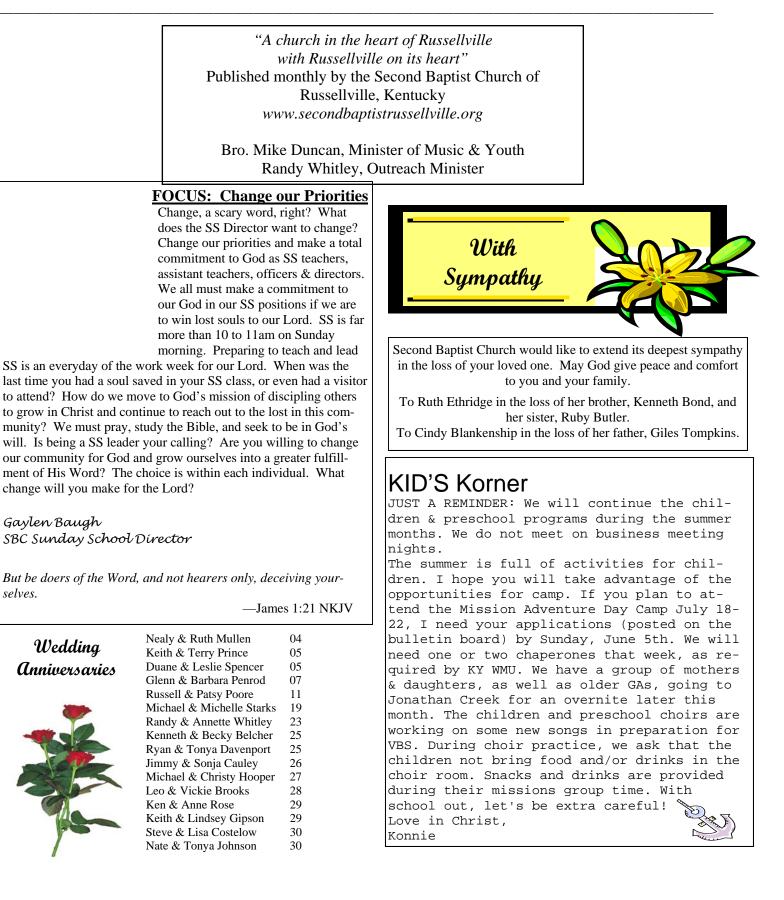
# **The Connection**

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## Mike's Minutes

As I look at the calendar of events for June, I see it has the potential to be a busy month, but then again, aren't they all? Our youth have been chosen by the KBC to attend the Paducah project for KY Changers the week of June 18-24. This will be our first time to attend a mission project in this city. On April 23rd, youth leaders & organizers met at West Union Baptist Church in Paducah for a briefing & prayer walk in project areas. After a brief visit to the school where we will be housed, we departed with the hopes of having a special impact on another community this summer. Not only did we get a first hand look at what we will face at this year's camp, but we left with a vision of what God will do to change the hearts of



others. As I think now of the families that live in the homes that will be worked on, I pray for those individuals that live there that we will meet their physical needs and then we can also meet their spiritual needs as well. We give God the glory today for what He will accomplish through us tomorrow!

Do you know why the majority of people never attempt anything great in their lives? Because they never have a vision. They never get God's vision for their life. It doesn't matter how old you are, whether you're physically disabled, or even if you're not the most intelligent or most gifted---it makes no difference. God can mold & use your life in a miraculous way.

Vision, I believe, is a God-given plan that He desires to be a man-made reality. God makes the vision possible. Man makes the vision real. When you truly possess a God-given vision, it will appear as if some things are impossible. Maybe God has something He wants you to personally do. He has certain things He wants you to accomplish & certain things He wants you to become. Every day of our lives need to be spent finding that vision, following that vision & trusting God to accomplish that vision. Have you ever thought about this?

No organization will survive without vision. Apart from vision, individuals will perish. Without vision, our children will perish. Without vision, our church will perish, we as a people will surely perish, too. The Bible uses the word perish, and it infers that apart from vision, the people will run wild. It means a lack of restraint. In my opinion, our world has gone wild, and it is a reflection of a people who are without vision.

I was eating lunch the other day at China Buffet with Tyler Davenport, our church video administrator. At the close of the mail, the fortune cookie that I got said, "Vision without action is a daydream. Action without vision is a nightmare." We just happened to be sitting there pondering over our vision with church media projects & how we could better serve our viewers with our Sunday morning worship service. Until we got up from the table & started working to accomplish our vision, we were just daydreaming.

Do we have a vision for our church today? What/where do you want/see SBC to accomplish in two years, five years, or even ten years? Don't get me wrong, it's not really our wants (our kingdom), but what God wants to accomplish through SBC to build His kingdom.

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Join me in prayer that we will not limit ourselves as individuals or as a church, but that we will allow God to accomplish great things through us for His glory!

As I promised,



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