

Tucker Swamp Baptist Church

THE EXPERIENCE

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July 2009



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VBS KICK-OFF
Saturday, August 1

4:00 pm

VBS

Sunday, August 2
through
Thursday, August 6

6:00-8:30 pm

Dinner Each Evening at 5:00

More information to come.

GOOD DAY, MATES! Get your ticket to climb aboard the Boomerang Express. The VBS train is coming and departing for the Outback August 2009. Vacation Bible School is for all ages! Please make plans now for your whole family to attend and bring your friends and neighbors.

We are still in need of a few workers for the VBS staff. Look for sign-up sheets in your Sunday School class or contact us (Mary Beth or Rebecca) for more information. Also, be on the lookout for any loose kangaroos, koala bears and crocodiles that we can cage for decorating. (We'll take fake ones, too!) Train gear, Australian items, and old luggage are also welcome. We will take good care of all borrowed items.

See you down under!

Mary Beth and Rebecca

CHURCH-WIDE

VBS

CANVASSING

WEDNESDAY,
JULY 29

6:15 PM

From Pastor Rob

As our nation's anniversary approaches, I thought it would be appropriate to share some quotes with you from our founding fathers.

George Washington - While we are zealously performing the duties of good citizens and soldiers, we certainly ought not to be inattentive to the higher duties of religion. To the distinguished character of Patriot, it should be our highest glory to add the more distinguished character of Christian."

John Adams - The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity. I will avow that I then believed, and now believe, that those general principles of Christianity are as eternal and immutable as the existence and attributes of God.

Thomas Jefferson - I am a real Christian, that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus Christ.

Benjamin Franklin - Here is my Creed. I believe in one God, the Creator of the Universe. That He governs it by His Providence. That He ought to be worshipped.

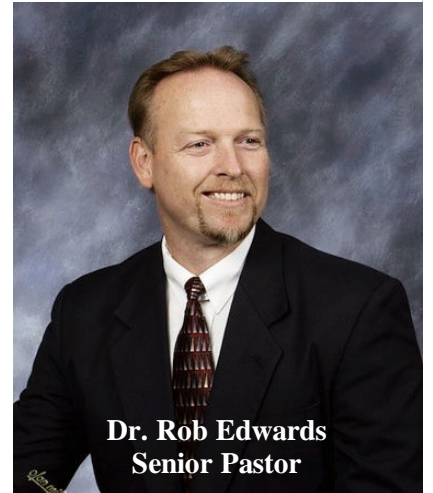
James Madison - Cursed be all that learning that is contrary to the cross of Christ.

Alexander Hamilton - I have carefully examined the evidences of the Christian religion, and if I was sitting as a juror upon its authenticity I would unhesitatingly give my verdict in its favor. I can prove its truth as clearly as any proposition ever submitted to the mind of man.

John Jay - In forming and settling my belief relative to the doctrines of Christianity, I adopted no articles from creeds but such only as, on careful examination, I found to be confirmed by the Bible.

This July 4, let us all be thankful for the faith of our founding fathers and the determination to see a nation that is truly "one nation, under God."

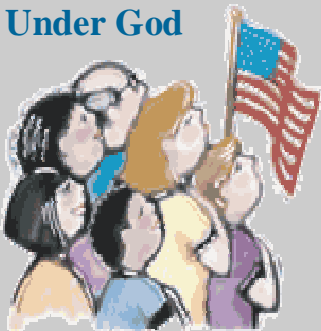
Pastor Rob



Dr. Rob Edwards
Senior Pastor

Warmer
... through fellowship
Deeper
... through discipleship
Stronger
... through worship
Broader
... through ministry
Larger
... through evangelism

**One Nation
Under God**

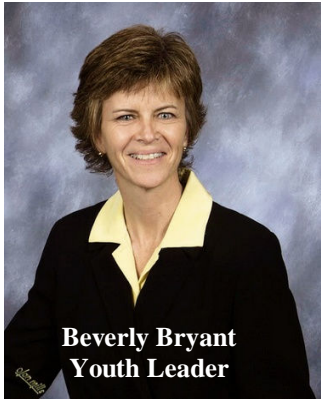


Independence Day
July 4

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YOUTH MINISTRY



Beverly Bryant
Youth Leader

Upcoming Opportunities

JULY

8 Youth to Consulate Health Care
20-25 Missions Camp at Snowbird

AUGUST

6 & 7 YEC
12 Youth to Consulate Health Care
21 Church-wide Youth Sponsored Outing to Norfolk Tides Game



The Servant's Life (It Ain't Flashy—But It's Real)

What does it mean to be "great"?
Is there a different standard in the eye
of the world verses God's eye?
Who do you consider to be "great"?

