

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, August 10, 2008

- 8:45am Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- *9:00 Sunday School
- *10:15 Morning Worship Service
Children's Church (age 4 - gr. 2)
- 1:00pm Youth leave for Pigeon Forge
- 5:00 NO Youth Alive; Children's Choir
- 5:45 Men's Choir Rehearsal
- *6:00 Evening Worship Service

Tuesday, August 12

- 7:00am Men's Bible Study at G&G
- 6:30pm Adult Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 13

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

Thursday, August 14

- 6:00pm Martha Haynes Class Meeting
- 7:00 Men for Christ Supper/Meeting

Friday, August 15

- 12 noon Youth at American Hero
- 5:30pm Deacons Supper/Mini-Retreat

* nursery provided for ages 4 & under ((except for Sunday morning worship - ages 3 & under)

CHURCH PARKING REMINDER!!

Please do not park in places marked for visitors. Also, the ditch behind the church will be closed. Please park behind filling station.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Nursery 8/10: Tracy Collins & Family

Children's Church 8/10: Nirenstein Family

Youth Snacks 8/10: No Youth Alive

August Greeters: Keith Yates
Lorene Wright

August Ushers: Charles Webster
Tab Jacobs, Joey Vaught, Biff Johnson

The Chimes



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

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It is time to seek the Lord, that He may rain righteousness upon you.
Hosea 10:12

How To Double Our Sunday School Attendance

I have been writing about some principles we need to have in order to increase or even double our attendance. I have mentioned that we need to have a positive attitude, adequate space, and be committed to reaching out beyond ourselves. If we cannot come to an agreement on these things as a church we will find ourselves dead in the water. And these are not new ideas; in fact they have been presented to the church before. Looking back over the history of the church reveals that

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pastors have labored and shared visions of how and where God wanted to lead this church. Somehow plans, visions, and dreams never got off the ground.

Perhaps we find ourselves where the children of Israel were as they entered Canaan. In Numbers 13 and 14 spies were sent into the land to check it out. Allow me to paraphrase what the scripture says. A committee of twelve men went in to check out the land. They came back and reported that the land was indeed what they had been told, however, there were giants in the land (obstacles too great to overcome) and they (children of Israel or the church) were too small or too weak or too inadequate to accomplish the task.

Caleb on the other hand said, sure we can do it, and we need to do it immediately because we are certainly able to do it. An argument ensued from the others who insisted that it could not be done. You might say they had an interested business meeting and the naysayers were the loudest and this was their response.

Numbers 14:4 (NKJV)

⁴ So they said to one another, "Let us select a leader and return to Egypt."

God's heart was broken and He said, "How long will the people reject me and not believe me?" As a result they wandered in the wilderness for 40 years.

God gives us opportunities to be obedient to Him. What shall we do with them?

Bro. Larry

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Youth Extravaganza events this past weekend. We were truly overwhelmed by the support of our church family and know that many lives were touched.

Youth Extravaganza Committee

We extend Christian Sympathy to Chip Jacobs and family, upon the death of Chip's mother, Hazel Jacobs.

Our Prayer Chain

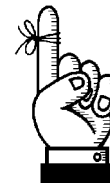
We are revising the chain so prayer requests can be more effectively passed on to all participants. Sign up on the church bulletin board or you can notify Patty Sue Sanders at 756-4330 or pattysanders2@hotmail.com with your name, telephone number and/or email address if you plan to remain in the prayer chain or if you want to join. Info needed by August 24, since the revised chain will be effective September 1.

Records and Finances - August 3, 2008

Sunday School Attendance	
Loris First Baptist Church.....	204
Loris Extended Care Center.....	37
Sunday Morning Worship Attendance. . .	288
Tithes & Offerings	
Budget Required Weekly.....	\$10,267.71
Budget Receipts This Week....	11,935.08
Weekly Reimbursements.	190.00
Weekly Designations.	735.00
BUDGET REQUIREMENTS YTD. . .	\$318,299.01
BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD.	310,028.01
AMOUNT UNDER BUDGET.....	\$8,271.00
% BUDGET FUNDED YTD.	97%

FOOD COURIERS NEEDED

Coastal Rescue Mission needs people to pick up food at the Food Lion in Longs and bring it to the old Carolina Furniture building. This Food Lion generously donates deli foods that are outdated, but still edible to the food ministry. This ministry feeds approximately 1500 people a month in our community. Call Gwen Woody at 448-1352 to volunteer.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

MEN FOR CHRIST SUPPER MEETING - Thursday, August 14 at 7:00pm.

DEACON SUPPER/MINI-RETREAT on Friday, August 15, at 5:30pm.

DEACON ORDINATION during Sunday morning worship on August 17 for Chris Hardwick, Jason Vaught, & Casey Ward.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION on August 24.

BAPTISMAL SERVICE during morning worship on August 24. (Candidates: Daniel Horton and Austin Prince.)

SUMMER CAULDER CONCERT on Sunday, August 31, at 6:00pm.

OPEN FORUM FOR LONG-RANGE PLANNING on September 14, 6pm.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY on Tuesday mornings 7am at G&G. Give you beginning date later!

SENIOR ADULT TRIP TO PIGEON FORGE on November 10-13. \$150.00 each. Includes breakfast at Shoney's, 2 shows, 1 dinner show, lunch at Old Mill, continental breakfast each morning. Sign up & pay at church office.