



## Newsletter - Board of Ministry Aug 2015

The Purpose of First Baptist Church is to **Celebrate** God's love as we bring people into His **Family** to **Grow** in Him, **Serve** Him and **Reach** out to others. Our Vision: Connecting unchurched people with God's love, helping them become fully devoted followers of Christ.

The Board of Ministry (BOM) met on August 10, 2015, at 7 p.m. Ray Jepson opened the meeting with prayer and chaired the meeting.

### **EVANGELISM TEAM**

The Community Fun Festival went well in July. It was great to have so many volunteers. They will look at adding something new next year.

Community Day Camp has ended for the year. There was a record number of kids this year. Thanks so much to the staff for making this such a great program.

The World Mission Offering will be October 11.

### **WORSHIP TEAM**

There was a good turnout for the community worship at the Fairgrounds on August 4. The speaker was Tom Kraeuter who gave an inspired message on unity. It worked well to have an early worship service here at FBC prior to going to the Fairgrounds.

### **FELLOWSHIP TEAM**

August 30 is the next Fifth Sunday Fellowship potluck dinner with teacher safety training for those working with children and youth under 18 following the meal.

The Social Committee will be lining up the Harvest Festival meal on October 11. More details to follow.

The Pacesetters enjoyed the variety show put on by the Community Day Camp kids and the goodies following the show.

### **DISCIPLESHIP TEAM**

There will be a teacher appreciation during the worship service on August 30. The details of the safety training for teachers have been worked out.

Family Focus will be changed to "Community Family Focus." Kym has made some beautiful posters to advertise the Wednesday night activities.

They will be put at the Post Office, Gopher Stop, and the mobile home park. There will also be a mailer sent to the community. Talk it up to people you meet in the community and plan to be a part of it. Kate will head up the Wednesday evening meals. There will be classes for children ages 3 through pre-kindergarten, kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, as well as the BY groups. Cindy Gould will be the adult Bible study leader.

Promotion Sunday will be the 13<sup>th</sup> of September.

Michelle Peterson will teach the Seekers Sunday school class and Cindy and Rachel Gould will teach the youth.

### **SERVICE TEAM**

Replacing another section of the parking lot is being planned in the next couple of months. Roofing of the pavilion is still planned in the near future by the Boy Scouts as an Eagle Scout project.

Ray is working on ideas for the outdoor sign by the highway that it can be seen from the north or the south. The goal is to have a design ready by the next board meeting.

The homeschoolers group will be using some of our facilities every other week.

### **JEFF'S REPORT**

He is working with Michelle Peterson on preparations for the Women of Faith event hosted by our church on October 2 & 3. Kym is preparing the promotional materials. Mailings will go out to area churches by August 15.

The small group season will kick off shortly. There will be sign up sheets to give those who are not in a small group an opportunity to sign up.

After the Fairgrounds worship service, there is interest among our faith community of having more community worship services--perhaps on a quarterly basis. You may be hearing more about this at a later time.

The Todd Agnew concert will be on November 21. Ticket information and other details will be coming soon.

### **JAMIE'S REPORT**

He has been working on the church website and wants it up and running by the end of the week of August 15. The plan is to have an event registration online so that people can register for events, such as Women of Faith, prior to the event.

Jamie attended the Global Leadership Conference last Thursday and Friday and reports it was excellent again. He described the session on Service--how can we do a better job of knowing people by name--visitors and attenders?

He is looking at doing another all church study during the worship service and Sunday school classes. It would possibly start in October.

### **OTHER**

Ray brought up that a Staff Relations Committee consisting of 2 Elders and a woman- and man-at-large from the congregation needs to be formed. The purpose is to see how things are going with the staff and also to discuss wages prior to the budget meeting. The Board of Ministry has authority to establish such a committee. The Elders would pick the woman- and man-at large. The Board approved the forming of this committee.

Emily and Bob W. go off the board this year so they will be on the nominating committee.

Ministry teams need to start thinking about the 2015 Budget and getting their committee members for the coming year.

### **DEVOTION**

Jamie led a devotion based on John 17:17 & 18: "For they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. Sanctify them by your word." Jamie's subject was Marketing. He asked the Board: "What tools do you use to reach people? What tools did Jesus use? Response was: He went to the people, healing, word of mouth, meeting needs, loving them caring about them. Are we using all the tools possible at our disposal to reach people for the kingdom? We need to think about it.

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After the meeting ended, prayers were offered for specific concerns and healing for individuals

and praise for how God is working in the lives of those who trust in Him.

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| <p><b><u>Board of Ministry-Pray for them</u></b></p> <p><u>Worship Ministry Team</u><br/>Cindy Gould and David Callahan</p> <p><u>Fellowship Ministry Team</u><br/>Emily Ayers and Gloria Jensen</p> <p><u>Discipleship Ministry Team</u><br/>Michelle Peterson and Paulette Nelson</p> <p><u>Service Ministry Team</u><br/>Bob Wayne and Mike Peterson</p> <p><u>Evangelism Ministry Team</u><br/>Kym Cameron and Linda Lang</p> <p><u>Ministerial Staff - ex-officio</u><br/>Jamie Cameron and Jeff Schei</p> <p><u>Elders</u><br/>Ray Jepson and Terry Van Kampen</p> |
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Submitted by Loretta Schewe, Church Clerk