

# MORE THAN A GAME

## Upward Basketball Registration Deadline is October 9. K-5—8TH Grade Boys & Girls

Every Child Plays. Every Child Learns. EVERY CHILD IS A WINNER!

Upward promotes character and self-esteem in every child by:

- ⊙ Providing an evaluation system that promotes equal teams and opportunities
- ⊙ Establishing a one-hour practice and game each week
- ⊙ Implementing a substitution system for each team, allowing every child equal playing time
- ⊙ Creating the opportunity for every child to learn the skills of the game



Here's what YOU can do...

**PRAY** for the program, **COACH** a team, **REFEREE** a game and/or **SHARE** a devotion. Call Alex Tinsley, 347-1118 or Brian Scott, 883-8000, for more information and/or to volunteer to help out in this important ministry.

## Pastor's Sermon Series on Marriage Continues Sunday, October 5, 10:30 AM



Our pastor will continue to bring a series of messages on marriage based on Sherwood's new movie, *Fireproof*. There will be corresponding studies at the 5:30 PM services.

**You DO NOT want to miss a single one of these services!**

*Sherwood's movie, Fireproof, can be seen at local theaters. Don't miss it!  
Check your local listings.*



**B**ut thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him.

My heart is overflowing with gratitude this morning. Though I am still in the process of overcoming jetlag, I find many reasons to shout and give thanks to God. Let me share a few of them with you this morning.

**Thanks be to God for His faithfulness.** In his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul asserted that God always leads us victoriously in Christ. Regardless of where we are in the world, we can count on God's faithful presence. While our staff was in Central Asia the last couple of weeks, we experienced the faithfulness of God. He provided for every need and blessed us in every way. We were able to see how God is honoring His word of bringing people to Himself. Despite many obstacles, including governmental and family pressures, God is using our missionaries and fellow believers to give others victory in Christ.

**Thanks be to God for your service.** While we were in a distant land, God faithfully provided for the needs of First Baptist Church of Albany. He did so because of the willingness of many of you who stepped forward and filled ministry gaps. As your pastor, please know how grateful I am for those of you who took on additional responsibilities over the past couple of weeks. Our support staff, deacon body, and laity all arose to meet various ministry challenges and did so in an outstanding way. I praise God for your leadership and service.

**Thanks be to God for the opportunities that He gives us.** I love the last portion of the verse with which I began: *and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him.* Paul was praising God for the opportunities that He gives us to bless others. Wherever we go, we have a chance to make Christ known. Without question, God gave our staff opportunities to make the sweet aroma of Christ known. Whether it was assisting a missionary with a medical need or helping a fellow believer repair his well or embracing an orphan with a hug, God used us to spread the fragrance of Christ.

May I remind you that what God does in a distant land, He does here at home as well. Each day we have opportunities to spread the sweetness of knowing Christ to those we encounter on a daily basis. Doors of service open before us continually. We must be prepared to walk through them so that others can know the joy and blessings that come from a relationship with Jesus Christ.

In closing, let me share one such opportunity. Just before departing to Central Asia, I received a notice of resignation from Barbara Metts, our childcare coordinator, effective at the end of September. First, let us give thanks to the Lord on behalf of Barbara's service and leadership. She has served faithfully in this capacity for twenty-eight years. We certainly will notice her absence. Secondly, let us view this occasion as an opportunity to serve and be a blessing. While our personnel committee works to fill this ministry gap, let me encourage you to step forward and serve. God will bless your commitment and others will experience the sweet aroma of Christ from your service.

I love you and look forward to seeing you Sunday.

*Pastor Butch*

## SPORTING CLAY TOURNAMENT

(Skeet Shoot)

Saturday, October 11

8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

\$80 (includes lunch & great door prizes)



Call Bruce English, 894-7630 to purchase your ticket(s) or come to the church office.

