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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

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 George Kennedy in the loss of his brother, Elwood Kennedy.



### **BLOOD DRIVE**

## Sept. 16th, 2-6:00 P.M. FLC Gym

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

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Matt Battcher

# **KIDS KORNER**

It's the start of a new church year at Second Baptist. We'll see a few new faces as some children move up in Sunday School and our Wednesday night mission groups. We invite boys and girls to join us on Wednesday nights, starting at 6:30 with Children's Choir, then Mission Friends, GAs and RAs at 7:00. We don't just talk about missions, this group is actively involved in doing missions, supporting missions, and participating in the work of the church. What they learn is really at the heart of what it means to be Southern Baptist. As I look at what my granddaughters are learning in geography, I start smiling....we've learned about these countries, cultures, food and religion In Mission Friends, GAs and RAs. See, it's so much more than reading about a missionary! We ended the 2014-15 year with a Recognition Service for Mission Friends, GAs and RAs. A record of their accomplishments will be presented at the September business meeting. A mini-workshop was provided for mission group leaders as well as those who would be interested. If you were not able to attend, but are willing to volunteer with one of the groups (especially Mission Friendspreschoolers) please let me know. If you wonder, "Just what are they doing on Wednesdays?" then visit us! We believe that parents/grandparents should always feel free to visit our groups. We're looking forward to a great 2015-16 year. In Christ.

Konnie



"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all in joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ...." Philippians 1:3-6

Each of Paul's letters begins and ends with words of appreciation for the churches in scripture. Brenda and I echo the passage above because of the ways you have received us, encouraged us, and loved us. How grateful we are that God called us to walk with you -all these several months as you continue seeking the man of God who will shepherd you into wholesome future. This interim feels most humble because of your response to our ministry.

I would like to call Second Baptist Church to pray often and fervently for the individuals who will lead this body of believers forward. Pray for the pastor search committee and the youth search committee that they will know God's specific will for this church. I believe that God has the godly persons that will be used greatly to grow this church spiritually and numerically. Thus, pray for the Holy Spirit to convict our committees and the individuals of His choosing!

My appreciation goes to the committees who have prayed and labored over many decisions being made during this time of transition. The new church year has begun: teachers, servants, workers, planners, committee's folk, have fulfilled the many positions necessary for this church body to function. Thank you all for loving our Lord and His church by giving yourselves to ministry.

God has blessed His church with individuals being saved, baptized, others coming to be members of our family. Do you believe that God has been gracious to favor us with these many decisions? We've been blessed in worship as the Holy Spirit opens hearts through music and message. Then all of our former debts have been paid off from the love of a very special person. We have a new roof! No more leaks or coverings in church. Let's be united in singing, "Praise God from whom all (these) blessings flow."

It was not a good day when the hunter shot himself in the foot. It is never a good day when God's people do the same by negative comments that have no place in God's work. We are blessed so let's accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative. Please!

J. David Jicka, interim pastor

P.S. Notice all the great ministry events that are coming in September.

#### Mike's Minutes

This issue of *The Connection* brings a closure to the era of "Mike's Minutes" articles. It is with mixed feelings that I say this. To say the least, I only wish



the transition period could have been handled in a smoother way than it was. You, the church, have spoken and now we must pick up the pieces and move forward for the advancement of God's Kingdom work. Please continue to pray for the church and us.

For sixteen years, through the avenue of "Mike's Minutes," we've been writing on topics that have related to music and youth. Thanks to the many who have told me how much you enjoyed the articles each month. After this month, we'll only be writing on topics related to music, worship, hymnology, and our music program in general. Our new article title will be "The Choir Loft"! Hope you will enjoy it as well.

For those outside the current church body, we are no longer serving as fulltime Music/Youth Director. However, as voted by the church, we will continue serving as an interim part-time position until a new youth director can be found. Preparing the youth for the next director will be our number one goal. Please continue to pray for the Youth Search Committee as they seek to know God's will in filling this position.

As I think back on the years I have served as your Minister of Youth, I want to say how much I appreciate the confidence and support you have given me. It is one of the things I have valued most. I have many fond memories of those gone on to Glory and to you who have helped me with the program and the relationships we have built. We can think back on so many of the individuals that we have worked with, and I know if I tried naming them all I'd fear leaving someone out. I have kept records on over 180 some youth that have traveled through the door of "Pier 419" Ministries since its conception in 2005. So many great youth mission trips and activities to think back on and pictures to reminisce. I know that without the financial support of this church and many individuals. many of these students wouldn't have been able to go with us and experience what they have. Please continue your support for this worthwhile ministry in the years to come. Last, but not least, I want to thank Pam, my wife, for her love and support, not only for me but also for your youth. We have laughed together, shared our home with the homeless, fed hungry mouths, cried at deaths, and feared the unknown with many students along the path. If it wasn't for her support, I couldn't have accomplished all that I have. I only wish I hadn't spent as many hours away from home and family as I have trying to build a program. Pam has sacrificed a lot for me to do what I wanted to do. She has been there for me in the glory days and in the trenches of battle, too. I love you, Pam, and I love Second Baptist Church!

Bro. Mike

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## Annual SBC Church Picnic



Sun., Sept. 13th City-County Park

Immediately following the morning worship service.



- 01 David Kitchens
- 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
- 07 Barbara Penrod
- 08 Doris Gregory, Marilyn Stratton
- 15 Cindy Coffman
- 16 Jimmy Prince, Bobby Woodall, Kim Fulcher, Dana Stoker
- 17 Peggy Holloway, Susie Rigsby, Christa Carter
- 18 Grace Woodal
- 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



- 06 Bldg. & Grounds Committee Mtg., 5pm
- 08 Nursing Home Visitation, 7pm
- 09 Business Meeting, 7pm
- 13 Church Picnic
- 16 Red Cross Blood Drive, 2-6pm
- 22 Golden Heirs to Shady Cliff, 4pm
- 30 Deacons Meeting, 6pm

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

<u>GO Visitation & Meal</u> -Each Wed. night at 5:30pm, EXCEPT on Business Meeting night

Brotherhood – meets on Business Meeting night, 6-7pm

Volleyball - Mondays & Thursday nights



Bruce and Crystal Jones 01 Bobby & Rene Forgy 02 Robert Madden/Carolyn Sullivan 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