Jesus called his disciples together and said, "Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Matthew 20:26-28)

Philippians 2:1-11

Servant 'Tude: What's yours—the heart of a servant recognizes that when we serve and love others, we serve and love

Christ. (Philippians 2:1-4) God shows us how to live the life of a servant: 1) We must consider others better than ourselves. 2) We must look not only to our own interests but also the interests of others. 3) We must stay alert to the needs of others and how to meet them. Mother Teresa once said in an interview after witnessing a fellow sister spend an entire day bathing the wounds of a dying beggar, "Christ tests the love of His followers by hiding in grotesque disguises to see if we can still see Him." Can you see Christ in others no matter what the circumstances?

The Servant's Choice: Jesus could have come as a conquering king but instead He

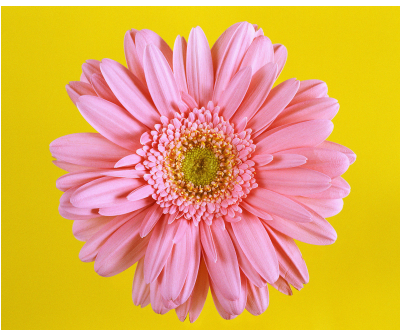
chose to come as a suffering servant, and He turned the world upside down by doing so. (Philippians 2:6-7) We too must choose daily to be a servant.

The Servant's Sacrifice: Serving is never convenient and always costs us something. (Philippians 2:7-8) We must be willing to lay down our lives for someone else. Also, it means we lay down our time, our money, our possessions, and our plans for others.

Servanthood will kill what's in you that isn't like Jesus and will let His life, His nature, and His identity flow through you.

Let's all Make a Decision today to become a Servant!!!!

Women's Ministry



Women Mentoring Women

Since March, the ladies of TSBC have had the opportunity to fill out a form pertaining to the TSBC Women of Grace Mentoring Program. We have asked God to help match women into one to one encouraging, supportive, friendship relationships. After prayer, those ladies who submitted a form have been paired for this first mentoring cycle. Packets have been prepared and mailed out to participants with some guidelines to assist each mentor/mentee as they embark on this new relationship.

Since this is a new program and we are unsure of what period of time would be best, we are going to set the length of this pairing at six months. We will evaluate how things are going as the six month ends and decide if it is a good time to switch or if we should continue on longer with the same pairing. If you have submitted a form, but have not yet received

your packet, please contact Kathy Battle at the church office at 242-6553.

Older women, likewise, are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good, so that they may encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored. Titus 2:3-5

QUARTERLY WOG MISSION PROJECTS



Baby Bottle Boomerang

Due to last year's success we will once again sponsor this worthy project. Soon you will notice a display of baby bottles in the vestibule. These are for you to sign out and to fill with change (or cash or checks if you prefer). Return these to a WOG representative or to Kathy Battle at the church office and we will see that they are returned to the Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center. It is fun to fill with change (check your La-Z-Boy chair and the dryer) and will make a huge difference in the lives of these women in need. Children love to fill their own bottle and it allows them the chance to feel involved in an important mission for our Lord. This is one of the few ways the Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center is able to offer their services at no charge.

Peru Package Collection Update

Enough funds were collected to purchase two outfits, one pair of shoes and one toy for 22 of the children at the New Life Children's Home.

Thank you for your support in these important ministry opportunities. First and foremost, please pray daily for the families and children at risk in these situations. Prayer changes things—we all know that. Put them at the top of your prayer list and make a difference in their lives.

Women of Grace Steering Committee Members:

Kathy Battle, Donna Dawson, Rebecca Leinart, Shelva Edwards, Teresa Higginbotham, Vicki Noggle, Judy Ballance, Jazmine Jones, Kathy Wright

LADIES DAY AWAY
Saturday, August 22
A Day of Shopping in
Williamsburg

The first 20 women who pay \$5 will have a seat reserved on the TSBC coach.
\$5 will cover gas and snacks.
Ladies ages 18-99 are invited!

