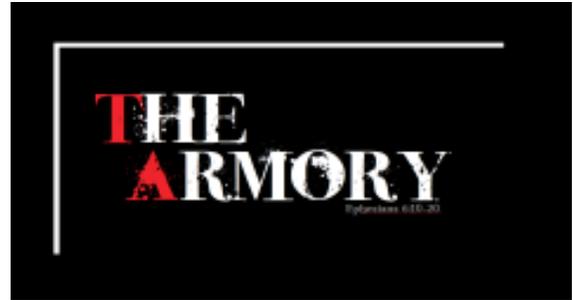
T.H.I.N.K.

British evangelist Alan Redpath suggested these five helpful questions to ask yourself before you speak:

- T – Is it True?
- H – Is it Helpful?
- I – Is it Inspiring?
- N – Is it Necessary?
- K – Is it Kind?



WEEKLY EVENTS:



**THE ARMORY
SUNDAY EVENINGS**

6:00PM-7:15PM



**D-GROUPS
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

5:45PM-7:15PM



**Fridays
3:00 PM**

Letter to McCormick First Baptist

Expression of my gratitude to McCormick First Baptist Church pastors and its members:

Sunday, June 8 my oldest granddaughter had called and asked me to meet her and her three year old for the Connie Maxwell reunion. Doug Kauffman, our speaker, gave a sermon on leaving a Living Legacy for those that come after us based on Joshua 4:4-9. As I reflected on this, I felt I could not leave the area without sharing how McCormick First Baptist has left its legacy and impact on my family and me.

First, I took voice lessons with Sally Kauffman and she asked me to sing a solo in her choir. Even though I had sung in my churches at cursillo (Emmaus) meetings in Charleston, I was too shy to sing before strangers at the Baptist Church. Yes, I am still very shy with strangers.

My son had encouraged me to move to North Carolina where his private school was located suggesting I could help stop drug influx, which I did. We then left the school and chose to move to McCormick to be with my mother and sister. Things were great the first year when he made friends with a senior. However, the second year he got in with the wrong crowd and became involved with drugs. Being a tough mom I placed him in the jail where I knew all the employees would watch over him. My sweet sister talked with Doug Kauffman and he frequently went to see my son. My son then consented to rehab and is one of the finest Christian men I know and thanks me for saving his life.

I realize now that I should have joined McCormick First Baptist long ago. My granddaughter chose to live with me and did not want to return home. Having met John Shiflet, former member, I asked if he could agree to counsel with her. He recommended getting her into Connie Maxwell and helped to do so.

When I left Charleston I left a most loving, mission serving church. After moving here I seemed to be in a desert with little or no strong fellowship in the word until I joined Helen Lynn's Bible study. It was like an oasis for me.

These past two years everyone has been so sweet, kind and thoughtful in asking me to participate and comforting me. It has been my survival kit.

Truly God led me here and I cry in my heart at having to leave even though I look forward to sharing time with my family. Reflecting on all this I started to cry (usually difficult for me) because we all have times of desert experiences and trials. The key is to keep the faith because God seems to place His "saints" in our path to encourage us to keep on keeping on.

My point in all this is to say that each of you make this church a very, very special place. You live your

belief to have a legacy for members, especially for the youth, the community and the mission field. My parting words are to encourage you to continue to be aware of the Spirit's leading you in meeting the people's needs and comforting their hurts. Take the time to listen, to speak, to hug and watch facial expressions. You can always serve by saying prayers for others because that is truly God's power to heal one another, our community and our nation.

You are truly blessed having Pastor Gary and SuEllen.

My many thanks for being the special people you are. I love each of you and my prayers and blessing will be ever for you.

Love in Christ,
Mary Ann Beckwith

And look me up if you get to Charleston.

p.s. Many, many thanks for all the prayers, love, gifts, cards, lunches and especially the several movers and shakers that showed up the last days. God loves each of you and so do I!



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(Please add to your directory)

Notes

Thank you. . . .

We could not possibly express how grateful we were and how loved we felt to have you during this difficult time. We thank you for the delicious foods, the words, the thoughts, and the prayers. We thank you for the flowers and tissues and hugs. We thank you for celebrating with us the wonderful life Judie Goff lived. We thank you for being so supportive and reminding us the impact one person can have on all of our lives.

In Christian love,
Belton and Grandkids



Vicki Grove English
M/M Vann Cleveland

Judie Goff
M/M Vann Cleveland
M/M Forrest Gilmore
Mary Goens
Hugh Goff
M/M Marion Henderson
M/M Orven Nicely
M/M Alton White

Charlie Sanders
June White

Latham Self
M/M Marion Henderson

Dorothy (Dottie) Morgan
Vicky Dorn
Matilda Freeland
June White

Our Christian sympathy is extended to:

Wayne and Carole Adams in the loss of
Wayne's mother
Mrs. Lillie Mae Holmes
and
Belton Goff and family in the loss of
Judie Goff



Herbert Anderson, Jr.
Carolyn Baker
Bill Bruce
James Daniels
George Gable
Glenna Grove
George McElhenny

Our Shut-ins:

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

Deadline for September Chimes is August 10. Email information to church office or drop in Chimes tray located by secretary's office.

DEACONS FOR THE MONTH
Tommy Henderson
George Patterson
Wallace Wood
Vern Adams