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SHORELINER

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Dear Church Family,
 Happy New Year! I know this year holds some exciting new opportunities to advance the Kingdom of God here at First Baptist. We are starting things off big with the remodel of our "main street" area and new Welcome Center. It will be nice to have a place to meet our guests as well as just hang out together. Also, I want you to remember the number 4. This will become more significant to you in the days to come. Please make sure you always have several Invite Cards with you at all times. You never know when you will meet someone who does not go to church. These cards are a great way to invite un-churched people to our church. Jesus told us that there are always plenty of people around us who need to know him. He commanded us to be introducers and introduce people to Jesus. One simple way is to invite them to church. Let's get busy; our window of opportunity is getting smaller.
 Love ya,
 Ronny



SAMARITAN'S PURSE - SHOEBOX MINISTRY

Just over a week ago Jane Wilmot came by to see me. For years, Jane Wilmot has been the face and driving force behind our successful efforts to provide shoeboxes for children. This past year First Baptist Church was able to gather and send 1,384 shoeboxes. Jane let me know that it is time to give up the reigns of the Shoebox Ministry. We are grateful for how Jane has led and know God will supply leadership for the future as we move forward.

God works in concert with our passions, time, energy and talents. If you are sensing a call to serve with this important ministry please let me know. Leadership is the energy that moves an effort. Even though this effort is focused in September and October, there is preparation all through the year. So, if God is prompting you to serve or lead, I encourage you to answer the call of leadership.
 Steve Hartwick

TEXAS-MEXICO MINISTRY: SERVING "CASA HOGAR DE NIÑOS"

On December 19, 2011, we turned in over 120 Christmas gifts and donations for the 30 kids of "Casa Hogar de Niños" orphanage in Camargo, Mexico. The gifts included hand-made purses, scarves, gloves, winter pajamas, toys and much more. Thanks to the Sewing Ministry and to Adult 7 – Senior Years class, the kids received Christmas stockings full of candies and fun items. Additionally, the Baptist Student Ministry gathered socks and sweaters for the children.

On behalf of the Texas-Mexico mission's team, we want to thank the 70 sponsors who participated. If you would like to sponsor a child throughout 2012, contact us at 361-906-1156 and we will be glad to give you more information.



Mark & Sandra Salas
 Texas-Mexico Mission Coordinators

"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." James 1:27



MISSION MINDERS

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

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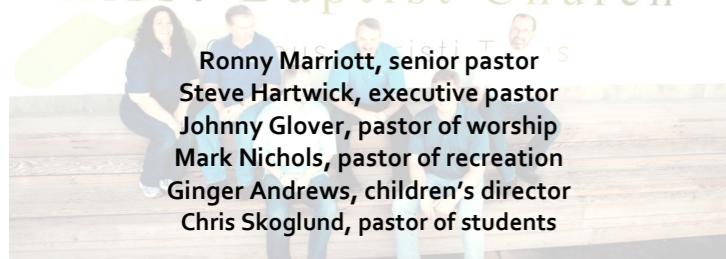
Speaker: Dr. Tracy Saenz

First Baptist School Principal

"Ministry of First Baptist School"

All ladies of the church are invited.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM



Ronny Marriott, senior pastor

Steve Hartwick, executive pastor

Johnny Glover, pastor of worship

Mark Nichols, pastor of recreation

Ginger Andrews, children's director

Chris Skoglund, pastor of students

MINISTERS ON CALL

When emergencies occur, the staff uses an "on call" system for nights and weekends. They may be reached at the following numbers.

January 2 - 8	Steve Hartwick	739-9000
January 9 - 15	Mark Nichols	774-2942
January 16 - 22	Chris Skoglund	210-326-2575
January 23 - 29	Johnny Glover	876-8217
Jan 30 - Feb 5	Ronny Marriott	334-2820

SERMON BROADCAST

Sundays • Fox Channel • 8:30 AM

Mondays • Fox channel • 8:30 AM

Tuesdays • 9:00 PM • community channel

Sermons are not broadcast on Time Warner

BEST WISHES TO...

Dorothy Anthony, Mert Bobo, Paralee Price, Raymond Sexton, Iris Vickers and Joyce White during their recent hospital stay.

WITH SYMPATHY TO...

Fred (Connie) Culbertson, III family in loss of mother Martha Culbertson; Ralph Hesse family in loss of wife Billie Hesse, Larry & Arlene Misuraca in loss of son-in-law Brian Ferguson and John (Barbara) Wilson family in loss of mother Rene McKinney

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Drs. Brett and Alissa Chapman were blessed with baby girl Miss McKenna Paige on December 8th.

Gloria Perez for 46 years of serving in our nursery (January 1, 1966). Matt Rohlack for serving with our Music leadership in the TEN31 service (January 1, 2011). Chris Skoglund for serving as our Pastor of students this past year (January 3, 2011). Jen Pattillo for serving as the assistant to the Executive Pastor for these past four years (January 28, 2008). Paul Pappajikos for serving on the custodial team this past year (January 28, 2011).

