

# Good News Letter

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## Happy New Year!



As I prepare my articles for this January newsletter and look forward to the new year, I am aware that the busyness of planning for Christmas festivities and celebrations is swirling around me. The Spirit of Christmas is always so very real to me, especially this week before Christmas. I wish I could hold onto it throughout the year. The magic of this time of the year seems to go away so quickly, as the holiday celebrations come to a close, vacations end and we get back into the swing of things.

My prayer for you, as the year begins, is that you will muster the faith and strength to keep Christmas alive in your hearts throughout the year, and not just at Christmas. This is, perhaps, the greatest challenge of the year. And so, I'd like to share this poem with you; a prayer for all of us.

May God be our help and bless us as we strive to become the people God hopes for us to become.

Many blessings,

I must admit to a certain guilt about stuffing the Holy Family into a box in the aftermath of Christmas.

It's frankly a time of personal triumph when, each Advent's eve, I free them (and the others) from a year's imprisonment boxed in the dark of our basement.

Out they come, one by one, struggling through the straw, last year's tinsel still clinging to their robes.

Nevertheless, they appear, ready to take their place again in the light of another Christmas.

The Child is first because he's the one I'm most reluctant to box.

Attached forever to his cradle, he emerges, apparently unscathed from the time spent upside down to avoid the crush of the lid.

His mother, dressed eternally in blue, still gazes adoringly, in spite of the fact that her features are somewhat smudged.

Joseph has stood for eleven months, holding valiantly what's left of his staff, broken twenty Christmases ago by a child who hugged a little too tightly.

The Wise Ones still travel, though not quite so elegantly, the standing camel having lost its back leg and the sitting camel having lost one ear.

However, gifts intact, they are ready to move.

The shepherds, walking or kneeling, sometimes confused with Joseph (who wears the same dull brown), tumble forth, followed by three sheep.

There they are again, not a grand set surely, but one the children (and now the grandchildren) can touch and move about to re-enact that silent night.

When the others return, we will wind the music box on the back of the stable and light the Advent candles and go once more to Bethlehem.

And this year, when it's time to pack the figures away, we'll be more careful that the Peace and Goodwill are not also boxed for another year.

—Ann Weems from  
*Kneeling in Bethlehem*,  
Westminster Press, 1987

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## Youth Inquirer's Class

A youth inquirer's class will be held starting in January for all youth, 12 years and older. We will be using the Judson curriculum, *Storyweaving: You and Your Faith Journey*. It is "a challenging experience that gives you an opportunity to weave your personal story into the Christian story and the story of Baptist tradition. Guided by your pastor and a personal mentor, you will explore how you can weave the threads of your life into a rewarding new life as a disciple of Jesus Christ and a member of the caring Christian community."

The class will meet a total of twelve times, beginning on Saturday, January 8 through Saturday, April 2, with the exception of Saturday, March 5. We will meet at the church, for one hour, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

If you haven't been contacted and are interested in being part of this class, please speak with Pastor Brummett.

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## Pastor to Attend Preaching Conference

From Monday, January 24 through Thursday, January 27, Pastor Brummett will be attending the 1994 Gene

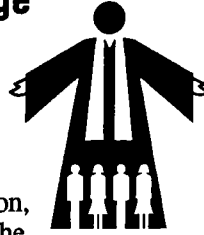
Bartlett Preaching Conference at her seminary, Colgate Rochester Divinity School/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological School in Rochester, New York.

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## Annual Community Pulpit Exchange

On Sunday, January 23, we will begin celebration of the "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity." As part of that celebration, we will take part in the annual ecumenical pulpit exchange.

At the December Delaware County Ministerial Association meeting, names were put in a hat and drawn. Pastor Brummett will be going to preach and lead worship at William Street United Methodist Church and their new pastor, The Rev. Norman "Pete" Snook, will be coming to First Baptist.



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## First Baptist Hosts Peace Camp in 1994

The first Peace Camp meeting will be held on Sunday, January 9 at 1:00 p.m. in our downstairs meeting room. Peace Camp is an annual event, created and planned by four downtown churches:

Asbury United Methodist, First Baptist, First Presbyterian, and Zion United Church of Christ.

This year, each church is being asked to send their pastor plus two representatives to be on the Peace Camp Planning team. If you are interested in being a representative please see Beth Trigg or Pastor Brummett.

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## Junior High Class

Our class filled three stockings for the Mental Hospital. We've been studying Luke, and continue to play act and do art work. Evan Trigg brought three guests in the last month! We love to share God's word with new young people. We also decorated our room and a small tree for the Christmas season.

—Archie and Beth Trigg, teachers

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## Coat and Soup Night

Coat and Soup Night was held November 29th at the church. We collected 119 coats and distributed over 50. The remaining coats were given to Rev. Rick Robinson for this Christian Center in downtown Delaware. Please patronize T & N Dry Cleaning next to the library, as they did some freebie cleaning for this project. Anne Linn

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

Compiled by  
Barb and Rick Van Brimmer



OCTOBER, 1853

**W**e continue our look at First Baptist's Declaration of Faith, as adopted in 1853. To review, the church chose to use the 16 "Articles of Faith" as published in the *Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* as the basis of their faith. This month we present articles 12, 13 and 14:

### 12. OF BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, Son and Spirit; to show faith in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in a crucified, buried and risen Savior, with its purifying power; that it is pre-requisite to the privilege of a Church relation and the Lord's supper, in which the member of the church by the use of the bread and the wine are to commemorate the dying love of Christ; preceeded by the solemn self-examination.

### 13. OF THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH

That the first day of the week is the Lord's day, or Christian Sabbath; and it is to be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labour and recreations; by a devout

observance of all the means of grace both private and public; and by preparation for that Rest which remaineth for the People of God.

### 14. OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT

That civil government is of divine appointment for the interests and good order of human society and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except in things opposed to the Lord Jesus Christ who is the only Lord of conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth.

*Note: These passages contain several words which are today spelled differently than they appear in this text. We have transcribed them as they appear in the original church journal kept by James Eaton.*

made three large pots of veggie soup which were sustaining to many small children.

We want to do this again—it was very rewarding. Keep saving coats! Thank to all who helped. Remember what John told us in the Bible—"If you have two coats, give the other away."

God continues to bless us *all*.

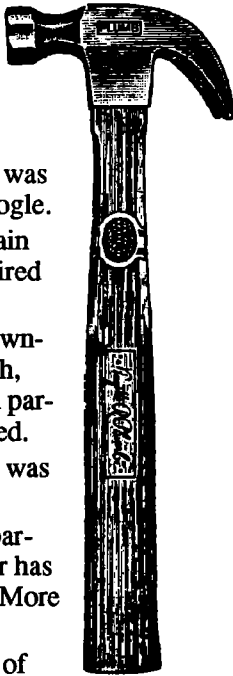
—Beth Trigg

## Trustees Notes

### OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER

- Furnaces were serviced and filters were changed by Don Patrick.
- Fire extinguishers were checked and serviced by B & J.
- The Fire Marshall made a walk-through inspection.
- Two pianos were tuned by Clifford Rector.
- The pipe organ was tuned and serviced by Gary Mason and Larry Williams.
- A parsonage toilet was repaired by Will Fogle.
- The table in the main vestibule was repaired by Jeff Reed.
- The gutters and downspouts at the church, parsonage, and old parsonage were cleaned.
- The kitchen phone was replaced.
- At press time the parsonage dish washer has gone on the blink. More later.
- The exact location of the sewer gas odor at the church has not been located yet.
- During wet weather, the old foundation wall leaks in the furnace room, and the furnace is too rusty to move to work on it. This is going to have to be our next major expense.

—Peter White, chair



## Candlelighters

January 2 Laura Mowery  
9 Jeremy Ramey  
16 Richard Davis  
23 Chrissy Hopkins  
30 Rick Ramey  
February 6 Betty Davis

## ABW Ministries

Bertha Van Brimmer will host the January 20th ABWM meeting, at a place to be announced. You are asked to bring a small item for our Scholarship Student, Heather Rittenhouse. A box will be sent to her in February. Also, plans for the sing-along at Sunny Vee Nursing Home will be finalized.

—Carol Fogle, Secretary

## Grady's Fun-with-Lunch Bunch

Volunteer drivers at Grady Hospital deliver a hot lunch and a warm smile to shut-ins in Delaware County. When the deliveries are complete, the drivers meet in the Grady cafeteria for lunch and to "solve the problems of the world." Lunch and mileage are provided.

If you want to help with this project please call Norma Hudson at 368-5030.

## Crop Walk

Delaware clergy and laypeople are planning to host a Crop Walk on Sunday, October 16, which is World Food Day. The initial planning meetings are being held at our church. We have been asked to have at least one representative, in addition to the pastor to serve on the Coordinating Team. Please see Pastor Brummett if you are interested.

## 1994 Church Directory

The 1994 edition of the church directory will be printed soon. Please check your entry in the current directory. If it contains any errors or is outdated, give me a call or put a note in the newsletter box at the church.

Remember—unless I hear otherwise from you, I'll assume that last year's entry

was correct and will repeat it unchanged!

(If you've already given me a correction which has appeared in the "Church Directory Update" in the newsletter, it's not necessary to give it to me again.)

—Jim Stephenson  
369-0068

## Adult Social

At the January Adult Social the adults will be the guests at a party hosted by the youth. The party will be on Sunday, January 30th at 2:00 p.m. It will be a



birthday party, and everyone will be seated according to the month of their birth. There will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.

## St. Peter's Purchases Former TKE House

St. Peter's Episcopal Church recently purchased the building next to their church (formerly the TKE House, now called Andrews House). Here are some excerpts from their Mission Statement:

"Whereas, the people of St. Peter's Church recognize that they are called together in a common faith, to serve in the name of Christ...

"And whereas...St. Peter's will seek wide community participation, from among churches and other groups and persons...to help discern the uses of the House...and to collaborate in the support, direction and operation of its programs.

"Therefore...It is the mission of Andrews House to: provide hospitality for ministries of reconciliation, education and healing...giving initial priority to the young, the aging and the dispossessed."

## ABY State Convention

The state convention for American Baptist Youth will be held in Dayton on March 4th through 6th. This convention will be for Senior High youth only.

We will discuss this at our meeting on January 9th, and those who wish to

*continued*

## Opening Exercises

January: Adult I  
February: Juniors

## Church Directory Update

The Mowery family has a new phone number: 369-3314. It's an unlisted number, so please make a note of it in your copy of the church directory.



attend the convention must register with me by Sunday, January 23rd.

—Donna Reed

### In Brief...

- At 6:30 on Wednesday, January 19th, we will have a covered dish dinner, followed by our annual business meeting.
- At 7:00 p.m. on Martin Luther King Day (Monday, January 17) there will be a special service at Zion AME Church, 140 South Washington St.
- It's not too late to be a Secret Advent Friend for 1994. See Pam Faulk if you are interested.

## JANUARY WORSHIP

### January 2 Epiphany

Matthew 2:1-12  
"Home By Another Way"

### January 9

Mark 1:4-11; Genesis 1:1-5  
"Organized Enthusiasm"

### January 16

1 Samuel 3:1-10  
"Call Waiting"

### January 23

Christian Unity Sunday  
Guest Preacher:  
The Rev. Norman "Pete" Snook  
Pastor, William Street United  
Methodist Church

### January 30

Mark 1:21-28  
"Stand and Deliver"

## New Year's Resolutions

Are you stuck for a New Year's resolution? Try one of these:

1. Practice random acts of kindness.
2. Become more involved in the life of the church.
3. Come to Sunday School more often.
4. Give more regularly to the offering.
5. Join the choir.
6. Help out in the nursery or junior church.

## Epiphany Party

Please plan to attend the church's Epiphany party, celebrating the visit of the Magi.



It will start in the sanctuary on

Saturday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. Come for fun, refreshments, and fellowship.

# epiphany

## Thank You

We would like to thank the ladies for the lovely box of goodies that was delivered to us for Christmas.

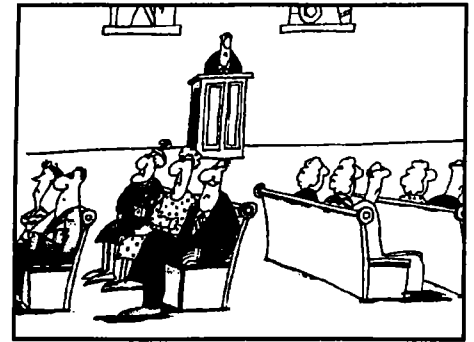
We want to thank all of you for your cards, prayers and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Evoleno and Ralph Cole

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Jan. 4 Cynthia Bland  
Ashley Francis  
Shirley Parker  
5 Lola Jackson  
Evelyn Lee  
6 Edith Hall  
8 Chip Runyan  
12 Larry Faulk  
13 John Linn  
18 Matthew Lovell  
20 Jennifer Turner  
23 Jeff & Donna Reed  
24 Ben Turney  
26 Sophia Stephenson  
30 Calvin Turner  
Feb. 2 Fred Grubbs  
9 Janet Insko



"It's come to my attention that there's been a minor split in the church."

## The Plane Truth

There's a story about a little boy who brought his Sunday School lesson home to show his parents. It was a drawing. His own. It was a reasonable facsimile of a large commercial airplane. There were several faces looking out the round windows.

"Who are these people in the plane?" his mother asked.

"That's Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus on their flight into Egypt," he replied seriously.

Suppressing her laughter, his mother asked, "And who is this up in the front window of the plane?"

"Aw, Mom," he answered. "You ought to know that. That's Pontius Pilot."

## Personals

BERTHA VAN BRIMMER was hospitalized for tests.

NELLIE SHEETS was hospitalized recently.

DON FAULK was hospitalized for tests. SHIRLEY PARKER is recovering after three weeks with the flu.

JOHN AND MARY HELEN RICHARDS spent two weeks in Oregon with their son Jon and his family.

JEAN WICKUM spent two weeks near Boston visiting her brother John and his family.

DAVID AND JEAN OSBORNE were visited over the holidays by their son Gary and his wife and five children from Vienna, Austria.

# JANUARY 1994

First Baptist Church

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 Sewing Group</p>  <p>epiphany</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00 Inquirer's Class 1:00 Mentor's Workshop 7:00 Epiphany Party</p>
<p>9</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:00 ABY Business Meeting 1:00 Peace Camp Meeting at F. Baptist 5:30 Deacons at Mowery's</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:00 Cub Scouts</p>	<p>12</p> <p>12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:00 Parish Council (calendar planning)</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>8:30 Men's Breakfast 10:00 Inquirer's Class</p>
<p>16</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 4:00 Bd. of Christian Ed. at the church 4:00 Pastoral Relations Committee 6:30 ABY Meeting at the church</p>	<p><b>Martin Luther King Day</b> 17</p>  <p>7:00 Service at Zion AME; Scouts at F. Baptist</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7:00 Cub Scouts 7:30 Marion Association Executive Comm. at First Baptist</p>	<p>19</p> <p>4:30 Brownies 6:30 Dinner and Annual Meeting</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>7:00 ABW Ministries</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00 Inquirer's Class</p>
<p><b>Christian Unity Sunday</b> <i>Annual Pulpit Exchange</i></p> <p>23</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship with Rev. Snook 12:00 ABY Meeting at the church</p> 	<p>24</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7:00 Choir</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>10:00 Inquirer's Class</p>
<p>Pastor at Bartlett Preaching Conference in Rochester, New York</p>						
<p>30</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 Birthday Party for Adults, Hosted by the ABY</p> 	<p>31</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>February</b> 1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:00 Choir</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 Sewing Group (until 2:00)</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 Inquirer's Class</p>

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## Lenten Luncheon Series

*"Mark as Story: An Introduction to the Narrative of a Gospel"*

The Lenten Luncheon will be held from Saturday, February 19 through Saturday, April 2. We'll meet from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., so please bring a sack lunch.

Books are now available for those who pre-registered. If you are interested in joining us but haven't ordered a book, please see the pastor.

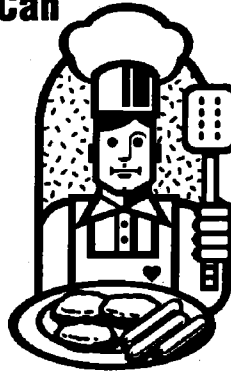


The schedule is as follows:

Date	Read
Feb. 19	Forward, Preface, Introduction and Chapter 1: "The Gospel of Mark"
Feb. 26	Chapter 2: "The Rhetoric"
March 5	Chapter 3: "The Settings"
March 12	Chapter 4: "The Plot," pages 73-89
March 19	Chapter 4: "The Plot," pages 89-100
March 26	Chapter 5: "The Characters"
April 2	Conclusion

## How Many Can You Eat?

Come to the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. It will be on Tuesday, February 15 at 6:30 in the fellowship hall.



Susie Van Brimmer Leonard, died on Tuesday, February 1. The funeral was on Friday, February 4 in Mifflin Town, Pennsylvania.

## From the Deacons...

Two new deacons—Alison Mowery and Kirby Francis—began service in January. They will be responsible for the WatchCare groups previously served by Cynthia Bland and Harold Van Broekhoven respectively. I was elected chair of the board, and will do my best to lead this important team at First Baptist. To help you reach me when necessary, here are my telephone numbers: at Methodist Theological School, 362-3322; at home, 369-7754. We strive to do the Lord's work together!

—Karen Stoner, Chair

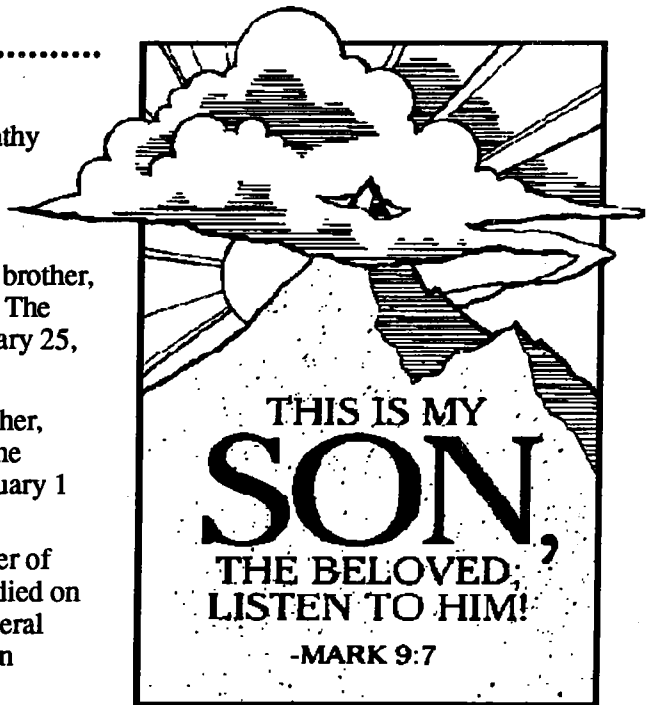
## Ash Wednesday Worship

To begin the season of Lent, we will have an Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 16 with the giving and receiving of ashes. The brief service of repentance and reflection will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we enter into our journey toward Easter.

## Transitions

We extend our deepest sympathy to four families who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one.

- Clayton Fogle, Will Fogle's brother, died on Saturday, January 22. The funeral was on Tuesday, January 25, in New London, Ohio.
- Ralph Cole, Pam Faulk's father, died on Friday, January 28. The funeral was on Tuesday, February 1 in Worthington, Ohio.
- Alfred Brummett, grandfather of Pastor Jody Lynn Brummett, died on Saturday, January 29. The funeral was on Tuesday, February 1, in Flatrock, Michigan.
- Norm Leonard, father-in-law of



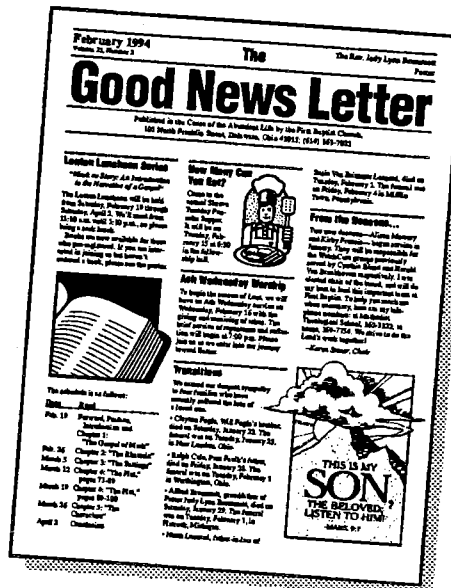
## Trustees' Notes

- The dishwasher's door at the parsonage was repaired by DeWitt Appliance Repair.
- A water pipe at the old parsonage that froze and burst was repaired by plumber Don Patrick.
- A leak in the roof between the front vestibule and the sanctuary was repaired by Mike's Roofing. The flashing on the tower had come loose.
- Jeff Reed repaired the drain under the church's water fountain.
- At press time on Monday, January 31, a major blockage was discovered in the main sewer line that goes from the church to under the street. Kenney Hawk came in the morning and ran the roter snake out to the street and back twice. With two hoses going into the line at the same time, it was finally cleared out. The odor will linger for a little while and next month we'll let you now if there are any further problems. The cost was \$90.

—Peter White, Chair

## No News is Bad News

The Deacons want to make sure that everyone receives the newsletter promptly each month so that they will be aware of upcoming events.



Newsletters are distributed on the first Sunday of the month. If someone is absent, their copy is usually left in the vestibule for them to pick

up the following Sunday. However, if you know you will be absent and want to receive your newsletter immediately, please feel free to call your WatchCare Deacon, and they will be happy to see that your copy is delivered to your home.

If you don't know who your WatchCare Deacon is, please call the pastor or Karen Stoner.

## Super's Corner

- Sunday school classes for spring quarter will be the same as the winter quarter.
- The adult class still could use a teacher—any volunteers? Or any suggestions for an adult class?
- Don't forget Easter! (like you would)
- Sunday school teachers—need any supplies? Let me know, and I will "spring" into action.

—Steve Stoner, Superintendent

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

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OCTOBER, 1853

**W**e conclude our look at First Baptist's Articles of Faith, as adopted in 1853, with articles 15 and 16.

### 15. OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED

That there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the

name of the Lord Jesus and sanctified by the spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitent and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

### 16. OF THE WORLD TO COME

That the end of the world is approaching; that at the last day, Christ will descend from heaven and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to enliss punishment and the righteous to enliss Joy, and that this Judgement will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell on principles of righteousness.

Seeing men that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of

person ought ye to be in all holy conversation and Godliness looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God?

**Notes:** In Article 15, impenitent means "unrepenting." In Article 16, we can only guess that "enliss" is a form of "enlist," i.e. to obtain or engage in.

*We hope that you have enjoyed reading the Articles of Faith, for they provide an interesting insight into the basis of the beliefs that established First Baptist as a congregation. While the words and writing style may have changed, the underlying beliefs are timeless, and an important part of our basis of faith in 1994.*

*Next month we will begin a review of the Church Covenant, which was adopted in August of 1853.*

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## February Adult Social

On Saturday, February 26, the adults will be going out to eat! We'll meet at the church at 4:30 and will carpool to Highmarks in Worthington where Beth Trigg works. Please let Pam Faulk know by Sunday, February 20 if you'll be attending.

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## Thank You

A belated thank you to the carolers who braved the weather to bring Christmas into our home. Also, thanks to the ladies of the church who sent a wonderful box of cookies, candy, and fruit. It was very much appreciated.

—Ben and Bernice Turney

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers and thoughtfulness during the recent death of my father, Ralph Cole. God bless you all.

