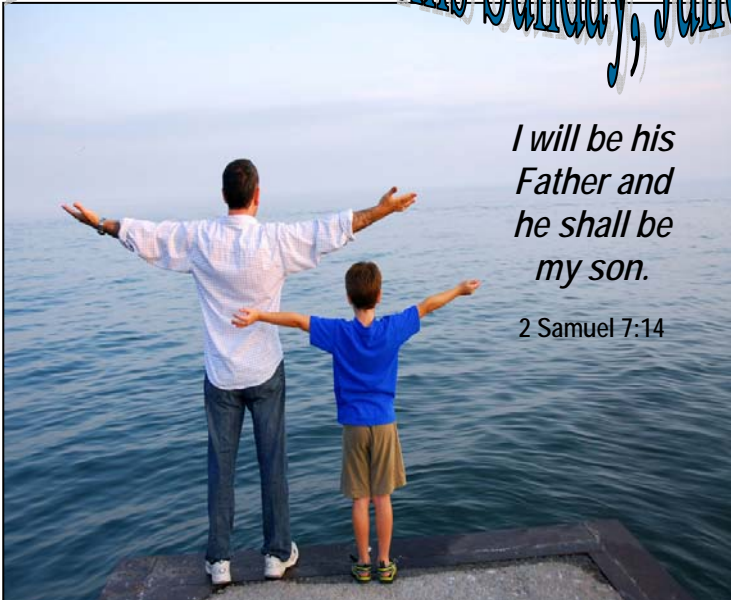


# Honor Your Father This Sunday, June 21



*I will be his  
 Father and  
 he shall be  
 my son.*

2 Samuel 7:14

## WHAT MAKES A DAD

God took the strength of a mountain,  
 The majesty of a tree,  
 The warmth of a summer sun,  
 The calm of a quiet sea,  
 The generous soul of nature,  
 The comforting arm of night,  
 The wisdom of the ages,  
 The power of the eagle's flight,  
 The joy of a morning in spring,  
 The faith of a mustard seed,  
 The patience of eternity,  
 The depth of a family need,  
 Then God combined these qualities,  
 When there was nothing more to add  
 He knew His masterpiece was complete,  
 And so, he called it...Dad.

—Copied

Pastor's Sermon Topic  
 Sunday, June 21, 10:30 AM

**"OUR RUNNING GOD"**  
*Luke 15:20*

*God knows no limits to showing  
 us His Fatherly love*

**NO EVENING ACTIVITIES**

## SUMMER CALENDAR NOTES

**Sunday, June 21**

No Evening Activities (Father's Day)

**Wednesday, July 1**

No Wed. Night Activities including Family  
 Night Supper

**Sunday, July 5**

5:00 PM-Hot Diggety Dog Cookout PLUS

Omega Quartet Concert  
 NO Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Monday, July 6**

Church Office Closed

**Wednesday, July 8**

Kitchen Closed—We will have Prayer  
 Meeting & Activities for Children & Students

**Sunday, July 12**

5:30-Baptism Service

6:30-Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday, July 15**

5:30-Family Night Supper Resumes

6:30-Prayer Meeting, Children &  
 Student Activities

**Sunday, July 19**

NO PM Activities Except Adult  
 Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesdays, July 22, 29**

All Activities Resume

**Sunday, July 26**

5:30-Centri-Kid Report

6:30-Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, August 2**

9:00-Promotion Sunday

5:30-Baptism

6:30-Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, August 9**

5:30-Discipleship Studies

6:30-Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, August 16**

4:00-Weekday Ed Open House

4:30-Youth Choir Resume

**Wednesday, August 19**

Children's Choirs Resume

**Sunday, August 23**

10:30-Parent/Child Dedication

**Sunday, August 30**

170th Anniversary & Homecoming Celebration  
 With Rev. Perry Webb &  
 Dinner on the Grounds



This morning I thought of Jimmie and Anne Nettles when I read the following anecdote: *All eyes were on the radiant bride as her*

