



# FAITHFUL TIMES

## FPC March 2009 Newsletter



### Chris' Column



## Asleep In the Light

Keith Green was a musician who was 28 when he died in a plane crash in 1982. One of his songs is 'O Lord, You're Beautiful' and is in our Celebration Hymnal (643).

*I was particularly struck by this song, on Ash Wednesday, after Fat Tuesday.*

Do you see, do you see, All the people sink-  
ing down?  
Don't you care, don't you care, Are you  
gonna let them drown  
How can you be so numb, Not to care if they  
come  
You close your eyes, And pretend the jobs  
done

Oh bless me lord, bless me lord, You know  
its all I ever hear  
No one aches, no one hurts, No one even  
sheds one tear  
But he cries, he weeps, he bleeds, And he  
cares for your needs  
And you just lay back, And keep soaking it in  
Oh can't you see it's such a sin

'Cause he brings people to you door, And  
you turn them away  
As you smile and say  
'God bless you, be at peace'  
And all heaven just weeps, 'cause Jesus  
came to you door  
You've left him out on the streets

Open up, open up, And give yourself away  
You see the need, you hear the cries, So  
how can you delay  
God's calling, and you're the one, But like  
Jonah, you run  
He's told you to speak, But you keep holding  
it in  
O, can't you see its such a sin?

The world is sleeping in the dark, That  
the church just can't fight  
'Cause it's asleep in the light  
How can you be so dead, When you've  
been so well fed  
Jesus rose from the grave

And you, you can't even get out of bed  
Oh, Jesus rose from the dead, Come on  
get out of your bed

How can you be so numb, Not to care if  
they come  
You close your eyes, And pretend the  
job's done  
You close your eyes, And pretend the  
job's done

Don't close your eyes, Don't pretend the  
job's done  
Come away, come away, come away  
with me my love  
Come away, come away, come away  
with me my love.

I've been asleep. Have you?

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“REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE!”



How? With “Friendly Persuasion!”

PERSUADE, by using some of the following methods:

1. Send a Scripture card, especially in time of loneliness, sadness or difficulty. Everyone likes to get mail!
2. Use the telephone to “keep in touch” and speak a good word.
3. INVITE a friend to church activities; especially worship!

**FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE**

**March 13—7 P.M.**

*“Chariots of Fire”*

Fueled by disparate desires, long-distance runners Eric Liddell (Ian Charleson) and Harold Abrahams (Ben Cross) face off in a quest to bring Olympic glory to Great Britain. Liddell — a staunch Christian — seeks victory as a tribute to God, while Jewish student Abrahams views winning as a repudiation of anti-Semitism. A riveting drama based on a true story. Chariots of Fire won the 1981 Academy Award for Best Picture. Rated PG.

Popcorn available. Children’s movie in narthex. Great opportunity to INVITE a friend!

Next movie night—April 17—”*Luther*”



“Well, we do need new members.”

**FPC’S MISSION’S CONFERENCE  
SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH**

Join us as we welcome our special guests  
**RALPH & MIHO CLATWORTHY**  
long time friends of ours who serve in Japan  
and our newest supported missionaries  
**STUART AND MEGUMI (MEG) MILLS**  
new friends serving in Peru

Your Missions and Fellowship Committees will supply the main course of food after the Worship Service. If your last name begins with *A—F*, bring a salad *G—Z*, bring a dessert



Check out our Web Site at  
[www.faithpreschurch.org](http://www.faithpreschurch.org)



We have a really neat site. You can find past sermons, as well as the latest one, along with other pertinent info about us here on Highway 1085! This newsletter is always there and usually some fun pictures too!

**Remember to join us for a Gospel Jam on March 24th at 7 P.M.** Drop by to tap your feet and listen for a while!



## Children's Ministry

by Pam Greenbaum

During March we celebrate the service of our Nursery Volunteers. We cannot care for our little ones without the dedicated ladies of the nursery. On Sunday March 22 we will have special recognition during service but in the meantime pass by the nursery and let them know what a great work they are accomplishing.

Nursery Need: Our Pack-N-Play (Portacrib/playpen) has seen better days. If you would like to lend the nursery a gently used (and not recalled) playpen/portacrib/Pack-N-Play, please call the church office and leave Pam a message.

K.L.I.C.ers meet on Sunday March 22 following service for pizza and a top secret service project. In April the KLICers will begin their collection for Romanian Christmas boxes. Watch the bulletin for needed items.

VBS News: The dates for VBS have been finalized. JUNE 8—12 FPC will be transformed into 1st Century Rome where our kids will personally meet with Paul. Please keep our campers and volunteers in your prayers and pray our Lord will bring children to mind that you personally can invite.

**\*\*SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL\*\***

*Pam and Tom  
Invite their Church Family  
to be present as they exchange  
Marriage Vows  
Saturday, March 7, 2009  
1 o'clock in the afternoon*

*Cake and punch  
reception following  
in the Narthex.*

*Please, no gifts.  
Your presence is our  
only request.*

## Easter Flowers

Call the church office by March 30 if you would like to place Easter flowers in the church on Easter Sunday, April 12. The cost is \$10 each.

