

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, April 2

- 8:45AM Youth Bells
9:30AM Children's Choir
9:45AM Sunday School
11:00AM Worship & Parent-Child Dedication
12:00PM Youth Choir
5:00PM Youth

TUESDAY, April 4

- 5:00PM Tarheel Challenge Graduation Banquet

WEDNESDAY, April 5

- 12:00PM Community Lenten Service @Central UMC
4:00PM Staff Meeting
5:15PM Fellowship Meal (Pizza Casserole,
Garlic Bread, Salad Bar, Dessert)
6:00PM The Shack Study
6:00PM Youth, GA's, RA's, Mission Friends
6:00PM FBC Instrumental Ensemble
7:00PM Sanctuary Choir

SUNDAY, April 9

- 8:00AM Deacon's Meeting
11:00AM Easter Cantata

Sunday School Attendance 03/26	136
Worship Attendance 03/26	188
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,364.00
Budget Receipts 03/19	\$10,890.26
YTD Budget Receipts 02/28	\$82,821.90
YTD Expenses thru 02/28	\$89,319.56
Capital Campaign Receipts (thru 3/19)	\$230,380.00
Capital Campaign Commitments	\$278,595.00

MEMORIALS

General Fund

Bob Stone by Ed & Rosemary Thomas

Betty Rogers Moser by Mary Garber

Helen Lockamy by Agnes Blalock

Helen Lockamy by Max & Owonna Clayton

Organ Fund

Bob Stone by M/M Maurice Radford

Helen Lockamy by M/M Norman Wilson

Youth Fund

Helen Lockamy by Cindy & Harold Brewer

Our Church Family

PRAYER LIST

Steve Sasser, Sue Hunsucker, Linda Hall, Jim Mauney, Jack Neel, AnDe Dick, Kurt Kitchener, Gay Hayer, Adam, Beth & Grayson Boysworth, Jane Pendergraft, Sylvia Scholl, Diane Huneycutt Powell, Carl & JoAnn Kimrey, Teresa Patton, Kip Medlin, Mary Sullivan, Peggy Richardson, Marilyn Mahaley, Frankie Coley, Kathy Hilton, Sid Linker, Jack Phillips, Agnes Blalock, Bear Knotts, Helen Baugess, Flora Freeman, Bernie Miller, Bobbie Jean Coggin, Sophie Poplin

CONTINUAL CARE

Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman Faulkner, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, Carl Bowen, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Frank Crisco, Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt, Rachel Chandler

THANK YOU

Thank you for the recognition and celebration of my many years of service and for the beautiful flowers. I treasure your coming by and expressing kind words of thanks and encouragement, all the phone calls and cards. Rae

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Deadline for submissions is Tuesday noon.

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THE SHACK

2017 Lenten Study
“God, You Want Me To
Forgive Who?”

April 2 @ 11am, April 5 @ 6pm

From the Desk of Andy Jung...

As CBF's field personnel, Jason and Angel Pittman serve as directors of Touching Miami with Love. Touching Miami with Love is committed to serving the most vulnerable of Miami-Dade County in two of the poorest communities in the area with a continued focus on children, youth and adults with the greatest educational, social and safety needs. TML operates two centers dedicated to this work in the neighborhoods of Overtown and West Homestead.

Jason and Angel serve in the community of Overtown, a historic African-American neighborhood that struggles intensely with poverty with a median household income of \$15,287 and 28 percent of residents earning less than \$10,000 each year. Education levels are extremely low with 72 percent of adults in the neighborhood without a high school diploma. This leads to a high unemployment rate of 28 percent. Drugs, crime and violence are commonplace, and children are exposed to high rates of untreated trauma, impeding their ability to function well in school and continuing the cycle of poverty.

I've had the privilege of partnering with TML and the Pittmans to serve the children of Overtown on three different occasions. The work was extremely hard as we tried to love on children who did not trust "outsiders" easily. At the beginning of the week, the kids would be guarded and tested our resolve. They wanted to know whether we were serious about our commitment to love them, even for only a few short days. By third day, the walls began to crumble and the children allowed us to love on them. Every time I had an opportunity to serve at TML, it gave me a deeper understanding of God's love for me and for the children of Touching Miami with Love.

During the month of April, we will collect our annual **Easter Missions Offering** to support missionaries, like the Pittmans, who are impacting the lives of our neighbors across the U.S. Our goal is **\$4,000** and you can designate your support for SBC's North American Missions or CBF's field personnel. Help our domestic missionaries share the hope of Jesus that we celebrate during the Easter season by giving generously.

This Sunday, we will conclude our series on *The Shack* by considering the final question, "God, You Want Me to Forgive Who?" We will also be privileged to witness the dedication of Connor Hill and his parents Darren & Angela (Gann) Hill to the Lord. See you on Sunday!

Deacon of the Week
Tony Oettinger April 2-8

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 9, 3PM at City Lake Park

Bring a dessert to share and let's have a picnic together! Donations are needed of small, individually wrapped candy that will fit into plastic Easter eggs.



APRIL JOY MYSTERY TRIP/ LUNCHEON

Tuesday, April 4 @ 9:30am

Cost is \$20.00 per person and everything is included: lunch, drink, dessert, and tip! Please wear comfortable clothes. All are welcome and you may invite a friend. A sign-up sheet is in the church office. For more details, contact Lina Chandler: 704-982-8877.

**E. H. "BUD" MORTON'S
90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Everyone is invited to Bud Morton's 90th Birthday Celebration on Saturday, April 1 from 2-4pm in the fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Mary Jo Russell as soon as possible.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 9	11:00AM	Easter Cantata
	3:00PM	Easter Picnic @City Lake Park
Thursday, April 13	5:30PM	Seder Meal
	7:00PM	Maundy Thursday Service
Sunday, April 16	9:45AM	Easter Sunday School
	11:00AM	Easter Worship

General Announcements

SCCM need for March is macaroni & cheese, rice, stuffing, instant potatoes, tomato sauce, etc.

FBC Handyman Ministry

Do you, or someone you know at First Baptist need help with completing small home repairs? The FBC Baptist Men's group is offering "handyman" assistance to our church members throughout the year in making minor home repairs. If you are interested, please contact your deacon for information about this service ministry.

Rob & Amanda Rone - Myanmar

The Missions Committee has set up a special account to support Rob & Amanda Rone, who shared about their ministry in Myanmar this past Sunday. If you would like to give to this special ministry, please make all checks to First Baptist Church and add "Myanmar" on the memo line. You may give a one-time gift or continue to give periodically. If you would like to directly receive monthly email update from the Rones, please email them at firmfoundation@pobox.com

FBC GA's will trade **Candy for Cash** on Wednesday, April 5, in support of Baptist Children's Home.

Family Ministry News

Our annual Easter Picnic at City Lake Park is coming up on Sunday, April 9th at 3pm. The egg hunt is always a highlight and we need your help to fill the eggs with individually wrapped candy. You may place your donations in any of the pink tubs around the church. For our time of fun and fellowship at the park we have a few games planned but we also invite you to bring any outdoor games, including corn hole boards to continue the fun. We will provide hotdogs, chips and drinks for our meal and for dessert we ask that you please bring a sweet treat to share.

The deadline for our spring student and family mission trip is quickly approaching! Our focus this spring is answering the call to care for those that experience food insecurity. Please visit the church website to sign up as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

YOUTH SCHEDULE

April 2: 5:00PM Youth
April 9: 3:00PM Easter Picnic and Egg Hunt/City Lake Park
April 16: NO Youth (Easter)