

Tucker Swamp Baptist Church

THE VISION

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A few years ago the speaker at the Virginia School Convention shared his take on some of the problems with our public education system. Because of his great success in the business world and his disappointment in the condition of public education, he was asked to evaluate the state of Wisconsin's process and methods and use his expertise to recommend the necessary changes in order to make their process as proficient and successful as his businesses. He had heard all the statistics of how the United States woefully lagged behind other countries in its attempt to teach our children and was convinced those in charge simply didn't have the knowledge to run an efficient business. But during his investigation he made a remarkable discovery. After giving us a history lesson on the origin of public education in this country, he informed us how schools, teachers and staff today were required to be everything from counselors, nurses, cooks, and surrogate parents, and how changes in society and failures at home made it almost impossible to simply concentrate on education. He discovered the problem was not with the educational system but with everything interfering with education.

In the church sometimes we let other things, good things, interfere with our main purpose to "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you," Mathew 28:10-20. I believe God is calling the church back to its number one priority of making disciples. In order to do this effectively and efficiently we need to design a simple process to help move people through the various stages of spiritual growth. We all need to **Love** God through worship, **Learn** about Him together through small groups, **Serve** Him in our church and community and **Share** His Word and Love to others throughout the world. I pray in the next few months God will reveal to Tucker Swamp Baptist Church how to best answer His call and follow His direction.

OUR MISSION
is to

REACH OUT
through
Evangelism and Missions

REACH UP
through Worship

REACH IN
through
Discipleship and Fellowship

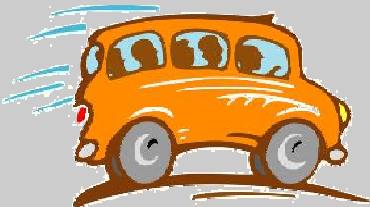
Community Impact

Saturday, September 25

This is a church-wide event. We will be doing repair work on houses in our community. Names of those who have needs are being provided by Social Services. A work list is now being composed. Skilled and unskilled workers are needed. Also, help is needed to provide lunch. Everyone is invited to participate in some way. More information will be available in Sunday School or the Sunday bulletin. Call the church office at 242-6553 if you would be willing to help.



Volunteers Needed



Dedicated people who would be willing to help bring children to church on Wednesdays and Sunday mornings are needed. Children from the Wednesdays in July program are looking for a ride to church. Anyone who would like to help please call me at 717-3102.

We are going to sponsor an all-day Children's Bible Camp on Veteran's Day, November 11. Anyone who would like to help during the day please call me, too. A planning meeting will be set up in October.



Children's Bible Camp

Cathy Weeks

Forever Young Lunch



Sr. Adult Fellowship

Tuesday,
September 14
11:30 am

Eley Class
Cooks

Newsletter
Articles Due
Monday,
September 20



Church Council Meeting

Monday, September 27

7:00 pm



All committee chairmen and those in other church leadership positions are encouraged to attend this meeting

Library Update

September is a great month. We are guaranteed each and every year a long weekend at the beginning of the month! What better way to spend that time than with a good book! Now that the 2010 Rocket into Reading program has come to an end, be sure to bring your Reading Log to the TSBC Library to get the treats you have earned!



The Killer Bear by Paul Hutchens is the second volume in the Sugar Creek Gang series. This series follows a group of Christian boys through their adventures that serve to build their Christian faith. If you read this series as a child, you will enjoy them all over again, as they've all been updated to appeal to the current generation.

The Long Winter by Laura Ingalls Wilder reminds me of the blessings we enjoy in summer, such as warm, sunny days, and playing or working outside. **The Long Winter** details how the Ingalls' family and the people of De Smet not only endure, but survive a harsh prairie winter.

The Dream Giver by Bruce Wilkerson is a modern-day parable about the blessings of living in God's will for the path that He has chosen for each of us. The first half of the book consists of the parable and the second half explains how to determine what that "Big Dream" is that the Lord has given you to realize and to live.

Item number one on **48 Hours to The Work You Love** by Dan Miller is this: "What action can you take in the next 48 hours to put you on the path for what you want to accomplish?" Hmmmm. That's a tough one, isn't it? I mean, if I could do just one thing in the next two days that would put me on the path to doing what I truly love to do, wouldn't I have already done that? Well, pick up Miller's book to see just how easy he says this can be!

