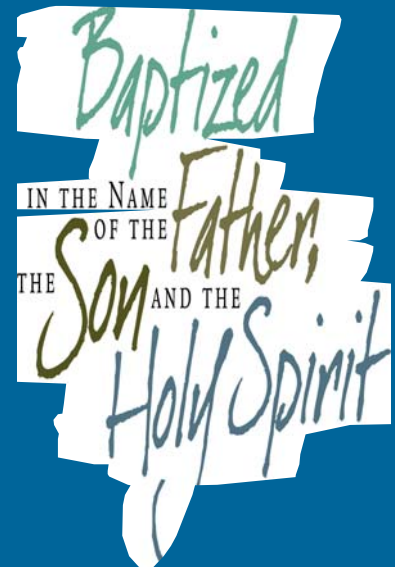


Celebrate Baptism With Us Sunday, September 7, 5:30 PM

And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said. I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still; and he baptized him.

—Acts 8:36-38



Baptism Candidates

- + Drew Griffin
- + Kate Kimbrel
- + Callie Kimbrel
- + Jack Kimbrel
- + Will Sells
- + Haley Sells
- + Lexi Ruth Sells
- + Drew Boyett

The church family is invited to join the baptism candidates in the atrium following the service for a time of fellowship and light refreshments.



In less than two weeks our church will send a mission team to Central Asia. While there we will have the unique opportunity to work with two missionary groups, our own International Mission Board missionaries and a team with the Navigators. Primarily we will work with our IMB missionaries, but because we have developed some special relationships with the Navigators team, we

will have a chance to spend a couple of days with them as well.

Our team will lead a retreat for our IMB missionaries in that particular area of the world. Our goal involves bringing refreshment and renewal to them and their families through worship, Bible study, and fellowship. Kathy has included a list of special items in our newsletter that we want to take with us to leave with the missionaries. Let me encourage you to take note of these objects, bring them to the church, and leave them in the Central Asia boxes that are distributed throughout our facility. Our children's missions groups are going to help sort and pack them next week.

I have had several folks ask about being a part of this endeavor even though they can't go to Central Asia themselves. Please know that there are many ways to contribute and participate besides bringing these special items. To start, let me encourage you to pray on behalf of our mission team. I see this trip as a unique opportunity to grow together as a church staff. Though I have traveled thousands of miles on mission trips, I have never had church staff team members go with me. I'm looking forward to the chance to work side by side with each member in a setting that will stretch us. So as you pray, ask God to do a work among us as a staff that will bind us together.

I also ask you to pray for our team members and their families. Our team members are Jimmie Nettles, Brian Scott, Kathy Mims, Clayton Mims, Phil Podowski, and me. Some of our team members have never traveled abroad. Journeying into a culture that is so different than ours is challenging and creates a certain amount of anxiety for both members and their families. So please pray for the safety and ability to adjust for our team members and their families.

Pray also for the missionaries of whom we have a chance to meet and minister. Based on my conversations with the leaders there, they are excited that we are coming to lead this retreat. This retreat marks the third of its kind for these missionaries. They led one by themselves which turned out not to be much of a time of refreshment since they were busy working. Last year, the team from the states that was to lead had to cancel. So, our IMB missionaries had to hastily put together a retreat. My prayer for the missionaries of this part of Central Asia is that this retreat would be a great time of renewal for each member and their families. I urge you to join me in this prayer.

Another way to participate in this trip is financially. My hope is that our presence in Central Asia will not place any burden on our missionaries, which includes a financial load. Therefore, our church is paying the entire bill for the trip and the retreat. In addition, we are planning on making gifts to both our IMB mission team and the Navigators team. These gifts will enable the missionaries to plant churches and increase their various ministries. So I invite you to make financial gifts to help in these areas. Because we are using a special account for these gifts, simply include "Central Asia" on your gift.

Let me also encourage you to help fill the void while we are away. Our deacon body will take the lead in many areas of service during this time. If you learn of a need during these days, please let our church office know about it. Our support staff will make sure that the deacons learn of it. I am very proud of the manner in which our deacon body has stepped forward to serve over the last several months. I am confident that these guys will again fill the gap in a way that will honor the Lord and build up His body.

I love you and look forward to seeing you Sunday.