—Pam Faulk

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## Eagle Scout Court of Honor

Your are invited to join us at the church on Sunday, February 27 at 2:00 as we celebrate with Chris Estep, his family, and with Scout Troop #393 as Chris receives the high honor of becoming an Eagle Scout.



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## Couple Communication Course Offered

Dr. Bob Rhymer, American Baptist pastor and pastoral counselor, will be conducting a "Couple Communication" course at Sawmill Baptist Church in Columbus. "Couple Communication" is a structured psycho-educational program, which teaches couples how to talk, listen, and resolve conflicts more effectively. Couples learn to communicate better and to build a more satisfying relationship while they work on their

issues. The course is limited to 12 couples and registrations will be accepted on a first come basis. The group will meet four times—February 20, 27, March 6 and 13. Each meeting will last 2-1/2 hours. The cost is \$75 per couple (financial assistance is available).

If you are interested, call Bob at Sawmill Family Counseling Services at (614) 766-0161, or talk to Pastor Brummett.



*"No, I don't think we could call the building fund a complete success..."*

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## Secret Advent Friends

If you have any questions about your Secret Advent Friend, remember that Linda White has a master list of names.

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## Living Christmas Card

Thanks to all who participated in *The Living Christmas Card*. It was a special part of Christmas at First Baptist. If you couldn't come, you missed seeing a wonderful performance given by children, youth and adults bringing the giant Christmas Card to life.

Many thanks to Larry and Dave for spending hours building the card. And a big thank you to all the speakers, soloists, choir of angel voices, instrumentalists, and lighting technicians. Thanks to Alison Grubbs for her great job accompanying. Thanks

to Jody Lynn who helped direct and became my voice the night of the performance. Thanks to Larry for printing the programs.

It warms my heart to see so many talented people at First Baptist and so willing to share it.

—Mary Lou Lovell

*(And thanks to Mary Lou for all of her hard work! —Editor)*

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## Opening Exercises

February Juniors  
March Board of Christian Ed.

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## Greeters

February 6 Boy Scouts  
13 Randy & Jennifer Turner  
20 Rick Van Brimmer  
27 Natalie Mowery  
March 6 Pam & Larry Faulk

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## REMINDER

Please include your name when you submit something for the newsletter.

This month several items were submitted without names, and I was not able to resolve some questions I had about the articles. —Editor

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## Candlelighters

February 6 Betty Davis  
13 Adam Mowery  
20 Emilie Trigg  
27 Paul Hopkins  
March 6 Barbara Lovell

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## "Hunger in the United States: No More Band-aids!"

This one-day seminar will be held on Saturday, March 5, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Marion. The program, which is sponsored by Hunger Network in Ohio, will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:15 p.m.

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There is a \$5 registration fee and/or bring a nonperishable food item. Lunch and child care will be provided. Call (614) 387-8344 or see Pastor Brummett for details.

## Lost and Found

**LOST:** We are missing several hymnals and no longer have enough to fill the pew racks. If you have borrowed one, please return it!

(If you would like to obtain a personal copy for your home use, please see Jim Stephenson.)



**FOUND:** One black scarf (on the coat hooks in the assembly room), and one plastic salad bowl and tongs (in the kitchen).

## Columbus Church Damaged in Fire

On Saturday, January 29, an American Baptist church in Columbus was heavily damaged by fire. The fire at the East Livingston Baptist Church (6500 East Livingston Ave.) may have been caused by a short circuit in the church copier. Their pastor, Rev. Peter Mathewson,

## Lost in the Translation

*These remarks were observed overseas:*

**Ad for a Hong Kong dentist:**

*"Teeth extracted by the latest methodists."*

**In a Paris hotel:**

*"Please leave your values at the front desk."*

**In a Hong Kong tailor shop:**

*"Ladies may have a fit upstairs."*

**In a Rhodes tailor shop:**

*"Because is big rush, we will execute customers in strict order."*

**A detour sign in Japan:**

*"Stop. Drive Sideways."*

told the Columbus Dispatch that their church is 30 years old and has 146 members.

## Piano for Sale

Kimbal semi-upright piano for sale. Excellent condition. \$2,500.00 or best offer. See Jeff Reed or call 363-7245 after 5 p.m.

## Surveys on Church Attendance

Two recent surveys on church attendance reached very different conclusions.

According to a recent Gallop Poll, 40% of the people interviewed said that they attended a church or synagogue during the previous seven days. Other conclusions of the Gallop Poll are as follows:

- Attendance is highest in the south and midwest, areas traditionally known as the "Bible belt."
- Women outnumber men at services by a ratio of 43% to 38%.
- College-educated persons are slightly more likely to attend than those who didn't attend college.
- By income, high-income persons are least likely to attend.

- By race, Black adults are more likely to attend than white adults.
- By age, people are more likely to attend as they grow older.

However, a different survey concluded that many people claim they are attending church when, in fact, they do not. This survey, in which actual church attendance was counted, concluded that only about half of the people who claim that they attend church actually do so, and that only about 20% of Americans attend services on a given week.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Feb. 2	Fred Grubbs
9	Janet Inscho
15	Deborah Van Broekhoven
17	Beth Linn
19	Douglas Linn
23	Will Fogle
24	Emilie Trigg
Mar. 2	Jim Ringley
5	Ben Turner
6	Mary Barkeloo

**Sign outside a Canadian church:**

**"Sermon for Sunday:  
What is Hell Like?"**

**Just below was the message:  
"Come and hear our choir sing."**

*-Readers Digest*

## Personals

BARBARA VANBRIMMER's picture appears in the February issue of Ohio Magazine, accompanying an article about Ohio's medical history. Barb is an assistant professor at Ohio State's Prior Health Sciences Library, where she oversees the newly established Medical Heritage Center.

NELLIE SHEETS is a patient in the Coronary Care Unit at Grady Memorial Hospital.

STEF MINISTERI is again on the Dean's list at Ohio State Marion campus! This time it is the Dean's List for Autumn.

BETTY PORTER spent Christmas with daughter Jennifer in Los Angeles.

## FEBRUARY WORSHIP

### February 6

Boy Scout Sunday  
Matthew Lovell, Preaching

### February 13

Cheryl McGinnis, Preaching

### February 20

First Sunday in Lent  
Mark 1:9-15

### February 27

Second Sunday in Lent  
Mark 8:31-38









### March 6

American Baptist Women's  
Ministries Sunday  
Romans 12:1-12

# FEBRUARY

**REMEMBER YOUR  
SECRET ADVENT FRIEND!**

**First Baptist Church**  
101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

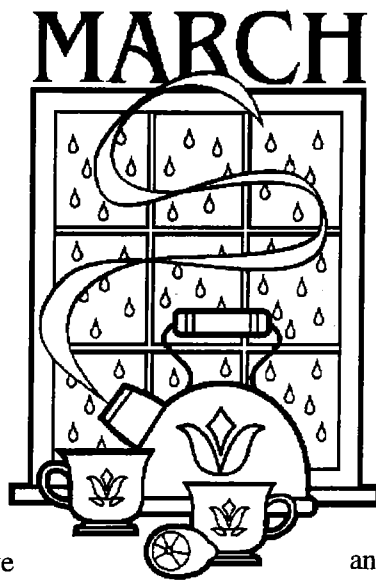
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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13 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship; Cheryl McGinnis, preaching (Return retreat surveys today) 12:00 ABY 5:30 Deacons (at the parsonage)	<b>Valentine's Day</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts 	<b>Shrove Tue.</b> 15 6:30 Pancake Supper & Talent Night 7:00 Cub Scouts 	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> 16 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Ash Wed. Service 7:30 Choir 	17	18 6:30 ABY lock-in at the church	19  8:30 Men's Breakfast 11:30 Lenten Luncheon
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Next Month: Palm Sunday is March 27th; Maundy Thursday in March 31st

# Good News Letter

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As I write this newsletter article, I'm aware that we're just beginning the third week of Lent. As I sit here at my dining room table in my make-shift office, with my foot in a cast after my foot surgery and my head in a daze from the medications I'm taking for bronchitis, I have to admit that I am a little more than ready for the first blooms of Spring and for the celebration of Easter. I'm tired of Lent and all that comes with it. I've already repented of everything I can think of that I've ever done wrong, in hopes of finding some relief from all this discomfort (also known as pain). Unfortunately, I do realize that some things in life just happen and we have to let them run their course. All we can do is hope that we'll come through them all the stronger from having survived the struggle.



So don't despair, for there has been a ray of hope that has made this whole struggle bearable and even pleasant. It came in the form of a card; a home-cooked meal; a phone call; a visit to share a meal, a laugh and even a game; a thoughtful remark; an offer to run an errand; and it came in the form of many, many prayers. For all you have done and the love you have shared, I thank you with all my heart (since it appears to be working just fine).

It is a reminder to all of us of the importance of community and espe-

cially of a community of faith. We share a common belief in a God who cares for us and loves us so much, that this God will suffer and even die for us in order to give us life and love. And we know that the only way to thank God for this incredible love, is to give this same kind of love to

others. And so that is what we try to do. We work each day and week and year, in our meeting and worshiping with each other in the presence of God, to become the kind of community that loves the way God loves.

Community is not a part-time thing; we have to work at it all the time. We don't need community only in times of struggle, but also in times of joy and celebration, and most especially during just ordinary everyday times.

So I invite you to immerse yourselves into the life of the community as we struggle together during this time of Lent, as we celebrate together the gift of new life in the season of Easter and as we go about the task of living in the season of Pentecost (known as ordinary time).

May God bless our community: in this church, in this town, in this nation and in this world.

Many Blessings,

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## Holy Week Services

### Maundy Thursday

The Maundy Thursday Candlelight Communion Service will be held at 7:00 on Thursday, March 31st in the fellowship hall.



### Good Friday

The annual Ecumenical Good Friday Service will be held at noon on Friday, April 1st at St. Mary Catholic Church.



### Easter

Our Easter services on Sunday, April 3rd will begin with our Early Easter Service at 8:00.

A buffet breakfast will follow at 8:30 in the fellowship hall. Please bring a food item to share. Beverages will be provided.

Sunday School will be at 9:00, and our Easter Worship will be at 10:45.



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## Maundy Thursday

For those who may be new to the Maundy Thursday worship service, the Deacons want to explain the mechanics.

We worship around tables which are arranged in the shape of the cross in the fellowship hall, entering and leaving in silence. The tables will be lit by candles and hymnals will be at each place. There will be a prelude

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on the piano for several minutes, and then the pastor will begin the service.

We ask that you PLEASE fill the seats starting from the head of the cross first (which is the end near the piano). This will enhance our service and make serving communion easier and more reverent.

Our worship will last about 40 minutes and will include meditation, song, scripture, special music and communion.

If you have never attended we hope you will join us this year on March 31 at 7:00 p.m.

-The Deacons

### Minutes Available

Just a reminder that the minutes of all Parish Council and Quarterly Business meetings are posted on the bulletin board in the Adult Sunday

School room. If you are interested in the church's business, finances or want to check a date, the minutes are there for everyone!

-Rick Van Brimmer, Clerk

### Easter Lilies

Lilies can be ordered to decorate the church on Easter morning. The cost is \$6.00 each. After the service you can leave your lilies at the church or take them home with you.

If you would like to purchase one, please give your money to Pastor Brummett or Jim Stephenson by Sunday, March 20.



### Adult Social

The March adult social will be a game night on Saturday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Please bring your favorite game, snacks to share and your own pop. The Senior High ABY members are also invited to participate.

### Thanks from ABY

Our annual lock-in was held on Friday, February 18th and 15 youth attended. We would like to thank the following for making it such a successful lock-in:

- The Triggs for getting the pizzas
- Jody Lynn for doing Bible pictorial
- Kirby Francis and the Little Halos for the great concert

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

Compiled by Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

AUGUST, 1853

We continue our look at the history of First Baptist Delaware this month with a review of our Church Covenant. It is assumed that the covenant was the work of several people since no authorship is claimed in the church records. It was adopted on August 6, 1853 during dedication services.

### ORIGINAL CHURCH COVENANT

Having been, as we trust, brought by divine grace to the Lord Jesus Christ and to give up ourselves wholly to him; we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant with each

other to walk together in Him with brotherly love, to his glory as our common Lord.

We do therefore in his strength engage:

That we will exercise a mutual care as members one of another to promote the growth of the whole body, to sustain knowledge, Holiness and comfort; to the end that we may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

That to promote and secure this object we will uphold the public worship of God and the Ordinances of his house; and hold constant communion with each other therein; that we will cheerfully contribute of our property for the support of the poor and for the maintenance of a faithful ministry of the gospel among us.

That we will not omit closet and family religion at home; nor allow ourselves in the too common neglect of the great duty of religiously training up our children and those under our care, with a view to the service of Christ, and the enjoyment of heaven.

That we will walk circumspectly in the world that we may win their souls, remembering that God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind; that we are the light of the world and the salt of the earth, and that a city set on a hill cannot be hid.

That we will frequently exhort, and if the occasion shall require, admonish one another according to Matthew 18 in the spirit of meekness, considering ourselves lest we also be tempted, and that as in baptism we have been buried with Christ, and raised again, so there is on us a special obligation thenceforth to walk in newness of life.

And may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep thru the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, thru Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

- Erin Faulk and Micah Stoner for helping with the skit
- Evan Trigg and Barbara Lovell for bringing guests
- Larry Faulk and Steve Stoner for making breakfast

—Donna and Jeff Reed, Advisors

## Good News / Bad News

The financial picture for 1994 is looking better than our pledges would suggest, but not good enough to meet the budget. The good news is that regular offerings for January (weekly average – \$775) are ahead of the pledges (\$657). The bad news is that they are short of the weekly average needed to fund the budget (\$878).

### OFFERINGS FOR JANUARY

#### Regular Missions

January	Regular	Missions
2	\$1044	\$89
9	997	78
16	434	56
23	451	72
30	950	91

In order to meet our regular operating expenses, we need to average an additional \$103 per week. If you haven't pledged yet, we would appreciate your commitment to our basic finances. If you have pledged, please consider a modest increase in your level of giving to ensure that regular expenses can be met.

As always, we are faithful that God will guide us as we seek to serve.

—Larry Faulk, Chair  
Finance Committee

## ABWM News

The ABWM meeting for March will be held on the 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Harold Rittenhouse will be our guest speaker, telling of his latest trip to Haiti.

Just a reminder—please bring your gift items for the box to be sent to Heather Rittenhouse, our Scholarship Student. Since we missed sending it for Valentine's Day, let's try to get it mailed in time for Easter.

—Carol Fogle, Secretary

FIRST BAPTIST TO HOST

# The Gospel According to St. Mark

On Sunday, April 10 at 2:00 p.m. we will be presenting *The Gospel According to St. Mark*, a live solo performance by Emmy-awarding winning actor Wayne S. Turney. Wayne, who lives near Cleveland with his wife Harper, is the son of Ben and Bernice Turney, long-time members of First Baptist. Wayne grew up in Delaware and went to Ohio Wesleyan University.

This word-for-word performance of the King James version of Mark is a unique blend of storytelling and drama. Wayne has travelled the country for over five years performing *Mark* in churches and theatres, including Ohio Wesleyan's Gray Chapel. A tour of South Africa and a film version are in the works.

Most modern Biblical scholars regard Mark as the oldest of the synoptic Gospels. Many believe that Mark was a companion of Peter who retold what Peter had witnessed, and that Mark himself

personally witnessed some of the events in the Gospel.

Wayne has extensive theatrical experience and was the winner of the Cleveland Critic's Circle Award for best actor. The performance is staged by Harper Jane McAdoo, an award-winning director who is also Wayne's wife.

We have created 250 tickets to sell for the price of \$6.00 each. Rick Van Brimmer (1-457-1594) and Steve Stoner (369-7754) will be in charge of ticket sales and distribution. Remember to purchase your own tickets first, then sell them to relatives, friends and neighbors.

Publicity information will be given to the Delaware Gazette and will be sent to all churches in the Delaware County Ministerial Association and to all the American Baptist Churches in the Marion Association.

## Board of Ch. Education

The Board of Christian Education will meet at 7:00 on Tuesday, March 15 at the church.

## Celebration Banquet

The 14th annual Marion Association Celebration Banquet will be held at 6:30 on Friday, March 18. This banquet is *not* just for new members. Tickets cost \$7.50, and Pastor Brummett hopes that several church members will join her to represent our church at the banquet. Please talk

to Jody Lynn if you are interested in attending.

## "Surely, Not Here!"

The American Baptist Churches of Ohio have become increasingly aware of the problem of clergy sexual misconduct within the Church at large and even within our own denomination. As a result, they have developed a seminar to address the issues and to promote discussion in our churches among pastors and laypeople.

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## MARCH WORSHIP

### March 6

Girl Scout Sunday;  
America For Christ Offering;  
American Baptist Women's  
Ministries Sunday;  
Romans 12:1-8  
Meditations on Ruth and  
Esther by Jean Wickum and  
Shirley Parker

### March 13

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
John 3:1-21  
"Born again"

### March 20

Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Hebrews 5:5-10 and John  
12:20-33  
"I Know How You Must Feel"

### March 27

Palm Sunday  
Mark 14:3-9  
"What a Waste"

### March 31

Maundy Thursday  
Candlelight Communion  
Service

### April 3

Easter  
Mark 16:1-8  
"What Next?"

The seminar will be held on April 23 at Mountview Baptist Church in Columbus, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Items that will be discussed will be: defining "clergy sexual misconduct"; ways to handle misconduct; ways to avoid misconduct; and a look at the "ABC/Ohio Region Policy on Clergy Sexual Misconduct."

The region asks that each church send their pastor and a male and female lay representative to the seminar. I am planning to attend this seminar. If you are interested in joining me as a representative from our church, please contact me.

If you would like more information from the regional office, please call them at 1-587-0804.

-Pastor Brummett

## Flood Victims Need Help

Even though the "Great Floods" of the Midwest happened last summer, many people and communities are still struggling to survive. A group of people from Grand Prairie Baptist Church of the Marion Association have taken several trips out west to help flood victims in the city of St. Genevieve, Missouri. The Grand Prairie Baptist Church has established an outreach program called "Build Up St. Genevieve." They have created a wish list of items they need (please see Jody Lynn for a copy). They are planning to go and help the people of St. Genevieve do the work, and they would like our help in purchasing these supplies.

If you feel you can help out in any way, please contact Pastor Dewey Shaffer at "All Together in Thee," c/o Grand Prairie Baptist Church, 4893 Marion/Upper Rd., Marion, Ohio 43302 or make a check payable to A.T.I.T., c/o Jan Holt, Bank One, 165 West Center St., Marion, Ohio 43302.

## Candlelighters

March 6 Barbara Lovell  
13 Evan Trigg  
20 Laura Mowery  
27 Jeremy Ramey  
April 3 Richard Davis

## Personals

DAVID SMALE had his fourth lithotripsy procedure for kidney stones at Riverside hospital.

CAP GABRIEL was hospitalized at Grady for tests.

DAVID AND JEAN OSBORNE travelled to Florida and Jean's Aunt Nell Lake returned with them for a visit.

NELLIE SHEETS was a patient at Grady.

JODY LYNN BRUMMETT had outpatient foot surgery at Grady.

New address and phone number:

JOHN AND BERTHA McTAGGART  
8330 St. Francis Ct.  
Centerville, Ohio 45458  
(513) 434-7106



"It was his last request."

BETTY DAVIS's "Odyssey of the Mind" group won a blue ribbon at local competition and will be going to regional competition.

STEPHANIE MINISTERI has been selected as a judge for the Science Fair at Ohio State University.

The FAULKS and LOVELLS travelled to Cincinnati to hear the Notre Dame Concert Band on tour and to see Jeff. The band will tour through West Virginia and will end up in Baltimore during their spring break.

NATALIE MOWERY was recently honored in two local art competitions. She placed second among county high school students in the lithograph/print division for her work entitled "Above and Below." Her work is on display at the Arts Castle in Delaware. She also received an Honorable Mention for a mixed-media collage, entered in the Central Ohio Regional Scholastic Art Awards contest, sponsored by the Columbus College of Art and Design.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mar. 2 Jim Ringley  
5 Ben Turner  
6 Mary Barkeloo  
9 Annette Ringley  
12 Evan Trigg  
18 Dave Lovell  
20 Natalie Mowery  
Jeff Reed  
Micah Stoner  
27 George Riedmiller  
April 2 Adam Mowery  
5 John & Mary Helen Richards

Please report errors to Jim Stephenson.

# MARCH

## First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 7:00 Choir	3 10:00 Sewing Group	4 ABY State Convention in Dayton, Friday through Sunday	5  11:30 Lenten Luncheon
<b>American Baptist Women's Ministries Sunday</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship	6 7:00 Piecemakers; Boy Scouts	8 1:30 CROP Walk Meeting 7:00 Cub Scouts	9 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir 8:00 Trustees	10 7:00 ABW Ministries	11	12  10:00 Inquirer's Class 11:30 Lenten Luncheon
<b>Fourth Sunday in Lent</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 1:00 Peace Camp Meeting 5:30 Deacons	13 7:00 Boy Scouts	14 7:00 Bd. of Ch. Education; Cub Scouts	15 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	16 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b> 	17 6:30 Marion Association Celebration Banquet	18  8:30 Men's Breakfast 10:00 Inquirer's 11:30 Lenten Lun. 7:00 Adult Social
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Easter Sunday, April 3rd: Early Service at 8:00; Buffet Breakfast at 8:30; Sunday School at 9:00; Easter Worship at 10:45

# Good News Letter

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IT WAS EASTER SUNDAY, and the little boy wasn't very happy about having to get dressed up and go to church. His new shoes were too tight; his tie choked his neck and on top of that, the weather was too nice to be inside all day. He complained as loud as he could, "I don't know why we have to go to church on Easter anyway; they keep telling the same old story and it always comes out the same in the end."

Good question. If it's such a familiar story, and we know what's going to happen at the end; why do we bother to keep telling it and listening to it?

It's no secret that I like to go to the movies. (Some may even argue that "like" is an understatement.) But, not everyone knows that I like to see movies more than one time. And, if I'm deeply touched by the movie, I'll see it again and again and again. (I stopped counting after ten on *The Sound of Music*.)

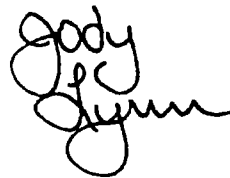
I'm not sure of all the reasons why I re-watch movies, but two important ones come to mind. First of all, I believe that when we see a movie the second time around, we get more out of it and we catch things we didn't get the first time. Secondly, when I feel personally touched by the characters and drawn into the story of the movie, I like to see it again to figure out where and what those connections are; this gives me insight into who I am and my hopes and dreams for my life.

These are good reasons for going to church on Easter. It's very possible that in the exasperating grind of day-to-day life, we lose sight of who we are, and our hopes and dreams become more than a little bit fuzzy. We begin to believe that the way of the world is the way of life. And if nothing else, hearing this same old story jolts us out

of our complacent acceptance of the same old world and the same old life. But the hope is that in listening to and experiencing the same old story, we will hear something new.

We come to church this Easter morning, hoping and praying that our lives will be touched in a new and different way. We come with the expectation that the story of resurrection will bring new life to us and to our world.

Many Blessings,



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Wayne Turney as St. Mark

## Baptism

On Sunday, May 22, we will be celebrating Pentecost. As part of our celebration, we will be having a service of baptism during our Morning Worship. If you are interested in being baptized or in talking about baptism, please talk with Pastor Brummett.

