

# Meet Our 2009 High School Graduates



Special Recognition at the 10:30 AM Service May 17



**Josh Chapel**

*New Beginnings Christian School  
 Darton—Business Administration  
 Mr. & Mrs. Bo Chapel*



**Abigail Faith Evans**

*Evans Home School  
 Dr. & Mrs. Stacy Evans*



**Bradley Johnston  
 Germany, Jr.**

*Deerfield-Windsor School  
 University of Georgia—Business  
 Dr. & Mrs. Brad Germany*



**Wimberly Grace Glass**

*Deerfield-Windsor School  
 University of Georgia—Biology  
 Mr. & Mrs. Todd Glass*



**Terry Collin Ho**

*Deerfield Windsor School  
 Valdosta State—Accounting/Finance  
 Mr. & Mrs. Terry Ho*



**Grover Cleveland Mims III**

*Lee County High School  
 Darton—Nursing  
 Mrs. Sheila Mims*



**Desiree Dove Stradley**

*Lee County High School  
 Darton  
 Mr. & Mrs. David Dougherty*



**Christopher Raymond Tripp**

*Lee County High School  
 Georgia Southern  
 Hospital Administration  
 Mr. Bobby Tripp/Mrs. Dawn Still*



From a church event planning perspective, May is one of the most predictable months of the year. We have two holidays, Mother's Day and Memorial Day, along with a couple of other special recognition events. One of those that we look forward to each year is Graduate Recognition.

This Sunday we will recognize our high school graduates during our morning celebration time. It is a special time in the lives of these young folks and their families. Simultaneously, they are celebrating the major accomplishment of having finished high school, while they are envisioning starting over in terms of further education, work, and adjusting to adulthood. They have dreams to chase, and goals to pursue.

Congratulations, graduates!!! I'm not sure if you have really thought of it or not, but you have completed a task that has occupied much of your life to this point. You have spent the majority of your seventeen to eighteen years of life in school, pursuing your diploma. While you didn't spend every moment pondering graduation day, I'm guessing that over the last couple of years you have given plenty of attention to the idea that you would soon be finished with high school.

The question arises, What now? What will you do? Where will you go? And, how will you get there? The answers are much more diverse than the questions. Some of you have started this process by making application to universities and colleges. Some of you have trips planned to take to other parts of the world to help you figure out your next move.

While you are in the process of seeking direction, whether it is in college or the workplace or a distant land, let me encourage you to turn to God's word. Do you know that one of the best known passages of Scripture in terms of seeking direction is found in the Old Testament? The Message version of Jeremiah 29:11-14 reads, *"I have it all planned out—plans to take care of you, not abandon you, plans to give you the future you hope for. When you call on me, when you come and pray to me, I'll listen. When you come looking for me, you'll find me. Yes, when you get serious about finding me and want it more than anything else, I'll make sure you won't be disappointed."*

Again, congratulations to our graduates and their families!!! Trust that God has a plan for your lives and He knows how to get you there. We look forward to watching you pursue His direction and His dream for you. May the Lord bless you in your pursuit of being all that He desires.

I love you and look forward to seeing all of you Sunday as we worship together.

Pastor Butch

Convocation



In Concert Wed. May 20, 6:30 p.m.

Children's & Youth Choirs



Spring Sing  
Sunday,  
May 17  
5:30 PM

Our children LOVE to show you how they praise God through the musical skills they have learned throughout the year! Please support them with your prayers and presence.

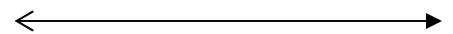
### Camp Hawkins Mission Trip Monday, June 8— Saturday, June 13, 2009

A team of 16 FBC folks are preparing to work the first week of Camp Hawkins, a residential camp for children and teens with developmental disabilities. We need YOUR help to insure the success of this mission trip. Ways you can contribute:

1. **Pray for the team as they prepare to go and serve.**
2. **Donate any of the following items:** disposable cameras (24-26 exposure with flash) for the campers; heavy duty plastic flatware; 13-gallon trash bags. Items can be placed in boxes located in church atrium or church office from Sunday, May 17 to Wednesday, June 3.
3. **Make a monetary contribution to help "outfit" the kitchen.** There are a number of items that are needed to make the kitchen more "cook" friendly. This year we will be preparing ALL the meals—not just a few dinners. In the past, we borrowed kitchen items from the breakfast/lunch cooks but they will not be at camp this year.
4. **Volunteer to bake homemade goodies**—cookies, brownies or sheet cakes to be used for snacks and desserts (to be brought in on Sunday, June 7). See the sign up sheets in Sunday School!

