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## Ratliffes to Speak on Sunday, January 27

We are happy to have the Ratliffe family home on stateside assignment until June of 2008. They will be our special guests this Sunday. Jody will be preaching in morning worship at 11 a.m. During evening worship, Jody and Melanie (and the kids) will share about their three years of living and working in Russia. Come hear how our gifts to missions through the Cooperative Program are being used to reach people for Christ.

**CHARLTON BOZARD**  
MUSIC/ADULT ACTIVITIES

**REN BRAY**  
EDUCATION/YOUTH  
MINISTRIES

**DR. LONNIE SHULL**  
PASTOR EMERITUS



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# SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 3, 2008

## MORE THAN JUST A FOOTBALL GAME!!

A special afternoon of fellowship and fun is planned for the First Family on this **Super Bowl Sunday**, sponsored by our Preschool Division and Youth Ministry.

Beginning at 3 p.m., the Youth have challenged our Deacons to a flag football game at the B Avenue field. We would like to invite all of the First Family to come out and pull for the team of their choice.

At 4 pm, we will have a tailgate party in Burriss Hall. You are invited to bring you favorite game snacks to share. Table will be available for you to set up your own tailgate party decorations!

Then at 5 pm, we will watch the movie "**Facing the Giants**". Childcare for small children who may not be interested in the movie will be provided by our Preschool leaders. Feel free to invite friends, neighbors, and prospects to join you.

This is an excellent movie, actually produced by a church in Alabama. Its message of hope and perseverance is a timely one for our church. Plan to join us!



You will also have the opportunity on Super Bowl Sunday to donate \$1 (or more) as you leave worship on this Sunday. All of the money will be donated to help provide food for hunger needs in our area.

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### Sunday

- 9:30 am Library open
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship
- 5:30 pm Library open
- 6:00 pm Evening Worship

### Wednesday

- 5:30 Supper/ Library open
- 6:00 pm Children/Youth Activities start
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



## Notes from Charlton

## THANKS, MEN!

Thanks for a great Baptist Men's Day! The testimonies and singing were a real blessing to our congregation. I appreciate your leading us in worship. Thanks to Ren also for a great timely message.

### WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE BALLET ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Wednesday, January 30

We will leave at 10:45 a.m. for the Koger Center (just like we did for Scrooge!) Cost will be \$5 plus lunch at the good ol' S&S! Sign up by Sunday, January 27.

### DATE CHANGE!!!

LITTLE WOMEN

NEWBERRY OPERA HOUSE

Changed to Monday, February 18

The performance was re-scheduled by the Opera House.

Three seats have opened up for this trip, so contact me if you are interested.

The total cost is \$30 and is due by Sunday, February 3. Departure time is 1:30 p.m. The show is at 3. We will stop for dinner afterward.

*Charlton*

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is working to fill some recently vacated positions of leadership within the church. If you have an interest in serving in a particular area, contact Ren Bray or a member of the committee.

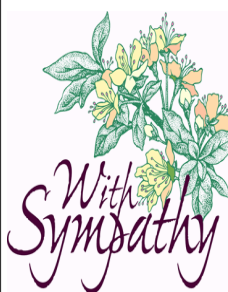
Debra Gaulden, chairman  
Evelyn Dunlap  
Doris Fowler  
Dawn Kimura  
Jim Schafer



On Sunday, January 27, the church will meet in a called business conference to vote on the budget with no discussion.

The Finance Committee thanks the church family for its patience in the 2008 Church Budget planning process.

Dina Taylor, Chairman



The First Baptist Church Family and Staff extend Christian love and sympathy to:

... Ava Merchant and family in the death of Mr. Tom Merchant.

... Lillian Jeffcoat, Pat Fulmer and Alice Livingston in the death of their nephew and cousin, Larry Lindler .

... The Bozard family in the loss of Sallie's mother, Mrs. Evelyn Brown .



For years First Baptist Church has exceeded our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, but please notice that we have not even reached our goal yet. Let me, a "hands on" user of these exact funds, tell you why this money is desperately needed.

These funds go DIRECTLY to two places. First is the placing of new missionaries into lands that have NEVER heard the gospel. Yes, the gospel has not yet reached the world; it is a bigger task than we may think. Let's do our part to get new folks on the field. Second is the daily ministry of current missionaries. In Russia, we need funds for Bibles, funds to allow very poor Russian children and youth to go to Christian camps, funds to rent rooms and share the gospel with crowds of university students, and the list goes on.

I know for a fact that every penny counts and every penny is used to advance the kingdom of God. Join with me now and let's blow the top off of that goal!

### SO THAT ALL MAY KNOW!

Jody Ratcliffe  
FBCWC Representative in Khabarovsk, Russia



National Goal:  
\$150 million

First Baptist Goal:  
\$12,000

Received to date:  
\$9,546.15

### MEMORIALS—FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

In memory of Mildred Taylor  
by Mr. & Mrs. Harold Taylor

In memory of Camilla Glenn, Mildred Swindler,  
Mildred Taylor and Shayne S. Hall  
by Becky Baston and Dr. & Mrs. Kirk Baston

### Deacon Nomination Results

The following eight men were nominated to fill the unexpired terms on the Deacon Body.