*father escorted her down the aisle of the church. When they arrived at the altar and stood waiting for the groom to step forward, the bride kissed her father and placed something in his hand. Immediately, ripples of laughter went up from the guests in the front pews. Even the minister began to chuckle. It seems that as the father gave his daughter away, she gave him back his American Express card.*

I am fairly certain that this particular exchange will not occur this Saturday when Jimmie gives away his daughter, Sarah, to her fiancé Ben. Instead, I expect that the moment will be one of even greater joy for Jimmie. I am guessing this because I have had the privilege of giving away my own daughter to her husband a few years back. For me, it was one of the highlights of my ministry and life. I am praying that Jimmie will experience similar joy.

The Bible teaches us that our children are a gift from God. Consider Psalm 127:3 for a moment, *“Lo, children are a heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is His reward.”* Like all of God’s gifts we have the responsibility of being stewards of them. That is, we have the tremendous responsibility of being good parents to our children as a commitment to God, teaching them His ways and setting forth the right example. The importance of one of those objectives is evident in Proverbs 22:6, *“Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it.”*

Still, Moses captured the enormity of the dual tasks when he wrote, *“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD*

*is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”* In everything we do, we are to set the example that our relationship with God matters most and see to it that our children understand and embrace it for themselves.

Quite often, we think that the thrust of these instructions apply only when our children are small and young. While the importance of our example and instructing our children early on cannot be diminished, I have learned that some of the best opportunities for being a good parent occur when our children are beginning their adult lives. During those years when they are starting to make decisions concerning relationships, careers, and purpose, God grants us great chances to give them direction, counsel, and encouragement.

For me, these moments are a blessing of the Lord and I enjoy them so much. I view them as second and third chances to get it right. I know that I let too many teachable moments slip by early on and did not always make the time that I should have as a dad. Now God is giving me those moments and I am loving every minute of my role as Carrie’s and Will’s father.

Dads, let me encourage you to embrace your role as a parent. Regardless of the ages of your children, start today. I trust that there is still time to be the dad that God wants you to be.

I love you and look forward to seeing you soon.

*Pastor Butch*

Oh my! As the temperature rises, so does my excitement for our summer activities! We have events planned for your child to keep them connected to God’s Word and love from FBC Albany. Our Parent’s Night Out is Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. This event is for babies up to 6<sup>th</sup> graders! Our PJ Party will be for babies—2<sup>nd</sup> graders. They will enjoy a movie at the church. PJ’s are optional but enjoyment is guaranteed! The 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders will have fun with outside/inside activities. Drop your child off at 6 p.m. with a sack dinner (or feed before) and \$5.00. In order for accommodations to be fulfilled for your child, please sign up no later than Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Please understand that we have to assign childcare workers according to the number of children present, so please remember that late registration will not be available. Your children can bring their favorite board games to play with the gang.

Attention 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders! WinShape Camp, sponsored by Chick-Fil-A, will be providing a day camp from June 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> at Sherwood Church. This is a community event and we have partnered up to help make this camp a fun one for kids and a glorious one for the Lord! The cost is \$169. Details can be found at the Children’s Welcome Center. You can also find more information at [www.winshapecamps.org](http://www.winshapecamps.org). Be on the lookout for more information on future summer events!

Serving Him Gladly,  
Jennifer J. Jefcoat  
Minister to Preschool and Children



REVEREND AND MRS. JIMMIE NETTLES  
REQUEST THE HONOUR OF YOUR PRESENCE  
AT THE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Sarah Ruth  
to  
Mr. Benjamin Dyar Parten

ON SATURDAY THE TWENTIETH OF  
JUNE TWO THOUSAND AND NINE  
AT TWO O’CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON  
PARK AVENUE UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH  
100 EAST PARK AVENUE  
VALDOSTA, GEORGIA

RECEPTION TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW

# Ladies, Look What's Coming Your Way this Summer...

Watch for further information about these opportunities:

