



FAITHFUL TIMES

FPC August 2009 Newsletter



And Again...

Oh yeah, you're the church that _____.

Did You Know?

- The world's smallest dog is the Chihuahua, which means "tiny dog in the sky".
- There are more than 326 million trillion gallons of water on Earth.
- The Library of Congress, the largest library in the world, stores 18 million books on approximately 530 miles of bookshelves.
- There are more than 10,000 varieties of tomato.
- Radio City Music Hall in New York City is the largest movie theater in the world, with seats for almost 6,000 people.
- FPC has been running a monthly movie –free of charge– with popcorn and special children's movie in the narthex. We don't seat 6,000 but so far we have been able to fit all who show up! Why don't you show up this month on August 21.
- Major League Baseball teams use a combined total of about 850,000 baseballs per season.
- Thomas Edison used to take eight "catnaps" each day, falling asleep in a chair with ball bearings in each palm, waking when they fell and hit the pie pans he'd placed on the floor beside him. He found this system greatly increased his creativity.
- Scientists have proven that our most creative times of day are just before drifting to sleep and when we wake up.
- FPC has a treasure every week in our nursery (several when you count the little ones too!). Stop by and tell Miss May how much we love and appreciate her love of our babies and her commitment to our church!

Session Update

At a slated meeting, the session of FPC met in the office of the church on July 14, 2009 at 7P.M.

The session had a joint meeting with some members of the Deaconate to discuss making a list of church needs available for members' participation.

The session took action on the following items:

- Fall Fish Fry to be held on November 8th.
- FPC Tenth Anniversary Celebration on January 10, 2010.
- Members of FPC to meet with Marketing Director of Maison du Lac for fellowship on August 9, 2009.

Meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Christ for congregational needs and for Covenant Presbyterian Church, Pastor Steve Burton, Jackson, Mississippi.

FPC Welcomes Renee Marsolan as our new Wedding Contact!



FPC has a non-member wedding planned on October 24th. Renee will serve in the new position of Wedding Contact.

With this event in mind as well as FPC's Harvest Festival/Fish Fry on November 8th, mark your calendars for **October 17's WORK DAY** so we can look our best for the wedding as well as for our annual fall activity.

More of "Some Laughs... some groans.

"Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign..."Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means? The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay," said his father, "tell me." The young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'

**Gospel Jam—August 25th
7:00 P.M.**

Children's Ministry

by Pam Greenbaum Rue

Summer is my time for planning the next year of Children's Classes and activities. Our new Children's Church materials have been ordered and Great Commission Sunday School materials are being sorted and prepared. I pray our families will take advantage of this rich teaching for our children and that our parents will attend Sunday School also. Attending Sunday School is worth the effort for great teaching, fellowship and teaching our children that their parents seek to learn more about our Lord.

Our Nursery security system is in place once again. Our dedicated volunteers and Miss May are working to keep our nursery a safe and loving place for our little ones.

GROWTH IN GRACE: A verse that we can all pray during the month for our children: 2 Peter 3:18

"I pray that my children may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."



See You in Sunday School!!!

Men's Ministry

The Men's Breakfast will take place on **August 9** at 7:45am at the church. Good food and fellowship is always on the agenda.

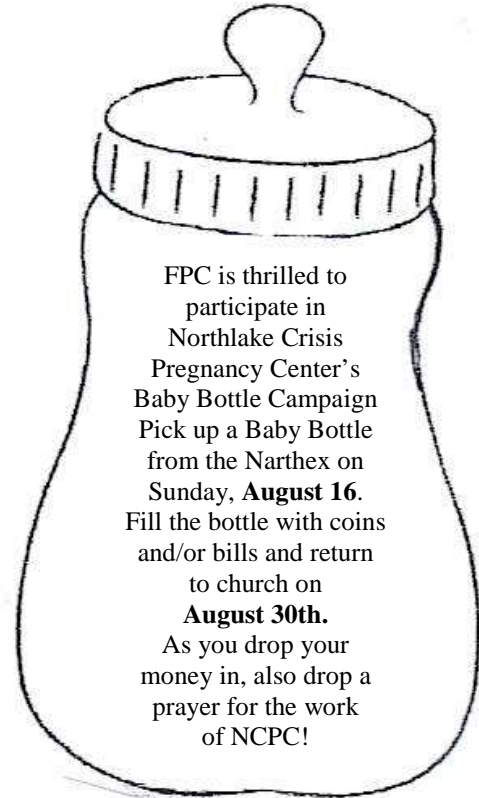
The men continue to meet on Tuesdays at the church at 11:30 A.M. for a Bible Study led by Pastor Chris. They then head out for a Dutch treat lunch in the area. All men are invited.

Mark your Calendars: Work Day on October 17th

REAL MEN LOVE JESUS!

The world of the generous gets larger and larger... The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped.

Proverbs 11:24-25



FPC is thrilled to participate in Northlake Crisis Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle Campaign Pick up a Baby Bottle from the Narthex on Sunday, **August 16**. Fill the bottle with coins and/or bills and return to church on **August 30th**. As you drop your money in, also drop a prayer for the work of NCPC!

The Crisis Pregnancy Center is one of FPC's supported home missions. Some of their stats are: So far in 2009 they have seen 374 new individuals and had 1069 appointments. They have counseled 67 women considering abortion. They have provided 254 parents with food, diapers, clothing, formula etc. They have helped 126 women find pre-natal care; offered 59 women professional counseling; shared the gospel with 256 individuals, prayed with 224, and provided 337 with spiritual encouragement. They have cried, laughed and shared in their joys and sorrows.