LIBRARY NEWS



For the past few months, we've focused quite a bit on books for adults, so to mark the beginning of the Summer Reading Program, we thought we would highlight a number of children's books. Now, grown-up person, don't think that this means there is no program for you – the Summer Reading Program is for everyone! Whether you read to yourself or read to someone else, or listen to someone read to you, keep track of the pages you've read on a form that we have in the library. Although we want reading for the fun of it to be your reward, you can pick up a nice little treat from the library staff once you have met your goal! On with the reviews!

Ladies first! The picture book by Angela Elwell Hunt, *The True Princess*, tells the story of a young princess who must live outside of the palace walls for a short time. In that time, she learns how to serve others, just as Jesus served others as told in Matthew 20. As the author wrote, "... just as the king recognized the princess because of her love and willingness to help, so other people will know we are children of King Jesus if we love Him and help others.

A Tale of Two Princes by Eckart Nur Nieden and Gisela Scheer shares a story of a lovely town, filled with lovely people who yearly send a gift to honor their king. After time, the self-proclaimed Prince of the island leads the townspeople astray and into darkness. The King's son comes and—well, let's not spoil the end of the story. Many of you probably already know how the story ends! What a great way to share the salvation story with a child or to remind an older child of God's great love for us.

Nancy White Carlstrom is the author of *Does God Know How to Tie Shoes*. She uses this beautifully-illustrated book to show some of the many questions that a child asks about the many attributes of God. In response to her questions, the child's parents offer answers straight from the book of Psalms to paint a word picture of God's awesome character and strength.

The Look and Learn Nature Book by Hinkler Books is board book filled with vivid, close-up pictures of many of the fabulous sights that fill the earth. Although it was created for very young children, the photos are a reminder of the awesome power of God and His perfect attention to details.

The Mystery of the Silver Dolphin by Elspeth Campbell Murphy is one of a series of ten books that provide a story illustrating one of the Ten Commandments. In this beginner's chapter book, the Three Cousins Detective Club work to determine who took the silver dolphin from Professor Hartman's collection and who is lying about it. Which commandment do you suppose readers will learn about? Hmmm.

Joseph Krumgold's Newberry Award winning story *Onion John* is a chapter book for older children. In it, the author tells the story of a twelve-year-old boy who helps to win the Little League pennant for his hometown team and becomes friends with a most unlikely person in town. How does his father react? You'll just have to read the book to find out!

Finally, for adults, we present *Heaven Help Us* by Steven J. Lawson. We all know a little bit about the promises of heaven – what it will be like, who will be there, what we will do there. Lawson guides his readers through the revelation to help us understand all there is to know in the Bible about what heaven holds for the believer. What a terrific explanation of what all God has shared with us about our eternity with Him!

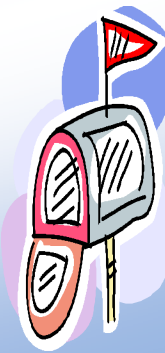
Be sure to stop by the library to check out any of the thousands of books that are available. We are sure you will find something to your liking!

Michelle Porti

From the Mailbox

I would like to thank my church family for all the phone calls to check on me, the visits, the cards, the food and most especially the prayers lifted up during this time of testing. Only God could inspire such an outpouring of love as I have experienced during this time of uncertainty! I love you all and I appreciate your many acts of kindness. My prayer for each of us is that we would continue to show one another the amazing and unconditional love of Christ! May God bless you as you have blessed me.

Love, Kathy Battle



What is a Christian family?

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one in which parents so live the Christian life and practice the presence of God that children come to accept God as the greatest reality of life.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one in which each member is accepted and respected as a person having sacred worth.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that accepts the responsibility of worship and instruction to the end of developing the spiritual life of each person.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that manifests a faith in God, observes daily prayer and grace at meals.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that is committed to behavior in keeping with Christian ideals for family relations, community life, and national and world citizenship.

Taken from The Newsletter Newsletter June 2009 Edition

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

Peru Missions Trip

June 22-July 1

Bland Missions Trip

July 5-10

Youth at Camp Snowbird

July 20-25

Vacation Bible School

August 1-6

Disaster Relief Team Works as Needed

Food Pantry

Distributes Food

3rd Saturday of Each Month



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We are busy working on the new slate of church workers for 2009-2010 church year. First, we would like to thank those that have already committed to serve in various position. Your willingness and commitment to God's work is so appreciated. If you are not sure as to where you would like to serve, please note that there are several positions still available:

Stewardship

Baptism

Ushers

Missions Council

Social Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Department

Grades 5-6: Teacher

Grades 3-4: Substitute Teacher

Preschool Department

Age 4: Substitute Teacher

Age 1: Substitute Teacher

If you would be interested in filling any one of these positions, please contact any member of the nominating committee, The goal of this committee is to have this work **completed** and available to the congregation on Sunday, August 16, 2009.