- ☞ **Bible Studies by Demand**  
(one-session, stand alone studies on a variety of topics)
- ☞ **Prayer that Works**  
by Jill Briscoe (group will read book and meet twice to review & discuss)
- ☞ **Making Bible Bags**  
This will be a demonstration of how to make Bible bags. One goal is to have a group make bags to give our first graders when they receive their Bibles from the church.
- ☞ **This Is My Story: Creating a Scrapbook Legacy of Faith**  
Learn more about scrapbooking while telling your "faith story" for your children and grandchildren

**Get involved—there is a little something for everyone!!**

## JOY Luncheon

Noon, Thursday, June 25

Don Dalley, Parks of Chehaw, will share information about wild life in southwest Georgia and at the Park.

You get a **GREAT** program and **DELICIOUS** lunch for only **\$5.00!**

Plan to come and invite a friend.

### OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

**Mon. June 22**  
9am-1pm-Tinsley Dozier  
1-5pm-Mary Ann Oakes  
**Tues. June 23**  
9am-1pm-Eloise Dozie  
1-5pm-Gray Fountain  
**Wed. June 24**  
9am-5pm-Harriet Haskins  
**Thurs. June 25**  
9am-1pm-Ouida Fincher  
1-5pm-Alan Stone  
**Fri. June 26**  
9-4pm-Ann Sims

### SUN., JUNE 21 NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

**Bed Babies**  
Ouida Fincher; Gwen Ellis  
**Toddlers**  
Matt & Teresa Hummel  
**2 yrs. Old**  
Beth Price; Jenni Carpenter  
**3 yrs. Old**  
Charlie & Nicole Deriso  
**Lil' Big House**  
Jake & Jennifer Jefcoat  
**Big House**  
Joy Dutton; Hope White

## Camp Hawkins Mission Trip

Monday, June 8-Saturday, June 13, 2009

Dear Church Family, Thanks so much for your prayers and support given for the FBC Mission Team to Camp Hawkins as well as the staff and campers. The first week of camp went well. As usual, *flexibility* was a key ingredient to everything running smoothly. Another key ingredient was individuals who are faithful to God and pull together as a team to get the job done. These pictures give you a glimpse of what goes on at camp. Be sure to join us at 5:30 PM on June 28<sup>th</sup> for a full report. Invite those you know who may have children or grandchildren with developmental disabilities who would benefit from attending Camp Hawkins.

### Camp Hawkins Mission Team 2009

Bob Dasher; Greg Duke; Janice & Carl Dunn; Mike Dutton; Rachele & Howard Fowler; Kem Gluckert; Dellen Lyall; Kathy Mims; Margene Neal; Carol Reddish; Julie Sellers; Ken Spruill



**JOIN US FOR A FULL REPORT JUNE 28, 5:30 PM**

## World Changer's Report & Fellowship

Greetings from Grifton,  
God truly blessed the students and adults of FBC as we served the Lord in Grifton, NC. All 30 of us worked hard all week and never failed to display a Christ-like spirit towards one another and others. Okay, there were a few moments of impatience or complaining, but not many. Thanks for your prayers for us as we were safe in our travels and on our work sites. Thanks so much for being here Sunday night to hear our report. Its great to know we have a church family who loves and supports our students. Where will 2010 find us? Only God knows. *Brian Scott, Student and Activities Minister*



Checking out that homemade ice cream

Tallying the ballots for best all-around cake.

And the judges have spoken— Winner best all-around cake is...Don

# This Week at FBC

## SUNDAY, JUNE 21/Father's Day

9:00am- Bible Study  
10:30am-Worship  
11:00am-Korean Worship Service  
No Evening Activities

## MONDAY, JUNE 22

5:30pm-Moe's & Moo's/Students  
5:30pm-Heart Friends/Small Conf. Rm.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 23

9:00am-Weekday Ed Summer School  
6:30pm-Deacon Supper/Meeting  
6:30pm-Student Movie Night

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

5:30pm-Family Night Supper  
6:30pm-Prayer Meeting  
6:30pm-Summer Blast (Big House Area)  
6:30pm-IMPACT  
7:30pm-Properties Committee  
7:30pm-Nominating Committee/Conf. Rm.  
7:30pm-Praise Team & Band Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, JUNE 25