Pastor Butch

Express Appreciation to Our Friends in Central Asia

A team from FBC will be traveling to Central Asia in mid-September. They would like to take some gifts to distribute in this area. Some of the items that have been requested are:

- ✦ Seasoning packets (e.g., Italian Herbs; Ranch dressing; Tony's seasonings; Kool-Aid)
- ✦ Splenda
- ✦ Starbucks Coffee; French Vanilla Creamer
- ✦ Cream of tartar; baking powder
- ✦ Pecans
- ✦ White ankle-length athletic socks (Sizes 10-12)
- ✦ Winter pajamas (Ages 7,8)
- ✦ Candy (Smarties, Jolly Ranchers, Tootsie Rolls, Lollipops)
- ✦ Mixes (cake, brownie)

We will also need gallon size Zip Lock Bags in which to "repackage" some of the items. Keep in mind that everything must be packed in our suit cases for travel. Collection boxes will be placed in the foyer and office area. All contributions need to be in **no later than Sunday, September 7.**

LADIES, I NEED YOUR SPECIAL HELP!

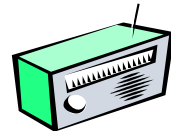
I will be doing a "retreat" for a group of 16 women in Central Asia. I would like to take **small** gift items to them (e.g., smell-good lotions, bath gels [travel sizes, please!], notecards, etc.). Please bring contributions in **no later than Wednesday, September 10.** They can be placed in the collection boxes along with the other items being collected. Help will also be needed to assemble the bags and have a *special prayer time* for the group traveling and the group to whom we will be ministering.

Ladies, come if you can

Thursday, September 11, 10:30 AM!!

Thanks for your support!

Kathy Mims



Check out FBC's exciting new advertising campaign on Radio 107.7 beginning Monday, September 8 at 12:10 PM!

The series is entitled...

"60 Seconds to a New Beginning in Life"

We Need Your Help

Concerning Wednesday Night Supper

We are making every effort to streamline food service on Wednesday evenings but we need your help. We are asking the church family to please do the following:

- ☺ **Fill up tables as much as possible leaving no empty spaces between you and someone else already seated.**
- ☺ **Observe the “Reserved for Families with Children in Choir” signs that have been placed on the tables.** We have many parents and children coming in at 6:00 when children’s choirs let out. It is often difficult for them to find spaces for their entire family once the “early crowd” is already seated.
- ☺ **We appreciate your help and your patience as we work to make Wednesday evenings a good church family experience!**

Thanks! Your Food Service Committee:

Janice Sheppard, Chairman; Jennifer Venable; Ann Cannon;
Suzette Wagner; Bobbie Hobby; Tami McDowell;
Laney Corley; Elaine Barrett

A Note From...



Thank you for being a part of an incredible summer in 2008 with World Changers. Your participation was an integral part of the tremendous success we experienced this summer.

Your involvement accounted for 22,096 participants working on 1756 work sites in 95 project locations. In addition to these numbers, there were 831 professions of faith out of 11,105 presentations of the gospel! You also gave more than \$184,355 toward NAMB student ministries.

These are not just statistics. They are a direct indication of lives that were touched and changed for the Kingdom of God... Please know we value your commitment to students and World Changers.

William J. Kagay
Modena Kagay
National Missionaries: World Changers

FREE ELECTRONIC RECYCLING COLLECTION DAY

Saturday, September 13

Parking Lot Behind the Civic Center (Rain or Shine)

Items that will be accepted include: Computer Monitors; Computer CPU's; Laptops; Printers; Disk Drives; Floppy Drives; Cameras (including digital); Record Players; Speakers; UPS/Battery Back-up; Computer Mouse; Stereos; Copiers; Video Machine; VCR's; Camcorders; Keyboards; Scanners; Electrical Panels; Fax Machines; Cables; Microwave Ovens; Telephones; CB Radios; CD Players; Portable Radios; Cell Phones; Modems; Circuit Boards; Typewriters; CD ROMs; Projectors; Televisions (\$10 handling fee for each television set). **ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:** Vacuum cleaners; refrigerators, washers, dryers, freezers, gas powered equipment and all NON-electronic equipment. For more info call Keep Albany-Dougherty Beautiful at 430-5257.