## Women's Ministry

Circle will meet on their usual second Tuesday of the month (March 10) at 1:30pm for short meeting, Bible Study and coffee and dessert. It is open to all members and friends of FPC. Talk with Mary Edmundson for more info.

The Wednesday 10 A.M. Bible Study continues each and every week with coffee and a study led by Daisy Beck. This too is open to all women.

Double Nickels had a great time last month with a Mardi Gras themed party. Several "seconded lined" to the buffet of fried chicken and red beans and rice. Of course it was finished off with a King Cake. The next outing will be on Monday, May 11 at the home of Karen and Larry Terrell. We'll eat (as usual!!) and fish if the weather is better than last year. Please pray!!

The FPC Knitters are preparing some wonderful and very needed items for our mission in Romania. They meet every Tuesday evening at 7 P.M. Experienced as well as novices are welcomed in! Talk with Pam Greenbaum (Rue), Linda Arendt or Nancy Little for more info.

Several of our ladies have signed up and will venture into the city for the Beth Moore conference on April 3-4. Thank you Nikki for getting this information to us. The conference is sure to be a blessing!

FPC is blessed to have so many wonderful opportunities for our ladies. Please take advantage of them!

## Men's Ministry

The men will meet for their regular monthly Men's breakfast on March 8th. Reminder: on this date Daylight Saving Time begins. So men, set your clock forward. See you at 7:45 A.M.

The men continue with a Tuesday Bible Study led by Pastor Chris beginning at 11:30 A.M. Those who want travel on to a local restaurant for a Dutch Treat lunch. Join them whenever you can!

## Praise & Prayer Gathering

EVERY SUNDAY

5:30 P.M.—Food

6 — 7PM — Prayer & Praise

## Session Update

At a stated meeting, the session of Faith Presbyterian Church, Covington, LA met in the narthex of the church on Tuesday evening, February 10th, 2009, 7:00-9:30p.

The session took action on the following items:

The session meeting for March was moved to March 17<sup>th</sup>.

RE Tom Rue was elected Clerk of Session.

The budget proposed by the Administration Committee for 2009 was approved as amended by the session.

Julie White, Jim and Pat Howard, and Lloyd Haugh were removed from the rolls of membership.

Meeting was closed with prayer for the congregation of FPC and All Saints Presbyterian (EPC), Memphis, TN.

### Quotes from Easter Edition Our Daily Bread

The cross of Christ reveals God's love at its best and man's sin at its worst.

If you're looking for God, look to Jesus.

Natural life came by God's breath; eternal life comes by Christ's death.

Jesus Christ is music to the ear and light to the eye.

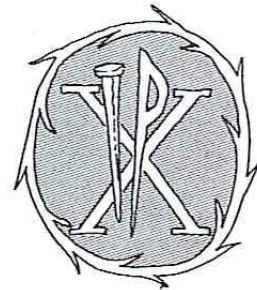
Christ's second coming is as certain as His first.

You can trust the Bible—God always keeps His Word.

Ponder the wonder of Jesus.

Denial compounds our sin; confession cancels it.

### Good Friday Worship Service April 10 7:00 P.M.



A nursery will be available!



*Who am I?* It's easy to start asking ourselves this question when we are looking through the world's eyes. Yet your identity is so clear when viewed through God's eyes: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17) Walk in the confidence of who you are in Christ alone.

# March 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 11:30a Men's Study 7p Knitting	4 10a Women's Study 6:30p Choir	5	6	7 1p Greenbaum/Rue Wedding
8 Daylight Savings Time Change 7:45a Men's Break- fast	9 6p Administration	10 11:30a Men's Study 1:30pm Circle 7p Knitting	11 10a Women's Study 6:30p Choir	12	13 7P Movie Night at FPC	14
15	16	17 11:30a Men's Study 7p Joint Sesion /Deaconate mtg. 7p Knitting	18 10a Women's Study 6:30p Choir	19	20	21
22 Called Cong. Meeting K.L.I.C.ers	23	24 11:30a Men's Study 7p Knitting	25 10a Women's Study 6:30p Choir	26	27	28
29 Mission's Conf.	30	31 11:30a Men's Study 7p Knitting				

**March  
Happy Birthday!**

Bea Wilson	4
Stan Steele	4
Tom Burns	7
Amanda Miller	13
Harvey Marsolan	16
James Slaton	24
Mark Siverd	27
Jeannie Schoen	30
Jordan Frutiger	31

**Happy Anniversary!**

James & Nikki Slaton	15
Doris & Ray Baio	16
Nancy & Erik Johansen	25

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**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!

**Sunday Times:**  
**Sunday School: 9:00am**  
**Fellowship: 10:00am**  
**Worship: 10:30am**



