

SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pointing People To Jesus



Southside Baptist Church

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*We invite you to join
us as we point
people to Jesus!*



April, 2009



April 3, 4, & 5, 2009
7:00 p.m.

**Tickets are available now, please
invite your friends and family.**

VBS Kickoff

April 8 at 7:00 p.m. - Children's Church Room (Room 243)
**for those planning to serve in VBS. We'll have snacks,
music, and door prizes.**



June 15-19, 2009

VBS: 9:00 - 12:00

Summer Singers - 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Coming in May

May 2, 2009

Ladies Tea

**Be in prayer about hosting a table
and call Gloria Johnson**

(442-5520)

to reserve your table



Goals for Easter Sunday

Attendance

Sunday School - 800

Worship - 1250

A Note from Bro. Scott

Dear Church Family,

April is an exciting month here at Southside Baptist Church. We will be putting on the Easter musical, "The Battle" on April 3, 4, and 5 at 7 pm nightly. Please be in prayer now for God to move mightily in those services. Pray for lost people to be in attendance each of those nights and to be receptive to the Gospel message presented in those services. I hope that you are praying for a friend or family member that you know needs to meet Jesus to come with you on one of these nights. Please continue to help us get the word out by passing out the tickets all over town. I believe it will be a great weekend that will make an eternal impact on those who attend. So, it is up to us to get them here by inviting them!

April is also the month that we will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Easter is one the most precious days in all of the Christian world. I hope that you will make plans to be here and celebrate our Lord's victory over death and hell. Easter is also one time of the year when our lost and unchurched family and friends are willing to attend church if they are invited. So, pray about who you need to invite and then ask them to come with you to Southside Baptist Church on Easter Sunday.

May God richly bless you as you continue to serve Him. I will see you Sunday in the Father's House!

In His Service, *Bro. Scott*



April

Wednesday Night Meals

April 1 - Spaghetti, salad, bread, chocolate cake

April 8 - College & Career Romania Mission Team Fund Raiser Meal - Hot dogs, chili, baked beans, chips, dessert

April 15 - Chicken with dressing, green beans, sweet potato casserole, cranberry salad, rolls, dessert

April 22 - TBA

April 29 - Beef tips, rice, english peas, pear salad, rolls, peach cobbler

Outreach/Singles Ministry

What a great month to focus on evangelism and prayer. "The Battle" with our prayer tent will give us chances to **seek the Lord and seek the lost.**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will bring in countless prospects and families we can minister to and invite to Southside.

Our Singles ministry will have a **Singles Night Out** for fellowship and childcare is provided on Friday, April 24.

And, our College/Career mission team will sponsor a fund raiser meal on Wednesday, April 8 and Sunday, April 26. Won't you join us for these exciting days!!!



An auction will be held April 11, 2009 to dispose of unused lawn maintenance equipment. The proceeds will return to the church general fund. The equipment will be available for inspection between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and the auction will begin at 11 a.m.

Equipment listing and minimum bids:

1. John Deere 190 C Automatic Lawn Mower, 54 inch cut, 25 HP, 2 cyl., Purchased 2006 - \$1,600.00
2. Snapper Self-propelled Push Mower, 5.5 HP - \$30.00
3. Murray Pro 229 Edger, Purchased 1996 - \$100.00
4. Stihl Gas Blower Model 8GB5 - \$75.00
5. Ryobi Grass Trimmer, Model 2079R, Purchased 2000 - \$60.00
6. Sears Seed/Fertilizer Spreader - \$10.00

Written bids may be placed in the church office before the auction if you are not able to attend. If you have question contact the trustees: Johnny Brothers, Royce Chambers and Larry Watson

Education / Senior Adult Ministry

Praises to our Lord for the great things that are happening for His Glory at SBC.

Education

We have set our Easter Sunday School attendance goal at 800. This is a very attainable goal if you will make calls and visits inviting people.

We are commanded to tell the Good News! We are responsible for telling others about Him. Ask the Lord to help you be a witness for Him to help others know Him as the living Lord. Wherever we go, whatever we do, in whatever conversation we are involved, believers can be witnesses for Jesus and of the good news of salvation. The Holy Spirit will assist you!

Contact, contact, contact! Invite folks to Sunday School and worship.

North American Mission Board missionary assignments will be distributed this Sunday. The missionaries selected either list Alabama as their home state or they are from other states, but serving in Alabama. Pray for them.

Thank you Sunday School leadership for attending the Spring Training meeting in March. We continue to work toward building a more effective Sunday School organization - Sunday School Done Right! We do what we know we should do with conviction and determination in serving Jesus by reaching, teaching, ministering.

Discipleship Training Classes will begin the Sunday after Easter, April 19 with a special study on "Prayer". Thank you to our men's and ladies' classes for this past quarter studies. We had great participation!

Member training classes will be offered for three weeks during Sunday School beginning, April 19 in the fellowship hall. The class is for new members and anyone visiting our church and wants to know more about us.

