

**This Week's Calendar**

**Sunday, July 13**

- 8:45am Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- \*9:00 Sunday School
- \*10:15 Morning Worship Service  
Children's Church (age 4 - gr. 2)
- 5:00pm Youth Alive  
Children's Choir
- 5:45 Men's Choir Rehearsal
- \*6:00 Evening Music Service  
Ice Cream Social afterwards

**Monday, July 14**

- 9:00am Children leave for Music Camp

**Tuesday, July 15**

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study at G&G
- 6:30pm NO Adult Praise Band Rehearsal

**Wednesday, July 16**

- 6:00pm Youth Bible Study at station
- \*6:15 Prayer Time & Bible Study
- \*7:00 Adult Choir Rehearsal  
Youth Praise Band Rehearsal

**Thursday, July 17**

- 6:30pm Deacons Meeting

**Friday, July 18**

- 12 noon Youth at American Hero
- \* nursery provided for ages 4 & under ((except for Sunday morning worship - ages 3 & under)*

**Records and Finances - July 6, 2008**

Sunday School Attendance

- Loris First Baptist Church... 195
- Loris Extended Care Center... 37

Sunday Morning Worship Attendance. 232

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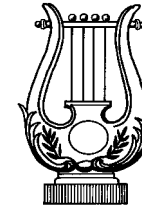
- Budget Required Weekly... \$10,267.71
- Budget Receipts This Week.. 11,447.02
- Weekly Reimbursements. . . . . 343.16
- Weekly Designations. . . . . 170.00
- BUDGET REQUIREMENTS YTD. \$277,228.17
- BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD. . . . . 266,380.26
- AMOUNT UNDER BUDGET. . . . . \$10,847.91
- % BUDGET FUNDED YTD. . . . . 96%**

# The Chimes



*"Strength from the past...  
Boldness for the future"*

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**Praise  
God  
with  
Music**

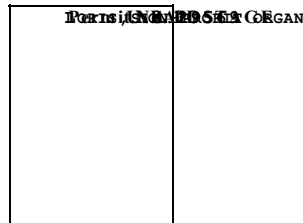
I am excited about this coming Sunday evening when we will have our second concert in our SUMMER CONCERT SERIES at 6:00PM. We have lots of special music planned

to be presented by our own people here at our church. There will be groups ranging from our children to adults as well as some new groups, soloists, and instrumentalists that you have never heard before. I hope you will be here to participate or support those who are participating. You do not want to miss it! (ICE-CREAM SOCIAL AFTER SERVICE) The Men's Choir will meet at 5:45PM in the choir room. The Adult Choir will meet at 5:15PM.

Next Monday, a group of 10 children and chaperones including myself will be going to Young Musicians Camp at White Oak Conference Center in Winnsboro, SC. This is always a wonderful week each summer as the children learn more about music and our Heavenly Father. They will be singing new songs and presenting a musical, as well as playing instruments and doing other musical and dramatic arts. They will have lots of recreation and "fun" activities too.

I ask for your prayers for the safety of all us going on this trip. Pray that we will learn more about God and be drawn closer to Him.

*- Edgar*



## How To Double Our Sunday School Attendance

Imagine doubling our Sunday School attendance. Can we do that? In reality we not only can double our attendance but we can triple it or more. But do we want to? Or the question might properly be, "Do we really want to do God's work of reaching people for Christ?" We like for people to think that we are all Christians with Christian desires for God's church, but that just is not the case. However, I want to share some principles in these articles in the newsletter, as well as develop these thoughts into sermons later on, that can actually double our attendance.

The first principle is Attitude. Phil. 2:5 states, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." What kind of attitude did Jesus display? His attitude included a vision for the salvation of the whole world. Also His attitude included whatever sacrifice that was needed to accomplish that purpose, even His own death. Are we willing to make needed sacrifices? Those sacrifices may include friendships, positions, and ways of doing things, not to mention monetary sacrifices.

Now let's think about some attitudes in our own church that may require some change. When I came on board in Feb. how easy it was for the entire church to say, "God has sent us a leader and we commit ourselves to follow his leadership." It becomes a different story when the pastor begins to state some specifics about expectations, commitments, directions, and the challenges we are faced with. Our attitudes begin to change and what we are really committed to do shows itself. The attitude that we must have is a very positive attitude of moving forward, willing to do whatever it takes to

get the job done. We must stop saying or letting people say, "We can't." "We can't do anything until we pay off the debt." We can't do anything because we don't have the money." We can go on and on. The fact is we can do anything God says we can do as long as we are committed to His work, His way. Let us all understand that Satan has always stood against God. He does not want the church to move forward and he will use people, even good people, to stand in God's way. So a prayerful task that we must involve ourselves in is getting around and over the negative attitudes that keep the church from moving in the direction God wants us to go.

Another attitude that we must work on is complacency. Sometimes churches and people get into a rut and we get convinced that this is a normal way of doing things. A rut is just an open-ended grave. Rev. 3 tells us that God vomits over this type of church and lukewarmness. Complacency is a state of being that says we have done things this way so long it is easier to remain this way than to change. But the reality is – it truly is a grave. I believe God brought me here to lead this church to make some changes and move forward in being a church that God wants. So once again I am calling on the church as a whole to get serious about doing church God's way.

– Bro. Larry

### Sunday Morning Sermon

*"When Jesus Comes to Town"*

Matthew 21:1-17

**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING ON SUNDAY, JULY 20 AT 6PM. WE WILL VOTE ON THE 2008-09 LEADERSHIP DIRECTORY. COPIES OF THE PROPOSED DIRECTORY ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE & OFFICE.**

## DEACON ELECTION SUNDAY, JULY 27, AM SERVICE

A revised selection list was mailed to our members earlier this week. Any member not wishing to be considered for a deacon position, please contact the church office.

### Women of Focus Brunch

*"Basking in the Son"*

**Saturday, July 26, at 10:00am**

You may sign up at the church bulletin board or by contacting Michelle Vaught at 241-0430 or Kim Lewis at 340-4668.

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### VOLUNTEERS for SUNDAY, JULY 13

Nursery: Tammy & Rick Kidman

Children's Church: Holly Cox

Youth Snacks: Arin & Tanner Cox

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*Dear Church Family,*

*Thanks for all the cards, phone calls and prayers during my illness and please continue to keep us in your prayers during this time.*

*In Prayer,*

*Chip & Patricia Jacobs*

**We welcome to our church membership**  
Austin Prince, who comes as a candidate for baptism.

*We extend Christian Sympathy to all the family of Shirley Cox upon her death.*

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### YOUTH EXTRAVAGANZA

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 & 2

AT 7:00PM

Speakers, band, music, food & fun!

Free event for all area youth!

**Featuring**

Christian Contemporary music artist

Britt Nicole on Saturday night

(A ticket is required for Saturday night. Call the church office or Amber to reserve tickets.)