A Dragon, A Dreamer, and The Promise Giver by Joyce Strong is a work of historical fiction based on the life and writings of King Solomon. The story is interlaced with the scripture from which the story is based. We know that Solomon's life was not filled with joy and happiness at every turn. Through Strong's work, one begins to see why his life was so grand, yet so melancholy.

Don't forget to complete your Rocket into Reading logs and bring them by the TSBC Library on Sundays between Sunday School and Worship, or directly after Worship Service. On Wednesday evenings, you may bring your log to us between 6:10 and 7:50. See you in the library!

Article by Michelle Porti

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00-9:15am Orchestra Practice 9:30am Praise & Worship in Chapel Sunday School 10:50am Worship/Extended Session/Children's Worship 6:00-8:00pm Youth Discipleship	8:00am Devotion/Walking 6:45pm Scouts Mtgs. 		8:00am Devotion/Walking 5:15pm Family Supper 6:45-7:45pm Preschool & Children— TEAMKIDS Youth Discipleship Adults— Prayer/Bible Study 7:45pm Adult Choir Practice		8:00am Devotion/Walking 	
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	<div style="background-color: orange; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> PLEASE NOTE: The coach is reserved through September 12 for repairs. </div>					
5 8:30am Family Breakfast 10:50am Parent/Child Dedication 6:00pm Fellowship for Christ Supper at the Wests	6 Church Office Closed 	7	8 6:30 pm Youth to Consulate Health Care	9	10	11
12 Back to Church Sunday 10:50am Baptism	13 6:30pm WoG Steering Committee Mtg. 7:00pm Deacon Mtg.	14 11:30pm Sr. Adult Lunch— Eley Class Cooks	15	16	17 6:00pm Sr. Adult Game Night	18 9:00am-12:00pm Food Distribution <div style="background-color: orange; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Men's Wildfire Conference at Thomas Rhodes Baptist Church </div>
19 12:30pm Senior Lunch Bunch Outing	20 Newsletter Articles Due 	21	22 6:30pm TEAMKIDS to Consulate Health Care	23 7:00pm Missions Council Mtg.	24	25 TSBC Community Missions
26	27 7:00pm Church Council Mtg.	28	29	30		

Faithfully Serving God and His Church in September 2010

Sunday Morning Worship Nursery Workers

1st Sunday

Crib Melissa Brinkley 562-5226
Tiffany O'Donnell 653-1761

Toddlers Karen Ross 876-5442

1's Janice Byrum 242-4136
2's Vickie Searcy 334-9891
3's Rebecca & Morgan Burks 242-4738
4's Pat & Susan Boyle 516-2899

2nd Sunday

Crib Bonnie Detar 569-8088
Alyce Bass 859-9069

Toddlers Donna Chesson 562-7317

1's Onycha & Sam Bias 242-6735
2's Kara Eason 562-7177
3's Amanda Tuck 562-5531
Elizabeth Roach 242-4810
4's Chris & Kara West 242-9652

3rd Sunday

Crib Dennis & Michelle Blair 569-1290

Toddlers Tammy Henry 531-5908

1's Stacey Rogers 242-3193
2's Steve & Penny O'Donnell 653-2337
3's Megan Jones 357-2739
4's Lynn & Lynn Goodrich 569-1023

4th Sunday

Crib Lois & Amber Gurganus 569-1665

Toddlers Barbette Porter 653-2052

1's Gordon & Lisa Calhoun 859-2675

2's **Workers Needed**

3's Sterling & Jamie Johnson 569-9515

4's **Workers Needed**

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 Tiffany O'Donnell 653-7270

Week 2—contact Kara Eason 569-7177

Week 3—contact Tammy Henry 531-5908

Week 4—contact Jamie Johnson 569-9515

Week 5—contact Shelia Darden 562-5278

Will You Help?

Nursery Workers are still needed for Sunday Worship Services.
If you are willing to help, please Contact Tiffany O'Donnell (653-7270).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT NURSERY

Becky Owens
Melissa Brinkley
Tammy Henry



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

5th:
12th:
19th:
26th:

To Be Announced

DEACONS OF THE MONTH: Ronnie West, Pete Edwards, Tommy Hyatt, Randy Jackson, Barry Wills

COUNTERS: Wanda & Tommy Hyatt, Judy & Willard Hatfield

BREAKFAST TEAM: Larry Tillett, Jeff & Michael Kelso, Joe Jordan, Evan Rannigan, Joe Hancock, Ed Dixon

GREETERS:

5th:
12th:
19th:
26th:

