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A place to belong... a place to become.

JULY 5, 2009

OPPORTUNITIES

July 5 - 11, 2009

Deacon on Call: Ricky Ford

Sunday, July 5:

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Special Independence Day Service

(WBIP-AM 1400)

6:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Red, White, and Blue Fellowship - CLC

(WBVV-FM 99.3)

Wednesday, July 8:

6:30 p.m. Kid's Club, Wednesday YT,
Prayer Meeting

Thursday, July 9:

12:00 noon JoyMakers Luncheon

Friday, July 10:

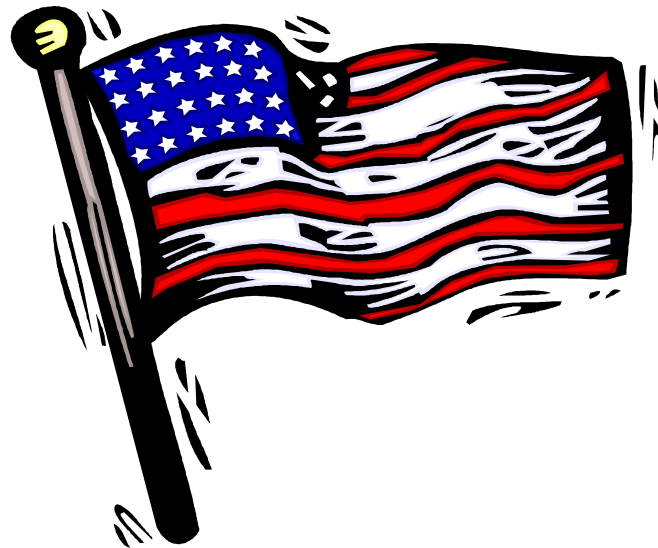
8:00 p.m. Sunday Morning Worship
Service Broadcast (Cable 16,
www.ubntv.org)

Saturday, July 11

6:00 p.m. Wedding: Blake Jones and
Julie Brooke Thomas

Visit our church website (www.fbcooneville.com)
for upcoming events and previous editions
of the newsletter.

Red, White and Blue Fellowship



**Sunday, July 5
6:30 PM
in the CLC**

Dress in something
red, white or blue, bring a
covered dish, and come
celebrate our heritage and
freedom as we worship and
have a meal together.

Observance of the Lord's Supper

**Sunday, July 12
11:00 AM**



Watch Out for the Weeds

By: Dr. Lynn Jones

Ever since the fall of man, we gardeners have had to do battle with the weeds. After Adam's sin, God said to him, "Cursed is the ground for your sake; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you." Before the fall, evidently no thorns or thistles grew, and their double-first cousins, the weeds, were also missing. After the fall, the weeds began proliferating and torturing us gardeners as just reward for our sin. We had it coming, but that still doesn't make our warfare with the weeds any more pleasant.

As I do daily hand-to-hand combat with the weeds, I have observed that weeds always attack a garden at its weakest point. They are always looking for a chink in the armor—some vulnerable spot. Leith Anderson said that when he was putting in his lawn at his new house, he asked an expert about what he ought to do about all of the weeds. The man said, "Don't worry about getting rid of the weeds. Just concentrate on growing grass." That's the way life works. The fuller we fill life with the presence of God, the fewer places there are for the weeds to grow. If there is some place in your life where you are neglecting to put something strong and positive, you leave yourself open to the invasion of sin.

I have also observed that one of the ways weeds get a foothold in a vegetable garden or a flowerbed is by the old trick of masquerade. When your plants are small and just getting started, weeds that look almost exactly like the good plants begin growing right in the midst of

them. If you're not careful, you will water and feed the weeds along with the plants you're trying to encourage.

That's the way sin works in our lives. Satan is the master of the masquerade. He can even present himself as an angel of light. Be on the lookout for sin. Don't be fooled by the way it masquerades itself as something positive and good.

Something else I have noticed about weeds is that they get just as close as possible to the good plants. They will get so close that they are hard to see and even harder to dislodge without harming the good plant. Jesus pointed out this problem in his parable about the wheat and the tares. He said that pulling up the tares dislodged a lot of good wheat. You often have to use a kind of surgical precision in removing sin from your life without causing a lot of collateral damage.

Another trick that weeds use is to grow as fast as possible. They know that they are universally hated so they try to grow to maturity with breakneck speed before you spot them and pull them up. That's the way sin works. It often grows with astounding speed to overwhelm us before we get it under control.

Numerous experiments have shown that plants grow better if you speak to them gently and kindly. I think I'll try the opposite approach.

This week I plan to go out and yell at the weeds!

