

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
OF ALBANY

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AUGUST, 2011

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CHILDREN'S CHURCH CAMP  
GRAND OAKS CAMP  
CHILLICOTHE MO

MONDAY, AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>  
TO  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>

**WOMEN ON MISSION  
AUGUST SCHEDULE**  
KITCHEN DUTY AND CAKES FOR BIRTHDAY  
PARTY AT GOLDEN LIVING CENTER -  
M&M CIRCLE

Mon., Aug., 1<sup>st</sup> - M&M Circle, hostess, Karen Gillespie  
Tues., Aug., 9<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. - Lucy Wagner visitation  
- 7:00 p.m. - Lucy Wagner, hostess, Donna Rieks  
Thurs., Aug., 11<sup>th</sup> - 2:30 p.m.- Birthday Party at Golden Living  
Center

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**DEACONS FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER**

**AUGUST:**

7<sup>th</sup> - Mike Owsley  
14<sup>th</sup> - Larry Allenbrand  
21<sup>st</sup> - Jason Newman  
28<sup>th</sup> - David Hansel

**SEPTEMBER:**

4<sup>th</sup> - Kevin Harding  
11<sup>th</sup> - Dean Gillespie  
18<sup>th</sup> - Kent Holcomb  
25<sup>th</sup> - Mike Owsley

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**NURSERY WORKERS**

**AUGUST**

7<sup>th</sup> - Kelly Manring  
14<sup>th</sup> - Ashley Mitchell  
21<sup>st</sup> - Ruth Quinn  
28<sup>th</sup> - Julie Owsley

**SEPTEMBER:**

4<sup>th</sup> - Jessie Manring  
11<sup>th</sup> - Sidney Youngs/Barb Rainey  
18<sup>th</sup> - Kay Holcomb/Makenzie Gillespie  
25<sup>th</sup> - Linda Richardson

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING EVENT**

Green Valley Baptist Church would like to invite any interested church in our association to take advantage of their annual Sunday School Training. It is Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. This year we will have Mark and Brenda Donnell and Sondi Scroggins from the Missouri Baptist Convention come and lead our teachers training. Mark will be leading both adult and youth leaders through "The Transformational Class" based on the book "The Transformational Church" by Tom Rainer, president of Lifeway. Brenda Donnell will lead the preschool teachers training and Sondi Scroggins will lead the children teachers. There is no cost. If you want to take advantage of this training, please contact Green Valley at 816-279-3621 to let them know you are coming.

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**JULY, 2011**

Regular Budget Offering

07/03.....\$3,504.01  
07/10.....\$3703.60  
07/17 .....\$2736.58  
07/24.....\$2784.51  
07/31.....\$

Weekly Average ..... \$3,182.17

Weekly Budget .....\$3,339.29

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**AVERAGE ATTENDANCE**

Sunday School..... 112

Morning Worship..... 187

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**BUILDING FUND**

07/03.....\$ 766.00  
07/10 ..... \$ 955.00  
07/17.....\$1,257.00  
07/24 ..... \$ 107.00  
07/31..... \$

TOTAL ..... \$3085.00

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**CHURCH PHONE: 726-5626**

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Pastor's e-mail - [chad@fbcalbany.org](mailto:chad@fbcalbany.org)

Church website -[www.fbcalbany.org](http://www.fbcalbany.org)



**FROM THE PASTOR:**

On occasion I hear you ask to be communicated with better. I'm trying to figure out how and what to communicate better. I want to confess, I don't always communicate well. Sometimes I forget that the things in my mind haven't yet been put into words. Other times I wrestle with what is too much information to share. What needs to be held confidential for the protection of others? What details should be left out because they don't make sense outside of the big picture that has already been dealt with? What information belongs in the hands of a committee that has been trusted to deal with the issue rather than each and every church member? I still struggle answering these questions. Know that I am trying to make sure I do a better job communicating with you some of the things we are doing or trying or maybe even thinking.