Senior Adults

Gadsden State Community College Baptist Campus Ministry meal is April 7. See Nina Brown for food preparation.

New Orleans Trip - May 3-7. Sign up ASAP.

Easter Celebration

Remember to pass out Easter Celebration tickets to everyone!

Bill

Thank You Card

Thank you cards were received and placed on the bulletin board from the following: Billy & Diane Williams; Becky Orr.; Windon, Shasta, Morgan & Lee Edge; Gail Birdwell.

Music Ministry

Dear Southside,

Today I am writing you with much anticipation and expectation of "The Battle." We are one week out as I write to you. There are things which are still being worked on. However, I wish to thank the Lord for whatever He will do through "The Battle". My God is faithful and His will cannot be thwarted. I must again encourage you to live in a state of prayer over this awesome opportunity. There are not words strong enough to communicate how strongly I believe the harvest (souls saved/ rededications) of this ministry opportunity is directly tied to the prayers of fervent humble saints who want to see God work.

To all who have spent time working on construction and decoration of the set - Thanks. For the servants who take care of our Sound/ Audio needs thanks for your faithful help. Thanks to those who are helping prepare costumes - wonderful job - Thanks. Obviously there are many areas which must be taken care of to carry out our Easter Celebration. We have numerous folks with a servant's heart which make this ministry possible and I thank each of you! On Monday April 6th we will tear down the set and we could use your help! We will be putting the greenery up - folding the fabric on the stage - dismantling the stage areas - loading things into the trailer - etc... We can take care of this project pretty much in one day with enough help!

Thank you Children's Choir! Both the Young Musicians and the Music Makers did a great job in leading us in worship on March 22nd and 29th. Thank you parents for your support of this ministry as we seek to train those young hearts to be worshipers and leaders. Thanks to all of our children's choir workers. You are doing a great job!

In His Service,

Donna



Easter Egg Hunt

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 11th from 12 noon til 2 pm. We will have inflatables, dunking booth, (if weather permits,) free hot dog lunch, face painting and of course, the Egg Hunt. We hope to have 2500-3000 stuffed eggs to hunt. If you would like to contribute to that total please bring them by the church for us to hide. Open to the community. Invite someone to come along with you!

The Easter "Egg"stravaganza

On Easter Sunday, all children, (kindergarten through 5th Grade,) will meet in the gym for our 3rd annual Easter "Egg"stravaganza during the am worship service. The children will be taken to the gym by their Sunday School teachers. We will have a lot of great fun learning about the resurrection of our Living Savior, Jesus Christ. A special guest will also be there! Childcare will be provided for all babies - 4 year olds.

VBS/Summer Singers News

Calling all VBS workers! We will meet on April 8th at 7 pm in the Children's Church room for our Kickoff Meeting. You will not want to miss this meeting. We will preview the materials and have a lot of fun as well. Door Prizes galore will be given away. Make plans to attend! VBS will be June 15-19 from 9am - noon and Summer Singers will meet from noon - 3pm. If your child wishes to stay for Summer Singers please let Darren or Chris know. A small fee to cover lunches will be charged.

Sympathy

Sympathy is expressed to the following and their families: Mildred Temple in the loss of her sister-in-law, Virginia Pearman; Donna Benefield in the loss of her mother-in-law, Alma Benefield; Anthony Denson in the loss of his father, Charles Denson; Missy Downey and John David Johnson in the loss of their grandfather, Clyde Pierce; Patricia Christopher in the loss of her mother, Lena Griffith; and to the family of John Jenkins in his passing.



March is about over & Spring is finally here. We have several events coming up in the next few months. If you ever have a question about one of the events listed, please call & we'll try to give more details.

During April, things will be a "little" bit calmer in the Student Ministry as our entire church family unites to present "The Battle". Please be in prayer for this exciting ministry & the lives that will be touched during the Easter season.

Upcoming Events:

Paintball Trip - Friday, April 10 - Cost \$30 (\$10 of this due at sign up to reserve your place)

SAVE THE DATES!!!!

May 23

Day at the Farm

May 24

Senior Recognition Sunday

July 3-5

Middle School Mini-Mission

Gulf Shores, Alabama

July 11-18

Mission Trip 2009

Norfolk, Virginia

Memorials

Gifts were received for the Bridge to the Future Fund in memory of Newberne "Free" Myrick from Vernon and Pat Bradley; and to the Annie Armstrong Offering in memory of Betty Fuhrman from Karen and Jack Wheeler.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Barry and Tracy Dale on the birth of a daughter, Hannah Carol, on March 20. Proud grandparents are Frank and Carol Amos and great-grandmothers, Nell Young and Eyvonne Rich. Also to Tori and Sam Kennedy on the birth of a daughter, Alison Kennedy, on March 24. Proud great-grandparents are Rodney and Jimmie Cochran.