Thanks in advance for your prayers and support!

Camp Hawkins Mission Team 2009



#### Healthy Choice Food Line

A "healthy choice" line has been available on Wednesday nights to the *First Place 4 Health* participants. Others have asked about this option. Please contact Kathy Mims (883-8000 or [kmims@firstbaptistalbany.org](mailto:kmims@firstbaptistalbany.org)) if you are interested in having this as an alternate choice to the regular Wednesday evening supper. Continuation of this option will be based on interest.

Thanks!



# HEY MATES!

THE BOOMERANG EXPRESS IS COMING!  
GRADES 1-6...GET READY TO HOP ON

**MAY 31—JUNE 4 IS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!**  
**5:00 pm-Snack Supper \*\* 5:30-8:30 pm-VBS**  
**PLUS...Adult VBS with Dr. Butch teaching — 6:30 pm. (Multi-purpose Rm.)**

It's VBS "Kick-off" time Wednesday, May 27, 6:30-7:30 PM

A great Family Night Supper will be served at 5:30 as usual & then you will learn what's going on in our VBS 2009 as we gear up for this exciting event that is scheduled May 31-June 4!!

YOU CAN HELP US OUT BY SAVING TOILET PAPER ROLLS & PAPER TOWEL ROLLS!



### A Treat For Parents & Preschoolers this Summer!

**SUMMER PRESCHOOL**—June 2-July 30 (except week of June 30th-July 3rd) - Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon Weekday Ed will offer summer classes for two year olds—Pre-K4. If your child completed PreK4, they are included. Cost is \$120 each month. Drinks & snacks provided (No lunch). Call Patti Rohrs, 883-7575 with any questions.

Wow! What a week! Our Hanger 56 event was great. The tweens, Jake and I had an eventful evening packed full of fun. Thanks to Danyel Clack, Hope White, Mike Dutton, Todd Ross, Davis and Jana Gill, Ronnie English, and the many others that contributed to a smooth and successful night. We will definitely have to do that again sometime this summer.



**REV. BRIAN SCOTT**  
Will bring the message  
**Sun., May 17, 10:30 AM**  
*"Relaxed" — Psalm 46*

**FBC will honor our high school graduates with...**

- ✓ A Dinner
- ✓ A Gift
- ✓ Recognition at 10:30 a.m. Service

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**  
**NOT PICTURED**

*Donnie Tollefson*  
*Miranda Worsley*

### **A GREAT FATHER/SON MISSION PROJECT**

A group of RA leaders are organizing a Father/Son mission project on Saturday, May 16th from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
**YOU are invited to participate!**



They will be building four picnic tables to be used here at the FBC campus for the church family's enjoyment. Under the able direction of C.B. Fincher, Bruce English and our pastor, this will be a great time of fellowship and learning new skills as well. Please consider joining us for this fun time—just call Bruce English (894-7630) for more information and/or to sign up.

Let me clear up a confusing matter—VBS Kick-Off is Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Dinner will start at 5:30 p.m. as usual. Your child will get a glimpse of the excitement we will have at VBS! Our actual VBS will start Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> with a snack supper at 5:00 and the program from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Registration forms are located at the Children's Welcome Center. Pre-registration will help us be as prepared as possible for your child on Sunday. T-shirts are available for sale starting at \$8.00. I can't wait for VBS!!!

Please pray for my family as we travel to New Orleans for my graduation. I will also be attending an Old Testament Word Studies class while I am there at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. I pray I can teach our children the basics of the actual language (Hebrew) that the OT was written in. I strive to add another layer of Christian education to the foundation that parents are teaching them at home. Parents, keep up the good work—your children amaze me with their exquisite questions and knowledge!

Truly Blessed,  
*Jennifer J. Jefcoat*  
Minister to Children and Preschool

#### OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

- Mon. May 18**  
9am-1pm-Jo Ann Lane  
1-5pm-Bobbie Barfield
- Tues. May 19**  
9am-1pm-Becky McDonald  
1-5pm-Janice Kennedy
- Wed. May 20**  
9am-5pm-Harriett Haskins
- Thurs. May 21**  
9am-1pm-Mynette Chapman  
1-5pm-Gray Fountain
- Fri. May 22**  
1-5pm-Ann Sims

#### SUN., MAY 17 NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

- Bed Babies**  
Amanda Rooks; Suzanne Hardison; Norma Conner
- Toddlers**-Jason & Laney Corley
- 2 yrs. Old**—Marty & Haley Thornhill
- 3 yrs. Old**  
Margene Neal; Laura Neal
- Lil' Big House**  
Brad & Claire Lang
- Big House**  
David & Ashley Shepard; Doug Boss

#### **NOON, THURSDAY, MAY 28**

##### **Program:**

Lee Chitwood, Minister of Music and Worship at Newnan First Baptist Church *teams up with* our own Jimmie Nettles to present a selection of songs. You get a **GREAT** program and **DELICIOUS** lunch for only **\$5.00!** Plan to come and invite a friend.