## Trustees Notes

- Two pianos were tuned by Clifford Rector.
- The copier was serviced by Mansfield Typewriter.
- The Hoover vacuum cleaner was serviced and repaired at Halls Furniture.
- At our last meeting we reviewed how many times this winter the heat has been left on high, the door left

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unlocked and the copier left on. The easiest solution is that the leader of each group (or the person who calls the meeting) shall be responsible for closing up. Even if someone else turns the heat up ahead of time, it will still be the leader's responsibility to see that everything is closed up.

- The trustees have decided to go ahead with eaves repair along the roof

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

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Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

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AUGUST 6, 1853

**R**ecognition services had no sooner ended on this date before the newly formed First Baptist Church of Delaware got down to business—literally. The Rev. E. G. Wood called the first business meeting to order, and the congregation went about choosing which association it would join.

It was the choice of the membership to join the Columbus Baptist Association, where it would remain until 1913. It was in that year that Mt. Vernon and the Mad River Association persuaded Delaware, with an "urgent" request, to follow them and help form the Marion Association.

First Baptist remained in the Marion Association until August 5, 1928, when on the 75th anniversary of the church it voted to ask for reinstatement in the Columbus Association.

We would stay in the Columbus Association until the late 1950s, when a realignment of state associations took place. Delaware was asked to approve, and accepted, a move back to the Marion Association, where we remain today.

overhang above the stairwell to the old basement. Mike's Roofing has been chosen with a bid of \$480.00.

—Peter White, Chair

## Letters of Thanks

Dear Jody, friends and members of First Baptist,

I want to thank you for your prayers, friendship, flowers and food. I greatly appreciate the support you all have given to Pam and Larry and Jeff and Erin. Losing a brother-in-law and a father in a six-month period has been a stressful time for them.

Sincerely,  
Evoleno "Pat" Cole

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First Baptist Church,

Thank you for helping us in our hour of need. We appreciate your donation to East Livingston Baptist Church for our building fund. We appreciate your kindness and support. Continue to pray for us.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Judy Wallace, Financial Secretary

## April Adult Social

On Saturday, April 30 we will be bowling with the A.B.Y. We'll meet at Colony Lanes at 3:00. After bowling (around 5:00) we'll go to Donatos for pizza.



—Pam Faulk

## Blood Donors Needed

If it has been more than 56 days (8 weeks) since you donated blood, then please plan to give during the month of April at one of these locations:

- Wed., April 13 at Delaware JVS from 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
- Wed., April 13 at Big Walnut High School from 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.
- Mon., April 18 at Buehler's from 1:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., April 21 at William Street U.M.C. from 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

For more information, please call the Red Cross at 362-2021 or 548-7300.

## Births

• Madison Lathrop Runyan was born on March 22nd at Riverside. She weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces. Her parents are Chip and Dianna Runyan. Janet Lathrop is her grandmother and Cap Garbriel her great-grandfather.



• Eleanor Caroline Bland was also born on the 22nd. Her parents are Rev. Tom Bland and Pat Bland. Cynthia Bland is the baby's aunt.

## Death

The Church extends its sympathy to Marilyn and Jack Smith on the death of Marilyn's mother.

## "Discovering Your Gifts Workshop"

Pastor Brummett invites you to join her in this one-day workshop which will be held on Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Columbus.

The workshop will give you the opportunity to learn more about the spiritual gifts God has given you which will bring new purpose and pleasure to life in your home, church, and community.

In this workshop you will: • Reflect on the Bible's teaching on spiritual gifts. • Identify the gifts God has given you. • Gain new appreciation for your fellow church members. • Use your abilities in new ways.

The cost of the workshop is \$5.00, which includes lunch. If you are interested in attending this workshop along with Pastor Brummett, please let her know by Friday, April 29.

## Retreat News

Mark you calendars for the weekend of August 26–28 for our annual church retreat. The consensus from the surveys was to go back to Judson Hills, so that is where it will be held.

This will probably cost around \$40 per person.

The Retreat Committee is asking for donations for scholarships. If you wish to help pay the way for someone else to go, please see Pam Faulk, Teresa Griffith, or Stefanie Ministeri.

Also, we will be having a yard sale in May to help raise funds for a leader, so please be gathering your treasures to donate.

—Retreat Committee

## Thank You

Thank you to Evoleno Cole (Pam Faulk's mother) for her gracious memorial gift to our Retreat Speaker Fund, given in memory of her husband Ralph.

## ABY News

**Sunday, April 3rd (Easter):**

No meeting

**Sunday, April 10th:**

No meeting, but bring in items to send to Debbie Lovell and Jeff Faulk (ideas: stamps, snacks, candy, comics, books, etc.)

**Friday, April 15 to Sun., April 17:**

Work Camp at Judson Hills

**Sunday, April 17:** No meeting

**Sunday, April 24:** Meeting at noon

**Sunday, May 1:**

Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

—Donna Reed

## AIDS Memorial Quilt

The NAMES Project "AIDS Memorial Quilt" will have a display in Columbus. Ohio State University is hosting the display to be located in the ballrooms of Drake Student Union, 1739 North High Street.

The opening ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, April 7, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. The quilt panels will be on display April 8 through April 10, 10 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. On the final day, April 11, hours will be 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Approximately 640 panels will be in Columbus.

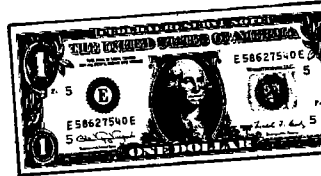
Currently the NAMES Project Quilt has 26, 240 panels and has been viewed by over four million people.

The United States has reported 339,250 cases of AIDS with 204,390 deaths. The Quilt represents 13% of U.S. AIDS deaths.

If you have any questions, please contact Betty Porter.

## Hey Buddy, Can You Spare \$1?

Your dollar can go a long way at First Baptist. February offerings improved over January, but we are still short of our projected budget needs. Our cash balance continues to be below the \$5,000 minimum needed to insure timely payment of our obligations.



If each attendee gave one more dollar per week, we could balance the church's operating budget. An additional \$60 per week in regular offerings would allow us to focus more on "serving" and less on "surviving."

### OFFERINGS FOR FEBRUARY

	Regular	Missions
February 6	\$1420	\$186
13	704	38
20	699	39
27	882	157

—Larry Faulk, Chair  
Finance Committee

## Inheritance Available to Baptists

Valley Forge has informed us that William A. Bently III, 97, passed away in December at his home in Palm Springs, California. Mr. Bently was a philanthropist who donated millions of dollars to American Baptist churches during his life.

He requested in his will that his assets be distributed to members of American Baptist churches.

In order to qualify, you must provide written proof that you are at least 21 years old and have been an active member of an American Baptist church for a least three years. In addition, if you have been a member of a board or committee or served as a

## Church Leadership Education Workshops

*"Partners in Ministry:  
Renewing Jesus' Lordship"*

This year's workshops will take place on Saturday, April 16, at Karl Road Baptist Church in Columbus from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The \$8.00 registration fee includes program materials, coffee and doughnuts, and lunch.

The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 13. Please see Pam Faulk for more information or to get your registration form.

### Schedule

- 9:00 - 9:30 Registration, coffee & donuts
- 9:30 - 11:45 Workshops
- 11:45 - 12:45 Lunch
- 12:45 - 3:00 Workshops

You can choose from several workshops, including "Adult Curriculum Choices" and "Children's Curriculum Choices."

## Attention All Sunday School Teachers!

The church and I need your help. I'd like some support at this seminar. I would like as many of you to go as possible to the "Children's Curriculum Choices" workshop on the morning of April 16.

—Steve Stoner  
Superintendent

teacher, you may be eligible for an additional bonus.

Furthermore, the pastor of each church is directed to choose one member who has been, in the pastor's opinion, the most valuable member of their church. That person shall receive a new Lincoln Continental.

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## APRIL WORSHIP

### April 3 – Easter

Mark 16:1-8  
"What's Next?"

### April 10

John 10:19-31  
"Believing is Seeing"

### April 17

Luke 24:36b-48  
"Skeptical Joy"

### April 24

Psalms 23  
"A Good Friend"

### May 1

Acts 8:26-40  
"Water is Thicker  
Than Blood"

For more information, please write to: April Fool's Joke, Palm Springs, California.

## Schindler's List

On Friday, April 8, in honor of Holocaust Memorial Day, the Strand Theatre will be showing *Schindler's List*. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$4.00 at the Strand. The show begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be followed by a discussion led by Dr. Michael LaChat from Methesco.

## Personals

• **BARB AND RICK VAN BRIMMER** visited friends in Toledo in early March, taking in the Age of Rubens exhibit at the Toledo Art Museum and also visiting Barb's aunt in Wauseon.

• On March 25th at a banquet held at the Columbus Athletic Club, **JANET PORTER** was honored by the Columbus Jaycees. Janet was one of the "1994 Ten Outstanding Young Citizens." The Columbus Jaycees sponsor this awards program each year to recognize the professional and civic achievements of young citizens in Columbus.

Janet was presented with a plaque and framed letter of recognition and congratulations from Governor George Voinovich.

Janet is employed by the Delaware County MRDD Board and serves as the Special Olympics/Recognition Coordinator for the county. She is also the Area Director for Ohio Special Olympics, coordinating events in eight central Ohio counties.

- **BEN TURNEY** had a good report from his check-up at the Cleveland Clinic.
- **NELLIE SHEETS** had laser surgery on her leg at Marion Hospital.
- **ANNE LINN** flew to Florida to spend a few days with relatives and to return with her mother, Francis Johnson, who had been visiting there for 3 months.
- **MARY LOU LOVELL** held a surprise party for **DAVE** on his 50th birthday.
- **PETER AND LINDA WHITE** took a train trip to Florida and New Orleans during spring break.
- **TED AND JEANNIE STEPHENSON** of Indianapolis spent a few days here visiting relatives.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- April 2 Adam Mowery  
5 John & Mary Helen Richards  
8 Rick Ramey  
9 Kirby Francis  
12 Abby Brown  
16 Marjorie Smale  
20 Melissa Gillette  
22 Mary Dennis  
23 Nellie Sheets  
24 Michael Grubbs  
29 Deborah Lovell  
May 1 Amy Brooks  
Margaret Young  
2 Don Faulk

Please report errors to Jim Stephenson.

## Summer Camping '94

### KIRKWOOD

DESCRIPTION & GRADES	DATES	COST
<b>Junior #1</b> (Grades 4-6)	6/19-25	\$160
<b>Middler</b> (6-8)	6/26-7/2	\$160
<b>New Adventures #1</b> (3-4)	6/26-29	\$90
<b>Senior High</b> (9-12)	7/10-16	\$160
<b>Advanced Cycling</b> (9-12)	7/17-23	\$160
<b>Junior High</b> (7-8)	7/24-30	\$160
<b>New Adventures #2</b> (3-4)	7/24-27	\$90
<b>Junior #2</b> (4-6)	8/7-13	\$160

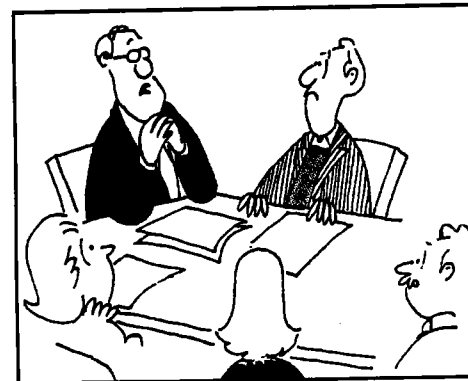
### JUDSON HILLS

DESCRIPTION & GRADES	DATES	COST
<b>Kinderkamp</b> (Grades 1-2 with parents)	5/20-21	\$54
<b>Jr. Citizens Camp</b> (By invitation only)	6/12-18	N/A
<b>Youth Leadership Training Camp</b> (9-12)	6/14-18	\$120
<b>New Adventures #1</b> (3-4)	6/19-22	\$90
<b>New Adventures #2</b> (3-4)	6/22-25	\$90
<b>Creative Arts</b> (9-12)	6/28-7/2	\$160
<b>Jr. High Frontier #1</b> (7-9)	6/28-7/2	\$120
<b>Middle High</b> (9-10)	7/3-9	\$160
<b>Junior #1</b> (5-6)	7/10-16	\$160
<b>Junior High #1</b> (7-8)	7/17-23	\$160
<b>Senior High</b> (11-12)	7/24-30	\$160
<b>Jr. High Frontier #2</b> (7-9)	7/26-30	\$120
<b>Jr. High #2</b> (7-8)	7/31-8/6	\$160
<b>Sr. High Frontier/Canoe</b> (10-12)	8/7-13	\$160
<b>Junior #2</b> (5-6)	8/7-13	\$160
<b>Senior Adult Conference</b>	9/20-22	T.B.A.

Grades in parentheses refer to the grades that the campers will be in during the '94-'95 school year.

At both camps, registrations received after June 1st cost \$5 more.

Please see Beth Trigg for more information and registration forms.




"I don't know why everyone criticizes our committee. We haven't done a thing!"

# APRIL

## First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>Good Friday 1</b> 12:00 Service at St. Mary 	 <b>2</b> 10:00 Inquirer's Class 11:30 Lenten Lun. <i>Set clocks ahead tonight</i>
<b>Easter Sunday 3</b> 8:00 Early Service 8:30 Breakfast 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Easter Worship <i>Daylight-Saving Time Begins</i> 	<b>4</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	<b>7</b> 10:00 Sewing Group <i>AIDS Quilt display begins today at OSU (see article)</i>	<b>Holocaust Memorial Day 8</b> 7:00 <i>Schindler's List</i> and discussion at the Strand	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 <i>The Gospel According to St. Mark</i> 5:30 Deacons 	<b>11</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>12</b> 7:00 Cub Scouts	<b>13</b> 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir <i>Donate blood today (see article)</i>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> A.B.Y. Work Camp at Judson Hills, Friday through Sunday	<b>16</b> 8:30 Men's Breakfast 9:00 Leadership Workshops (Karl Road Baptist)
<b>17</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship	<b>18</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts <i>Donate blood today (see article)</i>	<b>19</b> 7:00 Cub Scouts; Board of Christian Education	<b>20</b> 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	<b>21</b> 10:00 A.B.W.M. Marion Association 7:00 A.B.W. Ministries <i>Donate blood today</i>	<b>Earth Day 22</b> 	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:00 A.B.Y.	<b>25</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	<b>26</b>	<b>Secretaries' Day 27</b> 7:00 Choir	<b>28</b> 7:00 Parish Council	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 3:00 Bowling 

Sunday, May 1: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:45 Morning Worship; 2:00 Pastoral Relations Committee

# Good News Letter

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## What about the Holy Spirit?

It's May now, the Easter season is drawing to a close and we're getting ready to celebrate Pentecost. Otherwise known as the birthday of the church, Pentecost is the day we remember that the Holy Spirit is a gift from God, given to us so we can be God's people. We can't be the church without the Holy Spirit. It's impossible. At some level, we understand this; but what we don't always understand, is what exactly is the Holy Spirit? It's a strange thing, and difficult to describe and understand. It's not like we can point to someone and say, see they have the Holy Spirit, you can see it hovering around their head. We have many questions about the nature of the Holy Spirit: How do we know we have it? What does it feel like? Where do we find it?



confused, but he did as he was asked. The clerk said, "Don't be alarmed, but you have a bullet hole in your head. Please sit still and I'll call an ambulance."

What a great story. The man had been shot in the head, and he was just casually going about his everyday business as if everything was normal. The bullet hole in his head didn't have an effect on his life until he was told about it.

I'm reminded of the Church. I can't help it, it's my job. We're often like this man. We've been given this great gift, the Holy Spirit, and we live our lives as if there's nothing unusual

about us, casually going about our everyday business as if everything is normal. But we aren't normal. We're like this man who's been shot in the head. God has breathed the Holy Spirit into our lives. It changes who we are; how we think and especially how we live our lives. The Holy Spirit is that force within us which marks us as belonging to God. It connects us with God so completely, that we can never be separated. As a result, we often find ourselves wondering what God wants us to do and how God wants us to treat other people. Sometimes we even find ourselves

loving others the way God would love them. It's an amazing thing.

Pentecost is an opportunity to remind ourselves that we aren't normal. Because of the Holy Spirit, we're different. It's easy to forget. Sometimes we'd just as soon be normal and ordinary. It's impossible. We're God's people.

Many Blessings,

### ..... Yard & Bake Sale

We will be holding a combination yard sale and bake sale at the church on Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 - 5:00. This is the same day that the Delaware Arts Festival will be held. The proceeds from our sale will go to the retreat fund.

Please bring your yard sale treasures to the church by Thursday the 12th. Bake sale items should be brought to the church at 8:00 on the morning of the sale. Please see Pam, Stefanie, or Teresa if you have items to be picked up.

We could also use your help in working that day. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Please help advertise this to all your friends and neighbors.

-Pam Faulk

### ..... Children's Sunday

June 5th will be Children's Sunday. We'll have recognition of graduates and the morning message will be

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delivered by Vic Fogle, Natalie Mowery and Jarrod Trigg.

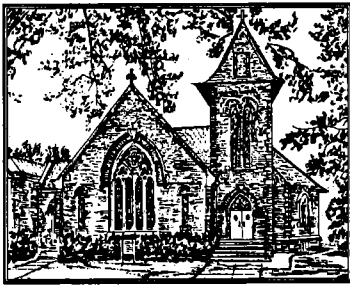
Children's Sunday will mark the beginning of our summer schedule. There will be no Sunday school and morning worship will be at 10:00 a.m.

## Church Directory

The 1994 edition of our church directory will be distributed this month. If your family doesn't receive one, or if you need an extra copy, you can pick one up at the church.

If you find any errors, please report them to Jim Stephenson or the pastor. We'll report them in the newsletter and correct them in the next edition of the directory.

### 1994 CHURCH DIRECTORY



#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Hand in Hand— Missions '94

On Sunday, May 22, from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Piqua Baptist Church will be hosting a mission education event. The theme for the event is "Hand-in-Hand," because that's how mission works—as God's people unite hand-in-hand, in prayer, support and sending. The keynote speaker will be American Baptist missionary Mildred Archie. Mildred has served with the Baptist Convention of Southern Africa for the past four years.

Workshops being offered at the event include: The South Africa

Experience, The Haiti Experience, The Philippine Experience, The Work of the Baptist World Alliance, and An Overview of American Baptist Missions. Music for the evening session will be provided by "The Sons of Liberty" of Columbus.

The cost is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. Registrations must be received by Monday, May 17. Please call the Piqua Baptist Church office at (513) 773-4583 to register, or see Pastor Brummett for more details.

## Mission Retreat

On June 10 and 11, the Karl Road Baptist Church will host a mission retreat, which will be sponsored by American Baptist Churches/World Mission Support. The retreat will include: fellowship, interest groups, plenary sessions, the latest updates on International missions, and updates from National Ministries and Educational Ministries. Look for more information in the June Newsletter.

## Musical Celebration at Zion A.M.E. Church

On Sunday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m., the Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church will present their choir, under the direction of Mr. David M. Proctor, in a concert entitled, "Unspeakable Joy."

## Youth Attend Work Camp at Judson Hills

The youth group spent the weekend of April 16th and 17th at work camp at Judson Hills. There were 80 youth present from the Marion Association and we accomplished over 200 hours of work on Saturday.

Present from our church were Aric Mompher, Liz Hopkins, Barb and Matt Lovell, Rick Ramey, and Richard Davis. Advisors were Jeff Reed, Stefanie Ministeri, and Pastor Brummett.

We should all give these youth our praises for a job well done and for conducting themselves in a very mature manner.

—Jeff Reed

## Important Notice

I'm going to be taking a summer vacation from my duties as newsletter editor. Starting with the June issue, Larry Faulk will be our guest editor.

Please keep the following things in mind:

- The deadline for submitting articles will remain the same.
- Please leave your articles at the church or give them to Larry. I'll be out of town the week that the June newsletter is being prepared, so any articles that are accidentally sent to my home or office won't make it into the newsletter.

—Jim Stephenson, Editor

## Attention All Church School Teachers

There will be an appreciation dessert on Friday, May 13th at the church beginning at 7:30 p.m.

—Steve Stoner

## Junior High Class Poems

The Junior High class wrote haikus for Easter. (Haiku is a form of poetry that originated in Japan which has three unrhymed lines.) Evan decided to write a poem in a different form.

We talked about Ms. Wilcox's poem (reproduced below) and friendships, especially our friendship with Christ.

—Beth Trigg

Your words came  
just when needed.  
Like a breeze,  
Blowing and bringing  
from the wide salt sea  
Some cooling spray.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Easter is very fun  
When you celebrate different things  
Like sharing and love.

—Joey Brewer

Inherit God's Love!  
Please share your gifts with the  
world.

The Spirit lives on!

—Junior Class

The Spirit loves you  
Each and every one of you  
Let the Spirit live.

—Barbara Lovell

Easter is Awesome  
Jesus Christ rose on this day  
His spirit lives on.


—Rick Ramey

Everything is  
Vaguely seen in His  
Arms and  
Nothing can stop it.

—Evan Trigg

Easter is the day  
The savior Jesus rises  
Then he ascends up

—Richard Davis



**ONE  
GREAT  
HOUR  
OF  
SHARING**

*Our One Great Hour of Sharing  
offering will be held in June.*

## Gospel Concert

On Sunday, May 15, at 7:00 p.m., the Deacons will be hosting a concert by Negrina Alvarez at the church. She will be singing traditional and modern gospel music, and there will be opportunities to sing along. Negrina is a case manager at the Ohio Reformatory for Women. A love offering will be taken, and a reception will follow the concert.

## Guest Soloist to Sing

Dawn Reneé Whitacre, daughter of former members Cullen and Ron Whitacre, will sing a solo during morning worship on Sunday, May 22.

Dawn is a senior at Reynoldsburg High School, where she is active in

the Marching Band, Wind Ensemble and the Women's Chorale. She works part-time and is making plans for college. She has visited OSU, Ashland University, Cedarville College and OWU, and knows that wherever she goes, music will play a big part, either as a performer or in music education.

## Women to Visit Dayton Christian Center

On Friday, May 6th, the women of the church will take a trip to Dayton to visit the Dayton Christian Center. They plan to leave at 8:30 a.m. from the church. If you want more information, please contact Bertha Van Brimmer.

## Barbara Lovell Interviews Hospital Chaplain

I interviewed the hospital chaplain at Grady Memorial Hospital. Her name is Linda Reid-Teele. She is the only chaplain at the hospital. She schedules the on-call clergy for weekends. She answers phones, answers emergencies, and if she is not doing any of that she is visiting patients, talking to a doctor, or talking to people. She does not have a lot of time to herself. The only time that her door is closed is when she is with someone or a family, otherwise her door is always open.

Some of the hardest things she has to do is when a mother has carried a child and something happens to the baby like it dies or she cannot take it home, or having someone that she can not remember but that person remembers her.

Some of the greatest times for her being a chaplain were when people come back after being sick and they are healthy. Another is when people have come back to see her and thank her for what she has done.

—Barbara Lovell

## Personals

On Saturday, April 9, STEFANIE MINISTERI was inducted into the Golden Key National Honor Society as a lifetime member, in ceremonies at the Ohio State main campus. Stef is a

honor-level student in her third year in the psychology program. Honorees in the Golden Key Society must rank in the top 15% of the class and be chosen by local chapter advisors.

