

THE BEACON



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July and August, 2011

Dear F. B. C. - "Flock" –

As I begin to think about my time of sharing with each of you via The Beacon, we find ourselves in the midst of a week of Vacation Bible School. I was so amazed this past weekend to see the beautiful "*props*" and decorations for the theme of VBS "*Hometown Nazareth*." The teachers and staff really added to the event being in costume. A big word of thanks to all who took the time to make it work. While I'm in the middle of saying thanks, I want to say a big word of appreciation to all of our children who participated in our Children's Day Worship Service. Thanks again "*kids*" - you did a great job.

I also want to say "*good job*" to the congregation. The view from the pulpit and chancel area looking out over the congregation was very special! Thanks again for wearing all the **Red** to help us celebrate Pentecost - "*To Hoist A Sail*" and allow the winds of God to move us forward in ministry.

It is really vacation time, whether it is a week or two at the beach or a trip to downtown Marietta, have an ice cream cone and sit by the river. It is a time to just stop, relax, and reflect in the midst of all that is happening in our personal lives and in our world.

Speaking of ice cream, don't forget our Ice Cream Social will be in September this year. September 17 to be exact. That's the third Saturday of the month – maybe our hosts Bill and Elaine Mason and their "*helpers*" will make a pile of wood for a "*bonfire*." We can always dream.

Be sure and bring something (such as a post card, etc.) from where you have been on vacation - we will put it on the bulletin board outside the church office. Don't forget, please!

During the summer months when we all are coming and going and enjoying "*God's Great Creations*," please don't forget about your church and her needs. Remember ministry goes forth even while we are away and on vacation.

Enjoy, be careful and be a part of all that God has prepared for us.

In the Love of Him who has called us,

Pastor Gerald

NURSERY WORKERS' NEEDED



We need your help in caring for children in the nursery. If you are interested in working in the nursery, please contact Rachel Davis (525.1944). Thank you.

CARING TOUCH WORKERS

July 05 – Rick and Linda Seevers
12 – Jean Nuss and Bill Hickman
16 – Bunk and Linda Hall
19 – Sharon Hambrick and Sally Voll
26 – Scott Latture and ??

Caring Touch workers for the month of August are:

Aug. 02 - Cindy Sams and Jo Stauffer
09 - Connie Prescher and Linda Seevers
16 - Dan and Candie Parsons
20 - Billie Stanley and Judy Wince
23 - John and Lori Schramm
30 - Pete and Anna Suerken

GREETERS

Our greeters for the month of **July** are members of the **Acacia Sunday School Class**, and, for the month of **August**, members of the **Adult Fellowship Sunday School Class**.

ALTAR FLOWERS TO OUR SHUT-INS



The altar flowers will be delivered to our shut-ins in **July** by members of the **Singles and Doubles Sunday School Class**; and, in **August**, by members of the **Susan Harding Circle**. The Board of Deacons will deliver the flowers the first Sunday of each month.

JULY/AUGUST JUNIOR CHURCH HELPERS

Those assisting with Junior Church for the month of **July** are as follows:

July 10 – Scott McVicar
17 – Charlene Bonnette
24 – Nathan McVicar
31 – Sally Latture

Assisting for the month of **August** are:

August 14 - Dixie Brown
21 - Jean Nuss
28 - Connie Prescher

Candle lighters for the month of July are:

July 10 – Abby Miller
17 – Jayde Prescher
24 – TBA

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Our *Deacons of the Month* for **July** are Ruth Casto (**374.6649**) and Milt Nuzum (**678-2234**), and, for **August**, Sharon Hambrick (**374.9586**).

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Articles or announcements for the **September** issue of The



Beacon, are due in the church office by August 17th by calling Charlene at 373.1273 or e - mail

charlene@fbcmarietta.org.

JAMIE FOX PLANS MISSION TRIP TO HONDURAS

Jamie Fox is making a Mission Trip to Honduras July 16. This trip is sponsored by FBC Williamstown. If you would like to be a part of Jamie's mission, please look at the **Supply List** posted on a box that is on the coat rack shelf on the elevator side of Fellowship Hall. July 1st is the last day to bring in supplies. If you have any questions, please speak with Jamie or give her a call (373-3502).



Congratulations to Harold and Joyce Miller who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 18th.

We extend our Christian love to Gilbert and Wanda Miller, Harold and Joyce Miller and Jim and Helen Grace and families on the recent death of former sister-in-law, Lois Parsons, who died recently.



To: Devyn and Gabi Latture upon their receiving the "Panther Pride" award for making the honor roll for each of the nine week grading periods at Warren Elementary School. The awards are given to students in the 4th - 8th grade. This make Devyn's second year of receiving the award and Gabi's fifth year; and to **Chris Prescher**, who was one of three Marietta Senior High School juniors attending Buckeye Boy's State at Bowling Green University June 11 - 18. He was appointed to the Governor's staff as speech writer. He wrote the inaugural address for Tuesday night's session and wrote a State of the Union address every day.

(Note: If you have something you would like to share about your child or grandchild, please notify the church office.)

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE - July 3, 2011

As approved by the Church Council, Sharon Hambrick, Acting Moderator and Chairperson of the Board of Deacons, has called a Special Meeting of the Membership of First Baptist Church to be held Sunday, July 3, 2011, in the Dining Room immediately following the worship service.

This meeting is to vote on the approval of the congregation to sell the property owned by the church located at 107 Cornerstone Drive, Marietta, OH.