FOR THE GOOD

# This Week at FBC

## SUNDAY, MAY 17

9:00am- Bible Study  
 10:30am-Worship  
 11:00am-Korean Worship Service  
 4:30pm-Youth Choir & Children's Choirs Rehearsal  
 5:30pm-Children & Youth Choirs Spring Sing  
 6:30pm-Adult Choir Rehearsal

## MONDAY, MAY 18

Pastor's Fly Fishing group departs

## TUESDAY, MAY 19

10:00am-Homebound Ministry Team  
 6:30pm-Deacon Supper/Meeting

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

9:00am-Ladies Bible Study/Youth Area  
 5:15pm-Children's Choirs/Last Day  
 5:30pm-Family Night Supper  
 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting  
 6:30pm-Mission Friends, RAs, GAs  
 6:30pm-IMPACT  
 6:35pm-Covenant (Men's Ensemble) in Concert  
 7:30pm-Praise Team/Band Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, MAY 21

7:00pm-Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
 Pastor's Fly Fishing group returns

## FRIDAY, MAY 22

## SATURDAY, May 23

11:00am-The Father's Kitchen/Downtown

## BITS & PIECES

*We thank you for all your prayers and concerns for us during our time of family sorrows. What a blessing and comfort you are. Sorry it took so long as our family lost two wonderful women in our lives that are now at home in heaven wearing their crowns. Love in Christ, Melissa & Ray Timms*



**Monica Kelly Lawless**  
 and  
**Bryant Neil Brown**  
 Along with their families  
 Request the honor of your presence  
 At their marriage on  
 Saturday, the thirtieth of May  
 Two thousand nine  
 At two o'clock in the afternoon  
 Thomasville Road Baptist Church  
 3131 Thomasville Road  
 Tallahassee, Florida  
 Reception following at Staybridge Suites  
 Hotel, 1600 Summit Lake Drive



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**Wed. May 20— 5:30-6:25**  
**COUNTRY FRIED STEAK & GRAVY**  
 New Potatoes; Asparagus w/Cheese Sauce;  
 Dinner Rolls; Salad Bar;  
 Chocolate Cake; Coffee; Tea  
**Children's Menu:**  
 Grilled Cheese Sandwiches  
 7th Gr. & up —\$5; 3 yrs.—6th Gr.—\$3

**SUNDAY REPORT—5/10/09**

Adults .....	197
Student.....	30
Children.....	52
Preschool .....	48
TOTAL.....	327
Worship Attendance 10:30 AM.....	424

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**May 10, 2009**

Budget Received This Week .....	\$ 15,933.73
2009 Budget Needed Y.T.D.....	\$ 508,677.91
2009 Budget Received Y.T.D .....	\$ 426,490.96
CNN Received This Week .....	\$ 224.00
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 8,518.00
The Next Step Received This Week .....	\$ 4,694.00
Balance on Hand This Week .....	\$ 44,742.40
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 96,049.74
Total Received to Date .....	\$ 1,066,702.31
Designated Gifts Received This Week.....	\$ 1,839.00
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 23,354.60
Total Gifts Received This Week .....	\$ 22,690.93
2009 Received Year to Date.....	\$ 554,413.30
Children's Home Offering.....	\$754.00

**SYMPATHY**

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. Marion Ryckley who died May 9.

**FLOWERS THIS SUNDAY**

The beautiful flower arrangement in the worship center this Sunday is given to the glory of God and in memory of our Mothers, Eloise Goolsby Monk and Frances Ware Smith and in honor of our two daughters, Kimela Smith Phillips and Paula Smith Norland from Shirley and Bob Smith.

**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 MAY 16, 2009**

**JIMMIE NETTLES — 903-9252**  
 If no answer, call the church, 883-8000, and choose Option #7. You will hear instructions for having our Minister on Call paged.

*Check out these special events coming up!*  
**JUNE 14**  
 Ice Cream Social & Men's Cake Bake Off  
**JULY 5**  
 "Hot Diggety Dog" Cook-Out  
 (Invite family & friends)  
**AUGUST 30**  
 Homecoming Sunday—Celebrating 170 Years