RICK AND BARB VAN BRIMMER were away from home on business recently. Barb attended a two-day seminar,

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSES

Compiled by  
Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

SEPTMBER 1853

At the regular monthly business meeting, the church welcomed two new families into the fellowship, and also set about putting their beliefs into writing in a series of resolutions.

"Brothers H.P. Havens and A. Prouty and sisters Havens and Prouty, their wives" were unanimously received as members. Mr. and Mrs. Havens were members of the Columbus Regular Baptist Church, and "desired the fellowship of this church."

The church's first two resolutions dealt with liquor. The first condemned "the manufacturer, sale or habitual use of intoxicating liquors" as "incompatible with the principles of the Gospel and inconsistent with the profession of Christianity."

The membership further resolved that it would not "receive to our membership nor hold in fellowship" members who engaged in the sale or use of intoxicating liquors "as a beverage."

The second resolution called for punishment for any member found guilty of violating the first resolution, stating any breach "shall be considered an offense worthy of Church discipline."

## MAY WORSHIP

### May 1

Acts 8:26-40

"Water Is Thicker Than Blood"

### May 8

John 15:9-17

"Easier Said Than Done"

### May 15

Acts 1:15-17,21-26

"Who Needs It?"

### May 22

Pentecost

Ezekiel 37:1-14

"Can These Bones Live"

### May 29

1 Samuel 8:4-11; 16-20

"Power Brunch"

### June 5

Children's Sunday

Graduate Recognition

The Morning Message by

Vic Fogle, Natalie Mowery  
& Jarrod Trigg

"Building the Library Information Center of the Future" in Washington, D.C., April 4-5, and got to see the cherry blossoms in full bloom. Rick was off to the annual meeting of the Association of Collegiate Licensing Administrators in Orland, Florida, April 14-17, but didn't get to see Mickey Mouse.

NATALIE MOWERY received an Honorable Mention for her artwork at the Regional Scholastic Show at the Columbus College of Art and Design. She was also a winner at the "Emerging Artists" show at the Delaware County Cultural Arts Center.

NELLIE SHEETS was a patient at Grady due to heart problems.

JIM AND BERTHA VAN BRIMMER, KAREN STONER, AND RICK AND BARB VAN BRIMMER visited Susie and Jeff Leonard's family in Pennsylvania for Easter.

JODY LYNN BRUMMETT's parents and sister, Karen, were here for Easter.

BERTHA VAN BRIMMER is recovering from bronchitis.

DON AND FLORENCE FAULK made a four-week trip to the west, stopping at Branson, Missouri and at son Bill's home in Oklahoma.

GENEVA EVANS was visited by her sister Mary Heffner from California.

DAVIS AND JEAN OSBORNE spent a week at Hilton Head, South Carolina vacationing with their son, Greg, and his family.

JEANNE EKELBERRY visited in Wayne, West Virginia over Easter where her brothers and sisters held a surprise party for her mother's 75th birthday.

MATTHEW AND BARBARA LOVELL each made merit roll this term.

DEBORAH LOVELL will be inducted into Alpha Lambda, the Baldwin-Wallace Freshman Scholastic Honor Society on Thursday, May 19.

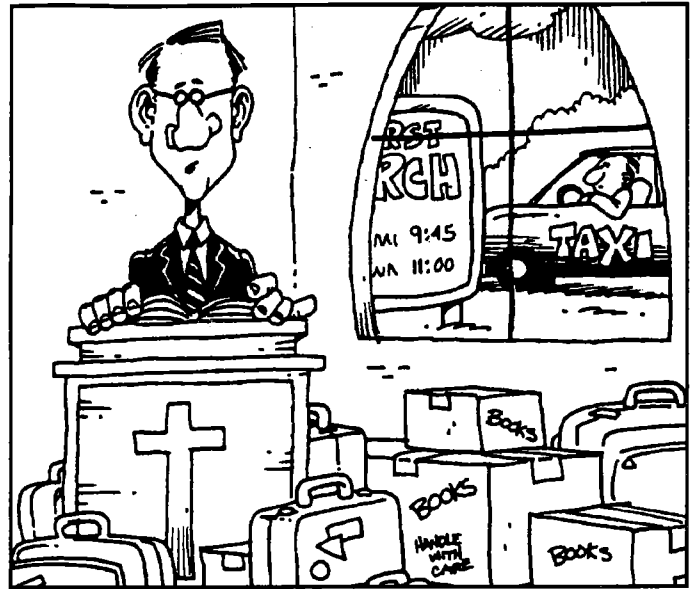
MATTHEW LOVELL is in the chorus of the Hayes Spring Musical "Godspell" being presented at Chapplear in May.

BARBARA LOVELL was recently eaten by tigers in the Willis production of "Free to Be You and Me and Free to Be a Family." CHRISSY HOPKINS also acted and sang.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- May 2 Don Faulk  
3 Mike Linn,  
Rick Van Brimmer  
5 Mike Griffith  
7 Donna Reed,  
Bertha Van Brimmer  
8 Michael Ekelberry  
9 Chris Riedmiller  
12 Jeanne Ekelberry  
15 Barbara Lovell, Betty Porter  
24 Jean Wickum  
30 Jim & Annette Ringley

Please report any errors to Jim Stephenson.



"Today's sermon is one I've wanted to preach for a long time."

## Candlelighters

- May 1 Chrissy Hopkins  
8 Emilie Trigg  
15 Paul Hopkins  
22 Barbara Lovell  
29 Betty Davis  
June 5 Laura Mowery

## In Brief...

The Board of Christian Education will meet at 7:00 on Tuesday, March 17th at the church or at Beth Trigg's.

## Opening Exercises

- May Adult Too  
June Nursery & Kindergarten

## BapTrek II

On Saturday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m., BapTrek II will be held at the church. It will be a presentation of comedy sketches prepared by members of our church. Many of you will remember the original BapTrek we held several years ago, so please plan to attend the sequel for even more fun.





# MAY

## First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 Pastoral Relations Committee	2 7:00 Piecemakers; Boy Scouts	3	4 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	5 10:00 Sewing Group (until 2:00)	6 8:30 ABW Ministries leaves to visit Dayton Christian Center	7
<b>Mother's Day</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 	9 7:00 Boy Scouts; Peace Camp meeting at <del>parsonage</del> church	10 7:00 Cub Scouts	11 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir 8:00 Trustees	12	13 7:30 Teacher Appreciation Dessert	14 9:00 Yard & Bake Sale (until 5:00) <del>12:30 Deacons.</del> <i>Delaware Arts Festival</i>
<i>12:30- Deacons</i> 15 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 3:00 Concert at Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church 7:00 Gospel Concert by Negrina Alvarez at the church	16 7:00 Boy Scouts	17 7:00 Cub Scouts; Board of Christian Education	18 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	19	20	<b>Armed Forces Day</b> 21 8:30 Men's Breakfast 7:00 BapTrek II 
22 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 3:00 Mission Education Event at Piqua Baptist Church	23 7:00 Boy Scouts	24	25 7:00 Choir	26 7:00 Parish Council	27	28
29 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship	<b>Memorial Day</b> 30 7:00 Boy Scouts  <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	31	<b>June</b> 1 7:00 Choir	2	3	4

SUNDAY, JUNE 4: Children's Sunday; recognition of graduates; summer schedule begins—Worship at 10:00

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## CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS

Three seniors from our church graduated from Rutherford B. Hayes High School on Saturday, June 4. They have all been long-time members of our church family, are formal members of First Baptist and have been active in worship, Sunday School, the American Baptist Youth Group and in the ministry of our church. Please take time to congratulate each of them and wish them God's blessing as they prepare to begin the next part of their life journey.

### Victor Fogle

Vic has been part of our church family all his life. His parents presented him in a service of dedication; later on he was baptized, became a member, and continues to be an active member of this community of faith.

While in High School Vic has been a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and served as their president during his Senior year. He was also active in sports as a member of the Golf team and the Tennis Team. In 1991 he won the little Brown Jug Golf Classic. He was in Who's Who of American High Schools for two years and he received the Delaware Optimist's Award in 1989. Vic was also a paper carrier with the Delaware Gazette for 5 1/2 years.

Victor has enlisted in the United States Marine Corp; he will leave for boot camp on July 4.

### Natalie Mowery

Natalie has been a part of our church family since 1983. She was baptized and then became a member

of the church at age 13, and has been an active member of this faith community.

Natalie served as President of the Art Club at Hayes High School. She has also won the following four awards for her art work: an honorable mention at the Columbus School of Art and Design (CSAD) for the Young Art Scholastic Achievement Contest; second place for her Lithograph print at the Arts Festival Contest which was sponsored by the Delaware County Public Library; the first place award in the category of Acrylics and Tempra at a County-wide contest; and she was nominated by her art teacher to receive the Ohio Capital Conference Visual Arts Invitational Award and received a Guardian Spirit Figure as an award.

In the Fall, Natalie will continue to live at home while attending Ohio State University where she will study Medical Social Work and pursue her interest in Visual Arts.

This summer, Natalie will stay in Delaware, where she will work at Kroger and Saratek Inc. (a computer store).

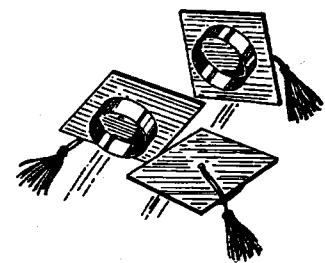
### Jarrold Trigg

Jarrold has been part of the First Baptist church family all his life. His parents presented him in a service of dedication; later on he was baptized, became a member, and continues to be active in our community of faith.

Jarrold has served on the staff for the Hayes Newspaper "The Talisman" for two years: his Junior year he was the Sports Editor and his Senior year he was the Newspaper Editor. Throughout high school, Jarrold has

been a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He has been active in sports: he was on the Hayes Baseball team for two years; and he was on the Hayes Basketball team for four years and served as co-captain of the varsity team during his Senior year. He was a counselor for two years at Camp Willson, which is a frontier camp for 6th graders. He was also Proficiency Test tutor at the high school. Jarrold graduated from Hayes High School with Honors, ranking 12th in his class.

In the Fall, Jarrold will be attending Eastern Michigan University, where he will study Journalism and Business in the honors program. He has also received an academic scholarship from Eastern in the form of full room and board for a total of four years. This summer he will be staying at home and working.



### Welcome to Our Church Family

On Sunday, May 1, Barb Van Brimmer came forward to formally join First Baptist Church. She was accepted into membership through her statement of faith and received the right hand of fellowship.

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSES

Compiled by  
Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

OCTOBER 1853

To this point, the newly formed church had operated without a great deal of formal structure. At the October 1853 business meeting, still being held in the Templar Hall, officers were elected by the membership.

William Heath and Leonard Turner were selected as the first Deacons, James Eaton (who had recorded all the church history to this point) was elected clerk, and H.R. Havens was installed as Treasurer.

The new congregation once again set about looking for a permanent home for First Baptist, and formed a committee of Rev. E.G. Wood, Eaton, and T. Griffith to "prepare and (distribute) subscription papers for the purpose of raising funds to build a meeting house in the Town of Delaware."

As was reported in a previous segment of Historical Glimpses, the congregation had secured the land where the present church now stands earlier in 1853.

## July 3 — "Service in the Park"

On July 3, there will not be a morning worship service in our church. We have been invited to take part in an ecumenical service which will include about seven other churches within Delaware. Please join us at 10:00 a.m. as we gather at City Park on South Liberty Street.

The service will be led by "Hymns of Dixieland," a group of Jazz musi-

cians from the Cleveland area. The service is composed of favorite gospel hymns which are presented along with the tradition and history of each hymn. There will be opportunities throughout the service for the congregation to sing along.

An offering will be taken during the service. All loose offering will go to help with expenses, and the offering in regular church envelopes will go to the designated church. Because this is a regular Communion Sunday for our church, we will be celebrating Communion the following Sunday, July 10.

In case of rain the service will be held at the Chappellear Drama Center on Elizabeth Street.

## PASTOR'S VACATION DATES



## Pastor's Vacation and Conferences

Pastor Brummett will be on Vacation from June 6 through June 12. Following her vacation she will be attending the Minister's Fellowship Days Conference at Judson Hills from June 13 through June 15. Later in the month from June 25 through July 2 she will be going to the Green Lake Conference Center to attend the Bible Study Conference.

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## GUEST PREACHERS

During our Pastor's absence this June, we will be blessed by the message of two guest preachers. On June 12, Randy Turner, a member of First Baptist Church, who is a Math teacher

at Hayes High School, will be preaching and leading in worship. Then on June 26, Dr. Robert (Bob) Fisher, the Executive Minister of the American Baptist Churches of Ohio, will be coming from Granville to worship with us and share the morning message.

## MISSION RETREAT

On June 10 and 11, the Karl Road Baptist Church will host a mission retreat, which will be sponsored by American Baptist Churches/World Mission Support. The retreat will include: fellowship, interest groups, plenary sessions, the latest updates on International missions, and updates from National Ministries and Educational Ministries. Guest speakers will be Edythe McCarthy, missionary in Thailand and Corenne Garrison from Valley Forge. The cost is \$5.00. Registration forms are available from Pastor Brummett.

## Personals:

In May, Eighth graders Rick Ramey and Evan Trigg went with their class on the annual trip to Washington, D.C. There were 191 students and 18 chaperones. Teacher Linda White went as a chaperone for her fourth consecutive year.

The Whitacre family, former members of First Baptist, visited with us on Sunday, May 22. Dawn Whitacre, a senior at Reynoldsburg High School, sang two solos during our morning worship.

Cynthia Bland recently spent a week with her family in North Carolina and met her new niece Eleanor Caroline.

Lana Palmer had surgery to have a benign tumor removed and is at home recuperating. A card or note would be appreciated.

Barb VanBrimmer attended the Medical Librarian Association meeting in San Antonio, Texas, May 14-18, where she made a presentation to the membership.

**Rick VanBrimmer** has been appointed by Ohio State president E. Gordon Gee to a three-year term on the University Staff Advisory Committee.

**Don Faulk** fell and broke both of his wrists and spend a few days at Grady Memorial Hospital. He will be in arm casts for a total of six weeks. Prayers as well as cards and even a visit would be appreciated by Don and Flo.

**Jeff Faulk** has completed his second year at University of Notre Dame and is home for the summer.

**Jennifer Linn** visited with her mother **Betty Porter** for a weekend.

**Mike and Beth Linn** and their family have moved. Their new address is: 201 Cottswold Drive, Delaware.

**Shirley Parker** spent 2 weeks recently in Atlanta with her daughter and family. Last week she attended "Emeriti" functions at Ohio University; visiting many friends and former colleagues in Athens, Ohio.

**Stefanie Ministeri** had a starring role in the farce Scapino! at Ohio State Marion, Friday May 27- Sunday, May 29. Her sister-in-law Amy was stage manager.

**Karen Stoner and Bertha VanBrimmer** traveled to West Virginia joining **Susie Leonard** for part of their trip.

**Kirby Francis** had outpatient surgery at Grady and continues to recover.

**Richard Reed, Barb Reed's** son who fell from a tower last June, continues to struggle with his lengthy recovery. Please remember to send a card to let him know he's still in our thoughts.

**Stefanie Ministeri** has been awarded nomination to the National Dean's List, the Howard Honors Book Award, and Undergraduate Research

Redognition Award for Psychology at The Ohio State University.

**Erin Faulk** will be dancing in several numbers in three performances of The Wizard of Oz at the Palace Theater on Sun., June 12. Performances are at 12:30, 4:00, and 7:30. Tickets are available at the door.

Thanks to all the ABY members for the "Care" package you sent.

**Jeff Faulk**

### Thanks Steve:

A special thank you to Steve Stoner for the very thoughtful and creative Teacher Recognition Dessert and Award's Ceremony given on May 13. We are grateful for all the hard work and creative energy you put into your position as Sunday School Superintendent.



### ABWM Meeting:

Jean Ekelberry will host the ABWM Meeting at her home, June 16 at 6:00. This will be a pot luck dinner and election of officers. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service.

### CROP Walk Recruiter Needed

The 1994 Delaware CROP Walk will take place on Sunday, October 2 at 2:00 p.m. The CROP Walk is a project of Church World Services; all proceeds from the walk will go to fight hunger in our community and throughout the world. We need a representative who will be responsible for recruiting walkers from our church. The recruiter's responsibilities are:

1. Attend the Recruitment Rally on Sunday August 28 at 4:00 p.m. at Zion United Church of Christ. At this rally, the recruiter will:
    - a. Find out more information about the Walk
    - b. Learn more about how to recruit others to walk
    - c. pick up recruitment packets
  2. Recruit as many walkers as possible. At least 8 walkers from each church would be wonderful. Encourage those who can't walk to sponsor those who do. Publicize the event within our church.
  3. Ensure that Sponsor Records for each walker are properly filled out and all sponsor pledges are collected and submitted to the CROP Walk Treasurer in a timely fashion.
- If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Pastor Brummett.

### Yard and Bake Sale Success:

Thanks to all who contributed to the yard and bake sale. Your time, treasures, and treats were appreciated. The sale raised in excess of \$500 for the Retreat Fund.

### Family Social Planned:

On Saturday, June 18 at 7:30 P.M. the Retreat Committee will sponsor a family social in the Senior High room. We will be showing the movie Rudy. The committee will be selling refreshments during several intermissions. There may be a guest appearance of one of the actors from the movie. Please tell your friends and neighbors about this event.

### Dayton Christian Center Visit:

On Friday, May 6, Donna Reed, Jody Lynn Brummett and Karen Stoner of the American Baptist Women's Ministries traveled to Dayton Christian Center. We learned about the programs offered, the purchase of a lovely home next door, a modern safe playground in back, and a ceramics class held downstairs. The

## MONTH WORSHIP

**June 5**

Children's Sunday  
Graduate Recognition  
The Morning Message:  
Vic Fogle, Natalie Mowery &  
Jarrod Trigg

**June 12**

Randy Turner, preaching

**June 19**

Father's Day  
2 Corinthians 8:7-15  
"Don't Mention It"

**June 26**

Guest Preacher:  
Dr. Robert Fisher,  
Executive Minister, A.B.C. of  
Ohio

**July 3**

Service in the Park  
"Hymns of Dixieland"

**July 10**

Ephesians 2:11-22  
"A Strange Place"

workers put in a long day - 6:00A.M. to 6:00P.M. Donna asked about a youth group working weekend. The idea will be developed. On the return trip, the group had lunch at Cracker Barrel (ummmmm) and visited Carriage Hill Farm where you step back in time to when horse and mule power ruled. You should have been with us.

Karen Stoner

### Trustee Notes:

•Thanks to Vinnie Ministeri for resetting the parsonage mail box which was knocked down when a car lost control on the slippery street. This is the third time it has been damaged. Is it jinxed?

•Thanks to Dave Lovell for installing a doorbell on the double blue doors which rings in the pastor's office.

•A parsonage fire extinguisher was installed and some brush removed.

•Will Fogle installed a first-aid kit, a paper towel holder, and a wax paper,

tin foil, and plastic wrap dispenser in the kitchen.

•Thanks to Dave, Will, and Vinnie for caring for the baptistry during the recent baptisms.

•Jeff Reed installed the 2nd "lapel mike" for the sound system. Thanks to the youth for their donation!

•Pastor Brummett's former church donated a copier just like ours that can be used for parts.

•Mike's Roofing completed a \$480 shingle replacement of a 5 foot wide section of broken slate on the roof overhang outside the Assembly Room.

•Peter White has been mowing lawn and trimming hedges.

•Lost & Found: 1 red & grey umbrella. Please claim it.

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 3 Justin Francis
- 8 Pam Faulk
- 8 Carol Fogle
- 8 Aric Mompher
- 9 Mike and Teresa Griffith
- 10 Dave and Mary Lou Lovell
- 11 Randy and Jennifer Turner
- 12 Anne Linn
- 15 Charles Ekelberry
- 19 Josh Ramey
- 20 Stefanie and Vinnie Ministeri
- 24 Beth Trigg
- 27 Alison and Joe Mowery
- 28 Jami Riedmiller
- July
- 3 Phil Mercer
- 7 Jody Lynn Brummett

### Congratulations

On Friday, June 10, Nicole Howard will graduate from Ohio State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work (B.S.W.). During this past year, Nickie has been doing her field education internship at Delaware County Juvenile Court, where she has worked with children and families monitoring probation. She hopes to continue working with children and their families, and has contracted to work with the Juvenile Court this summer.



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Registration forms will be available in mid-June. T-shirts will be available at the cost of \$9.00 each. For more information about Peace Camp and how you can become involved please speak to one of these committee members: Jean Wickum, Beth Trigg or Liz Hopkins.

### Watch Care List

The 1994 Watch Care List has been printed on the back of the calendar for your reference.

**FACT:** Every year, a quarter of a million children are permanently blinded by the lack of vitamin A.

**GIVE LOVE**

...through health care.

ONE  
GREAT  
HOUR  
OF  
SHARING

# JUNE

First Baptist Church  
101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 10:00 Summer Hours Begin: Children's Day, Graduates preaching	6 7:00 Delaware Piecemakers 7:00 Boy Scouts	7	8 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting	9	10	11
12 10:00 Worship Randy Turner, preaching	13 7:00 Boy Scouts	14  <b>FLAG DAY</b> 7:00 Cub Scouts	15 Pastor's Vacation	16 6:00 ABWM picnic at Jeanne Ekelberry's	17	18 8:30 Men's Breakfast 7:30 All Church Social
19 10:00 Worship 12:30 Deacon's Meeting  <b>Father's Day</b>	20 7:00 Boy Scouts	21 7:00 Cub Scouts 7:30 Board of Education 7:30 Marion Assoc. Exec Board	22 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting	23 7:00 Parish Council	24	25
26 10:00 Worship Robert Fisher, preaching	27 7:00 Boy Scouts	28 Pastor at Green Lake Bible Conference	29 7:00 Choir	30	July 1	2
3 10:00 "Service in the Park" City Park - No Services at First Baptist	4  <b>JULY</b>	5	6 1:30 Crop Walk Meeting 7:00 Choir 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting	7 10:00 Women's Sewing Group (until 2:00)	8	9

# 1994 Watch Care List

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**Randy Turner**

George, Chris, Katie, and Jami  
Reidmiller  
Barbara Reed  
Don and Florence Faulk  
Betty Porter  
George and Margaret Young  
Mary Dennis  
Anne and John Linn  
Phil and Melissa Mercer  
Jean Wickum

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**Jim Van Brimmer**

Mary and Melissa Gillette, Paul,  
Elizabeth, and Chris  
Hopkins  
Lola Jackson  
Jack Smith  
Larry, Pam, Jeff, and Erin Faulk  
Randy, Jennifer, Calvin, and  
Ben Turner  
Evelyn Lee  
Marci Sander  
Carolyn Schneeberger  
Francis Johnson

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**Jean Wickum**

Sophia Stephenson  
Jim Stephenson  
Nellie Sheets  
Mildred Bowers  
Fred, Carol, Suzanne, and  
Alison Grubbs  
Judy Frost  
Jim and Bertha Van Brimmer  
Cynthia Bland, Casper and Felix  
Archie, Beth, Jarrod, Evan, and  
Emilie Trigg  
Deborah and Harold  
Van Broekhoven  
Geneva Evans

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**Kirby Francis**

David, Mary Lou, Debbie,  
Matthew and Barbara  
Lovell  
Peter and Linda White  
Janet Lathrop  
Michael, Tammy, and Jenny  
Beth Grubbs  
Joe, Alison, Natalie, Adam, and  
Laura Mowery  
Jeanne, Charles, and Michael  
Ekelberry  
Ben and Bernice Turney  
Edith Hall  
Chip, Diana, and Madison  
Runyan  
Ed and Jennifer Linn

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**Alison Mowery**

Jody Lynn Brummett  
Steve, Karen, and Micah Stoner  
Vinnie and Stefanie Ministeri  
Rick, Joshua, and Jeremy  
Ramey  
Will, Carol Sue, and Victor  
Fogle  
Cap Gabriel  
Janet Inscho  
Donald, Dorothy, and Abby  
Brown  
Rick and Barbara Van Brimmer  
Gary, Teri, and Aric Mompher

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**Karen Stoner**

David and Jean Osborne  
Marge Smale  
Jeff and Donna Reed, Richard  
and Betty Davis  
Mary Barkeloo  
John and Mary Helen Richards  
Mike, Teresa, Natalie, and  
Katie Griffith  
Shirley Parker  
Kirby, Tammy, Ashley, and  
Justin Francis  
Steve and Sharon Baker

# Good News Letter

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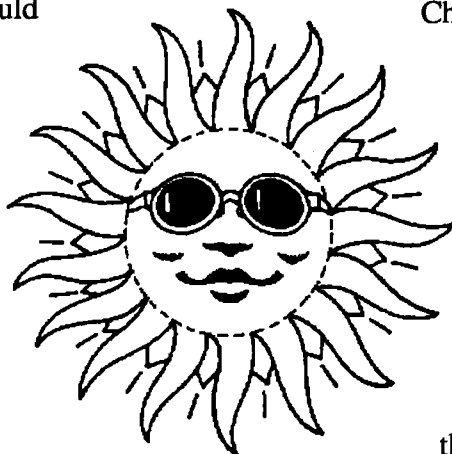
As I think of summer and the tradition of vacation, I can't help thinking about my grandfather. Since his death in January, I think of him often. Lately, however, as I've pondered my need for relaxation, and a much needed reprieve from the telephone, his memory has been haunting my thoughts.