Thank you again and we would like to ask everyone to please continue to keep your nominating committee in your daily prayers.

2009-2010 Nominating Committee





Alyce Bass, Christine Anderson (chairperson),

Maxi Britt, Donna Ries, Willard Hatfield,

Bob Marshall, Donna Chesson, Peggy Jordon

and David Scott.

"In all the work you are doing, work the best you can. Work as if you were doing it for the Lord, not for people. Remember that you will receive your reward from the Lord, which he promised to his people. You are serving the Lord Christ." Colossian 3:23-24

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00-9:15am Orchestra Practice 9:15-9:30am Choir Practice 9:30pm Praise & Worship in Chapel 9:30-9:40am Special Music Practice 9:45am Sunday School 10:45am Worship/Extended Session/Children's Worship 6:00-8:00pm Youth Activity	8:00am Devotion/Walking 6:45pm Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts Mtgs. 	10:30am Staff Meeting	8:00am Devotion/Walking 5:15pm Family Supper 6:15-6:45pm Preschool & Children's Choirs 6:45-7:45pm TEAMKIDS & Veggie Tales Connection 6:15-7:45pm Youth Activity 6:15-7:45pm Pray/Bible Study/Adult Discipleship 7:45pm Adult Choir Practice			8:00am Devotion/Walking
			1 Peru Missions Team Returns	2 8:00pm Coed Softball vs. Ivor	3	4 Independence Day 
5 8:30am Family Breakfast	6 Church Office Closed 7:00pm Deacons' Mtg. 8:00pm Coed Softball vs. Wakefield	7	8 6:30pm Youth to Consulate Health Care	9 9:00pm Coed Softball vs. Millfield	10	11
Bland Missions Trip						
12	13 6:30pm WoG Mtg. 8:00pm Coed Softball vs. South Quay	14 11:30am Forever Young Lunch 7:00pm Stewardship Committee Mtg. 9:00pm Coed Softball vs. Wakefield	15 6:30pm Quarterly Business Meeting	16 7:00pm Coed Softball vs. Black Creek	17 6:00pm Adult Game Night	18 9:00am Food Distribution
19 12:30pm Senior Lunch Bunch Outing	20 7:00pm Church Council Mtg. Coed Softball vs. Ivor Newsletter Articles Due	21	22 6:30 pm TEAMKIDS to Consulate Health Care	23 7:00pm Missions Council Mtg.	24	25
Youth to Camp Snowbird						
26	27	28	29 6:15pm Church-wide VBS Canvassing	30	31	

BIRTHDAYS	
1 Dave Arendell	Cindy Rowland
Taylor Tillett	Caleb Willman
2 Daniel Crocker	Joshua Whitt
3 Gayle Hobbs	Morgan McKinney
Mary Farmer	Gavin Horton
Sherry Tuck	23 Joshua Haydu
4 Steven Perry	24 Beverly Bryant
5 Betty Goldsmith	John Strait
Allyson Fortner	Kristina Furlough
7 Renee Taylor	Betsy Creason
Kirk Jones	Michelle Porti
8 Melissa Brinkley	Claudia Brinkley
Sandra Goode	James Quier
9 Tammy Porter	Emily Lonsdale
Nicholas Moore	25 Peggy Jordan
10 Judy Ballance	Danielle Edwards
12 Tommy Salmon	William Dawson
13 Jeff Hyatt	Melissa Bell
Jonathan Marshall	26 Brenda Marshall
14 Wendy Hodges	27 Katie Horton
Devon Blair	Brandon Gallagher
15 Morgan McHugh	Wesley Anderson
Bryce Anderson	27 Neil Owens
16 Cecil Byrum	28 Graysen Baker
Wanece Ramsey	Barbara Worrell
Rhonda Powell	Adam Bryant
MacKenzie Gay	Carolyn Bryant
17 Aleyah Eason	Wanda Hyatt
Rob Darden, Jr.	Cathy Weeks
19 Tom Britt	Wim Quier
Teresa Vaughan	Glenn Adams
Caitlyn Carter	29 Kay Fowler
20 Ray Johnson	30 Pattie Felton
Terry Turner	Karen Webb
Alecia Sorrell	31 Kriston Cobb
Joseph Vantine	Kendall Griffin
20 Terry Turner	Elizabeth Crawford
22 Frankie Fisher	Courtney Edwards
	Jenna Brinkley

