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Live internet streaming of Sunday morning worship service Sunday School-10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship-11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening Worship—6:00 P.M. Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study—7:00 P.M.

> With Sympathy

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

Sun., Sept. 14th City-County Park Immediately following the morning worship service



Second Baptist Church would like to extend its deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May God give peace and comfort to you and your family.

To the family in the loss of their loved one, Frances Cooper.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Leanna Cantrell Christy Poole Layla Torbett Kevin Robinson



KIDS KORNER

Watch the face of a child when he or she stands before the church and says they've asked Jesus into their hearts. The faith of a child comes without the trappings of the world. Jesus loves children! Matthew 18:1-6 (HCSB) reads: At that time the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" Then He called a child to Him and had him stand among them. "I assure you," He said, "unless you are converted and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child-this one is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one child like this in My name welcomes Me. But whoever causes the downfall of one of these little ones who believe in Me-it would be better for him if a heavy millstone were hung around his neck and he were drowned in the depths of the sea!"Jesus' words are explicit as to our role, as adults, in the lives of children. Read verse 4 again: "Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child"...we must be the example, the face of Jesus, not just for the children, but to all. Pray that in all we say and do, we will reflect the love of Jesus...if we don't, who will?

— In Christ, Konnie



THE RIVER

Walking through the forest, a seasoned hiker came upon a broad, slowly moving river. He stopped to gaze over the waters, appreciating the beauty, when suddenly he heard a faint cry coming from upstream.

Looking in the direction of the noise, he saw an obviously drowning man floundering in the river and drifting slowly toward him. The hiker was stunned momentarily, but he sprang into action when he saw the man disappear beneath the waters. Throwing off all of his cumbersome gear, he dove into the river and swam like a madman toward the spot where the man went under.

Upon reaching the spot he plunged below the surface and frantically hauled up the helpless man. He then laboriously towed the victim to the shore. Heaving the lifeless body up on the riverbank, the hiker attempted to revive the man, who eventually spit up water and began to breathe.

Relieved, the hiker paused to catch his breath. But no sooner had he done so than he heard another voice out on the water. Another drowning person!

Once again he swam out and pulled the person to shore, a little more slowly this time. As the hiker-turnedlifeguard revived the second victim, he heard yet another cry to help.

All day long the hiker worked, rescuing one person after another as they came drifting down the river. There seemed to be no end of drowning victims, and the hiker didn't think he could keep it up.

Just when he was about to collapse from exhaustion, he spotted another man walking rapidly beside the river, headed upstream. "Hey mister!" he cried out. "Please help me! These poor people are drowning!"

Amazingly, the man kept walking upstream. The astonished hiker called out again. Without even acknowledging the cry, the man kept going. Indignant and angry, the hiker leapt to his feet, ran toward the uncompassionate man, stood directly in his path, and in a loud voice demanded, "Sir! How can you possibly walk past all these drowning people? Have you no conscience? Must I force you to help me save these people?"

The stranger stopped, looked at him for the first time and said with a calm, focused voice, "Sir, please get out of my way. I am headed upstream to stop the guy who is pushing all these people in."

Each of us has a role to play in rescuing those who are drowning in sin. Some of us pull people from the water and resuscitate them with counseling, food and shelter, a rehabilitation program, a support group, or financial aid. Affirm those doing these important ministries.

Others of us find our place of ministry upstream, opposing the one pushing people into the river. We do this by introducing these people to Jesus Christ. Knowing Christ sets a person free from sin and releases them from Satan's power over them.

By itself, pulling people from the water isn't enough. We need to help people deal with the problem of sin at its source.

- Author Unknown

Mike's Minutes

BECAUSE HE LIVES



"Because He lives, you also will live." (John 14:19)

Christ's resurrection is our guarantee of at least two basic truths. First, He has the power to give His life to us and to bring us ultimately to glory to reign with Him forever. And second, His resurrection makes it possible for Him to live in our hearts and to be an integral part of our daily living.