9:00am-12:00n-Weekday Ed Summer School  
9:30am-3rd-6th grade/All-American Fun Park  
12:00n-JOY Luncheon

## FRIDAY, JUNE 26

## SATURDAY, JUNE 27

### BITS & PIECES

*Dear Butch & First Baptist Family, Thank you for coming to visit us when Ridley was born and thank you for the beautiful flowers to celebrate her birth! We are so thankful for such a caring church family and we look forward to watching her grow physically & spiritually! Thank you dearly!*

*Much love, Jim & Michelle Vaughn*

*Dear First Baptist Family, He was a member for 58 years and they (the church family) meant so much to him and Evelyn. Thank you for remembering us during this time of loss and adjustment. The flowers were beautiful and the cards and calls have helped to ease the grief of his passing. We treasure each prayer you've raised on our behalves. It is such a comfort to have a spiritual family who provides such support when we need it. Thank you and Adult 13 for being examples of Christ indeed. The family of Milledge White, Sr. (Brannon & Hope)*

*To First Baptist Church Family, I want to express sincere thanks and gratitude to you and especially to the person responsible for allowing my Mother, Mildred Mims, to be the recipient of the special recliner for the time that she needs it. This is such a blessing for her and we appreciate it so very much... We certainly appreciate the prayerful support from members of First Baptist of Albany as well as the visits, transportation, cards and phone calls, too!*

*In Christ's love, Judy Mims New*

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### FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

Wed. June 24 - 5:30-6:30

BBQ Pork; Baked Beans;  
French Fries;  
Salad Bar; Dessert;  
Coffee; Tea

#### Children's Menu:

Hot Dogs  
7th Gr. & up —\$5;  
3 yrs.—6th Gr.—\$3



### HOSPITAL

#### Phoebe

Rhydonia Allen

### FLOWERS SUNDAY, JUNE 21

- (1) The lovely flower arrangement in the Worship Center this Sunday is given to the glory of God and in memory of Alex & Christy Tinsley's Dads, George Tinsley & Jimmy King.
- (2) The lovely flower arrangement is given to the glory of God and in honor of Alex Tinsley on his first Father's Day.

*Rick Barrett of The Flower Gazebo furnishes these beautiful arrangements at a cost of \$40 per standard arrangement. Call the church office to reserve your special date to place flowers in the worship center in honor or in memory of a loved one.*

### SUNDAY REPORT—6/14/09

Adults.....	238
Student .....	38
Children .....	57
Preschool.....	51
TOTAL .....	384
Worship Attendance 10:30 AM .....	410

### FINANCIAL REPORT June 14, 2009

Budget Received This Week.....	\$ 17,412.87
2009 Budget Needed Y.T.D .....	\$ 641,776.31
2009 Budget Received Y.T.D.....	\$ 567,855.92
CNN Received This Week .....	\$ 343.50
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 10,702.00
The Next Step Received This Week .....	\$ 1,402.00
Balance on Hand This Week .....	\$ 34,908.76
2009 Received Year to Date .....	\$ 116,538.80
Total Received to Date .....	\$ 1,082,734.37
Designated Gifts Received This Week .....	\$ 815.00
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 26,830.60
Total Gifts Received This Week.....	\$ 19,973.37
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 722,050.62

### MINISTERIAL STAFF

William E. "Butch" Knight, PhD ..... Senior Pastor  
Jimmie Nettles..... Pastor of Worship & Music  
Brian Scott..... Pastor of Students & Activities  
Kathy Mims, PhD..... Director of Sr. Adult &  
..... Women's Ministries  
Jennifer Jefcoat..... Minister to Preschool & Children  
Ray Kirk..... Business Administrator

### MINISTER ON CALL JUNE 20, 2009

#### BRIAN SCOTT— 420-7539

If no answer, call the church, 883-8000, and choose Option #7. You will hear instructions for having our Minister on Call paged.