STUDENT MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

DISCIPLE NOW 2012 "ROOTED"

FEBRUARY 10 - 12 COST: \$45

Don't miss out on this great weekend of Bible Study, worship and a weekend full of fellowship. This year we are teaming up with 5 other churches to have D-Now together. The Justin Graves Band will be back for worship. Registration available starting January 8, in Bible Study.

STUDENT INTERN, KYLE MCCONNELL

I am excited to announce that Kyle McConnell will be serving as our student intern starting January through the summer. Kyle attends TAMUCC and has been active in helping with our student ministry. Kyle has a great love for our students and I can't wait to see how God uses him here at First Corpus!

STREET MINISTRY, YOUTH NIGHT

JANUARY 12 • 5:30 PM

Meet in Elmore Hall to help make sandwiches for our street ministry. Then the RV leaves at 7:00 PM and returns at 9:00 PM. We have room for about 3 or 4 youth to go out with the team. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions about our student ministry don't hesitate to email me at chris@firstcorpus.org

COLLEGE MINISTRY

LUNCH FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

As our students return for the Spring Semester we will start our luncheons on January 15 for our college students. After worship each Sunday we provide a free lunch for our college students. We are looking for Bible Study groups or individuals who could help with the lunch. Contact Chris at chris@firstcorpus.org if you are interested in helping!

WORSHIP CENTER FLOWERS

January 1: Given by Dr. Joe and Mrs. Joann Wright with thanks and appreciation of our musicians and choir for the beautiful Christmas Pageant gift.

January 8: Given by wife Patty Cage in loving memory of husband Carroll Cage.

January 15: Given by Peggy Elmore in loving memory of husband Dr. Vernon Elmore.

January 22: Given by Glenda Bailey in loving memory of husband Dr. Jim Bailey.

January 29: Given by daughter Louann Huntsman in honor of Louise Huntsman's goth birthday.

Dates fill up early! If you would like to give flowers in honor or memory of a loved one next year, please contact Sue in the church office at 888-8228 ext 727.

REC CENTER

GOLF TOURNAMENT

January 7, 2011 at 8:00 AM

Gabe Lozano Golf Course

Call Brad Farmer (438-8174) to register.



ISLANDER BASKETBALL

Two reserved tickets are available to each Islander men's and women's home games. Invite a friend and support our local university athletes. If interested, contact Mark Nichols.

UPWARD GAMES BEGIN JANUARY 14

Games will be played every Saturday from January 14 - March 13 at First Baptist (grades 1 - 4) and Incarnate Ward Academy (grades 5 - 6) from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Why don't you plan to come and enjoy a game or two during the season and cheer on the children as they learn the game of basketball and, more importantly, the love of God.

While your at First Baptist Rec Center let us make you lunch! The Way Inn has a reduced menu especially for Upward game days. Open each Saturday from 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM, with specials each week. Drop in and be a part of the fun!

OPERATION FACE LIFT

The total gifts for our Operation Face Lift now stand at \$272,972.28. Much has already been accomplished and we are very close to beginning work on Phase II which is the Welcome Center.

Just a reminder, our over all goal is \$400,000 and so we are right at 75% of our total goal and we now have in hand \$176,036.19 toward our Welcome Center phase II and a little less than \$18,000 needed to have Phase II totally funded.

Phase III will be items to continue to dress up our facility, Red Tile Hallway, TV monitors around building for our visual announcements, children's area and the Way Inn. Thank you for your faithfulness and support of these projects.

Plans are to begin the Welcome Center project the first of January.

Happy New Year!
from
First Baptist Church

THE JOURNEY

The Wednesday Spring Journey classes begin

January 11 • 6:00 PM

Bible Study Group • Chapel • Ed Jump

Prayer Group • Parlor • Ken & Judi Bowland

Financial Peace University • room 261 • Brian Gasiorowski & Marty Evans

Ladies - Heal My Hurts • room 260 • Laura Tosto & Elizabeth Kevil

Men - The Great Adventure • room 263 • Mike Jones & Tom Lentz

Jesus on Leadership • room 265 • Ronny Marriott
(January 11 - February 22)

Positive Parenting • room 262 • Darin Griffiths
(February 15 - March 7)

Sharing Jesus without Fear • room 262 • Ronny Marriott
(April 11 - May 2)

INTERNATIONAL MISSION OFFERING WEEK OF PRAYER

December 4 - 11

Church Goal:

\$12,000

Given to Date:

\$9,628.00

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

January 1 & 15 • room 249

FIRST BAPTIST SCHOOL

Thank you!

The 3rd - 5th grade students collected 174 pairs of socks for the Street Ministry.



to those who helped with the Christmas Pageant:

- ♪ Mac Aipperspach, sound and lighting technician
- ♪ Patty Dunn, costumes, stage set up
- ♪ Sharon Farmer, drama coordinator
- ♪ Claude Holley, narration
- ♪ Children's choir leaders
- ♪ Nativity actors and stage hands
- ♪ Stage construction volunteers