

Southeastern Signal



News From The Churches...

These News items are more than just interesting stories. They can become idea starters in your church. Beginning with this issue, we will put the church phone number at the end of each news item. If you think something like this would be good for you, call them and get more details. Who knows, you may find a sister church with whom to work.

CrossRoad Church has moved to New Albany using Park Place Christian Church on Sunday evening. Their pastor, Chris Bonts, shared that they are closing in on the 100 attendance figure with some very aggressive plans for reaching the surrounding community. Their Elders decided recently to start another church, hopefully in 2005. **(Chris Bonts 812-294-3636)**

First Baptist, Jefferson Gardens had success handing out food baskets to needy members and prospects. Many come from Louisville and several of the baskets were delivered there. Their Pastor, Anthony Scott, said they may start a more regular ministry to touch more lives. **(812-944-3592)**

First Baptist, Corydon has gone to a plurality of Elders and they are considering a move to teams. They had experienced some loss in attendance in recent years but have nearly tripled in the last 2 months. **(812-738-1411)**

Cross of Calvary, Corydon has called Tom Hullett as Pastor. He will begin serving on January 2nd. He comes to them from Kentucky and the church is excited about their future. **(812-738-2034)**

Pleasant Ridge, Charlestown had over 200 in Sunday School recently. Their focus on prayer for the lost is evidently paying off. For more information on what they are doing, call them at **812-256-3053**.

Pearl Baptist, New Albany shared that there have been 216 profession of faith this year through their ministries at Robert E. Lee, Wayside Mission and the church. This is over 3 times more than last year and Bruce Farnsley said it was because they intentionally pray for the lost. **(812-944-7436)**

TEAM FOCUS

Our Worship Team is led by Tom Seal and addresses the area of music, drama and worship planning. Help can also be obtained if you need assistance in sound or power point systems. Tom's E-mail address is tompson@june.com and he and his team are ready to help you in any of these areas.

Team Activity

The Leadership Team is planning a follow-up to the workshop Steve Davis conducted last Spring. That topic was how do you lead a congregation to follow a vision. Several topics spun off that workshop and you'll be hearing of their plans soon.

The Mission Team is beginning to enlist people to go on the mission trips to Georgia and South Dakota. The dates for Georgia are March 19th–26th and the dates for South Dakota are July 8th–16th.

The Ministry Team is working with some churches in Men's Ministry as well as forming a Preschool / Children's network. They are also evaluating purchases of kits and video series that may be helpful. If you have one you'd like us to consider call us at 948-8777.

The Evangelism Team is working with some churches in door-to-door surveys as well as beefing up our block party trailer. Your people can be trained in how to conduct an evangelistic block party and we will come to you. Just call 948-8777.

The Administrative Team will begin work on Secretary Appreciation Day. You'll receive a nomination form in February so watch your mail and say something wonderful about your secretary.

Training Events For 2005

Mark your calendars for some helpful workshops scheduled for 2005. Many of these will be led by people from the Florida Baptist Convention because of our partnership with them. Our teams will be promoting each one individually but a complete list may be helpful to you as you plan your congregation training schedule.

March 15th—Planting Healthy Churches. This is for those who are interested in planting a church or would like to check the health of their church.

May 17th—Stewardship Principles. How can you put into place principles that will help members be obedient in this area.

August 16th—Family Ministry. A full picture of planning and carrying out a ministry for members of your family.

Also in 2005 we will conduct a VBS workshop in May and a Sunday School workshop in August. Dates and places have yet to be finalized.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday...

January

- 9 Chris Bonts
- 22 Stephen Kincaid

Happy Anniversary...

January

- 4 Stephen & Carol Faith, Association Office
- 12 James & Catherine Wall, Ist Baptist Charlestown
- 30 J. D. & Cindy Traylor, Hanover Baptist

Church Anniversaries

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January

- 3rd James Vester, People of the Way, Louisville
- 7th Michael McHone, Calvary, New Salisbury
- 9th James Wall, Ist Baptist, Charlestown
- 19th Jerry Goodwin, Ist Baptist, Pekin

Mission Statement

“To partner with congregations to provide a Network of resources and services in order for each to fulfill the great Commission.”

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