To Be Announced

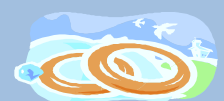


BIRTHDAYS

1 Rachel Calhoun	8 Carl Eason, Jr.	16 Amie Bremer	Larry Wills
Andrea West	Doug Fisher	Robb Darden, Sr.	24 Shane Brinkley
Tami Williams	Joe Valenti	Bonnie Detar	Amanda Flick
2 Melanie Brinkley	Brenda Wills	Matt Kearns	25 Lena Roach
Henry Pulley	Cole Wright	Effie Shrader	Maxie Britt
3 Jacob Bradshaw	10 Rob Bremer	John Winn	Charlene Wills
Daniel Falcone	11 Vicki Brinkley	17 Dwight Arendell	27 Cliff Brinkley
Tommy Harrell	Christian Furlough	19 Ryan Anderson	Kathy Byrd
Lori McNair	12 James Joyce	Vernon Crumpler	Lizzy Neiger
4 Paul Thomas Creason	Cyndi Thompson	Richard Ramsey	Bryce Bradshaw
Dylan Thomas	13 David Creason	Autumn Briest	28 Joanna White Bialek
5 Lily Calhoun	Theresa Taylor	20 Bill Dawson	Patrick Boyle
Isabell Enos	Debbie Williams	Donna Jones	Abigail Byrum
Virginia Rawls	14 Carole Oshman	Tony Wills	Andrea Moore
6 Stephanie Anderson	Camdon Porter	21 Keith Artis	Audrey Spencer
Amanda Tuck	15 Caleb Witt	Brandy Webb	29 Ray Byrum
7 Jake Brinkley	Judy Crumpler	22 Victoria Cahoon	Ricky Vaughan
	Max Porter	23 Darla Arendell	30 Kris Ann Hardison
	Brooke Wright	Barry Wills	

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Donald & Judy Little
- 4 Nathan & Misty Cobb
- 6 Tommy & Sharon Harrell
- 9 Gary & Debbie Rannigan
- 13 Jerry & Beverly Bryant
- 14 Bob & Michelle Porti
- 15 Frank & Amy Justus
- 20 David & Darla Arendell
- Karlus & Betty Bailey
- 23 Rod & Tricia Phelps
- John & Betty ward
- 28 Cliff & Sandra Brinley
- Jimmy & Carolyn Bryant
- 30 Larry & Adeline Tillett



Women of Grace

LADIES RETREAT at GASTON LAKE October 8-10

The weekend Bible study will be "When Wallflowers Dance" by Angela Thomas. She will encourage women to grow up in their faith and fully engage in life as God intended when He created them. *Watch your bulletin for upcoming detailed information!*



www.ShoesForOrphanSouls.org

Collection Dates
October 10--November 7

We (WoG) felt God leading us to join in a mission ministry opportunity to shoe orphans this year instead of Operation Christmas Child. Since 1998, Buckner International has provided more than 2 million pairs of shoes and socks to children in 69 countries around the world. There will be collection bins in the vestibule and church office to drop off **new pairs of shoes in any size**. Take them out of boxes and leave them joined together with their tag, or if no tag then rubber band them together. You may drop off new socks left in their original packages in the same bins. Please see Teresa Higginbotham if you have any questions.

REMINDER: Baby bottles were to be turned in by August 29. Please return all bottles to a WoG committee member or the church office.

We would like to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve the women of our church over the past three years. It was a privilege to serve and minister to the women of TSBC. We'll continue to support the ministry and encourage the WoG committee members.

The committee members for 2010-2011 are:
Judy Ballance, Alyce Bass, Sue Batten, Kathy Battle
Onycha Bias, JoAnne Copeland, Sheila Darden
Amy Leinart, Sherry Tuck

Shelva Edwards
Teresa Higginbotham
Vicki Noggle

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jim & Pat Long
P. O. Box 476
Wakefield, VA 23888
Phone: 899-6561



We extend our sympathy to

Judy Little upon the recent death of her aunt,
Shirley O'Donnell



NEW BIRTH

Mason Alexander Blair

Born: August 17, 2010
Weight: 7 lbs. 15 oz.

Parents:
Michelle & Dennis Blair

Brothers:
Jacob, Devon, & Baker



FROM THE MAILBOX

American Red Cross
Mid-Atlantic
Blood Services Region

July 21

Tucker Swamp Baptist Church
37527 Seacock Chapel Rd.
Zuni, VA 23898

Dear Friends,

Thank you for coordinating a blood drive on Wednesday, July 14, 2010. The blood that we collected at your drive could be used to help premature infants, people with cancer, patients undergoing bone marrow transplants and emergency surgeries as well as hundred of others in our community who need blood.