If you have any questions about the purpose of this meeting, please direct them to Bunk Hall, Chair, Property Commission, Board of Trustees.

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

By Ginnie Grant, Mission Advocate



Moment for Missions is being written by Ginnie Grant until we can find someone who will volunteer to write the articles for The Beacon.

Going on vacation?

Did you make a "to do list" to be sure you remembered everything?

Did you remember everything?

Was making your contribution to church on that list?

The water and electric and gas and trash and telephone bills keep right on coming at your home and at the church. All church ministry and mission costs keep right on, even when you are not here. It takes all of our gifts, time, talent and treasure, to keep the church going. You can be sure that Satan does not take vacations!



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN

ALL-CHURCH ICE CREAM SOCIAL

AT THE HOME OF

BILL AND ELAINE MASON

2795 SANDHILL ROAD

MARIETTA, OH (RENO AREA)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

(Time to be announced)

Bring your lawn chairs and a dessert to share that would go well with homemade ice cream!!

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMENS' MINISTRIES



NOTES FROM ANNA!

By: Anna Suerken, President

On May 26, 2011, the ABWM met for a general meeting in the church dining room. Plans for the 2011 - 2012 year were made and reorganization ideas were considered. It was decided that the three (3) circles would re-organize into two (2) circles and offer an evening circle to those who are interested. The program book for 2011 - 2012 will reflect the decisions made at that meeting. Recommendations from that meeting were motioned and passed as follows:

Recommendation 1: The Executive Board recommended that we include an invitation in the bulletin and The Beacon to all women in the church to attend a daytime circle or be a part of a new evening circle to be organized, if needed.

Recommendation 2: The Executive Board recommended that the officers for the new year remain the same except for the addition of Jamie Fox as Mission and Service Chairwoman.

Recommendation 3: The Executive Board recommended that the Marcia Binkley Circle move to one of the existing circles. The Executive Board would meet twice a year and representatives from each circle will take information back to their circle. There would be no joint meetings in May and September, but everyone will be encouraged to join together at other times of the year for special emphasis.

Recommendation 4: The Executive Board recommended that we have a yard sale in May, 2012 at the home of Anna Suerken.

Recommendation 5: The Executive Board recommended that we support Eve, Inc. as our Community Project for the coming year. (There is a list of needed items for Eve if your circle would like to have this so that you may purchase certain items or give monetary gifts.)

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It was noted at the general meeting that all circles sent cards and gifts to our Scholarship Student this year and have heard from her acknowledging the receipt of these items. This will be good news for the State Scholarship Committee.

There will be a “get together” for ladies who wish to join the Susan Harding Circle on Thursday, July 7th, at 12:30 p. m., at the home of Anna Suerken, 311 Strecker Lane in Devola. If you need directions, call Anna at 373-2942. Dessert will be served first and decisions about programming will be made following this social time. We need to decide on participants for hostesses, devotion leaders, and program presenters. The program book for 2011 - 2012 needs to have this information in it when it is printed in August.

We will host the *Energizer Meeting* for the Marietta Association on August 11th at First Baptist Church. We will provide a continental breakfast beginning at 9:00 a. m. and will provide the drinks for lunch as well as set up and clean up the potluck luncheon. I will call the circle chairwomen at the beginning of August to find workers for that day. I hope that if you are in town, you will reserve this time to help with the *Energizer*. We will need to make a luncheon dish, as well as a breakfast muffin, breakfast cake and fruit items.

Make a note that the first meeting date for the September circle meetings will be the first day of September. At least one circle has decided to meet on September 8th.

The Bible Book for **July** is James. It is a collection of practical instructions, written to all God’s people, scattered over the whole world.

The Bible Book for **August** is Deuteronomy. This book is organized as a series of addresses given by Moses to the people of Israel in the land of Moab, where they had stopped at the end of the long wilderness journey and were about to enter and occupy Canaan.



JULY/AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

The following people will be celebrating their birthdays in July or August. We wish to thank Wanda Miller (and her assistant) for compiling this list. If you, or a member of your family, are not listed, please call the church office (373.1273).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

July 03	Jamie Fox Gabi Latture	July 16	Abby Miller
		17	Milt Nuzum
04	Ashley Casto		
		19	Bill Green Pam Kriechbaum Pete Suerken
05	Mary Gill		
06	Becker VanDyk		
		20	Marjorie Harper
07	Lisa Gregory Ellen McVicar Richard Ward	23	Ariel Urbaniak
		25	Ruth Casto Bailey Moore
09	Eric Moore		
12	Kathy Brammer	28	Elena Donnelly
15	Bill Wince	31	Misty Goddard Polly Pettebone

Our apologies to Chris Prescher whose name was not included in our list of birthdays for June. Chris celebrated his birthday on June 17th.

(Birthdays for the month of August continue on the next page)

OUR AUGUST BIRTHDAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

August 01	Dale Brown Judy Wince
04	Joan Taber
07	Lola Jackson
08	Linda Hall
09	Becky Mallett Jim Seevers
10	Stephanie Biehl Matthew Hambrick
11	Barbara Harris Stephen Pettebone
12	Julie VanDyk
14	Wade Miller Will Nuzum
16	Lyla Nuzum
18	Janet Cribbs
20	Frank Dettorre John Hambrick, Jr. Joyce Miller
21	Heath Urbaniak
23	Brooks Harper
27	Jo Stauffer
29	Joyce Marr Jeff Pyles
30	Brad Biehl

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