You see, Grandpa Bromo (short for Brummett) loved to work. The two most important things in his life were his family and his work. He quickly tired of time off, vacations, and trips. No sooner would he get to his destination of leisure, than he'd be ready to go back home. He never retired. Fortunately, he was able to work with my dad, and so up until 2 weeks before his death at the age of 80, he worked at least a little bit every day.

From time to time, after his health began to deteriorate and the battle against cancer was wearing him down, my dad would talk with Grandpa about retiring. Grandpa insisted that he wanted to keep working. My dad, trying to convince him that retirement might be a good idea, asked Grandpa if what he wanted was for his son (my dad) to come to work one day and find him slumped dead over one of his machines. My grandpa, in complete seriousness, replied that this would suit him just fine. He was happy when he was working. As I ponder these things, I realize that I'm grateful to my grandpa for many things; but most of all for his love of me and for his love of his work. I will always be thankful that he taught me the love of working hard and working well.

I don't mean to imply, by these reflections, that vacation is bad or isn't necessary. I really believe that vacation time is essential to our individual work and to our work as a community. However, we need to be careful not to

confuse vacation with escape. If we always feel as if we need to get away from our work, then we probably need to ask ourselves if we're doing the right kind of work. Now I do realize that some people have to work at their particular job in order to pay bills and provide for their family, and it may not be the exact job that they were planning on having when they first entered the work force. But I also realize that we have many other choices in the kind of volunteer work we choose to do. This includes, as you may have guessed, work within the Church and work within the community.



Whatever kinds of work we do, it's clear that work is physically, mentally, and spiritually draining. We need vacations. We need opportunities to be away from our work so we can gain vision about our future and be renewed with energy and enthusiasm for the work that we do. Vacation away from our work is actually part of our work.

As we take our times of vacations this summer, let us offer this prayer. May we entrust our time away to the keeping of God. May God's wisdom and strength renew us for the work of life and the work of ministry. May our time of rest and our time of work be always committed to the work of God's love. Amen.

Many Blessings,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jody Lynn Brummett".





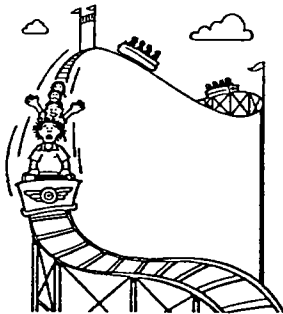
Once upon a time...  
 there was a frog.  
 But he wasn't really a frog.  
 He was a prince  
 who looked  
 and felt  
 like a frog.  
 A wicked witch had cast  
 a spell on him  
 and only the kiss  
 of a beautiful maiden  
 could save him.  
 But no one wanted  
 to kiss this frog!  
 So there he sat --  
 an unkissed prince  
 in frog form.  
 But...one day  
 along came  
 a beautiful maiden  
 who gave this frog  
 a great big smak.  
 Crash--Boom--Zap!  
 There he was...  
 a handsome, dashing prince.  
 (And you know the rest--  
 they lived happily  
 ever after.)

So what is the task of  
 the church?  
 To kiss frogs, of course!

Be ready to kiss some frogs at our annual church family retreat, August 26 - 28. (See enclosed retreat information sheet.)

## Trip to Cedar Point

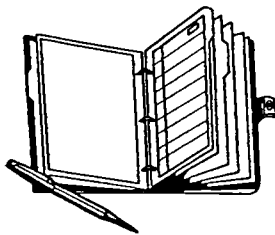
The American Baptist Youth Group (grades 7-12) will be taking their annual trip to Cedar Point on Monday, July 25. Anyone is invited to come along, but children and youth in grades 6 or under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets cost \$21.50 each for adults and \$4.95 for anyone under 48".



Permission Slips are now available; please get one from Pastor Brummett or from her church mail box. Permission slips and money must be returned by Thursday, July 21.

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## GUEST PREACHER

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 3 Phil Mercer
  - 7 Jody Lynn Brummett
  - 19 Jarrod Trigg
  - 21 Mary Helen Richards
  - 23 Alison Mowery
  - 26 Jeff Faulk
  - 30 Bernice Turney
- August
- 3 Carolyn Schneeberger
  - 7 Jennifer Linn
  - 8 Mary Gillette
  - 8 Jim Van Brimmer
  - 9 Steve Stoner
- Anniversaries
- July
- 18 Peter and Linda White
  - 27 Anne and John Linn



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Registration forms are available; pick one up from the table located in the main vestibule. Please note that there are separate registration forms for children and adults. T-shirts will be available at the cost of \$9.00 each.

## Senior Adult Conference

On September 20 - 22, the A.B.C. of Ohio will sponsor a conference for Senior Adults to be held at Judson Hills Camp. The theme is "Toward the Year 2000: And the Glorious Appearing of our Great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ" (Titus 2:13). If you are interested in attending or need more information, please see Pastor Brummett

## Personals:

•Jody Lynn Brummett, Donna Reed and Betty Davis spent a week at the Bible Study Conference at the Green Lake Conference Center in Wisconsin.

•Mary Gillette and her children, Melissa, Chrissy, Paul and Liz, took a 2 week trip to Texas to visit with friends and family.

•Ben Turney continues to recover at Cleveland Clinic.

•Nellie Sheets had surgery at Grady Memorial Hospital and is recovering at home at Delaware Court Health Care Center.

•Jennifer Turner had outpatient surgery at Grady Memorial Hospital.

•Florence Faulk had surgery at Grady Memorial Hospital and is recovering at home.

•Katherine Clapper spent 2 weeks at Grady Mem. Hospital, and has returned home

•Betty Porter spent a week in Alaska visiting with her daughter and son-in-law Jennifer and Ed Linn.

•Vic Fogle and Debbie Lovell took a trip out to Albany, New York to visit with Debbie's family.

•Rick Van Brimmer attended Barb's cousin's wedding in Rochester, N.Y. June 11. Also, Barb helped assemble a collection of medical artifacts that is on exhibit at Ohio State's Thompson Memorial Library until Sept. 5.

•Bertha McTaggart is suffering from a compressed fracture of a vertebrae. Much time has been spent bedridden. Relief is diagnosed to be 3-4 months.

•Sophia and Jim Stephenson visited Sophia's sister and brother-in-law, Lily and John Sullivan, in Los Alamos, New Mexico.

They also visited the Grand Canyon, Monument Valley, the Petrified Forest, and several prehistoric Indian sites.

•Erin Faulk served as a camp counselor for New Adventures Camp at Judson Hills in June. She was also selected to participate in a college experience program at Hope College in Holland, Michigan in July.

•Marci Sander traveled to Alaska with her family in June and will be visiting her dad in Florida in July.

## ABWM to Meet:

The July meeting of the ABWM will be held July 21 from 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. at Delwood, the Children's Home of Delaware, 500 N. Liberty Street. Mr. M.B. McLane, Director and Mrs. Virginia Prudue, Social Worker, will speak to our group and take us on a tour of the Way Cottage. You may park in the parking area or by the first cottage on either side of the driveway. We will decide that morning where we will lunch together following the meeting.

-Evelyn Lee

## Mary Barkeloo's New Address

Mrs. Mary Barkeloo  
Room 213 Kensinger Place  
1001 Parkview Blvd.  
COLUMBUS OH 43219-2218

## Trustee Notes:

•The hearing devices have been sent to the manufacturer for \$60 in repairs and are now working.

•Mike's Roofing repaired a section of the church roof after a slate fell from the tower.

•Two pianos have been tuned by Clifford Rector for \$200.

•Several loose spots on the black baseboard in the Sunday School wing were reglued by Jeff Reed.

-Pete White



## ABY Update

Our last meeting was a cookout at the Reeds on May 15th. Several member went to the Marion Association Skating Party on May 22nd.

The aluminum cans were collected and our last 2 loads brought us \$4.94 and \$11.88. This will go into our treasury to be carried over until August.

We say goodbye to Vic Fogle, Jarrod Trigg, and Natalie Mowery. They have been great to have in the youth group. Good luck!

We welcome Chrissy Hopkins and Josh Ramey into the group. Speaking of the group, we will be 2 groups this year. Vinnie and Stefanie Ministeri have offered to be advisors to the Jr. High youth so that we can concentrate on the Sr. Highs.

Our next gathering will be a joint Pool Party. It will be Saturday, July

30th from 3-6 pm at Marci Sander's grandmother's home in Upper Arlington. Those who need rides should meet at the church at 2:15 pm. Be sure to bring your suit and towel as well as something to drink and chips to share. Hope all the youth are having a great Summer!

-Jeff & Donna Reed

## JULY WORSHIP

### July 10

Communion Sunday  
Ephesians 2:11-22  
"No Strange Place"

### July 17

Hebrews 12:1-13  
Guest Preacher:  
The Rev. Owen Stewart  
"The Making of a Champion"

### July 24

Ephesians 3:14-21  
"True Worship"

### July 31

Ephesians 4:1-16  
Guest Preacher:  
The Rev. Bill Nirote  
"The Get-Together"

### August 7

Worship at  
Zion United Church of Christ  
Ephesians 4:25—5:2

## Camp Fund

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## In Sympathy

The church offers its condolences to Marci Sander and her family on the death of her Aunt Beth.

## Meeting Change:

Please note that the July Board of Christian Education will not meet on July 19. Instead it will meet for a short meeting on Sunday, July 24 right after church.

## July Social

Instead of a regular social this month, we encourage you to support our softball team as much as possible by bringing your lawn chairs and snacks to the games and cheering them on.

## Retreat Fund

The retreat committee has made a concerted effort this year to add to the retreat fund, so that we can both pay for a retreat leader and diminish the cost to individual families. Even though we have managed to defray some of the cost for families, there are still those who might not be able to participate without additional financial aid. If you would be willing to provide a retreat scholarship to help pay the way for a child, adult, or family, please speak to one of the retreat committee members, Theresa Griffith, Pam Faulk, or Stefanie Ministeri. If you are in need of financial aid for the retreat, please speak to one of those committee members also. The committee would like to thank those who came out to see Rudy in June and for donating to the fund.

### OFFERINGS FOR MAY

	Regular	Missions
May 1	\$1698	\$127
8	699	79
15	1069	96
22	670	43
29	672	94

-Larry Faulk, Chair  
Finance Committee

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSES

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Throughout the early days of the church's history there are many references to the meetings and services being held at Templar Hall.

Church records indicate that rent was paid for the use of the building, about \$40 a year, and "subscriptions" — which we now commonly refer to as pledges — were needed to assure payment. Templar Hall served as a gathering place for First Baptist from 1853 until a permanent church building was erected on the present site in 1857.

Templar Hall, located on the west side of N. Sandusky St. between William and Winters Sts., was built by the Sons of Temperance in the mid-1850s. The Sons of Temperance advocated total abstinence from alcoholic beverages.

The building was a cross between Federal and Greek Revival architecture, and featured at least two store fronts on the first floor. The second and third floors were used for offices and/or lodge rooms. At one time, the upper level served as court facilities for Delaware County.

Templar Hall has undergone several remodelings through the years, but still remains very much a vital part of daily life in downtown Delaware — you might recognize it as the U.S. Store!

# Retreat 1994



**Date:** *Friday, August 26 - Sunday, August 28*

**Place:** *Judson Hills - Lodge and Cabins*

**Leader:** *Bob Rhymer*

Bob has the degree of Doctor of Ministry to Marriage and Family and is a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT). He has twenty-six years experience as a family life educator and eleven years as a family therapist. For eight years, Bob served as minister to youth and their families at Mountview Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, conducting retreats and workshops for marriage and family enrichment, parenting, and parent-teen relationships. His special focus is on family issues--especially couple relationships, including pre-marriage and remarriage concerns.

**Theme:** *"Kissing Frogs"*

The focus is on *affirmation* and has as its goal to help individuals and families improve their ability to be loving and affirming. This is a great experience for building a more intimate community, strengthening individual families and helping a church family to feel more connected and appreciative of one another.

**Who For:** *Everyone*

- Cool cats and hoary hedgehogs, little old ladies and kooky kids who need to know each other.
- Paranoid parents and pooped out pastors, tickleless teachers and groping group leaders who need to laugh together.
- Fervent feminists and shameless chauvinists, cagey couples and goosey grimplings who need to play together.
- Harried housewives and lonely lovers, sourpuss saints and penitent prodigals who need to celebrate together.
- Other needy souls who need to discover the new thing God is doing.

Come on!

Pucker up!

You've got it coming.

**Cost:** *Adults (11 & up) Children (4 - 10)*

	Whole Weekend (2 nights)	One night	Sat. (day only)	Sun. only
<b>Family Plan</b> (3 or more immediate family members)	\$60 + \$20 per adult +\$10 per child	\$30 + \$20 per adult +\$10 per child	-----	-----
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\*A room in the Nehemiah Center may be available for those unable to stay in cabins. See Pam or Theresa for info.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Names of those attending:

Check attendance for each-Whole Weekend, One night, Sat (day only), Sun only.

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Return by Aug 21 to a member of the Retreat Committee: Theresa Griffith, Pam Faulk, or Stefanie Ministeri.

# JULY

## First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>10 10:00 Worship "No Strange Place" 11:30 Deacon's meeting</p> 	<p>11 7pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Pastor's Vacation</p>	<p>16 8:30 Men's Breakfast Pastor's Vacation</p>
<p>17 10:00 Worship Owen Stewart, preaching "The Making of a Champion" Pastor's Vacation</p>	<p>18 7pm Boy Scouts Pastor's Vacation</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting</p>	<p>21 10:30 ABWM at Delwood 7pm ABWM Marion Assoc Service</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 </p>
<p>24 10:00 Worship "True Worship" 11:00 Board of Christian Education</p>	<p>25  7am ABY Trip Cedar Pt. 7pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>26 7:00 Peace Camp Meeting</p>	<p>27 6:30 Covered Dish Dnr Qtrly Business Mtg</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>31 10:00 Worship with Zion United Church of Christ Bill Nirote, preaching "The Get-Together"</p>	<p>1 7pm Boy Scouts Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 10:00 ABWM sewing 6:00pm-8:30pm Peace Camp '94 at Mingo Park</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>6:00pm - 8:30pm, Peace Camp '94: Journey Inward, Journey Outward</p>						
<p>7 10:30 Worship at Zion United Church of Christ Jody Lynn Brummett, preaching "Follow the Leader"</p>	<p>8 7pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 12:00 Young at Heart</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 </p>

# Good News Letter

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My parents are getting ready to move. The grand old house, which over the course of 20 years we somehow made into a home, has a "for sale" sign in the front yard. And we're all getting ready to say goodbye to this old friend. It's kind of sad. So, I've begun the process of remembering. Of looking back over the years to all the memories that this old house has brought me. They aren't all good ones, that's for sure, but they all belong to me and to my family in one way or another. These memories tell the story of who we have been and who we are.

As my mother is thinking about packing up all of the household possessions and moving them to a smaller house, she isn't looking forward to it. Apparently, neither am I. She recently informed me that she had saved boxes and boxes containing all of our school papers and important documents. Now that she's moving, she's ready to pass them on to us, their rightful owners, in case we want to keep them.

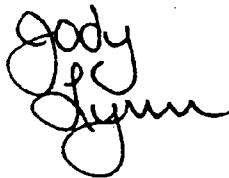
Now, my problem isn't in deciding if I want to keep them, but in deciding where I'm going to put them. I believe that the technical term for people with my particular problem is "pack-rat." I save everything. Especially keepsake items like newspaper clippings, cards, letters, photographs and just about anything anyone has ever given to me.

But of all the things I've kept over the years, the most important ones are the photographs. Now, I will have to admit that my work is never mistaken for Ansel Adams. Fortunately, I don't take pictures for the sake of art, I take them for the sake of memory. I will remember this grand old house through the years and years of pictures that were taken. When we actually remembered to get the camera out and

buy film, we recorded the events that were important to us: birthdays, holidays, graduations, a wedding, babies learning to crawl and walk, all kinds of pets doing the funny things pets do, proms, homecomings, picnics, family gatherings, and lots and lots of pictures of people doing crazy and even ordinary things. It really doesn't seem like 20 years have gone. The truth is in the pictures.

If you're waiting for the great theological truth of these reflections, there isn't one. I want only to reflect on the gift of memory, and how important it is not only for our past, but for our future. It's only by remembering who we were and where we've been, that we're able to imagine and envision the future. Memory is one of the great gifts God has given to us. As we look through our past and imagine our future, let us be thankful.

Many Blessings,



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## PEACE CAMP THANK YOU

Thank You to all who helped get the church building ready for Peace Camp. Jim Van Brimmer spent two days cleaning the windows (inside and out) of the fellowship hall and the Christian Education building. Peter White moved furniture, mowed the lawn, trimmed shrubs and did assorted odd jobs around the church. Teresa and Mike Griffith and Carol Grubbs spent many hours cleaning the church prior to Peace Camp.

Thank you so much to all of those who helped with **Peace Camp '94: Journey Inward, Journey Outward.** It was a great success, thanks to all of your help and support. Without your help with planning, leading, teaching, working, cooking, cleaning, learning and singing, we could not have pulled it off. Here is a list of those who gave their time and effort to this year's Peace Camp.

**Peace Camp Committee:** The Peace Camp committee began meeting and planning in January. Co-Chairs of the committee were Jean Wickum and Jody Lynn Brummett. Liz Hopkins, Donna Reed and Beth Trigg also served on the committee. Liz and Beth also served on the picnic planning committee.

**Music:** Mary Lou Lovell served as our music director and teacher. Jennifer Turner was the piano accompanist. Matt Lovell, Stef Ministeri, and Karen Stoner served as song leaders

**Kitchen:** Jean Ekleberry served as the main kitchen coordinator for the entire Peace Camp event, assisting the Kitchen crews of each church and being present each evening during Peace Camp. The First Baptist Kitchen Crew who prepared our meal for Wednesday evening were: Carol Fogle and Anne Linn. Those who contributed food were: Carol Fogle, Betty Porter, Carol Grubbs, Anne Linn, Karen Stoner, and Linda White.

**Teachers:** Carol Grubbs and Beth Trigg taught the 5th and 6th grade class; Donna Reed taught the Jr. High Class; and Linda White taught the Adult Workshop on Spirituality.

**Peace Camp Logo:** Jim Stephenson designed our Peace Camp Logo, which was used on all our publicity, registration forms and t-shirts. (This was Jim's third Peace Camp Logo)

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

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James Eaton

While he has never been formally recognized as the founder of First Baptist-Delaware, James Eaton was certainly the driving force behind the formation of our church. As we have discovered through the previous segments of Historical Glimpses, Eaton nearly single-handedly began the drive to establish a Regular Baptist church in Delaware in 1846.

It took nearly seven years, but Eaton's dream was realized in 1853, and his beautiful script recorded those early days in the church's first journal. The cracked, yellowed and fading journal is the only piece of early church records that survived both the advancing years and Delaware's disastrous flood of 1913.

Eaton and his family originally lived on a farm near Cheshire in Berlin Township, and moved to Delaware in 1828 on the birth of their son, Henry James Eaton. The elder Eaton served as the surveyor of Delaware County for many years, and was known for his meticulous attention to detail — as evidenced in our early church records. After moving back to Cheshire some time later, the family returned to Delaware in 1844. Henry then entered Ohio Wesleyan and graduated in 1849, practicing law in Delaware with Col. William Reid until his death in 1903.

The Eaton family is commemorated by their gift of the stained glass window at the rear of the sanctuary.

**Custodians:** Teresa and Mike Griffith put in many extra hours getting the church ready, being present each evening during peace camp, and staying afterwards to make sure the church was clean and ready for the next night.

**Students:**

**Children and Youth:** Betty Davis, Melissa Gillette, Leah Gooden, Morgan Gooden, Reaben Gooden, Katie Griffith, Natalie Griffith, Jenny Beth Grubbs, Liz Hopkins, Barbara Lovell, Adam Mowery, Laura Mowery, Emilie Trigg, Evan Trigg, Ben Turner, Calvin Turner.

**Adults:** Anne Linn, Karen Stoner, Randy Turner and Jean Wickum

\*If any name was left off of this list, please let Pastor Brummett know as soon as possible.

## Senior Adult Conference

On September 20 - 22, the A.B.C. of Ohio will sponsor a conference for Senior Adults to be held at Judson Hills Camp. The theme is "Toward the Year 2000: And the Glorious Appearing of our Great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ" (Titus 2:13). If you are interested in attending or need more information, please see Pastor Brummett.

## Big Brother/Sisters

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is Coming to Delaware!

**NEEDED:** Big Brothers, Big Sisters and Big Couples (husband and wife teams) to serve as friends and role models to Delaware County children from single parent families.

Think about it. How many chances do you get to really make a difference? By volunteering you benefit a child directly. You can see the good you are doing week by week, month by month. It's not difficult. You're encouraged to carry on as you normally would, including the child in everyday activities such as raking leaves, watching a ball game, or grocery shopping.

We do ask for a commitment of one year, seeing the child 2-4 hours per

week so that the child is assured a stable relationship.

Your job is not to replace a parent—just to be a friend to the child. As a volunteer you'll be supported and guided by a trained Big Brother/Big Sister professional who will closely monitor your match.

If you would like to volunteer or need further information, please contact Sally Hinshaw at 369-BIGS (2447).