Adult Volunteers are needed in the student area on Wednesday evenings from 5:15-5:45 PM and 5:45-6:15 PM. If you can help out, please contact Brian Scott or Diane McLendon.

SEPTEMBER STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Barbara Metts

Nursery Coordinator, 28 years

Shenita Loud

Cook, 13 years

Gayle Morgan Rizer

Education Secretary, 18 years

Mary Podowski

Publications, 26 years

Oscar Moore

Kitchen Staff, 2 years



Combined Total—87 Years of Service to our Lord through the ministries of FBC Albany. Thank you! Thank you! as you continue to serve!



Women in Christ

Women on Mission Group will meet...

Date: Monday, September 8

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: 2403 Whispering Pines Circle
(Home of Ouida Fincher)

YOU are invited to come...Call Quida for more information, 432-1894.

COMING OCTOBER 8TH,

7:00 P.M. — Put this on your calendar and plan on joining us!

ALL LADIES ARE INVITED...

Come to Joy Dutton's home at 297 Martindale Dr. and find out what

THE BOOK CLUB

is all about OR call Joy at 883-3540 for more information

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Mon. Sept. 8

9am-1pm—Lavon Boyett
1-5pm—Janice Kennedy

Tues. Sept. 9

9am-1pm-Doug Boss
1-5pm- Rosemary Barfield

Wed. Sept. 10

9am-5pm-Harriet Haskins

Thurs. Sept. 11

9am-1pm-Doug Boss
1-5pm-Doug Boss

Fri. Sept. 12

9am-4pm-Ann Sims

This Week at FBC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:00am- Bible Study
 10:30am-Worship Service
 11:00am-Korean Worship Service
 4:30pm- Youth Choir
 5:00pm-Baptism Candidates Meet/M108
 5:30pm-Worship Service/Baptism
 6:30pm-Church Fellowship/Atrium
 6:45pm-Adult Choir Rehearsal

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:00pm-Women in Christ

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

10:15am-Women on Mission
 6:00pm-Finance Committee

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

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, SEPTEMBER 11

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Bits & Pieces—

Dear Church Family, Clay and I want to thank each of you who prayed, called, visited and brought us dinner while our newborn son, Mathis, was in the NICU at Phoebe. We are so thankful to have him home. He's so precious and a sweet miracle. Our prayers were answered and we have you to thank. We are truly blessed to have such a caring church family. Sincerely, Clay, Beth & big brother, Larkin



Nursery workers Sunday, Sept. 7:

Bed Babies

Margaret Ellis; Harriett Haskins

If you have any questions, call Barbara Metts, Childcare Coordinator 436-9298 or 291-3574.

MINISTERIAL STAFF

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

MINISTER ON CALL SEPT. 6, 2008

DR. BUTCH KNIGHT— 888-9197

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

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FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER Wednesday, Sept. 10 5:30-6:30

Angel Hair Pasta w/Meat Sauce
 Tossed Salad
 Garlic Bread; Dessert; Coffee; Tea; Water
 7th Gr. & up—\$5; 3 yrs.—6th Gr.—\$3

SUNDAY REPORT—8/31/08

Adults.....	217
Students.....	40
Children	36
Preschool.....	35
TOTAL	328
Worship Attendance 10:30 AM	364

FINANCIAL REPORT-August 31, 2008

Budget Received This Week	\$ 14,043.74
2008 Budget Needed Y.T.D	\$ 889,908.25
2008 Budget Received Y.T.D	\$ 747,364.57
CNN Received This Week	\$ 785.00
2008 Received Year to Date	\$ 29,593.00
The Next Step Received This Week	\$ 6,263.00
Balance on Hand This Week	\$ 55,636.62
2008 Received Year to Date	\$ 242,695.55
Total Received to Date	\$ 809,753.48
Designated Gifts Received This Week	\$ 1,680.00
2008 Received Year to Date	\$ 63,892.97
Total Gifts Received This Week.....	\$ 22,771.74
2008 Received Year to Date	\$ 1,084,024.44

SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Susan Hardie whose mother died August 26, 2008.

MEMBER IN HOSPITAL

Phoebe—Curtis Inman

FLOWERS

The lovely flower arrangement in the sanctuary Sunday, September 7 is given in memory of George Baird from Ouida Baird and Martha Harper.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



Drew Griffin
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Amanda Wildes Letter

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