I also want to ask you to communicate with me. It seems that the primary way I am communicated with is through the grapevine. It seems like the rarity that someone comes directly to me to ask a question or gather more information or even to pass on information. I want you to know that you are always welcome to do so. I feel like I am always the last to know when someone is sick or in the hospital. I find myself out of the loop when people are struggling with problems and need prayer or a visit from their pastor. I seem to rarely hear when we have questions about the way something has been done or why it was done.

Eventually the information may work itself back to me, but at that point it has been changed a bit or reworded or misunderstood by so many that it never comes to me clearly. So I want to invite you to try something new and a little uncomfortable. Come to me to share information if it is something I need to know.

I would rather hear someone is in need of a pastor three times than not at all. I want you to feel free to share your concerns or questions about anything. We might not agree on something, but I will do my best to listen to you, respect your opinion, try to clarify decisions, and love you through every step of the process.

Let me ask you to try this. When you feel that there is information out there that I should know, start by praying for me and the best way to communicate the information. Then come see me. Don't come angry or upset, but come open and loving. Together we will talk about what is going on. And together we will walk in the unity that Jesus prayed for us in John 17.

By the way, thanks for a great first two years here with you in Albany. I'm so blessed to be able to lead and serve you.

**BUSINESS MEETING**  
**Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 p.m.**

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**PRIME-TIMERS LUNCHEON**  
Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 Noon  
In Fellowship Hall



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**AUGUST SOCIAL**  
Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m.

Hot Dogs and Watermelon and Fellowship

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**SENIOR ADULT EVENT**  
Thursday, August 4, 2011  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
First Baptist Church  
500 E Pawnee  
Savannah, Missouri

Mission Project - King Hill Baptist Church Food Pantry

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**CHILDREN'S CHURCH CAMP**  
Mon., August 1<sup>st</sup> - Fri., Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>

Nine campers and three coaches will be attending camp.

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**TEACHER'S RECOGNITION LUNCHEON**  
Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 Noon

M&M Circle will be hosting this recognition luncheon for the Albany R-III Teachers and Staff

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**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**  
Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.

The FBC Constitution reads as follows: *The Church Council shall be a standing committee composed of the Pastoral Leadership, Chair of the Deacons, Chair of the Trustees Committee, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Sunday School Director, Choir Director, Fellowship Chairperson, Chair of any Ministry Team, Transportation Director, Worship Leader, Church Secretary, and others at the request of the chairperson.*

If you are on the list above, please make every effort to attend. If you are on an organization listed that has not elected a new chair, please plan to do so before the Church Council Meeting.

**AUGUST IN A NUTSHELL**

- Mon., 1<sup>st</sup> - Fri., 5<sup>th</sup> ..... Children's Church Camp
- Wed., 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10:30 a.m. .... Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study
- Fri., 5<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 p.m. .... Rehearsal
- Sat., 6<sup>th</sup> - 12:30 p.m. .... Non-Church Event
- 4:00 p.m. .... Wedding
- Sun., 7<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 p.m. .... Youth Group
- Mon., 8<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 a.m. .... Church-Wide Day of Prayer
- Wed., 10<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m. .... Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study
- Thurs., 11<sup>th</sup> - 2:30 p.m. .... Birthday Party at Golden Living Center
- Sun., 14<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 p.m. .... Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. .... Business Meeting
- Mon., 15<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 Noon .... Teacher's Luncheon
- Wed., 17<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m. .... Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study
- Sun., 21<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 p.m. .... Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. .... Church Council
- Wed., 24<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m. .... Prayer Meeting
- Thurs., 25<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 Noon .... Prime-Timers
- Sun., 28<sup>st</sup> - 5:30 p.m. .... Youth Group
- 5:30 p.m. .... Choir
- 6:30 p.m. .... Hot Dog & Watermelon Supper
- Wed., 31<sup>st</sup> - 10:30 a.m. .... Prayer Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. .... Adult Bible Study

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**FREDERICK BOULEVARD'S CELEBRATION CHOIR**

is having a

**GAITHER MUSIC NIGHT**

Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

at

Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church.

Enjoy songs such as The King is Coming, He Touched Me, Because He Lives, There's Something About That Name, and Sinner Saved by Grace.

Admission is free and everyone is invited!!

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**CHURCH-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER**

**Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

Come spend a few minutes in the sanctuary or the prayer room praying for our church, our community and our world.