--Sunday's Sermons:

AM: "Characteristics of Christian Citizenship" – Amos 6:1-6

PM: Red, White and Blue Fellowship – Meal and Worship in the Christian Life Center

COUNTING COMMITTEE:

J. W. Jennings, JoAnn Long,
David Jones, George Williams

USHERS:

AM

John Green, Bernell Smith,
Johnny Creel, Mike Cristo,
Roy Gray, David West

PM

Sterling Akers, Hubert McDaniel,
Johnny Creel

EXTENDED SESSION:

July Coordinator

Andrea Mathis (720-0937)

July 5th:

Jane Billingsley
Ann Inman
Sandra Gray

July 12:

Jennifer Dickerson
Brad Boyette
Wanda Cox

IN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Vance and Louise Brown and family in the loss of their nephew, Mr. Keith Wulff.

GIFTS RECEIVED

Gifts have been received by First Baptist Church in memory of

*Mrs. Roberta Grisham
Mrs. Elizabeth Cartwright
Mrs. Ilene Smith
Austin Rhodes*



OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Leslie Kate Mincy
Profession of Faith and Baptism

June 28, 2009	
Sunday School	246
Budget	\$6,866.76
Designated Offering	697.00
Total	\$7,543.76

Pray for our Homebound:
Mrs. Mavis Morgan
Mrs. Billie McGlaun

JoyMakers News
 Luncheon and Program
 Thursday, July 9th
 12:00 noon

Herschel and Shirley Morgan are in charge of the program. Bring a covered dish and come be a part of this great group!

MUSIC NOTES

Christian Citizenship Sunday July 5



Sunday morning we will be featuring our veterans.
 The choir will be singing
Salute to the Armed Forces
 complete with DVD accompaniment.
 Each branch of the military will be featured and veterans in those branches will be asked to stand as their song is sung.

Sunday evening we will meet for a red, white, and blue picnic in the CLC and we will sing favorite patriotic songs.

Please join us for this special Sunday!

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

See Pictures from Prentiss Industries DayHab!

Check out our website (www.fbcooneville.com) to see pictures taken during our recent VBC at Prentiss Industries DayHab! A very special thank-you to the following who assisted the entire week:
Elizabeth, Emily and Evan Akers, Olivia Cartwright, Mercy Cook, Ryan Crowson, Drew Fisher, Daniel Pitner, Jordan Shepherd, and Mrs. Janeil Stutts.

Camp Good News

Thank you for praying for the 10 children who attended Camp Good News at Chickasaw State Park in Tennessee this past week. Not only did they have fun swimming and playing games, but they learned important lessons about the Bible and missions each day. Several made some very important decisions and some even shared their testimonies in public with other campers and counselors for the very first time!

YOUTH NEWS

Xtreme Conference

Please continue to pray for twelve of our youth and their leaders as they are away at Xtreme Conference in Panama City. They will return Friday, July 3rd.

Come join us Wednesday nights
 for **Wednesday YT!**

See you Sunday for Sunday School and worship service!

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Thomas
 request the honour of your presence
 at the marriage of their daughter
Julie Brooke Thomas

to

Blake Daniel Jones
 son of Dr. and Mrs. Lynn Jones
 on Saturday the eleventh of July
 Two thousand and nine
 at six o'clock in the evening
 First Baptist Church
 401 West Church Street
 Booneville, Mississippi
 Reception Immediately Following



**"Blessed
 is the
 nation
 whose God is the
 Lord."
 Psalm 33:12**

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WOM July Meeting Dates

Helping Hands

Monday, July 13
5:30 PM
at The Landmark

Sunshine Servants

Monday, July 14
9:30 AM
in the Berea Room

Rosalie Hunt Group

Monday, July 14
1:00 PM
at The Landmark

In Concert

The Miracles

A group of musically-gifted adults from The Baddour Center located in Sentatobia, Mississippi

**here at FBC
Sunday, July 19th
6:30 PM**

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Cards of Thanks

THANK YOU
from the family of Elizabeth White Cartwright

Words cannot express our gratitude for the many kindnesses you bestowed upon us during Elizabeth's illness and after her demise. To mention only a few would include your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls, food, memorials, flowers, and monetary gifts. We extend a special thanks to Dr. Jones for his inspiring message at her final service and to LuAnne, Jean, Suzanne, and Carol for their wonderful music. Also, our sincerest thanks to the ones who did their part in laying her to rest, Roger Rhodes, William Scott, Sterling Akers, Joey Williford, Ray Scott, Johnny Creel, Keith Shackelford, and Marshall Dickerson. You gave all of us spiritual inspiration and comfort during her extended illness and we shall always remember and thank you for your thoughtfulness. May God bless all of you.

Yours in Christian love,
Wade, Olivia, and Tyler Cartwright
Jacqueline Sutherland White

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for everything you did during Mother's sickness and death. The food, flowers, memorials, visits, encouragement and prayers have made a difficult time a little easier. My family and I are fortunate to be a part of a caring church family.

Jackie Smith

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