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

**August**

- 3 Carolyn Schneeberger
- 7 Jennifer Linn
- 8 Mary Gillette
- 8 Jim Van Brimmer
- 9 Steve Stoner
- 21 Jim Stephenson
- 23 Mildred Bowers
- 24 Florence Faulk
- 25 Betty Davis
- 27 Chrissy Hopkins
- 27 Linda White
- 30 Katie Riedmiller

**Anniversaries**

**August**

- 14 Rick and Barbara Van Brimmer
- 17 Cris and George Riedmiller
- 18 Pam and Larry Faulk
- 30 Fred and Carol Grubbs

## Pastor Brummett Chairs Spiritual Life Committee

On the invitation of Executive Minister of the A.B.C. of Ohio, Dr. Robert Fisher, Pastor Brummett will be serving as the Spiritual Life Chairperson on the Steering Committee of the "Building on Common Ground" Campaign. This Steering Committee will be responsible for facilitating the A.B.C. of Ohio Capital Funds Campaign in an effort to raise between 1.2 and 1.5 million dollars over the next three to five years. The money raised will undergird our efforts to establish new churches, to provide capital improvement funds for our camping program, and to provide "venture capital" for outreach programs for A.B.C. churches in the region.

As Chairperson of the Spiritual Life Committee, Pastor Brummett will be responsible for convening a Committee consisting of laypeople representing churches throughout the A.B.C. of Ohio. The Spiritual Life Committee is responsible for bringing spiritual support to the "Building on Common Ground" Campaign throughout the Region. The committee will give recommendations to local churches about resources to be used for bringing spiritual support to the campaign. The committee will organize and promote a Region-wide prayer emphasis for the campaign.

The position will require Pastor Brummett to attend monthly meetings of the Steering Committee and to pull together a Spiritual Life Committee from across the Region which will probably have bi-monthly meetings.

As a result of taking this position, Pastor Brummett will resign from two of her positions within the denomination. She will no longer serve as president of the Marion Association Pastors and Minister's and Mates groups, and she will no longer serve as the Women in Ministry representative on the Minister's Council of the A.B.C. of Ohio.

## Adult Inquirer's Class

Pastor Brummett will be teaching an Adult Inquirer's Class for the Fall quarter during the Sunday School hour. The class will provide new and not so new members and friends of First Baptist Church the opportunity to explore their own personal theological and spiritual beliefs, and to learn more about American Baptists, Baptists in general and First Baptist Church. The class will include two new elements, borrowed from the Youth Inquirer's Class: 1. Class members will have an opportunity to choose someone from the church to be their "Baptist Buddy." This will be a person they feel comfortable talking to about their faith journey. 2. Class members will also be asked to take part in a ministry project (of their choice) within the church or community.

## PERSONALS:

Rick VanBrimmer visited friends in Oakland, Calif., over the Fourth of July weekend, and took a side trip to Lake Tahoe.

Larry and Pam Faulk & family vacationed in Michigan.

The Jim and Bertha VanBrimmer visited relatives in Kentucky

Jack Smith took a cruise to Alaska. Nevin and Peggy Gabriel of Colorado Springs, Colorado visited with Cap Gabriel and relatives.

Ben Turney is recuperating at home after 43 days at Cleveland Clinic with a stroke.

David Osborne is a patient at Riverside Hospital.

Jeanne Ekelberry spent 10 days with her mother in Wayne, West Virginia. Highlights included painting her mother's home with her sisters and taking mom shopping (she loves to shop, but cannot drive) She also visited her cousin Jim Ross in the hospital. One day was spent in Charleston for the 25th annual National Quilt Show. There were quilts from all 50 states and some from other countries. Lots of traditional favorites and beautiful new ones that show imagination and new techniques that looked like painting.

## Trustees:

- A broken window in the kindergarten room was repaired by Delaware Glass.

- The \$200 amount quoted in last month's newsletter was an estimate for a new "valley" on the roof between the tower and the sanctuary, not for piano tuning.

- Three pianos were tuned in July by Clifford Rector.

-Peter White, Chair

## Sunday School Teachers:

The Sunday School Teachers for the 1994-95 year are:

Nursery - Jennifer Turner  
 Preschool - Pam Faulk  
 Primary - Stefanie Ministeri  
 Middler - Linda White  
 Juniors - Barb Reed  
 Jr. High - Beth & Archie Trigg

Sr High - Larry Faulk

Adult - 1st qtr - Randy Turner

2nd qtr - Karen Stoner

3rd qtr - Steve Stoner

Adult Inquirers Class - 1st qtr -

-Jody Lynn Brummett

-Steve Stoner, Superintendent

## Rally Day:

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 4 for the first day of Sunday school classes. We will begin at 8:30 am with a breakfast buffet. Bring a dish to share. Beverages will be provided. Opening will be at 9:00 with classes starting at 9:15. The Worship service will begin at 10:45.

## Thank You:

A heart felt Thank You to all the wonderful friends who remembered Ben in their prayers and sent cards and letters while he was a patient at Cleveland Clinic.

He still has a few "bad" days but the good ones are coming more often now.

With much appreciation,  
 Ben and Bernice Turney

## Retreat 1994

Be ready to "kiss some frogs" at our annual church family retreat, August 26 - 28. Remember, there will be no services at the church Sunday, Aug. 28. Please join us at Judson Hills for our service there.

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## AUGUST WORSHIP

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Ephesians 5:15-20  
"The Time is Now"

### August 21

Ephesians 6:10-20  
"Holy War"

### August 28

Church Family Retreat  
Worship at Judson Hills

### September 4

Rally Day  
Mark 7:24-37  
"Follow the Yellow Brick Road"

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## Quilt Blocks

The ABWM is collecting quilt blocks to be sent to our Philippine missionaries. Each Block should be 5"X7" and made of cotton or a cotton blend. Please put them in the special box in the vestibule.

## Crop Walk Crisis Care



Every disaster causes incredible loss and suffering. During the past year, the Church World Service Disaster Response Office responded to more than 100 emergencies. Food, blankets, tents, water purification tablets, and medicine are part of the material help provided. Skilled Disaster Response consultants help organize relief efforts.

Throughout each crisis and throughout longer recovery efforts, Church World Service honors your commitment to stand with those who are cruelly touched by the storms and tragedies of life.

1994 Delaware Crop Walk  
Sunday, October 2, 2pm

Stay tuned for more info from Rick VanBrimmer.



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Return by Aug 21 to a member of the Retreat Committee: Theresa Griffith, Pam Faulk, or Stefanie Ministeri.

# AUGUST

First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 10:30 Joint Worship at Zion UCC	8 7:00 Boy Scouts	9	10 12:00 Young at Heart	11 7:00 Crop Walk Meeting	12	13 10:00 Pastoral Relations at the Linn's
14 10:00 Worship "The Time is Now" 11:30 Deacon's Meeting	15 7:00 Boy Scouts	16 7:00 Board of Christian Education	17 7:00 Peace Camp wrap-up meeting at parsonage	18	19	20 8:30 Men's Breakfast
21 10:00 Worship "Holy War" 11:30 ABY Mini-Retreat at Highbanks	22 7:00 Boy Scouts	23 7:00 ABWM Executive committee at parsonage	24	25 7:00 Parish Council	26	27 Family Retreat at Judson Hills
28 Church Family Retreat Judson Hills	29 7:00 Boy Scouts Newsletter Deadline	30 7:30 Marion Assoc. Exec. Committee parsonage	31	1	2	3
4  Rally Day 8:30 Breakfast 9:00 Assembly 9:15 Sunday School 10:45 Worship	5 7:00 Boy Scouts	6	7	8	9	10

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## Rally Day

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Join us and bring a friend!

## Christian Education Sunday: September 25

Teaching takes place in and through our church in many ways and places, sometimes with designated teachers, sometimes informally, and often mutually with teachers learning and learners teaching. In one sense all of us are called to teach. The church is called to teach by who it is, what it proclaims, and how it carries out its mission.



**PREPARING All GOD'S PEOPLE**  
EPHESIANS 4: 11-13

Please come to Sunday School and Worship on September 25, prepared to renew our commitment to Christian Education and to celebrate the many ways our church is involved in teaching and learning.

## Deacon Watchcare Gatherings

The deacon's will once again be hosting watchcare gatherings.

Karen Stoner and Jim Van Brimmer will have their watchcare picnic on Saturday, September 17 at 4:00 p.m. at the home of Jim and Bertha Van Brimmer.

Jean Wickum and Alison Mowery will have their watchcare picnic at the parsonage on Saturday, September 24, at 1:00 p.m.

Randy Turner and Kirby Francis will have their watchcare picnic at the parsonage on Saturday, October 15, at 1:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendar. Your deacon will call you soon to let you know what you can bring to your group's gathering.

## Pastoral/Congregational Review

The pastoral relations committee was formed to help promote a communications link between the pastor and the congregation. One of the duties of the committee is to conduct an annual pastoral/congregational review.

The 1994 review will be distributed in church on Sunday, September 4, and will be mailed to shut-ins and others, as necessary. If you don't receive a copy, please leave a message on the church answering machine

(363-7021), and we'll see that you get one.

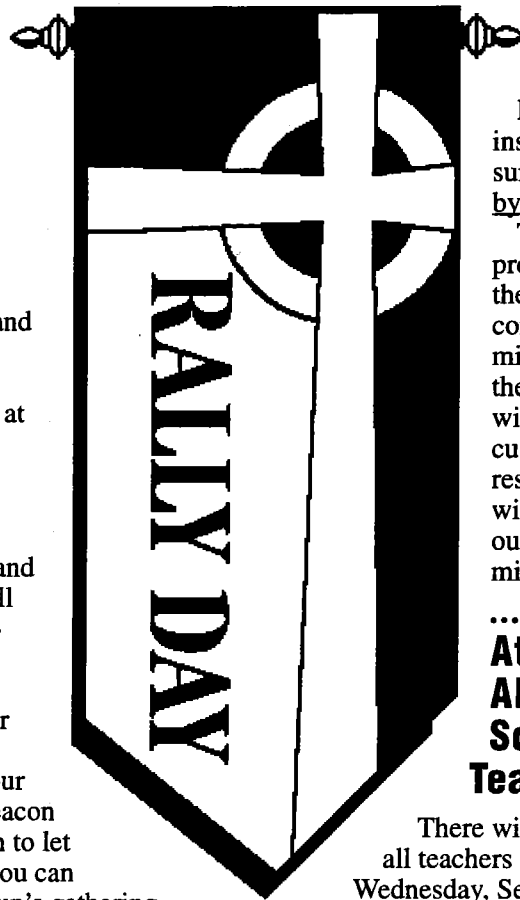
Please follow the instructions on the survey and return it by Sunday, Sept. 18.

The survey was prepared jointly by the pastor and the committee. The committee will tabulate the results and meet with the pastor to discuss them. Specific results of the survey will not be released outside of the committee.

## Attention: All Sunday School Teachers

There will be a meeting of all teachers at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7th. I must ask that all of you be there because it is of the utmost importance that you all come together before we start classes. Rooms, info and prayer will be distributed. Also, supply requests will be taken and questions you may have about the new curriculum will be discussed.

—Steve Stoner  
Sunday School Superintendent



# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

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One of the more interesting aspects of reading and researching our church's history has been the "phraseology" used to record and describe the early events. The English we speak today seems to lack the eloquence of our forefathers.

One phrase we see often in early church records is the practice of "renewing fellowship" before each business meeting. "Renewing fellowship" translated literally would mean bringing back together a group of people with similar interests or beliefs to share companionship and experiences. There is a certain romance to that description, and a feeling of importance about the custom.

Another phrase we see repeatedly is "a door was opened" to new members. There is such symbolism in that description, and such biblical importance — perhaps a reference to John 10:9 ("I am the door; by me if any man enter, he shall be saved..." KJV).

It's important to note not only our history, but the descriptions of that history and how it was recorded. That can be just as interesting and informative!

*If you have documents, family histories, photographs or other historical data that concerns the church's history, please don't hesitate to share it with us. We would be especially interested in family history as it relates to church membership. This part of the church history is lacking in records that have survived the years. Photos are also scarce. Thank you!*

## 1994-95 Sunday School Room Assignments

Nursery .....	Same as last year
Preschool .....	Kindergarten classroom
Primary .....	Same as last year
Middler .....	Same as last year
Juniors* .....	First room below ladies room
Jr. High* .....	Second door past pastor's office
Sr. High .....	Same as last year
Inquirer's Class .....	Fellowship Hall

*\*These two classes basically switched rooms due to the number of students as well as the space needed for roll-playing in the Jr. High Class.*

Note: Classes start September 11th.

## Opening Assembly Responsibilities

September .....	Board of Chr. Ed.
October .....	Sr. High
November .....	Juniors
December .....	Middlers
January .....	Primary
February .....	Preschool
March .....	Jr. High
April .....	Board of Chr. Ed.
May .....	Adult
June .....	Nursery

—Steve Stoner (previous two articles)

## World Mission Offering: October 2

Gifts to the World Mission Offering are used to support the overseas mission work of American Baptist International Ministries. The offering provides critical support for missionaries and national leaders in a variety of areas: evangelism, Christian education/discipleship, medical work, leadership development, community outreach, and work with children and youth.

The total number of overseas missionaries in 1994, including career missionaries and volunteers, is 133. A generous response to the World Mission Offering will allow us to increase that number. American



Baptist overseas missionaries now serve in more than 20 countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Latin America and Europe.

Every dollar we give to the World Mission Offering is sent overseas to support the mission work of American Baptists.

## ABWM

A new year of activities for the ABWM will begin on September 15 at the home of Jean Wickum at 7:00. A dedication of officers will be held as well as an introduction to the year's theme, "In One Spirit, No Longer Strangers." All women of the church are invited to attend.

—Carol Fogle, Secretary

## Adult Inquirer's Class

Pastor Brummett will be teaching an Adult Inquirer's Class for the Fall quarter during the Sunday School hour. The class will provide new and not so new members and friends of First Baptist Church, the opportunity to explore their own personal theological and spiritual beliefs, and to learn more about American Baptists, Baptists in general and First Baptist Church.

The class will include two new elements, borrowed from the Youth Inquirer's Class: 1) Class members will have an opportunity to choose someone from the church to be their "Baptist Buddy." This will be a person they feel comfortable in talking to about their faith journey. 2) Class members will also be asked to take part in a ministry project (of their choice) within the church or community.

## Crop Walk Set for October 2

Did you know that there are people in countries like Haiti and Bangladesh who must walk as many as six miles just to get a pail of drinking water? Many also go to bed hungry each night.

That's why "we will walk because they walk" on October 2 for CROP Walk '94. First Baptist has agreed to participate in the local CROP Walk, which begins on the Ohio Wesleyan campus at 2 p.m. The total walk through Delaware will cover 6.3 miles (about a two-hour walk).



Walkers will be asked to obtain sponsors to help raise money for CROP, an activity of Church World Service. In addition to providing funds for worldwide hunger relief, 25 percent of the money raised locally will be designated for local programs through People in Need.

Rick Van Brimmer is serving as the recruiter for First Baptist, and will be distributing materials and pledge cards through the month of September. If you have any questions, please contact Rick or Pastor Brummett. Come on out and walk with us!

## Marion Association Fall Rally

The Fall Rally of the Marion Association will take place on Sunday, September 25, at Prospect Baptist Church. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. The program will begin at 5:00 p.m., with dinner at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$3.00 per person. The Baptist Brothers of Mt. Gilead will provide music, Pastor David Carlyle

of Fite Memorial will offer the devotional, there will be an installation of officers for the coming year, and several pastors will share the program theme "Mission In Action," lifting up National Ministries, International Ministries and Educational Ministries.

If you are interest in attending or need more information, please see Pastor Brummett.

## ABY

New officers were chosen on August 21 at the mini-retreat at Highbanks.

### Senior High

*Donna and Jeff Reed, advisors*

President .....Matt Lovell  
 Vice President.....Marc Sander  
 Secretary .....Micah Stoner  
 Treasurer .....Liz Hopkins  
 Reporter .....Aric Mompher

### Junior High

*Stef and Vinnie Ministeri, advisors*

President .....Richard Davis  
 Secretary .....Barbara Lovell

The next meeting of the Senior ABY will be on Sunday, September 11 at 6:30.

## Picnic at Parsonage

The September social will be a picnic at the parsonage on Sunday, September 18 at 1:00. A grill will be provided. Bring your own meat and a dish to share. Please also bring your own table service and lawn chairs. The picnic is for the entire church family.

In case of rain, we'll stay at the church.



## Thanks to Retreat Committee

We want to thank the members of the Retreat Committee for their efforts in making this year's retreat a memo-

orable experience. It was the first chance we have had to attend as a couple, and we enjoyed the program, fellowship, food and fun!

Our hope is to attend next year, and we would encourage everyone to make an effort to join in this valuable church ministry.

*-Barb and Rick Van Brimmer*

## Thanks to Guest Editor

Thanks to Larry Faulk for being our newsletter's guest editor this summer.

*-Jim Stephenson, editor*

## Phoning Our Pastor

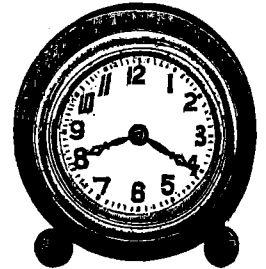
Our pastor is on call 24-hours-a-day for emergencies and urgent concerns, but if you need to call her regarding routine church business, please try to do so during regular business hours.

Feel free to call her at either the parsonage or her office during the day or early evening.

She's usually in the church office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00-2:00 (unless she's at a meeting). Monday is her day off.

Let's try to avoid calling her after 8:00 p.m. or on her day off unless it's a matter that just can't wait. Thanks for your cooperation.

*-The Pastoral Relations Committee*



## Trustees Report

• A broken downspout on the old parsonage caused water to soak through the brick wall, damaging paper and plaster inside. Mike's roofing replaced the downspout and Rick Nivin has been making repairs inside.

*-Peter White, chair*

## Lost and Found

Lost—one pew Bible; please return

Found—one purple umbrella found in the assembly room after the silent auction; please claim

## SEPTEMBER WORSHIP

### September 4

Mark 7:24-37

"Follow the Yellow Brick Road"

### September 11

Rally Day

Mark 8:27-38

"Walk This Way"

### September 18

Mark 9:30-37

"It's a Small World After All"

### September 25

Christian Education Sunday

Mark 9:38-50

"Leap of Faith"

### October 2

World Communion Sunday

Mark 10:17-31

"Love in Action"

## American Baptist Churches of Ohio 169th Annual Meeting

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## Church Directory Update

Cynthia Bland has a new address. It is 285 North Sandusky Street, Apt. 22. Her phone number remains the same as before.

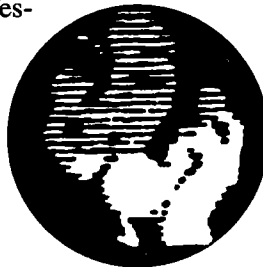


Our church will be sending three delegates this year. Each church can send up to three delegates, who then are eligible to vote on all matters brought forward for their consideration. For example, last year, delegates voted to accept the "Growing on Common Ground" Capital Funds Campaign that the A.B.C. of Ohio are now in the process of implementing. This year, Pastor Brummett will attend as our Clergy delegate. At our August Parish Council meeting, we decided to send Karen and Steve Stoner as our Lay delegates.

If you are interested in attending, Pastor Brummett has information and registration forms.

## Help Anonymous Needs Volunteers

For 23 years Help Anonymous has been providing crisis hotline and information and referral services to residents of Delaware County. These critical services rely on trained paraprofessional volunteers to provide their services for 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. That's a lot of volunteer hours. By volunteering with Help Anonymous, you can be available to support and direct those in our county who are hurting and in need. The next hotline training course begins on September 13.



## Personals

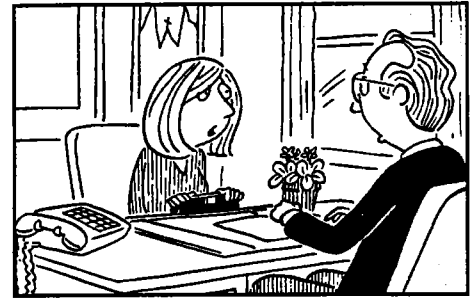
**BEN TURNEY** is a patient at the Arbors for physical therapy.

The **VAN BRIMMERS** attended the funeral of Bertha's brother-in-law in Kentucky.

**MARGE SMALE** was visited by her daughter Becky and Becky's husband, from Boston, and her daughter Cindy from California.

**JEANNE EKELBERRY** is recuperating at home from foot surgery.

**JIM STEPHENSON** attended a computer conference in Boston.



*After three weeks of enjoying your services, I still feel a deep spiritual yearning... so I'm going to sue your socks off.*

**JOHN LINN** is recuperating at home after a heart attack.

**NELLIE SHEETS** is undergoing therapy and has been fitted with a prosthetic leg.

**TED AND JEANNIE STEPHENSON** and family of Indianapolis spent a week here visiting relatives.

**SUSY AND JEFF LEONARD** and children of Pennsylvania visited with the Van Brimmers.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Sept. 5 Don & Florence Faulk
- 8 Tammy Francis
- 10 Katherine Griffith
- 11 David Osborne  
Barbara Reed
- 12 Dorothy Brown
- 13 Teri Mompher
- 14 Marci Sander  
Richard Davis
- 15 Janet Porter  
Jim & Bertha Van Brimmer
- 18 Melissa Mercer  
Ben & Bernice Turney
- 24 Chip & Dianna Runyan
- 26 Michael & Tammy Grubbs  
Phil & Melissa Mercer  
Jeremy Ramey
- 30 Mary Lou Lovell
- Oct. 3 Janet Lathrop
- 5 Will & Carol Fogle  
Laura Beth Mowery

Please report any errors to Jim Stephenson

## Wedding Shower

A shower will be held for Alison Grubbs at the church on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 2:30. Please contact Betty Porter at 363-7892 if you can help.

# SEPTEMBER

First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 10:00 Morning Worship	5 <b>Labor Day</b> 7:00 Boy Scouts	6 7:00 Trustees	7 7:00 Choir 8:00 Teachers' Meeting	8 9:30 - 2:00 Pastor at "Building on Common Ground" Steering Comm. meeting in Granville	9	10
11 <b>Rally Day</b> 8:30 Buffet Breakfast 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:30 Deacons (at the church) 6:30 Senior ABY	12 7:00 Boy Scouts	13 7:30 Marion Association Trustees (location to be announced)	14 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir	15 7:00 ABWM (at Jean Wickum's)	16	17 8:30 Men's Breakfast 1:00 Watchcare luncheon (Stoner/Van Brim.)
18 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 1:00 Picnic at parsonage for everyone <i>Deadline to return survey forms!</i>	19 7:00 Boy Scouts	20 7:00 Board of Christian Education	21 7:00 Choir	22 7:00 Parish Council	23	24 10:00 Pastoral Rel. Comm. 1:00 Watchcare luncheon (Wickum/Mowery)
25 <b>Christian Education Sunday</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:30 Shower for Alison Grubbs 4:30 Marion Assoc. Fall Rally	26 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 CROP Walk meeting at parsonage <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	27	28 7:00 Choir	29	30	<b>October</b> 1 6:30 Alison Grubbs and Todd Bradford wedding
2 <b>World Mission Offering</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 CROP Walk	3 7:00 Boy Scouts	4	5 7:00 Choir	6 10:00 Sewing Group	7	8 Pastor at "Building on Common Ground" meeting in Granville all day



Mr. [redacted] Pastor  
2700 [redacted] St.  
Columbus, Ohio [redacted]

# Good News Letter

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I've always taken my ability to walk for granted. That is, until I foolishly allowed my orthopedic surgeon to cut all the way through a bone in my foot, thereby rendering me dependent on a pair of crutches. Fortunately, especially for those who had to put up with me, this disability only lasted for 4-1/2 weeks by which time I was able, once again, to walk on both feet. It was slow at first, but after a few weeks, I was back to my regular walking pace. The doctor did say that it would take about a year for my foot to be completely back to normal. I know this is true, because when I stand or walk for too long, I begin to really feel it. But that was almost eight months ago, and now I'm preparing and almost ready to put it to the real test. I will dare to walk 10 kilometers.