Every day, we need to collect 600-700 units of blood to keep up with the needs of local patients and hospitals. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. The Tucker Swamp Baptist Church recent blood drive collected 20 pints on a goal of 21. Thank you for your help with our lifesaving mission.

We are always coming up with new ideas to increase the participation at blood drives. I will be contacting you to discuss ways in which we can enhance and expand your next drive scheduled for Wednesday, October 6, 2010.

Again, thank you for your contributions and ongoing support of the local blood program. It comes at a time when we really need your help.

Sincerely,
Theresa Weaver
Account Manager

Hello Congregation!

I am taking a little “vacation” from the trail and wanted to send a quick note. Thanks for all your hospitality in Bland—it was a great experience I will never forget! Hope the rest of the week went well. I’ll keep in touch.

Kat “Katdog” & Springer

August 16, 2010

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your visits, phone calls, meals, beautiful and cards which helped me so much. Most of all, thank you for your prayers during my surgery and treatments. Each act of kindness was appreciate so very much. I thank God for a wonderful church family. May He continue to bless you, as you have blessed me.

Love,
Judith Hatfield

Grateful . . . That’s how I feel, knowing I have good-hearted people like you to share life’s journey. Thank you . . . for being such a blessing just by being who you are. Thank you so much for the opportunity to join with you and Tucker

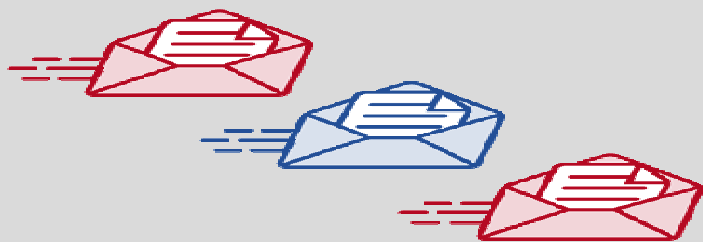
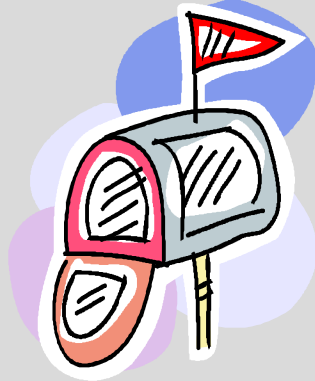
Swamp Baptist members on such a wonderful mission trip! It was absolutely a pleasure to be with such a great group of Christians and doing God’s work together. My mother and I so enjoyed being a part of the “team,” and working hand-in-hand with everyone. We were made to feel very much at home with and by each of you. May you continue to be blessed, as you have been a blessing. Many, many thanks!

Deborah Banks

Dear Tucker Swamp Baptist Church,

I want to sincerely thank you for your willingness to have me serve you this summer. It has been a joy and an honor to work alongside you, the church to serve the youth and children of our church and the community. This summer has confirmed in me a longing to work with young people and share the Truth with them. I know that as a Christian we are meant to encounter criticism and hardships, but this summer it has been evident that Christ has used all of you to encourage me and build me up. I am so thankful that I will always have this church home to lean on as I seek to serve Christ wherever He leads me. I would also like to thank all the bus drivers and parents and church members who made the numerous activities possible. You, as a church, are the reason things happen and I know you will continue to carry out the work of ministering to the young people in our community. Once again I want to thank you all and express how much I have utterly enjoyed working with the children and youth! I have truly come to love each and everyone of them.

In Christ’s love,
Blair Chesson



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Where the Cross Is Central!

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

September 12

Summer is over and school has begun once again. Many have been away on vacations during the summer and have gotten away from attending Sunday School and Worship Services on Sundays. **Sunday, September 12** has been designated as **Back to Church Sunday**. So let's all make a big effort to be at church on Sunday, September 12 and to continue to let church attendance be a priority.

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

Sunday School

at 9:30

for all ages and

Worship

at 10:50

(Also, Nursery, Extended Session, and Children's Church offered at 10:50)



**Join Us for
Sunday School
and Worship**

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

5:15 Family Supper

**6:15 Adult Bible Study/Discipleship
Youth Discipleship**

Children—TEAMKIDS

Preschool—TEAMKIDS

Nursery

7:45 Adult Choir Practice

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