**Quail Country Plantation**

1134 Quail Country Road

Arlington, GA 39813

Phone: 229-725-4645

(To benefit The Food Bank & The Lord's Pantry)

**Deadline to sign up is October 5.**

### Can We Talk?

#### Soul Stirring Conversations with God

by Priscilla Evans Shirer

Purpose of this study is to equip participants to hear and respond directly to God—to have a conversation with the Creator of the universe!

12:30—Fellowship Time \*\*\* 1:00-2:00 PM—Study Time

Thursdays, September 18—October 23 (six weeks)

Facilitated by Dunia Edwards at her home, 4031 Quail Hollow Drive, Albany Books (\$11.75) available from Dunia. For more information, call Dunia at 869-2047.

### Seasons of a Woman's Life

by Lois Evans

Whatever their age, whatever their responsibilities, women want to know: *Will it always be like this?*

Today's Christian women are being pressed on every side to conform to standards of this world. They should enjoy the benefits of educational and business opportunities but must be careful not to let this world system rearrange their biblical priorities.

9:00-10:30 AM, Wednesdays, October 1—November 5

Facilitator: Kathy Mims \*\*\* Book: \$10.00 (available from Kathy)

Please call Gayle (883-8000) to register for this study.

### **THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS...**

Nursery; Lil'/Big House; Sunday Night Teachers/Helpers

If you feel led to help out in these areas or would like to have more information on any of these vital ministries in our Children's Department, contact Carrie Kelley, 881-0026 or e-mail at [buddyandcarrikelley@yahoo.com](mailto:buddyandcarrikelley@yahoo.com) or Patti Rohrs, 886-6130.

Watch for travel opportunities with Colette Travel  
October 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.



**First Baptist Church of Albany**

145 Oakland Parkway  
Leesburg, GA 31763  
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Dr. Butch Knight, Pastor

**ON-GOING SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

9:00am-Bible Study  
10:30-11:30am-Worship Service  
5:30pm—6:20-Worship Service  
6:30-8:00pm-Adult Choir Rehearsal

**ON-GOING WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

5:30-6:20pm-Family Night Supper  
6:30-7:20pm-Prayer Meeting; IMPACT (Student Worship); Missions-RAs, GAs, Mission Friends (Children)  
7:30-9:00pm-Praise Team Practice

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 7:30-Personnel Committee 7:30-Committee on Committees	2	3	4 11:00 The Father's Kitchen 9:00-Prayer Conf. Sunnyside
5 6:30-Adult Choir Social	6 5:30-Heart Friends 7:00-The Book Club Meeting	7	8 1:00-5:00-FLU Shots	9 12:00 Mallary Sr. Adult Rally/FBC L'Burg	10	11 8:00-1:00 Sporting Clay Tournament Arlington
12	<b>Preschool Fall Break</b> 		15	16 4:00-8:00 Mallary 125th Annual Meeting FBC, Putney	17	18 11:00-The Father's Kitchen
19	20 6:30 Travel Opportunities with Collette Travel	21 10:00 Homebound Ministry Team 6:30-Deacons	22 7:35 Properties Committee	23  12:00 Joy Luncheon	24	25
26	27	28 11:30 Mallary Minister's Fellowship	29 6:30 Church Conference	30	31	

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS**

Mon. Oct. 6  
9am-1pm—Mynette Chapman  
1-5pm—Chas/Janice Sheppard

Tues. Oct. 7  
9am-1pm-Maybe You?  
1-5pm-Maybe You?

Wed. Oct. 8  
9am-5pm-Harriet Haskins

Thurs. Oct. 9  
9am-1pm-Doug Boss  
1-5pm-Doug Boss

Fri. Oct. 10  
9am-4pm-Ann Sims

*Come Bop With Us!*

Mallary Baptist Association  
Senior Adult Rally  
**Thursday, October 9**  
FBC, Leesburg, 135 Main St.,  
Leesburg, GA, 12:00 Noon  
Make reservations with Kathy,  
883-8000 no later than Sunday,  
October 5. Cost: \$5.00

**THE BOOK CLUB BEGINS OCTOBER 6**

**ALL LADIES ARE INVITED...**  
297 Martindale Dr.  
7:00-8:30 PM  
(Joy Dutton's home)

*We will review the book...*  
**The Life of Martha Myers**  
(A medical missionary to Yemen).