For the past two decades, the music of Gloria and Bill Gaither has greatly enriched evangelical hymnody. Gaither's ministry is one that reflects their own philosophy-the resurrection principle in the daily routines of life-"Because He Lives." Bill Gaither recalls the circumstances that prompted the writing of this favorite: "We wrote "Because He Lives" after a period of time when we had had a kind of dry spell and hadn't written any songs for a while...also at the end of the 1960's, our country was going through some great turmoil with the height of the drug culture, and the whole "God is Dead" theory was running wild in the country. Also, it was the peak of the Vietnam war." It was during those difficult and depressing times the Gaithers had their third child. It was then that Gaither tells, "the lyric came to us. "How sweet to hold our newborn baby and feel the pride and joy he gives, but better still the calm assurance that this child can face uncertain days because Christ lives.' And it gave us the courage to say, "Because Christ lives, we can face tomorrow" and keep our heads high.

God sent His Son—they called Him Jesus; He came to love, heal and forgive; He lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy he gives;

But greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because He lives.

And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain;

And then, as death gives way to vict'ry, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

Chorus: Because He lives I can face tomorrow; because He lives all fear is gone;

Because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living just because He lives.

Article taken from "Amazing Grace Inspiring Hymn Stories" Kenneth W. Osbeck

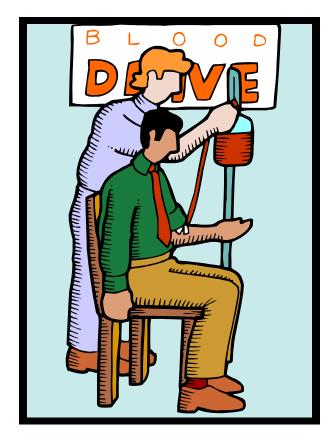
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AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, Sept. 17th 2-6pm FLC Gym

All donors are welcome to enjoy beans and cornbread after donating blood to thank them for giving the gift of life!



- 01 David Kitchens, Brad Wallace
- 02 Frank Noe
- 03 Victor King
- 04 Pearl Page, Brayden Seabolt, Cayden Seabolt
- 05 Marie Romero, Peggy Vick, Wesley Simpson
- 06 Jeff Green, Richard Elamon, John Robertson
- 07 Barbara Penrod
- 08 Doris Gregory, Marilyn Stratton
- 14 Kyla Sweeney
- 15 Cindy Coffman
- Jimmy Prince, Bobby Woodall, Jewell Christie, Kim Fulcher, Dana Stoker
- 17 Peggy Holloway, Susie Rigsby, Amy Dill, Christa Carter
- 18 Grace Woodall
- 19 Kim Short, Carol Holloway
- 20 Kim Matthews
- 22 Andrea Porter, Rylee Grayson
- 23 Maggie Parham
- 24 Bobby Brown, Ashlee Casebier-Setzer
- 25 Thomas White
- 26 Gradie Belcher, Alexa Young
- 27 Bonnie Noe, Amy Taylor
- 28 John Dworske, Troy Yell, Kyle Ashby, Alicia Croft
- 29 Tommy Sprouse
- 30 Coleman Tilghman



- 07 Building & Grounds Committee Mtg., 5pm
- 09 Nursing Home Visitation, 7pm
- 10 Business Meeting, 7pm
- 12-13 Owsley County Mission Trip
- 14 Church Picnic
- 17 Red Cross Bloodmobile, 2-6pm
- 20 Golden Heirs to Grand Rivers, 11am
- 23 Senior Luncheon, 11:30am
- 24 Deacons Meeting, 6pm

<u>Baptist Hour</u> – Each Monday following 12:20pm news on WRUS-AM

<u>Women's Exercise Class</u>- suspended until further notice <u>GO Visitation & Meal</u> -Each Wed. night at 5:30pm,

EXCEPT on Business Meeting night Volleyball - Mondays & Thursday nights



Happy Anniversary!

Bruce & Crystal Jones	01
Rene' & Bobby Forgy	02
Robert & Carolyn Sullivan Madden	07
Jimmy & Lois Prince	10
Joe & Sue Laird	17
Joda & Faye Boley	17
Joey & Jennifer Young	17
Bobby & Rita Woodall	18
Tyler & Lori Davenport	22
Phil & Lynette Baker	30
Gaylen & Shelia Baugh	30
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