Northlake Crisis Pregnancy Center's Mission: The center is a Christian ministry dedicated to helping women and their families who face an unplanned pregnancy by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ, upholding the sanctity of human life, promoting sexual purity through education, and offering compassion to those who have abortion in their past..

Greeters



Thank you to all who volunteered during the summer months of June, July and August. The remainder of the year sign-up sheets are now in the Narthex. Sign-up AGAIN or for the first time. Although the job is easy (a bright smile is all that is required!) it is a very important one. You are the first people that visitors, regular as well as new, will have interaction with before the worship service. Don't be shy—sign up now!

Scripture-Based Prayers To pray for Your Pastor

Victory. Thank You, Father, that Your eyes are on my shepherd, that Your ears are attentive to my pastor's prayers, and that Your face is against those who plot evil against him. Thank You that in all things You work for the good of Chris who loves You. Through Christ, he is more than a conqueror (*1 Pet. 3:12; Ro. 8:28,37*)

Protection. Thank you that no weapons formed against my pastor will prosper. As Chris dwells in the shadow of the Most High, deliver him from terror, darts of doubt, and diseases. Set Your angels around my pastor, and let no power of the enemy harm him. Turn aside rumors, gossip, criticism, abuse, and ungratefulness. May inordinate expectations, stress, and fatigue be cast into the sea, and my every need and vision of Chris' be fulfilled (*Ps. 91:1-11; Lk. 10:19; Mk. 11:22-24*)

Family. Almighty God, shelter Chris and his family. Cover their home, and preserve their time together. In Your faithfulness, meet their financial needs in Christ Jesus, and cancel the assignments of the enemy against them (*Ps. 91:1; Phil. 4:19*)

More Scripture-Based Prayers for Chris next month!

A Thank You Note

The O'Keefe and Vicari families would like to thank the entire church family for all the cards, prayers and support shown to us during my daddy's passing and my sister, Gail's, illness. Thank you for the food you prepared for my daddy's funeral reception. It was a very special time for us to be with family and friends remembering my daddy and the many lives he touched. You are all very special to us and we love dearly. May God continue to hold us in the palm of His hands.

Maria O'Keefe

Movie Night — August 21 7 P.M. "The Apostle"

Starring Robert Duvall, Farrah Fawcett & Billy Bob Thornton



Women's Ministry



The Women's Council is currently getting busy planning for the upcoming events. This is the last year for the following women to serve. Please show your support of all their hard work by keeping them and their plans in your prayers. Your Council is made up of:

Nikki Slaton	President
Lynn Fury	Vice President
Patty Frutiger	Ex Officio
Joy Marsolan	Secretary/Treasurer
Amy Miller	Gospel
Faye Feddeck	Missions
Karen Terrell	Worship

Currently, the team has been working on getting uniforms to students in need and collected over \$270 for this project. We send a HUGE *Thank You* to all who contributed to this fund.

This year will again show a return of the Fall Gathering, Double Nickels, Faith Circle, interesting Bible Studies, Thanksgiving Baskets, Giving Tree, Church-wide Christmas party and much more!

Look for an upcoming events calendar to be out soon letting you know what exciting things your Council has planned and as always, they look forward to each of you getting involved. If you have a special call or feel moved to be involved, then contact Nikki at 809-0984.

Heart-To-Heart




In September we will meet one Sunday for lunch and to organize our FPC scrapbook project (Date: TBA). If you have any photos you care to share from FPC activities, please round them up so they can be included. Most of my (Pam) photos are from VBS so I hope we can broaden our scope and expand on our scrapbook history. Since we are looking forward to celebrating ten years in January, 2010, this is a good time to look back and preserve our story for generations to come.

Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track.

Proverbs 3:5-6

August 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 <i>11:30A Men's study 7p Knitting</i>	5 <i>10a Women's study</i>	6	7	8
9 <i>7:45a Men's B'fast Maison du Lac Open House</i>	10	11 <i>11:30A Men's study 7p Knitting 7p Session</i>	12 <i>10a Women's study</i>	13	14	15
16 <i>Crisis Preg. Ctr. Baby Bottle project begins</i>	17	18 <i>11:30A Men's study 7p Knitting</i>	19 <i>10a Women's study</i>	20	21 <i>Movie Night</i>	22
23	24	25 <i>11:30A Men's study 7p Knitting 7p Gospel Jam</i>	26 <i>10a Women's study</i>	27	28	29
30 <i>Communion Baby Bottle ends</i>	31					



**August
Happy Birthday!**

Pat Killgore	1
Henry Beck	6
Margaret Mancil	12
Sweetie Cross	19
Leslie Harris	19
Baily Terrell	21
Hella Franklin	22
Nancy Little	24
Faye Feddeck	25
Lorena Doerries Denson	31
Doug Howard	31

Anniversaries!

Henry & Daisy Beck	31
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Sunday Times:
Sunday School: 9:00am
Fellowship: 10:00am
Worship: 10:30am—11:45am

Deadlines

Bulletin announcements need to be in the office by **noon on the Wednesday before the Sunday they are to appear.**

Newsletter items need to be in the office by the **third Thursday** of each month!



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