

First Baptist Church of Pinehurst

Newsletter September 2009

New Church Year

As we enter into the month of September, we are entering into a new church year of new committees, new Sunday school classes and new opportunities to serve and grow. We encourage you to take every opportunity to be involved in the life and ministry of our church. If you haven't joined a Sunday school class, this would be a perfect time to get plugged into a small group setting for studying the Bible. The sanctuary choir is starting up again and will soon be working on our Christmas music. Jesse and the choir would love to have new members come and join in to praise and serve our Lord. Discipleship classes will soon be starting up on Sunday evenings with a wide variety of small groups offered. Wednesday evening activities of prayer, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's and Acteens will be starting as well. Kevin will be continuing to work with our youth on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. All of these are great opportunities for spiritual growth for you and your family; the rest is up to you.

Ladies Luncheon

The Ladies Luncheon is Saturday, September 12th. Just a reminder that all ladies, all ages are invited to attend. This luncheon will finish out summer foods and October will begin fall lunches. Please remember to bring your recipes for the cookbook!

North Carolina Baptist Missions Offering

The North Carolina Baptist Missions Offering will be taking place during September. This mission offering goes to support many different missions throughout our state. Church plantings, disaster relief, mission camps and associational projects all are supported through this offering. September 13th and 20th will be dates we will be emphasizing this offering and giving you an opportunity to give.

Backpack Pals Program

The Backpack Pals Program will be kicking off September 17th. Each Sunday school class will be asked to take a month to supply pudding packs for children's backpacks. The WMU Missions Team will be contacting each class.

WMU Meeting

The Baptist women, led by Wanda Wells, will meet Thursday, September 17th at 7:00 pm. A new Baptist women's group will be starting for those who would like to meet during the day. Please contact Darlene Lantz @ 281-4164 or Pam Anderson @ 295-3405 if you are interested.

New Women's Groups Starting

A new group will be starting for women ages 18-29 and will be led by Ashlee Kerr. Also, a Baptist young women's group will be starting (Leader is yet to be determined). These 2 groups will meet the 2nd Wednesday evening of each month from 7:00-8:00 pm during the time of Mission Friends, GA's, Acteen's, Youth and Prayer. If you are interested, please contact Darlene Lantz @ 281-4164 or Ashlee Kerr @ 947-2003.

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NC Missions – Week of Prayer – September 13th – 19th

Brotherhood Meeting

Sunday, September 27th the Brotherhood (the men of the church) will meet for a breakfast meeting at 8:00 am. Craven Hudson will be speaking to our group about a possible ministry to provide fresh vegetables for needy families in our area.

Associational Deacon Training

Monday evening, September 28th there is an Associational Deacon Training Session at 7:00 pm. This will be at our associational office in Carthage. Our deacons are encouraged to attend this training.

Habitat for Humanity

Women Build Habitat for Humanity will be Tuesday, September 29th. We have several of our ladies who will be participating to help build this house. If you would like to get involved please call Darlene @ 281-4164.

ATTENTION LADIES!

Tickets are still available for the Women of Faith Conference in Greensboro November 6th and 7th. This event features Steven Curtis Chapman, Mandisa, Lisa Whelchel, Sandi Patty, Sheila Walsh, Steve Arterburn, Luci Swindoll, Marilyn Meberg Patsy Clairmont and Allison Allen. You are sure to be blessed by this event. Tickets are \$95. For more information, please contact Michele Fitzgerald @ 638-9125 or NCarolinaRt1@aol.com.

Welcome to Our New Members

Steven & Melody King**Larry & Dorothy Finley and their grandchildren Tegan, Tyranny & Sarin Moyer**Jamie & Audrey Watson, Chris, Ashleigh & Shawn

Christian Sympathy

We would like to extend our Christian sympathy to Brenda Watson and family in the loss of her husband, Neill and to Jason & Ally Parker and family in the loss of their son, Wyatt.

*****YOUTH ACTIVITIES*****

For the month of September the youth will be studying a new discipleship course entitled “Friends”. The study will be on Sundays at 6:00 pm. Here is the description:

Parents, teachers and pastors would like to think they are the most influential people in a student’s life, but students spend more time interacting with their friends than with anyone else. Friends influence every part of student’s lives – how they act, what they say, and most importantly what they believe.

In these four power-packed sessions, Sean McDowell offers Biblical insight into the most common issues students face in friendships: Loneliness, Peer Pressure, Comparisons and Identity.

Youth Council Meeting – Sunday, September 13th – 7:00 pm

Children’s Council Meeting – Sunday, September 20th – 7:00 pm

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Everyone is invited! Wednesday, September 2nd will kick off the new church year for Mission Friends, GA's, Ra's and Acteens. There will be pizza for everyone at 6:00 pm followed by speaker Veronica Karaman of Veronica Karaman Ministries – “God’s Way to and A” at 7:00 pm. This ministry is a revolutionary approach to study that is transforming lives of students. Learning becomes part of their spiritual journey and a whole new world opens up to them. You won’t want to miss this!

Youth on Missions: This fall one of the main focuses of the youth group will be mission opportunities around us. To emphasize the focus on missions –
Each 2nd and 4th Wednesday night we will offer “Acteens” for girls in 7th – 12th grade and “Guys with a Mission” for the boys in 7th – 12th grade. Anyone interested in helping teach or assist with mission opportunities please contact Ruth Todd or Kevin Garner.
Each 1st and 3rd Wednesday night we will focus on prayer and Christian fellowship.

Anyone who has any “**gently used**” **furniture or furnishings** and would like to donate them to furnish the new “Youth Space/Mobile Unit” please contact Kevin. We will arrange a time to come and pickup any items from your home. Thank you!

This year the **Youth Sunday school class** will be divided into two groups –
7th, 8th and 9th will be taught by Darlene Lantz
10th, 11th and 12th will be taught by Kent & Yvette Wood
(All other youth activities will be combined.)

Children’s Extended Session Schedule: September 06 – Steve & Kay Miller
September 13 – Craven & Jan Hudson

Nursery Schedule: September 06 – Cristy Hunt, Kelli Acord, Debbie Marks,
Stacey Hilliard, Kelsey Rea, Savannah Nall
September 13 – Joe & Paulette Chisesi, Ches & Laura Blake,
Jacob Rea, Savannah Nall
September 20 – Maggie Dutton, Brenda Ferrell, Rebecca Dawkins,
Katherine Roberts, Savannah Nall
September 27 – Yvette Wood, Aaron & Ami Denton, Marie Almond,
Taylor Schiffmacher, Savannah Nall

Nursery Schedule Sunday Evenings: September 06 – No Activities
September 13 – Debbie Marks
September 20 – Jason Anderson
September 27 – Pam Anderson

Nursery Schedule Wednesday Evenings: September 09 – Darlene Lantz
September 16 – Amy Garner
September 23 – Steve & Sallie Wofford
September 30 – Susan Credle