- 1st Sunday—July 5**
 Crib Melissa Brinkley 562-5226
 Kelly Bryant 242-4409
 Toddlers Lois Gurganus 569-1665
 Darlene Thomas 569-0469
 1's Kathy & Brooke Wright 569-3869
 2's Susan & Pat Boyle 516-2899
 3's Margie Reed 242-3208
 Debbie Rannigan 569-9583
 4's Sarah Randall 242-9547
 Audrey Padgett 562-7698
- 2nd Sunday—July 12**
 Crib Bonnie Detar 569-8088
 Alyce Bass 859-9069
 Toddlers Kara Eason 562-7177
 Allie Detar 569-8088
 1's Carol Willman 242-4902
 Sandra Quillen 242-3668
 2's Chris & Kara West 242-9652
 3's Karen Ross 876-5442
 Margi Reed 242-3208
 4's Sharon Harrell 569-0515
 Kristy Vaughan 647-8544
- 3rd Sunday—July 19**
 Crib Donna Chesson 562-7317
 Brittany Kelso 242-9603
 Toddlers Tammy Henry 859-6411
 1's Betty Lou Edwards 357-3513
 Carol Darden 357-4457
 2's Lynn & Lynn Goodrich 569-1023
 3's Billy & Mary Powell 242-9436
 4's Angel Darden 242-6344
 Peggy Jordan 562-2679

- 4th Sunday—July 26**
 Crib Michelle & Marc Edwards 357-3736
 Toddlers Barbette Porter 653-2052
 Katie Joyner 357-2560
 1's Sterling & Jamie Johnson 569-9515
 2's Vicki Brinkley 242-3350
 Beverly Ellis 562-0541
 3's Audrey Spencer 242-6028
 4's Karen Webb 923-3414
 Michelle Blair 569-1290

Please note:
 If you have any questions or concerns about the Sunday nursery schedule, please contact your nursery leader. If you are scheduled for
 Week 1—contact Melissa Brinkley 562-5226
 Week 2—contact Kara Eason 562-7177
 Week 3—contact Peggy Jordan 562-2679
 Week 4—contact Beverly Ellis 562-0541



Nursery Workers
Sundays 10:45 am

- 5th Tammy Porter
 Adeline Tillett
 12th Michelle Blair
 Dennis Blair
 19st Tommy Harrell
 Kara West
 26th Becky Carter
 Jamie Johnson

July Counting Committee
 Barry & Brenda Wills, Carol Darden, Betty Lou Edwards

Deacons of the Month
 Max Porter, Gary Lenart, Ed Phillips, Joe Poe, Larry Tillett

July Breakfast Cook Team
 Jason Brinkley, Scott Detar, Doug Faircloth, Joe Poe, Sterling Johnson, Buddy Wright, Max Porter, Chad Gribble, Jim Bryant

- ANNIVERSARIES**
- 7 Karl & Amie Bremer, Jr.
 - 8 Sterling & Jamie Johnson
 - 10 Warren & Sarah Johnson
 - 12 Jim & Amy Carr
 - 15 R. B. & Hazel Greene
Tommy & Wanda Hyatt
 - 24 Scott & Patsy Old
 - 26 Bill & Sarah Randall
Shawn & Angel Darden
 - 29 Adam & Kristy Bryant
 - 31 Drew & Shannon Lucas

Sunday School & Worship Greeters

5th: Tom & Maxie Britt, David Scott, Bob Porti, Sandra Brinkley, Neil Owens
 12th: Darlene Thomas, Donald & Audrey Padgett, Carol Darden, Sandra Brinkley, Neil Owens
 19st: Ron & Donna Ries, Bill Randall, Joyce Rabil, Neil Owens
 26th: Melissa Jackson, Ed & JoAnne Dixon, Dan & Cinda Pack, Neil Owens



NURSERY WORKERS — Wednesdays at 6:30

1st Becky Owens
 8th Vicki Noggle, Becky Owens
 15th Melissa Brinkley, Mary Farmer, Becky Owens
 22nd Shelia Darden, Shannon Lucas, Becky Owens
 29th Sandra Quillen, Becky Owens