Clyde Blackburn	Wilbur Johnson
Eric Fowler	Greg Shepherd
Len Hill	Rich Wandover
Bobby Horton	Gene Wilbur

A vote will be taken on Sunday, January 27.



## Churchwide Valentine Banquet

*Wednesday, February 13*

*6 pm Burriss Hall*

*Menu*

*Garlic and Herb Chicken served with Angel Hair*

*Pasta with a light cream sauce*

*Salad, Rolls and Dessert*

*For the entire family!!*

*Sponsored by Faith in Action*

*No charge, but reservations necessary!*

*Reservation forms will be available beginning*

*Sunday, January 27*



**Ladies  
Brunch**

*Saturday, February 16  
11 a.m. Burriss Hall  
For all women and girls  
of First Baptist Church*

*Guest Speaker:  
Melanie Ratcliffe*

This brunch is part of our Focus on WMU in February. There is no charge. Reservation forms will be available in Sunday School classes and at sanctuary entrances. You may also make a reservation by calling the church office. Please make yours by Wednesday, February 13.

### FROM THE TRANSITION COMMITTEE



CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

**Sunday, February 10  
4:00 p.m.**

**sponsored by the  
Transition Committee**

**Speaker: Dr. Don Bishop**

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Transitional Ministry Process for our church. Dr. Bishop has had specialized training in this area and will be guiding our discussion.

The Transitional Ministry Process is a guided plan as to how the church will use the 'interim time' between fulltime pastors. "The way a congregation chooses to use the interim time will shape congregational growth, identity and health for years to come."

During this Transitional Time the church may chose to tread water, waste time, loaf or be productive. The transitional process will allow the church to be productive; this time can be used as a time of healing, a time of direction finding and a time of discovering God's future and purpose.

How can this be accomplished? Come be a part of this discussion at this important time in our church.

Hopefully, this meeting time will enable members of our church family to more easily take part. The meeting will last about an hour and will take the place of our evening worship service on that day. Childcare will be provided.



*In Loving Memory*

*Thomas W. Merchant*

*October 20, 1920 - January 18, 2008*

### HEALTHY AND HOLY (HAH)

Healthy and Holy is a group of people at FBCWC who seek to live a life set apart according to the Scripture: "Know ye not that your body is a temple of the Holy Ghost?" (I Corinthians 3:16)

The group organized in August with about 15 people involved; we would love to have many more join us! The group will meet once monthly to share a healthy covered dish meal, discuss ideas for healthy living, announce results, award prizes, and have a devotion time.

The purpose of the program is to help its members live a healthy lifestyle by encouraging people to eat a healthy diet, drink much water, exercise and to have daily personal devotions.

**Our next meeting will be Sunday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall. Come join us!**

**For more information contact Amelia Schafer.**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**January 27 - February 2, 2008**

**Sunday, January 27**

- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
Called Church Conference
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
- 7:00 p.m. Healthy and Holy

**Tuesday, January 29**

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise

**Wednesday, January 30**

- 4:30 p.m. Piece Makers
- 5:30 p.m. Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Lighthouse
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
- 6:30 p.m. Missions Friends Birth—2
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:45 p.m. Missions Friends 3,4 & 5
- 6:45 p.m. RA's & GA's
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, January 31**

- 9:30 a.m. Life Exercise

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES**

**January 27, 2007**

**HEALTH MINISTRY**

Pat Tindal

**EXT. TEACHING CARE**

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

**Babies and Creepers**

Joyce Crider, Allene Hatfield

**Ones**

Candace Compo, Neal Bray

**Twos and Threes**

Jannas and Hannah Matthews

**SOUND**

Rich Wandover

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS**

**Snyder Building**

Gene and Lavern Wilbur

**Burriss Building**

Alleen and Brenda Hyatt

**Front Lower Level**

Boyd and Azalee Anderson

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**VITAL SIGNS**

**January 20, 2008**

Sunday School	131
In-Home	43
Helping Hands	72
National Health Care	23
<b>Total in Bible Study</b>	<b>269</b>



**Pray for These Hospitalized Members:**

as of Tuesday,  
January 22

**Lexington Medical Center**

Durham Adkins  
Evelyn Dunlap

**Palmetto Baptist**

Alice Ray

Remember these folks who have also been hospitalized recently: Milford Taylor, M. G. Taylor and Mike Hutto.

**REMEMBER OUR TRANSITION COMMITTEE IN PRAYER**

Bob Hazel  
Jack Hill

Len Hill  
Bob Price

Greg Shepherd  
Terry Smith



Sunday  
9:00 am  
12:00 noon  
5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday  
6:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER**

Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall  
Deadline for reservations and cancellations  
is noon Monday.



**January 30**  
BBQ Sandwiches  
Baked Beans  
Cole Slaw  
Dessert

Adults (10 & Up) \$4.00      Children (5-9) \$3.00  
Children 4 & under FREE