**Flu & Pneumonia Shot Clinic**

**Wed., Oct. 8, 1:00-5:00 PM, Rm. M-108, FBC**  
No co-pay for Medicare Part B primary participants. (pneumonia shot NOT needed if already had one after age 65) Medicare eligible? Present Medicare card + picture ID. Cost for non-Medicare participants: \$30 for flu shot & \$45 for pneumonia shot. Children ages 9 and up are welcome.

**The Fall Festival is Coming November 15 from 11:00-1:00.**  
SS Departments please help by signing up in Sunday school to sponsor a booth.

# This Week at FBC

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00am— Bible Study  
 10:30am—Worship Service/*Fireproof* Sermon  
 Series Continues  
 11:00am—Korean Worship Service  
 4:30pm—Youth Choir  
 5:30pm—Worship Service/*Fireproof* Bible  
 Study Continues  
 6:30pm—Adult Choir Social/Rehearsal

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00pm—The Book Club Meeting/Joy Dutton's

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

1:00-5:00pm—Flu Shots/108  
 5:15pm—Children's Choirs  
 5:30-6:30pm—Family Night Supper  
 6:30pm—Prayer Meeting  
 6:30pm—Mission Friends, RAs, GAs  
 6:30pm—IMPACT  
 7:30pm—Praise Team Practice

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

12:00n—Mallary Sr. Adult Rally/FBC Leesburg

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00am-1:00pm—Sporting Clay Tournament/  
 Quail Country Plantation

### Bits & Pieces

*Logann Morrison was recently crowned "Tiny Miss Byne" at Byne Memorial Baptist School. She is the daughter of LuAnn & Stan Morrison and the sister of Stephen & Shawn Morrison. John Watson is the proud grandfather. Congratulations!*



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**FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**  
**Wednesday, October 8**  
**5:30-6:30**  
**Baked Chicken Breast**  
 Rice Pilaf; Vegetable; Bread; Salad  
 Dessert; Coffee; Tea; Water  
 7th Gr. & up —\$5; 3 yrs.—6th Gr.—\$3

**MEMBER IN HOSPITAL**  
**Palmyra**—Raymone Maticce;  
 Daisy Holden  
**Phoebe**—Charles Ellis

**FLOWERS**  
 The lovely flower arrangement in the sanctuary Sunday, October 5, is given to the glory of God and in memory of Stephen Carr from his family.

**SUNDAY REPORT—9/28/08**

Adults .....	245
Students .....	44
Children .....	54
Preschool .....	44
TOTAL .....	389
Worship Attendance 10:30 AM .....	477

**MINISTERIAL STAFF**


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

**MINISTER ON CALL OCT. 4, 2008**  
**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.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**September 28, 2008**

Budget Received This Week .....	\$ 22,026.79
2008 Budget Needed Y.T.D .....	\$ 991,509.25
2008 Budget Received Y.T.D.....	\$ 828,540.55
CNN Received This Week .....	\$ 710.00
2008 Received Year to Date .....	\$ 33,973.00
The Next Step Received This Week .....	\$ 2,602.00
Balance on Hand This Week .....	\$ 66,857.32
2008 Received Year to Date .....	\$ 323,888.64
Total Received to Date .....	\$ 890,946.57
Designated Gifts Received This Week .....	\$ 865.00
2008 Received Year to Date .....	\$ 72,274.57
Total Gifts Received This Week.....	\$ 26,203.79
2008 Received Year to Date .....	\$ 1,259,155.11

**Prayer Conference** 

**Saturday, October 4, 2008**  
**9:00 AM—Noon**  
 Sunnyside Baptist Church  
 320 South Mock Road  
*led by:*  
**Dr. Gregory Frizzell**  
 Prayer & Spiritual Awakening  
 Specialist  
 Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma