

Elizabeth Baptist Church News

July 2017

From the Pastor



129, 84, 46, 38, 13, 7, and 2. Stop! Read the numbers again. Each number has something to do with our Summer Outreach Week which was June 18 through June 26. 129 – is the number of attendees at our Opera House Movie Night. We offered two showings of the movie, *Beyond the Mask*, and distributed Gospel tracts and a gift to all or our special guests. It is our prayer that the message of the movie and the tracts will plant seeds of truth that result in a harvest of souls. 84 – is the number of those registered for our week of Vacation Bible School. Everyone appeared to enjoy our theme, Galactic Starveyors. 46 and 38 – were respectively the number of children and adult workers who attended VBS. 13 – is the number of children who responded to the Gospel invitation during the week with more questions. 7 – is the number who made professions of faith in Jesus Christ. 2 – is the number those who had made previous decisions and now requested baptism.

Praise the Lord for His blessings upon us to allow us to share the Good News with so many people this past month. Thank you to all in our church family who willingly gave of their time to engage those lost in our community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is my prayer that we continually and vigorously seek and engage those without faith in Jesus. Pray with me that we never tire of our duty to share nor waver from our boldness in telling the world that they can have a restored relationship with God through the forgiveness, adoption and redemption that is available to all through His Son, Jesus Christ.

Our next major evangelistic event will be our association-wide Jefferson Jesus Jam on October 14 at the Jefferson County Rec Park. Please mark your calendar to be available that day to serve. We have booked Taylor Hughes, an illusionist from California, to perform three times that day and present the Gospel. We have ordered 500 vouchers for shoes from Payless Shoe Source. Food, games, music and fun will prayerfully open the hearts of many to the Gospel. Make it part of your regular prayer now as we look forward to this special event.

Sunday School

"I was out late last night." "It is raining." "I just want to sleep in this morning." "The kids have a ball game today." "I do not like my Sunday School teacher." "Sunday School starts too early." "I do not feel the need to attend today."

Do any of these excuses sound familiar? We have all used them at some point in our lives. For adults, it can get to be routine if we are not careful. For adults with children, it sets an example that Sunday School attendance is not all that important, and we will be there when it is convenient for us. As Christians, we are accountable for not only our spiritual lives but our children's spiritual lives as well. Make Sunday School a natural part of your life all year long.

See you in Sunday School this week.
Danny

Women's Missionary Union

The Day WMU met at the home of Linda Demott on Wednesday, June 7 with 8 present, and the Night group met that evening with 6 present. The groups are studying about our missionaries and also doing missions projects. One project is providing one meal a day for Bert Teasley while he is home. Linda Demott is heading the meal project up. If you are willing to assist let her know.

We are looking ahead to the one-day offering for global hunger on July 9, 2017. Pray about your offering amount for this special offering and be prepared to give that day. We collected \$1025.00 for the Florida Baptist Children's Home in the one-day offering on Mother's Day. Thank-you all for your generosity.

Now is the time of year when I am seeking leaders and workers for the different mission groups for the new church year. Some of you have already accepted your positions again, but I need to hear from the rest of you as soon as possible. A very critical need is a GA leader. Ideally, this would be one of the mothers of these girls. If you would be willing to do this important job on Wednesday nights, mid-August through mid-May, please let me know. I know many people do not realize the important work of the WMU and all the Missions organizations, but much of the behind-the-scenes work of the church is done by missions groups. Please consider joining this most important work. Become a member or a worker for one of the groups. You will be blessed!
Shirley

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Youth Ministry

Our students had an amazing summer camp trip the week of May 31 through June 4. We spent four days in Florence, Kentucky, the midway point between the Creation Science Museum and the Ark Encounter. The Ark was a breathtaking sight to behold, and there was so much to learn about creation science that we could hardly take it all in! We will be sharing all about our trip during the Sunday night service on July 2. A special thanks to our adult chaperons Christina and Delmar Jackson, Shellie Reinbott, Ann Kennedy and Mandy Self.