Today is the day. The CROP Walk for Hunger will take place in Delaware beginning at 2:00 this afternoon. The planning committee, in case you didn't know, has been meeting since last October to get ready for this grand event. And here it is. For some divinely known reason, which I have yet to discover, I volunteered to be the Coordinator of the CROP Walk Committee. It has been an interesting and oddly fulfilling experience. (If you knew the members of the committee like I do, you'd know why I chose the word odd.) But all humor aside, I've been amazed at the enthusiasm and dedication of people on the committee, in the local churches and youth groups, and at the University. So far,

## "We Walk Because They Walk"

we have distributed about 500 sponsor forms. People are learning about the CROP Walk and they're going out and asking family, friends and neighbors to sponsor them



when they walk. Some people are planning to walk. Those who are unable to walk are giving money to those who can walk. And still others are pledging money and walking.

The amazing thing to me, is that we're doing this for people we don't know, and probably never will know. People who are half-way around the world, in countries we've never seen and living in societies that are very different from our own. It's true that 25% of what our CROP Walk earns will come back to Delaware and be used by People in Need, but that leaves 75% which will go to fight hunger throughout the world. Our goal is \$7,000.00. If we meet this goal, it

means that \$1,750.00 will go to

P.I.N. and \$5,250.00 will go to the world. It's an incredible and amazing thought that we are going to do this.

The slogan for this year's CROP Walk is "We Walk Because They Walk." This sounds a little strange at first, but after pondering it's meaning, I've begun to realize that it's actually quite profound. People who live in situations of extreme poverty don't have a choice. They have to walk—lots. They have no cars or public transportation at their beck and call. If they want to get water, or food, or go to the doctor, or go to school, they have to walk sometimes miles and miles to get there. It's just life for them.

So I am thankful for my feet. I'm glad that I'll be able to go out this afternoon and walk 6 1/2 miles. Oh, my feet will probably swell

up and be sore for a few days. But, that's life. May this be our prayer: That God will abundantly bless our walking. That as we walk we will be connected, by God's spirit, to people in this community and to people throughout the world who must walk each and every day just to survive. May our gift be a gift of life and health. Amen.

Many Blessings,



# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

Compiled by  
Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

APRIL, 1854

In church minutes from April of 1854, the subject of renewing Rev. E.G. Wood's association with First Baptist as pastor highlighted the business meeting. Rev. Wood was asked if he would continue on "as Pastor and Preacher" for the "sum of \$500, including what we shall get from the O.B. (Ohio Baptist) State Convention, said amount to include house rent."

Pastor Wood accepted the offer, and a committee was formed to "circulate subscription paper" to raise the salary. There is no indication what Rev. Wood's arrangement with the church had been during his first year as pastor.

The meeting concluded with a discussion regarding building a meeting hall within the coming year on the Franklin Street lot.

## Fall Fest

On Sunday, October 23 at 6:00 there will be a Fall Fest at Triggs. Honored guests will be Jenny and Ed Linn, coming all the way from Alaska!

Hot dogs and beverages will be provided. Bring a side dish to share and a lawn chair if you have one. This is an all-church event, so plan on attending!

## Pastoral/Congregational Review

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to fill out a pastoral/congregational review this year. Our returns were down compared with last year, so I want to encourage you for

next year. It doesn't take any more time to fill out the form than it does to read the newspaper or eat a snack. So when next year's reviews are ready, grab a pen or pencil and jot down your feelings.

I would also like to thank the Pastoral Relations Committee for all of their help and support in revising and adding to this year's review.

God bless you,

-Jennifer Turner, Chair  
Pastoral Relations Committee

## Young at Heart

The Young at Heart group met on Wednesday, September 14, and journeyed to the Dutch Kitchen at Plain City for lunch. Thirteen members and two guests were present to enjoy a delicious lunch.

Our guests were Mrs. Ethel Trogden, Jeanne Ekelberry's mother, who was visiting Jeanne from West Virginia, and Angel Chaffin, who came with Shirley Parker. After the luncheon, Shirley and Ms. Chaffin went on to Louisville.

On the way home, Jim and Bertha Van Brimmer, Sophia Stephenson and Cap Gabriel stopped to shop at the Amish grocery.

The next meeting will be at the church at noon on Wednesday, October 12.

-Jean Wickum

## Deacon Watchcare Gatherings

The Deacons will once again be hosting watchcare gatherings.

Randy Turner and Kirby Francis will have their watchcare picnic at the parsonage on Saturday, October 8, at 5:00 p.m.

Jean Wickum and Alison Mowery will have their watchcare picnic at the Mowery's home on Saturday, October 15, at 1:00 p.m.

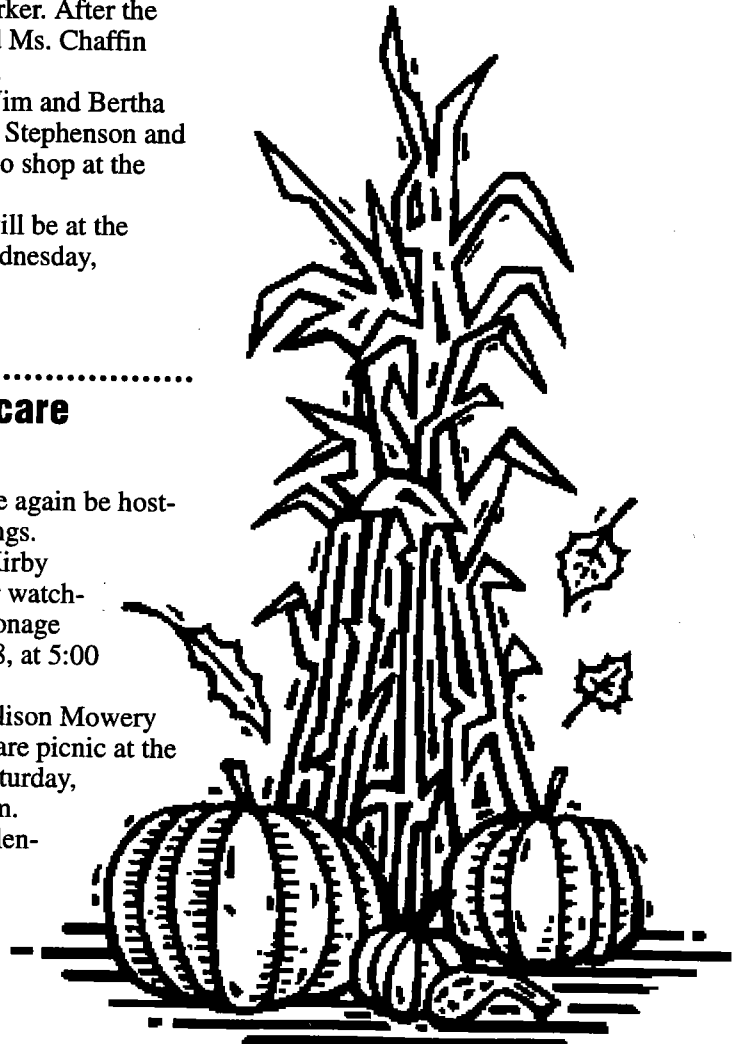
Please mark your calendar. Your deacon will call you soon to let you know what you can bring to your group's gathering.

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If you would like to attend, Pastor Brummett has information and registration forms.



If you have an emergency or pastoral need during this time, please contact Deacon Jim Van Brimmer (369-2661) or your watchcare Deacon.

**Business Meeting**

On Wednesday, November 2 at 6:30 we will be having a covered-dish dinner at the church, followed by a business meeting. At this meeting we will vote on the 1995 budget and have election of officers.

**Retreat Posters**

Have you noticed the posters from the retreat in the Assembly Room? Please take a moment to observe them carefully. Our groups were trying to illustrate some of the concepts that the retreat focused on. We all had a great time. If you did not attend, you were missed.

We would love to have more people share in this experience next year. If you would like to start paying a little bit at a time, you can give deposits to me (checks should be made out to the church). You would then be credited that amount before the money goes into the retreat fund. You may also continue to make donations to the retreat fund to help pay the way for others.

Thanks to all who contributed this year.

-Pam Faulk

**Pastor's Vacation**

Pastor Brummett will be on vacation from October 24 — October 31. Our guest preacher for Sunday, October 30 will be Deacon Karen Stoner. If you have an emergency or pastoral need during this time, please contact the chairperson of the Board of Deacons, Karen Stoner, at 369-7754 or contact your watchcare deacon.

**"The Circle of Life" Concert**

On Sunday, October 23 at 4:00 there will be concert at Zion U.C.C. of church choirs, instrumentalists and the Ohio Wesleyan University Choral Art Society. The concert will conclude with all of the choirs singing a joint anthem with OWU professor Robert Nims as conductor.

As this newsletter goes to press our choir has been invited to sing and

tor, Steven E. Boothe. A reception will follow the service.

**Volunteers Needed for Hospice at Grady**

The Hospice at Grady needs volunteers for visitation, respite care and family support. Training begins on October 10. Please call Volunteer Services at 368-5128.

**Help a Youth Cope With Loss**

Your *Heart to Mine* is a free, nine-week program for children ages 6-18 to help them cope with the death of a loved one.

The group support program features music, art and sharing and is led by professionals and trained volunteers.

The next session will begin October 6 at the William Street United Methodist Church. To register, contact the Hospice at Grady at 368-5223.



hopes to participate if enough choir members will be able to attend.

A free-will offering will be received to benefit those with HIV/AIDS and their families. For more information please call 362-6691.

**Board of Christian Ed.**

The board will meet on Sunday, October 16 at 2:00 rather than on the date previously announced.

**Candlelighters**

- Oct. 2 Barbara Lovell
- 9 Adam Mowery
- 16 Laura Mowery
- 23 Paul Hopkins
- 30 Betty Davis
- Nov. 6 Jeremy Ramey

**New Pastor at Trinity Baptist**

On Sunday, Oct. 16 at 3:00, Trinity Baptist Church in Marion will have an installation service for their new pas-

**Trustees Report**

- The fire extinguishers were serviced and two were recharged by B & J of Marion.
- Found: one blue-and-white checked umbrella in kitchen.

-Peter White, chair

**Personals**

- Along with being an "Air Force wife," JENNIFER LINN is busy working with SATO (arranging travel for the Air Force Reserve at Eielson). This year she has attended training seminars all over the country, including San Francisco, Albuquerque, Washington, D.C., and the Hawaiian Islands. Jennifer and Ed will be home on leave beginning October 15th for two or three weeks.
- Yes, people really do win in those contests. Ed McMahon of "Star Search" recently phoned JANET PORTER to tell her that she had won a

## OCTOBER WORSHIP

### October 2

World Communion Sunday  
Mark 10:17-31  
"Love in Action"

### October 9

Ruth 1:1-18  
"Family Ties"

### October 16

Job 38:1-7, 34-41  
"Circle of Life"

### October 23

Mark 10:46-52  
"The Rest of the Story"

### October 30

Guest Preacher:  
Deacon Karen Stoner  
"This Little Piggy..."

### November 6

Mark 12:38-44  
"The Manhattan Stare"

trip to Disney World. Janet had sent an entry to Boston Chicken. The five-day trip included Disney World, Epcot Center, MGM Studios, Typhoon Lagoon, and attending a taping of "Star Search" to be aired later this year.

- If you want to hear some good music, just attend any band contest that Hayes or Dublin is participating in this fall! Get locations and dates from **MATT LOVELL**, **ERIN FAULK**, OR **MARCI SANDER**.

- **SHIRLEY PARKER** drove to Louisville, Kentucky to visit her brother and sister-in-law.

- **BEN TURNEY** is still a patient at the Arbors, and would appreciate your cards and visits.

- **BERTHA VAN BRIMMER** and **KAREN STONER** vacationed several days in Ashland, Kentucky.

- **GENEVA EVANS** spent several weeks in California visiting with sister Mary and son Gary.

- **BETTY PORTER** and **ANNE LINN** hosted a wedding shower for **ALISON GRUBBS**.

- **JARROD TRIGG** is a freshman at Eastern Michigan University.

- **VIC FOGLE** graduated from Marine Basic Training and is home for ten days. **WILL AND CAROL FOGLE** and **DEBBIE LOVELL** attended the graduation ceremonies in North Carolina.

- **BRUCE AND BARBARA LEE** and children of Pittsburgh visited with **EVELYN LEE**.

- **EVELYN LEE** and her sister Arvilla, from Vincennes, Indiana, attended a nephew's wedding in Chesterland, Ohio.

- **MATTHEW AND BARBARA LOVELL** won several awards at the county fair. Matthew won second place in wood-working and served on the Junior Fair Board. Barbara won a trophy.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Oct. 3 Janet Lathrop
- 5 Will & Carol Fogle  
Laura Beth Mowery
- 7 Mike & Beth Linn  
Jack Smith
- 9 Suzanne Grubbs  
Ed & Jennifer Linn
- 11 Joe Mowery
- 19 Paul Hopkins

- 21 Don & Dorothy Brown
- 25 Jenny Grubbs
- 28 Ed Linn
- 30 Jean Osborne
- 31 Ray Biggar  
Andy Linn

- Nov. 1 Stefanie Ministeri
- 5 Victor Fogle

## Quilt Show

Delaware Piecemakers will be having a quilt show on Sunday, October 23 from 12:00 - 5:00 at JVS. Over 100 quilted items will be on display.

Admission will be \$2.00. All proceeds will go to the Eucumenical Youth Group in Delaware.

## Spring Forward, Fall Back

Daylight Saving Time will end during the last weekend in October. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 29.



## Church Directory Update



**Ed & Jennifer Linn**  
5204-G Kodiak Street  
Eielson AFB, Alaska 99702  
(907) 372-1616

**Janet Porter**  
7871 Heathcock Court  
Westerville, Ohio 43081  
848-7871

*School Address:*

**Jeff Faulk**  
140 Fisher Hall  
University of Notre Dame  
Notre Dame, IN 46556  
(219) 634-1939

# OCTOBER

## First Baptist Church

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<b>World Mission Offering</b> 2 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 Crop Walk 	3 7:00 Boy Scouts; Piecemakers	4	5 7:00 Choir 8:00 Finance Committee	6 10:00 Sewing Group	7	8 9:30 Pastor at meeting in Granville 5:00 Francis and Turner Watch- care Picnic at parsonage
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16 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 2:00 Board of Christian Education 3:00 Installation of New Pastor at Trinity Baptist in Marion	17 7:00 Boy Scouts	18	19 7:00 Choir	20	21	22
			Pastor at A.B.C. of Ohio Annual Meeting			
23 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:00 Quilt Show at JVS 4:00 "Circle of Life" Concert at Zion 6:00 All-Church Bonfire at Trigg's	24 7:00 Boy Scouts	25	26 7:00 Choir	27 7:00 Parish Council	28	29  SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK
Pastor on Vacation						
30 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship with Guest Preacher Deacon Karen Stoner	31 7:00 Boy Scouts <i>Newsletter            Deadline</i>	November 1	2 6:30 Covered- Dish Dinner and Business Meeting	3	4	5
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**L**OOKING AROUND ME, I've noticed with a great deal of consternation, that the air has grown cold and the leaves have fallen from the trees. It's not that I don't like winter, it's just that the Fall kind of snuck up on me. Believe it or not, Thanksgiving is just around the corner.

What does it mean? Does it mean that we're supposed to give thanks for what we've been given? Or, does it mean that we're supposed to give as a way of being thankful? Or does it mean a little of both? Perhaps the best way to give thanks for all that we've been given is to give.

If you're like me, some things are much easier to give thanks for than others. Unexpected gifts are hard to receive. For example, I have no trouble thanking someone for a Christmas or Birthday present, because I've come to expect gifts on these occasions. But when someone offers to pay for my dinner or gives me a gift that I don't expect (such as a compliment), I have a little more difficulty being thankful. Not that I don't say thank you. I was taught to always say thank you. It's just that it takes more than a simple thank you to be thankful.

In order to be thankful for a gift, especially an intangible gift, we have to receive that gift. When we receive a gift, whatever it is, it becomes ours and it becomes a part of our lives. When we truly receive a gift, then we can respond to it.

Consider the Masai tribe in West Africa, who have an unusual way of saying thank you. When they express thanks, they bow, put their forehead on the ground, and say, "My head is in the dirt." When members of another African tribe want to express

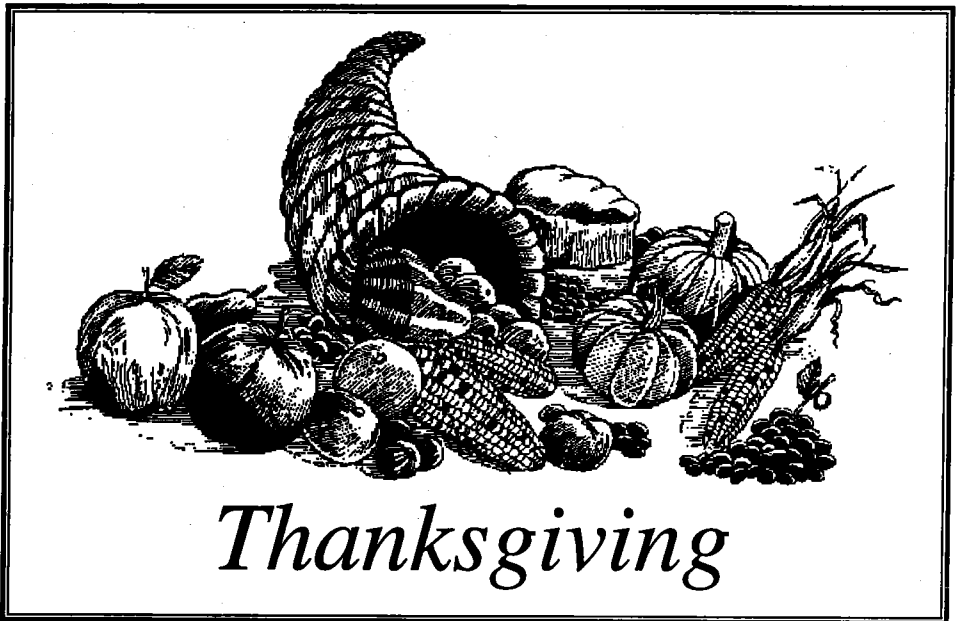
gratitude, they sit for a long time in front of the home of the person who they want to thank and literally say, "I sit on the ground before you."

These Africans understand well what thanksgiving is and why it's difficult for us: at its core, thanksgiving is an act of humility.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, let us think about the many and different gifts that God gives to us. Especially

## Weekend Celebration Of Music

Our celebration will begin on Saturday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m., as we host a gospel concert by the Cherry Hill Brothers Quartet and Nacrina Alvarez. The concert will be followed by a reception. Then on Sunday, November 13, the Cherry



the gift of life. May we pray for humble spirits, which will give us the strength to receive these gifts into our lives. We ask God to help us learn: out of the fullness of all that we have been given, to respond out of the fullness of all that we are.

Many blessings,

Hill Brothers Quartet will be our guest musicians as they present the morning message to us through their ministry of music.

In preparation for this celebration, we have sent written invitations and posters to Delaware area churches and to Marion Association churches.

Please invite your friends and family, and plan to join us as we worship together in song.

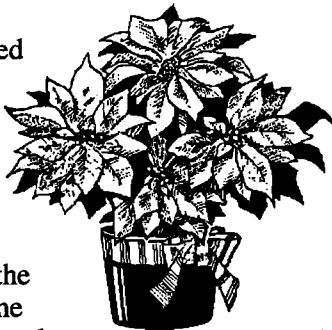
## Decorating the Church for Advent

Everyone is invited to stay after church on Sunday, November 27 to finish decorating the church for Advent. We'll order pizza for lunch.

## Poinsettias

Please see Jim Stephenson if you would like to purchase one or more poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for Advent. If you wish, they can be given in memory of a family member or friend. The cost is \$7.25 each, and you are welcome to take them home with you after Christmas.

You'll need to place your orders by Sunday, Nov. 20, as we'll be decorating the church on the following Sunday.



## Trustees Notes

- A new refrigerator was purchased for the church kitchen from Bleven's Appliance.
- Wallpaper and plaster repairs were completed at the old parsonage by Rick Nivin.
- The copier was serviced by Mansfield Typewriter and a sheet of paper was found wrapped around the drum.
- The electric meter and main lead into the new parsonage was remounted by electrician Mike Clark. It had pulled away from the house.
- All the furnaces at church were serviced and filters changed by Don Patrick.
- A thank you to Dave for climbing the tall ladder and changing the 750-watt light bulb in the front of the sanctuary.

—Peter White, chair

## Young at Heart

Ten members attended the Young at Heart luncheon on October 12th in the Fellowship Hall. Cards were sent to several absent members and those who were ill.

It was decided to combine the November and December meetings and have one meeting on the last Wednesday in November. We will go traveling to the Cafe de Monahan on Wednesday, November 30th, weather permitting.

—Jean Wickum

## Christian Education Workshop

"Patterning Our Teaching After the Master Teacher" will be the theme of the annual Marion Association Christian Education Workshop on Saturday, November 12 at Trinity Baptist Church in Marion. The leader will be Dr. Bob L. Rhymer.

The workshop will help each participant to:

- Identify the specific teaching methods employed by Jesus.
- Look at how the disciples of Jesus taught others.
- Begin to construct your own educational model based on the methods of Jesus and His disciples.

Let's try to have four or more people attend!

—Steve Stoner

## ABY

Dull and boring are not the words to describe the ABY youth group this year because the youth has gotten off to a busy start. So far, the schedule of the youth has been booked because of activities they have participated in, such as a campout at the Reed's home, the Marion Fall Rally, a trip to the haunted forest, and meetings at the church that have been very productive.

Right now the youth are selling Christmas wreaths for \$15.00 as a fundraiser for participating in more

# HISTORICAL GLIMPSSES

Compiled by  
Barb and Rick Van Brimmer

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APRIL, 1856

The young church spent most of its early days welcoming new members into the fellowship, and in April of 1856 the talk turned in earnest to the building of a meeting hall. A special business meeting was called on April 6, a Saturday, to explore the building project.

The meeting focused on what the new church hall would be made of, either brick or stone, and the size of the building. After discussion, it was felt that a hall in the neighborhood of 40 by 60 feet would be sufficient.

But hard financial days were ahead for the small congregation, and the subject of a permanent home would be replaced by concerns over whether or not the church could continue to raise the necessary funds to retain Pastor E.G. Wood.

activities. This year the youth groups will be hard at work, and we hope to have a positive influence on many adults and the younger children.

—Aric Mompher  
Senior ABY reporter

## Attention All Singles

You are cordially invited to "Dessert Night" on Friday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church (385 East William Street). This is the first meeting of this Singles Group which is being sponsored by area churches. Childcare will be provided for a slight fee. If

you have any questions, please call Judi Smith, Associate Pastor of William Street United Methodist Church at 363-4741.

## Candlelighters

November 6 Jeremy Ramey  
 13 Chrissy Hopkins  
 20 Richard Davis  
 27 Emilie Trigg  
 December 4 Josh Ramey

## Thank You

It was certainly a blessing to be back in Ohio and being able to worship with our church family. We especially appreciated visiting with everyone at the church social held at the Triggs. Please keep us in your prayers. You will be in ours. Thank you!

