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Sharing the Lord's Supper

Sunday, January 22 at 10:45 a.m.

Guest Speaker

Dr. Glenn Armstrong

Just a Reminder!

January brings a new year and new people serving on our committees/teams. Each committee/team will need to meet, make plans, and select a chair within the next 30 days. Remember to let the church office know your committee/team plans!

The Deacon Council cordially invites you to

Celebrate the Love we Share in Jesus

All-Church Fellowship

Sunday, February 12

following morning worship

Enjoy a baked potato bar with all the trimmings and a delectable selection of sweets while listening to sounds of Bluegrass music!

Make plans to attend!

A sign up sheet is located on the atrium desk or call the church office to let us know you'll be here!

IT'S OUR
TREAT!



**March begins our
'Support A Child' Emphasis**

Read Jan's article on ways your generous donations are making a difference in the lives of our children!

"All of the children are participating in an incentive program where they accumulate points for attendance both Wednesday and Sunday, bringing their Bible and memorizing their Bible verses. It is exciting to watch the children grow in the Bible skills which they will carry always."

Received in text from a mother whose children attend here.

Just Older Youth



*Senior
Adult
Fellowship*

**Tuesday
February 7 at 10AM**



Things are back to normal in the Children's Department. Our Wednesday night program started with a record number of children and youth participating despite the wet weather.

I am excited to share with you a special event and brag on the TBC children. When school started in August we put an incentive program in place so that children could earn points for attendance, bringing their Bible, and memorizing their Bible verses. This past Wednesday, the children were able to redeem their points for toys, candy, CD's, and DVD's. They were excited to

Joe Bob Pierce

Formations

We have had some great services in the month of January, with the likes of Karen Thomas Smith, Wes Roberts, and Glenn Armstrong preaching for us since the start of the new year. Of course if you are like me, you miss Ron Williams' steady presence as interim pastor and we are sad that he can't continue in the position due to his health; but it is great to have him still attending and participating as he can.

With some luck, according to discussions I have heard, we may soon have a new interim pastor to take over preaching and pastoral responsibilities.

But for all of us, our participation in activities such as worship, Bible study, music, and financial giving will continue as we support and sustain one another in the membership of Third Baptist. Thanks to everyone for doing their part!

Jan Lampkin

Minister to Children

realize that their efforts were recognized.

The children have done a wonderful job week after week earning points and at the same time learning to use their Bibles on Wednesdays and Sunday. I am proud of them and will recognize the top winners during our Support A Child emphasis in March. We have started a new incentive program that will run from January through May 2017.

The move to the new Sunday School classrooms went smoothly. Thanks to Chris Jones and his staff and the teachers for taking this task so willingly. This will eliminate using the second floor of the educational building and provide adequate heat and air all year long for the children.

As we begin a new year we anticipate new beginnings for the children. Changes have already taken place and more changes will come. We will miss Bro. Ron as our interim pastor but happy to know we can see him every week. We love him and wish him good health. We look forward to a new pastor that I know will lead TBC to great things in the future.

Be in prayer for the Support A Child emphasis in March. The children's program would not be successful without you. Please continue to pray for our children, their families, and the many volunteers that work with the children every week.

Thank you for loving our children.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it." *Proverbs 2:6*

Wes Roberts
Minister to Youth

We ask that you please pray for our youth as we start this semester back with our students. We will be focusing on the fruits of the Spirit beginning with LOVE.

It always amazes me that we do not often display love as we should in the Christian community. We know what scripture says about love and can even quote that Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and love your neighbor as yourself." Yet many times in our own lives, we do not operate in this manner and the world is watching us. It is often said that the only Bible many people will read, is



watching Christians and how they act one to another.

We as believers, are to be full of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Of course we cannot master all of these but we are to keep working on them in our lives until the day Christ calls us home.

Let us all be a people of love and extend the love of Christ that we know and trust to all we come in contact with. Let us not hate but only LOVE!

#keepsmling #nomatterwhat

David Roberson
Minister of Music

I was encouraged by the attendance in worship Sunday. It is good to see our folks gathering together for worship. We also need to continue to find ways to fellowship together whenever possible. I was reading on the Internet the other day and ran across an article on Fellowship by a Zambian minister, Bryson M. Katele. Here is an excerpt:

"Fellowship comes from God's grace. Through fellowship, one's soul is refreshed, fed, and strengthened. Also, fellowship is a test of active spiritual life. It means opening one's heart to fellow believers. Fellowship cannot exist where there is

pretense or concealment. We can be free from pretension and concealment in our relation with others only as we are open and honest in our dealings with God and with others."