Our July event will be a tubing trip down the Ichetucknee on July 29. In His Service,
Don

Thank You Boys and Girls

We want to thank all the boys and girls who collected money at Vacation Bible School for the Baptist Children's Home. They raised a record amount of \$813.07 which will be used to provide back-to-school clothes and backpacks for 10+ children.

Music

Go choir! What a joy it is to work with this fabulous choir here at Elizabeth Baptist Church. If you have had the chance to hear other church choirs, you will probably find that the EBC choir rises to the top. Why? Though the choir works on pitch, volume, and tone quality, there are more qualities of being a hard-working, attentive, desiring-to-do better group. A good choir, such as ours, seeks to sing with a voice of unity, not where individual voices stand out. The utmost reason for our singing is that we commit our practices in prayer to God and ask Him to use the words of the songs to bless all who hear.

Do you appreciate the enthusiasm that Jerry gives to us in our congregational singing? The next time you see him, give him that encouragement.
Singing His praise,
Merry

~Sunday Schedule~

9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
 11:00 am Worship Service
 5:00 pm Choir Practice
 6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

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~Wednesday Schedule~
 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

TeamKIDS, RA's, GA's, and Mission Friends will resume in Fall.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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2 No Choir Practice 6:00 pm Youth Sharing 7:00 pm Birthday Celebration	3	4 Independence Day (Office Closed)	5 9:00 am EaglesWings 6:00 pm WMU Evening	6	7	8
9 6:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Study	10	11	12	13 Bridal Shower Ashley Hebert	14	15
PICKETT LAKE CAMP						
16 6:00 pm Ladies' & Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Business Meeting	17	18	19 9:00 am EaglesWings	20	21	22
23 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Deacons' Meeting 6:00 pm Ladies' & Men's Bible Study	24	25	26	27	28	29 Youth Tubing Ichetucknee
30 Lord's Supper 6:00pm Ice Cream & Games No PM Service No Choir Practice	31					

Important dates to remember
Children's Camp
 Children's Camp dates at Pickett Lake are July 10 through July 13. The cost is \$100.00 for 1 child. EBC will pay \$75.00 and the family is expected to pay 25.00. Contact Pam Brock if you have any questions at 850.661.4141.

Children's Director

Please pray for the TeamKIDS program that will resume in the Fall.

We are in need of an arts & craft, gym and a Bible class teacher.

We also have a vacancy in the children's church hour for the third Sunday.
 Pam

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near. Hebrews 10:24

Brotherhood

The RA's ended the year with 13 active RA members. The boys received patches they had earned during the year and prizes from the camp out.

Danny Deason arranged an RA field trip to the Tallahassee Airport, June 28. The field trip was enjoyed by all. It was a very informative trip.
 Roy

Men's & Ladies' Bible Studies

Join us Sunday Nights at 6:00 p.m. July 9 - August 27.

Men - *Kingdom Agenda* by Tony Evans, led by Pastor Robert.

Ladies' - *Jonah, Navigating a Life Interrupted* by Priscilla Shirer, led by Merry Dennison.

Both six-week Bible Studies will be offered in lieu of Sunday night service. Sign-up in the foyer or call the church office if you want to purchase a workbook for \$13.00.

5th Sunday Special

Join us on Sunday, July 30, at 6 p.m. for an ice cream social and game night. Please sign-up in the foyer if you are willing to bring REAL HOME-CHURNED ice cream that night. Toppings and beverages will be provided.

Church Staff and Leadership

Rev. Robert Dennison, Pastor
 Rev. Don Self, Youth Minister
 Pam Brock, Children's Director
 Merry Dennison, Pianist
 Danny Deason, Sunday School Director
 Jeanette Nativio, Administrative Assistant

Roy Faglie, Chairman of Deacons & Brotherhood Director
 Shirley Faglie, WMU Director
 Joel & Joann Clark, Custodians

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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