—Jennifer and Ed Linn

## Job Openings at Methodist Theological School of Ohio

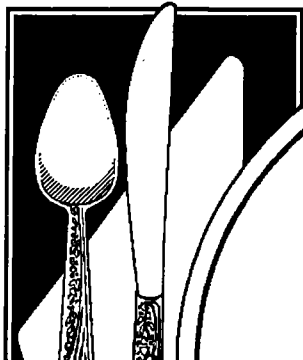
There are two secretarial positions open, one part-time and one part-time/full-time. Pay will start at \$8.00 per hour. If you are interested, please call Dee Ann Kahn at 363-1146

## Volunteers Needed

Meals on Wheels, located in the Asbury United Methodist Church kitchen at 55 W. Lincoln Ave., needs volunteer drivers and food packers one day a week during the Monday through Friday delivery schedule.

Volunteers may enlist to drive a Delaware city route from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00

p.m. one day a week or may want to "substitute" occasionally for current drivers.



Food packers work from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. one day a week or can also be called occasionally as a substitute.

If interested or for additional information, please call Beverly Reiner, On-Site Director, at 369-4024 or Elaine Reiner, President, at 548-6278.

## Andrews House

• To benefit Andrews House, the Delaware Community Chorus will present

Mozart's *Missa Brevis* K. 192, followed by anthems sung by mass choir composed of DCC and choir members from Andrews House Partner Churches on Sunday, November 13, 3:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Call Brian Hesselbart at 363-3048 for more information.

• On Saturday, Nov. 19 there will be an open house featuring a Gingerbread House display. Call Connie Hoffman at 369-7003 for more information.

• On Tuesday, Dec. 8 the Shakespeare Club will hold a benefit musical at Andrews House. Details are to be announced later. Call Mary Anne Cummins at 353-1549 for more information.

• On Friday, Dec. 9 and Saturday, Dec. 10 there will be a Christmas Crafts and Food Bazaar at Andrews House. Volunteers and donations of craft work and foods are needed.

• Volunteers are needed to help in the renovation of Andrews House on Tuesday evenings and on Saturdays (other times may also be scheduled). Please call Ann or Paul Nicely at 369-5998 for more information.



## Crop Walk

Twenty members of First Baptist turned out to participate in Crop Walk '94 on October 2. More than \$850 was raised by our church toward Delaware's total of nearly \$10,000. We enjoyed a day of recreation, fellowship and God's wonderful gift of a picture perfect all afternoon.

Many thanks to our walkers: Pastor Brummett (who chaired the Delaware Crop Walk committee), Erin Faulk,

Kirby and Tammy Francis, Liz Hopkins, Barbara Lovell, Stef Ministeri, Aric Mompher, Alison and Laura Mowery, Barbara Reed, Donna Reed and Betty Davis, Steve Stoner, Beth and Emilie Trigg, Barb and Rick Van Brimmer, and Linda White.

A special thanks to Jeff Reed, who piloted "Van Aid"

along the walk route to help with those who needed assistance, and to Del-Co Drive Thru for donating pizzas for our "refueling" dinner afterwards.

Thanks to all the walkers and all of you who participated by supporting them with your pledges!

—Rick Van Brimmer  
 Crop Walk Recruiter

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Nov. 1 Stefanie Ministeri  
 5 Victor Fogle  
 6 Bob Stephenson  
 10 Natalie Griffith  
 15 Teresa Griffith  
 Frances Johnson  
 Harold Van Broekhoven  
 Barbara Van Brimmer  
 20 Randy Turner  
 Dianna Runyan  
 22 Peter White  
 26 Elizabeth Hopkins

## NOVEMBER WORSHIP

**November 6**

Mark 12:38-44

"Living Beyond Our Means"

**November 13**

"Worship in Music"

Special Guests: The Cherry Hill Brothers Quartet

**November 20**

John 18:33-37

"Automatic Pilate"

**November 27**

First Sunday of Advent

"The Hanging of the Greens"

**December 4**

Second Sunday of Advent

Luke 3:1-6

"Listening to the Silence"

28 Karen Stoner

Dec. 1 Alison Grubbs

3 Vinnie Ministeri

4 Erin Faulk

Please report errors to Jim Stephenson

## Personals

• Please send a note or card to **JARROD TRIGG** when you can—it would be a light in Jarrod's busy week. (See the Church Directory Update below).

• **VIC FOGLE** was home recently while on a 10-day leave from the Marines. He is now at Camp Le Juene, North Carolina.

## Church Directory Update



**Jarrold Trigg**

School Address:

621 Hoyt Hall

Eastern Michigan University

Ypsilanti, MI

• **MARGE SMALE** went to Boston to visit her daughter, Becky, and son-in-law.

• **DAVID AND JEAN OSBORNE** returned home after spending two months in Maine. David is recovering after a 3-day stay at Grady Hospital.

• **BETTY PORTER** attended a conference in Marietta and **ANNE LINN** accompanied her.

• **JIM AND BERTHA VAN BRIMMER** visited with Jim's sisters Elizabeth and Ellen in Philadelphia and daughter Suzy.

• On Oct. 30th the **PORTER AND LINN FAMILIES** celebrated "Christmas" for Jennifer and Ed and John Porter (from Chicago). Everyone from both families enjoyed turkey and all the trimmings and lots of wonderful fellowship at the Porter residence.

• **SOPHIA AND JIM STEPHENSON** visited Shakertown, Kentucky and other historic sites.

• **BEN TURNEY** continues his recuperation at The Arbors and appreciates your cards and visits.

• **ALISON GRUBBS AND TODD BRADFORD** were married in our church on October 1st with Rev. Ted Stephenson officiating. Alison and Todd are now living in New Matamoris, Ohio. Todd teaches math and science at Frontier Junior High. Alison gives piano lessons in a studio near Marietta, and is preparing to return to Ohio University in January.

## Is The Church Costing Too Much?

Last Sunday, another golfer sank the last putt on the 18th green and received a check for \$50,000 for four rounds of golf, plus an automobile for himself and one for his wife. This week, the papers reported that a certain popular singer will receive \$100,000 per week for her current singing engagement. Americans spend annually more on dog food than on church contributions. It is not unusual for an individual to pay more for his country-club membership than he gives to the church. Is the church costing too much?

Let me share an experience with you. On June 2, 1940, a little girl was born to us. She cost us money from the moment she was born. As she grew from babyhood to girlhood, she cost even more — her dresses and shoes were more expensive, and we had to have the doctor through all those childhood diseases.

She was even more expensive during her school and teen years. She needed long dresses to go to parties. When she went to college we discovered, along with other parents, that all college expenses are not listed in the catalog. After graduation, she fell in love and married. She was married in a church wedding, and that, too, cost a lot of money.

Then, five months after her marriage, she suddenly sickened, and within a week she was dead. She hasn't cost us a penny since the day we walked away from her grave.

As long as the church is alive, she will cost money. And the more alive a church is, the more money she will cost. Only a dead church, like a dead child, is no longer expensive.

Think it over. Is the church costing too much?

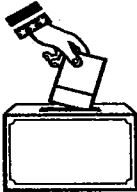

—Submitted by Betty Porter



# NOVEMBER

First Baptist Church

101 North Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship	31 7:00 Boy Scouts	1	2 6:30 Covered-Dish Dinner and Business Meeting	3	4	5
6 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship	7 7:00 Boy Scouts; Piecemakers	8 <b>Election Day</b> 	9 7:00 Choir	10 Pastor at "Building on Common Ground" meeting in Granville from 9:30-2:00	11 <b>Veterans Day</b> 	12 9:30 Christian Ed. Event in Marion 7:00 Gospel Concert
13 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship; Special Guests: The Cherry Hill Brothers Quartet 3:30 Concert at St. Peter's to benefit Andrews House	14 7:00 Boy Scouts	15 7:00 Board of Christian Ed. at the church	16 4:30 Brownies 7:00 Choir	17 7:00 ABW Ministries at the church	18 7:30 Singles' Night at Grace United Methodist Church	19 8:30 Men's Breakfast at Buehlers <i>Open House at Andrews House</i>
20 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:30 Board of Deacons <i>Deadline to order poinsettias</i>	21 7:00 Boy Scouts	22	23 7:00 Choir	24 <b>Thanksgiving</b> 	25	26
<b>First Sunday in Advent</b> 27 9:00 Sunday School 10:45 Morning Worship 12:00 Decorate church 	28 7:00 Boy Scouts <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	29	30 12:00 Young at Heart 7:00 Choir	<b>December</b> 1 7:00 Pastoral Relations Committee	2	3

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COLUMBUS, OHIO

# Good News Letter

Published in the Cause of the Abundant Life by the First Baptist Church,  
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**B**ack in October, I clipped an article out of the Delaware Gazette; maybe you saw it. It happened in Fostoria, Ohio. About 10 years ago, people saw the silhouette of Jesus on the side of a soy bean tank. It wasn't a poster. It wasn't painted there. As best as they could tell, it wasn't done with mirrors and lights. Somehow, it was really and truly an image of Jesus. It attracted national attention, and people from all over went to Fostoria to see if they were able to see Jesus.

Back in 1986 when the Image of Jesus face first appeared, thousands of people gathered to see Jesus. On one night, two of the 75 to 100 onlookers saw it. Most saw nothing. However, the traffic continued to back up for at least a mile each night. One day, when traffic was particularly heavy, the newspaper reported that 2 accidents had almost happened since sundown and a young boy was almost hit while crossing the street.

Apparently, it's happened again. Someone claims that Jesus has returned to the soy bean tank; and the people are flocking to Fostoria, once again, to see if they can catch a glimpse of the man from Nazareth.

Perhaps I should take events like this more seriously, but the cynic in me thinks it's downright crazy. Why do people put so much energy in looking for Jesus in the extraordinary? Of all the places in the world Jesus could choose to show up, why would he pick a soy bean tank in Fostoria? Good question.

Perhaps we look too hard to find Jesus. Maybe it's just not that difficult. Maybe he's been right in front of us all along. Instead of searching the skies and peering into the sides of buildings to catch sight of the Holy, maybe we could learn to look around at the people and situations that need our care and concern. These are the places where Jesus is present. Not in the extraordinary. Not in

the phenomenal. But in the ordinary lives of people who need to be loved and people who need to give love.

This is Advent. A time of waiting. A time of preparing. We prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus into our world so long ago. And, at the same time, we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus into our world today. Here and now.

Jesus' presence in our world is a reality. This can make Advent a scary time, because it's a time when God calls us to get ready to receive the life of Christ into our lives. When we receive this life, we'll be transformed. It's a promise. We'll look at the world through new eyes. We'll see life through the eyes of a God who loves the world and wants life for everyone. We will be different. Therefore, it's so very important to thoughtfully and prayerfully prepare ourselves to receive this gift. And may the gift of the baby Jesus that we receive this Christmas, live in our lives throughout the year.

Many Blessings,

## Christmas Musical Program

This year we are doing the youth musical "Christmas Fever" by Grace Hawthorne.

This is a musical about a youth choir who are getting too wrapped up in the hustle and bustle of Christmas. The presentation will be on Sunday, December 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons from 12:00-2:00 for the next three weeks including the day of the performance on the 18th.

I would also like to have the youth there at the church at 6:15 p.m. the night of the performance. Lunch will be provided the first week; the following weeks we ask that the youth bring sack lunches and beverages will be provided.

We hope to see you there! Please call me if you have any questions. Thanks.

-Debbie Lovell



# CHRISTMAS

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## Christmas Eve Service

Our traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion service will be at 7:00 p.m. on the 24th, with the prelude beginning at 6:45.



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## Christmas Service

This year Christmas is on a Sunday. Please note that Sunday School will *not* be held on Christmas morning. Morning Worship will be at 10:45.

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## Christmas Caroling

Everyone is invited to join the choir on Saturday, December 17th for Christmas caroling. We'll be singing familiar Christmas carols that everyone knows. We especially invite our older church members to join us so that the shut-



ins will see some familiar faces. We'll meet at the church at 6:00 and will return to the church afterwards for refreshments. Please dress warmly and bring a flashlight.

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## Attention Secret Advent Friends

### ANNUAL PARTY

Our annual Secret Advent Friends party will be held on Sunday, December 18 after the Christmas program. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a dozen cookies per family to share. We will be revealing our identities, and you might want to consider bringing a Christmas gift for your secret friend, as well as a thank you for the person who had your name.

### SIGN UP FOR NEXT YEAR!

Won't you consider being someone's Secret Advent Friend for 1995? This

has been a tradition in our church for many years. It is an excellent way to get to know someone better. Be sure to pick up a form this month and return it to me. We will draw names after church on January 8.

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## Christmas Puppet Show

The Radnor Baptist Youth groups have extended an invitation to our youth groups and to our church to attend a Christmas puppet show at 6:00 p.m. on December 11 at Radnor Baptist Church. "I Wish You Jesus" is this year's production by Puppets for Christ. The A.B.Y. will serve refreshments following the program.

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## New Church Officers

- Moderator:** Rick Van Brimmer  
**Clerk:** Dianna Runyan  
**Treasurer:** Betty Porter  
**Assistant Treasurer:** Jim Van Brimmer  
**Church School Clerk:** Barbara Reed  
**Board of Christian Education:** Pam Faulk and Donna Reed  
**Board of Deacons:** Randy Turner, Jim Van Brimmer and Jean Wickum  
**Board of Trustees:** Jeanne Ekelberry, Jeff Reed, and Archie Trigg  
**Pastoral Relations:** Shirley Parker, Jeff Reed and Micah Stoner

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## Board of Christian Education

The Board of Christian Education will meet at 7:00 on Tuesday, December 13 at the parsonage rather than on the date previously announced.

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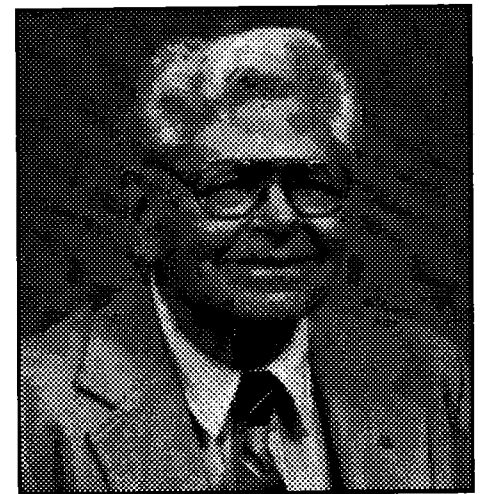
## Candlelighters

- Dec. 4 Josh Ramey  
11 Katie Riedmiller  
18 Barbara Lovell  
24 Paul Hopkins (Christmas Eve)  
25 Adam Mowery  
Jan. 1 Laura Mowery

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## Death in Church Family

Donald Parker "Whitey" Faulk, 71, died on Tuesday, November 8 at Memorial Hospital of Union County. He was a World War II veteran, having served as a staff sergeant with the 98th Bomb Squadron in the Pacific. After the war, Don worked with his father at his father's construction company, I.P. Faulk and Son. He later formed his own company, D.P. Faulk Construction. Later he worked at Ohio State University doing carpentry and maintenance.



Don was an active member of First Baptist for 40 years. He served on the Board of Deacons, Board of Trustees, and the Building Committee. Surviving are his wife, Florence, five sons and four daughters-in-law, Larry and Pam, Mark and Nancy, Jim and Molly, Bill and Marilyn, and Ray; a daughter and son-in-law, Donna and Steve Mann; 10 grandchildren, a brother and sister-in-law, Loran and Marie; a sister, Iona V. Faulk; and a sister-in-law, Norma Faulk. A brother, Earl Faulk, died earlier. Funeral services were held at First Baptist on Sunday, November 13, followed by burial with military honors in the Jerome Township Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Society; Jerome UMC; or First Baptist Church.

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## Thank You

Dear Rev. Brummett,  
Our family would like to express our appreciation to you for all your kind-

ness and your words of comfort. Your kindness was a great help to us.

We also want to thank the members of the church for their expressions of sympathy, flowers, delicious food and their prayers. Also many thanks to the choir for the beautiful songs.

May God bless each one of you.

—The Faulk Family

## Pastor Attends Conference

On November 28 and 29, Pastor Brummett attended a Continuing Education Conference at Mountview Baptist Church in Columbus. She attended the counseling track, where she learned to use PREPARE/-ENRICH, a pre-marital and marriage counseling resource.

In addition, Harold Van Broekhoven, who worships here at First Baptist, led the Bible Study track in a study of the Corinthian correspondence. The event was sponsored by the Minister's Council of the A.B.C. of Ohio.

## Trustees Notes

### AT THE PARSONAGE

- A new sump pump was installed.
- The furnace was cleaned out and a new filter installed.
- The outside heat pump/cooling unit was leveled up on new pads.
- The faucets in the downstairs bathroom were repaired.

This work was done by Patrick Plumbing and Heating.

- The gutters and downspouts were cleaned out and the tree branches trimmed back from the edge of the porch roof.

### AT THE CHURCH

- The main sewer line was cleaned out and the sump pump well was cleaned out by Kenny Hawk Septic Service.
- The gutters and downspouts were cleaned out at the church and old parsonage.

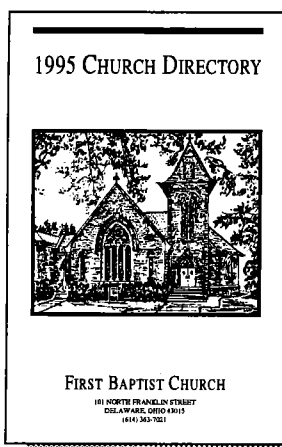
—Peter White, chair

## Andrews House

We have received a list of community "brainstorm" suggestions for Andrews House. A few of them are: senior citizen gatherings; day care for infants and toddlers; youth hostel; youth programs; low income housing; space for exercise groups; and free clinic. The complete list is posted on the Community News bulletin board in the Assembly Room.

## Church Directory

This month I'll be working with the pastor and deacons to prepare the 1995



edition of our church directory. Please take a moment to check your family's listing in last year's directory and let me know if it contained any errors or is outdated.

If I need to change anything, let me know right away.

Please don't assume I'll remember that you've moved, have a new family member, or whatever. Remind me! Thanks.

—Jim Stephenson

## Celebration of Life Worship Service

Childhood sexual abuse is a tragedy in our lives. It not only torments the bodies of our young, it can cast dark shadows into adult lives—lives eked out tinged with terror, flirting with death. To survive the initial abuse and then to tame the haunting tentacles that creep into every aspect of life thereafter is miraculous.

Because I have survived, I need to celebrate life. While the celebration is personal and addresses some specific instances in my life, I realize it is a celebration that touches many of us—the



If you enjoy singing we'd like to invite you to join the choir. We rehearse on Wednesday nights at 7:00, and after the holidays we'll begin planning for our Easter cantata. Please see Jim Stephenson if you are interested.

one in three women, one of seven men who have survived child sexual abuse, and the families and friends who love them.

For Sandie Heizer, this is a celebration that must take place in the community of faith; yet, like marriage and baptism, it will be personal in nature. I'm inviting friends and family. I invite you, my church family, to share in worship and celebration, Sunday, December 18, 1994, 3:00 p.m. at First Baptist. It is time to proclaim: Light, that overcomes darkness, and Grace greater than any threatening evil.

—Sandie Heizer

## Volunteers Needed

Did you know that many nursing home residents have no regular visitors or may not have any living family of friends? The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program needs

volunteers to provide support for these residents and act as advocates for their care. The volunteer could be placed in a nursing



home near the volunteer's home. Please contact Patty Benninger or Carol Philbrick, 1-800-536-5891 (Catholic Social Services), Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. for more information.

## DECEMBER WORSHIP

### December 4

*Second Sunday of Advent*  
Luke 3:1-6  
"Listening to the Silence"

### December 11

*Third Sunday of Advent*  
Luke 3:7-18, Philippians 4:4-7  
"The Joy of Repentance"

### December 18

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
Luke 1:46-55  
"Singing Into the Face of Death"

### December 24

*Christmas Eve*  
Candlelight Communion Service  
Instrumental Prelude, 6:45 p.m.  
Luke 2:1-14

### December 25

*Christmas Day*  
John 1:1-18  
"On Wrapping the Present"

### January 1

*New Years Day*  
Luke 2:15-21  
"God Bless You"

## Personals

- It was good to see **BEN TURNEY** attending morning worship recently for the first time since May. He is a patient at The Arbors, and on Thanksgiving his family reserved the dining room there so they all could have Thanksgiving dinner together. Ben appreciates your prayers, visits and cards.
- **NELLIE SHEETS**, who is a resident at Delaware Court Health Care, is seriously ill and would appreciate your prayers, visits and cards.
- **LINDA WHITE**'s brother-in-law, Tom Elder, died on Nov. 18 from injuries received in an automobile accident in Maryland. He is survived by his wife, Loraine, and his son, Matthew.
- **CAROL GRUBB**'s grandfather, Sherman A. Priest, died on November 27th at the age of 103. He had been a resident at the Wintersong Nursing Home.

- The Dublin High School Marching Band competed in the State Contest and received SUPERIOR ratings from all judges. They will be performing at Walt Disney World on December 28, leading the light parade. **ERIN FAULK** and **MARCI SANDER** will be performing. **PAM** and **LARRY FAULK** are going with the band as chaperones.

- The **JIM AND BERTHA VAN BRIMMER**'s had as guests his sister, Elizabeth, and her husband, Joe, from Media, Pennsylvania.

- **BETH TRIGG** and **CAROL GRUBBS** hosted a baby shower at the church for **MELISSA MERCER**.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

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|--------|---------------------------------|
| Dec. 1 | Alison Grubbs                   |
| 3      | Vinnie Ministeri                |
| 4      | Erin Faulk                      |
| 6      | Morgan Gooden                   |
| 12     | John Richards                   |
| 13     | Tammy Grubbs                    |
|        | Geneva Evans                    |
| 16     | Leah Gooden                     |
| 18     | Cap Gabriel                     |
| 25     | Carol Grubbs                    |
|        | Steve & Karen Stoner            |
| 28     | Sharon Baker                    |
| 29     | Harold & Deborah Van Broekhoven |
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|        | Ashley Francis                  |
|        | Shirley Parker                  |
| 5      | Lola Jackson                    |
|        | Evelyn Lee                      |

## January Newsletter

The deadline to submit articles for the January newsletter will be Monday, December 26th, the day after Christmas.

Since the days before Christmas are usually hectic, you may not have the time or energy to prepare your articles if you wait until the last minute.

Please plan ahead this month so you won't miss the deadline. Thanks.

-Editor

## Slips That Pass In the Type

Has anyone ever warned you to "mind your p's and q's"? That expression was first given to apprentice typesetters who accidentally used a "p" when they meant to use "q." Here are a few examples of what can happen when letters get scrambled.

- A 1716 edition of the Bible had a misprint in which the command to "sin no more," was printed as "sin on more."
- A 1632 edition of the Bible had the seventh commandment as "Thou shalt commit adultery." The printers were fined 300 pounds for the error and the edition became known as the Adulterer's Bible.

*Some more recent examples . . .*

- In a newspaper: "Found: One white rabbi with brown ears, found hopping down Third Avenue."
- In front of Michigan church: "Millions long for immorality, but don't know what to do on a rainy day."
- In a newspaper: "She wants these materials barred from sale because such material is contrary to Judo-Christian values."
- In a newspaper: "Catholic nuns of the Mission of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, with a television success behind them and Mother Superior Carlotta at the guitar, are bidding here for fame and fortune in the pope charts."