We have many opportunities to experience fellowship at Third Baptist. Many of our Sunday School classes have gatherings, we have special meals, and the deacons are planning a meal after worship in the very near future. I hope you will take advantage of and help expand the fellowship opportunities at TBC. Let's experience God's grace, be refreshed and open our hearts to one another!



We need another person to help in the Sound Booth for our worship services and other special services throughout the year. It won't be an every week job and we will train you. Talk with David Roberson if you are interested.



TBC MISSIONS TEAM meets the first Sunday of every month at 4:30 PM in the Game Room. Everyone is welcome to attend!

PAULA SETTLE WOMEN ON MISSION GROUP meets on the third Tuesday of every month beginning in March. The next meeting will be on March 21 at 10:00 AM. All the ladies are invited!

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP meets every Wednesday at Ole South BBQ at 8:00 AM.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP meets every Monday at 6:00 PM. Call Janice Raby at 270-683-1602 for details.

Do you know of the FREE facilities here?

Walk on the indoor track to build muscles and tone your body using the weight room!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Morning Worship, Lord's Supper
 Dr. Glenn Armstrong

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

1:00 PM Stretch Aerobics

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

5:00 PM KYC Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

5:00 PM Children/Youth Meal
 5:30 PM Children/Youth Mission & Music
 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

5:00 PM Community Meal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Hospital Visitor: Bill Genet

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

1:00 PM Game Room/Gym Reserved
 4:00 PM Fireside Room Reserved

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Morning Worship
 Dr. Glenn Armstrong

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

7:00 PM OCTC Rehearsal

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

5:00 PM KYC Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:00 PM Children/Youth Meal
 5:30 PM Children/Youth Mission & Music
 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting, FSR
 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

5:00 PM Community Meal
 6:00 PM Leadership Ministry Team

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Hospital Visitor: Judy Dixon

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Morning Worship
 4:30 PM Missions Team

DEACON INFORMATION**January 22**

Cissy Bishop, Debby Montgomery

Hope and Harvest Team

Larry Catron, Lee Kincaid

January 29

Laura Bronn, Barry Spinks

Hope and Harvest Team

Judy Dixon, Cissy Bishop

PRESCHOOL PRAISE**January 22:**

Jackie Napper, Patty Ray

January 29:

Jan Lampkin

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**January 22 & 29:**

John & Jan Lampkin

ATRIUM SOCIAL

January 22: Women of Faith

January 29: Another Look Class

SYMPATHY

The Church expresses its deepest love and sympathy to *Emily Malone and her family* in the loss of her mother, Joy Malone; former members *Jim Cheak and his family* in the loss of his wife, Peggy; and the family of *Betty Williams*.

MEMORIALS

Contributions to the church have been made: in *memory of Chuck O'Neal* by Lou Emma Adkisson, Nancy Baggett, Charles Cobb.

**OUR RECORDS**

	Dec. 31	Jan. 1	Jan. 8
Sunday School	n/a	98	121
Worship	n/a	133	146
Total Offering	\$4,823	\$8,270	\$5,214
Capital Fund	\$40		
Memorials	\$25	\$30	\$25
TY Gift to God		\$1,410	
Other Funds	\$300	\$348	\$128
General Fund	\$4,458	\$6,482	\$5,061
Weekly Needs		\$7,720	\$7,720
YTD Budget	\$385,790	<i>Making a Difference Changing Lives!</i>	
YTD Rcvd	\$390,248		
YTD +/-	\$4,458		

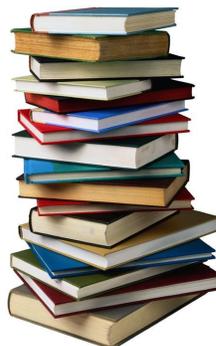
New in our Library -

The 1st / 2nd Grade Sunday School class has donated two new children's books to our library. They are:

Skippyjon Jones, a story about a blue-eyed, big-eared, Siamese kitten and

The Lion and the Mouse, a story about how little friends can often become great friends.

The Library Committee wishes to give a big Thank You to the children for this donation!



TOGETHER

WEDNESDAY PM