

# Friendly News

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### Upcoming Events

**August 12-14**—Singles' Conference

**August 14**—Children's Choir Workers' Meeting, 4:45 PM, College Classroom

**August 17**—Budget/Finance Meeting, Room 307, 6:30 PM

**August 21**—Missions' Meeting, 4:30 PM, Conference Room

*Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. 1 Peter 5:6-7*

**Single Savvy**  
SINGLE ADULT CONFERENCE 2011  
August 12-14, 2011

**Friendly Baptist Church**  
1903 E. Front St. • (903) 593-1572

Register at:  
[friendlybaptist.org](http://friendlybaptist.org)

Meal is provided so please register by Wednesday, August 10, 2011

**Friday:**  
Registration & Dinner: 6:30 pm  
Worship: 7:00 - 9:30 pm

**Saturday:**  
Registration & Continental Breakfast: 8:30 am  
Conference: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm  
Lunch is provided

Keynote Speaker:  
  
David Edwards

with Praise & Worship Leaders:  
  
North Bound Worship

Breakout Session Speakers:  
Relational Savvy  
  
Pat Mallory  
Parental Savvy  
  
Jerome Milton  
Spiritual Savvy  
  
Sam DeVille  
Emotional Savvy  
  
Ken Brunley  
Financial Savvy  
  
John Rogers

CHOOSE 3 of 5 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

## Bro. Pat's Desk

Take advantage of these opportunities to study God's Word throughout the week:

**Men's Wednesday evening** – *Wild at Heart* by John Eldredge, 6:30 PM, in Room 208. “This study is a guide to understanding Christian manhood ... written on every man's heart are the dreams and desires: to be a hero, to be a warrior, to live a life of adventure and risk.”

**Couples' Prayer Meeting/Bible Study** – Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall.

**Upcoming Couples' Bible Study on Wednesday evenings** – *The Art of Marriage* at 6:30 PM, call church office for details & location.

**Looking Ahead:** *Raising Terrific Kids in Turbulent Times* Conference with Dr. Charles Lowery, Sunday, November 6th. Dr. Lowery gives Biblical principles and practical solutions to problems we all face in parenting. Don't miss this conference!

## Students' Stuff

Steve Lyles

This summer has flown by. But it has not gone by without God doing some amazing things in our Student Ministry. God used our mission team in a great way in Memphis to see over 40 people give their lives to Christ along with many other decisions. We saw many of our own students make life-changing decisions at L.I.F.E. University and Journey Week. These wonderful things did not happen by accident. They were brought about by the grace and generosity of our great God along with the hard work and servant's spirit of our youth workers. I am so thankful to God for moving the way He has the past two months. I am also grateful to our youth workers for giving so much of themselves to minister to our students.

The good news is the summer is not over yet. We will have our last blast of summer trip August 15-16. We will be going to Schlitterbahn, Fiesta Texas, and the Riverwalk. Those who want to go need to sign up immediately. This is going to be our last trip before school starts, so you don't want to miss it.

I know school starting back is not something that students look forward to, but as the dreaded time approaches, we want to start the year off right by dedicating it to God. In order to do this, we will be having a Prayer Lock-In August 26-27. This will be a time where we come together and pray for the upcoming year and dedicate it to God. Make plans to be a part of this fun and meaningful time.

## Children's Department

Kay Weippert

Wow! I can't believe the summer has come and gone and it is time to think about starting back to school. What a great summer it has been with Day Camp and Vacation Bible School, two very evangelistic events, that have touched the lives of many children. Thank you to all teachers and workers who have given their love and time so graciously. God will honor each of you for your sacrifice to serve Him.

August will be another busy month as we start with Royal Ambassadors. Royal Ambassadors go to camp at Timberline August 1-5. See Carlos Juarez for more information about this fun week. Teachers, sign up for teacher training on Saturday, August 13. As school starts back there are kick off parties for Girls in Action and Children's Choir, so make sure you plan on being at these fun events.

A new Bible Drill Ministry will begin in September, so come and see what it is all about on Sunday, August 28, at 4:00 PM. There are many great things to be a part of in the Children's Ministry as the new year begins.

### Family Ministries

**Aug. 1-5**—RA Camp at Timberline

**Aug. 9-13**—CR Summit, California

**Aug. 18**—Disaster Relief Meeting, 7-8 PM, Green Room

**Aug. 19**—Free Nursery Night

JOY Movie, 6 PM, Venue

**Aug. 28**—Children's Choir Kickoff Party, 4:30—5:45 PM, SMB

**Aug. 31**—GA Kickoff Party

### Youth/College

**Aug. 7-12**—Collegiate Week, Glorieta

**Aug. 15-16**—Youth End of Year San Antonio Trip

**August 26-27**—Youth Prayer Lock In

### Women's Ministry

**August 18**—Spa Night, 7-9 PM, Venue

**August 23**—Circle of Friends

**August 29**—Women serve meal at Hospice

## A Note from the Choir Director



Floyd Williford

Please consider singing in choir—we rehearse each Wednesday evening at 6:30. Now would be a great time to join in and help us as we begin working on Christmas music. We need you!

Please sign up now at the Welcome Center for our Fall JOY Group Trip. Complete itineraries will be available at the Welcome Center on August 7th.

## Adult Singles

Kevin Basham

The early disciples, upon experiencing God's life-changing grace in Christ, would immediately go and tell others what the Lord had done for them. Oftentimes, they would simply say "Come and see a man ..." (Jn 4). The miraculous gospel of Jesus Christ ushers in a transformation TO SHARE, not a treasure TO HOARD! Let's not be exclusive, but rather inclusive, in passing along the Living Water that we have found in our personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. We were dying of thirst, then found that valuable essence. . .we must not neglect to tell other thirsty travelers where we found it!

AUGUST 12-14, we will have an event which will offer folks an abundance of opportunities to drink from the gospel fountain. SINGLE SAVVY 2011 is going to be a transformational experience that you will want to share with others in your sphere of influence. INVEST in the lives of others by ministering to them and praying for them by name and by need. . .then INVITE them to this conference. It only takes a spark to get a fire going. Please endeavor to be that spark for God. Let's pray that God will fan the flames of spiritual renewal among the Singles of this area. Don't just have good intentions. Get registered and see that others do, as well.

## Collegiate Ministry

Josh Thompson

As I write this, we are getting ready to leave for our Africa Mission Trip. Thank you in advance for making this ministry outreach possible by your tremendous prayer and financial support.

the command is not to wait for them to "come". We want to honor that command of Christ by being intentional about being on campus.

We're excited to get the semester started, at least the ministry aspect of it. I'm sure the students will differ on getting the schoolwork started. We have received permission to move our Wednesday Bible study on to the campus of TJC, so that will allow us the opportunity to meet new students and be an intentional impact on the campus. Christ compels us to "go",

We're also going to take advantage of the opportunity to be on campus every Wednesday by doing service projects on Wednesday evenings to the students who live in the dorms. An example may be knocking on doors and offering to take their trash to the dumpster for them. There are many ways that we can display the love of Christ to the college students, and that's exactly what our mission will be this semester.

## Celebrate Recovery

Tracy Acker

Have you been hurt by someone in your past? Do you have a habit that you have asked God to remove from your life? Do you have difficulty surrendering control to God and to others? Do you feel a sense of shame when you think about the sins of your past? Only God can grant you freedom from these hurts, habits and hang-ups, but Celebrate Recovery can help you learn how to "Let Go and Let God!" and provide you with the support of others who are willing to be REAL!

We are asking for prayer warriors to lift up the 12 leaders that are going to the Summit in California August 9-13. This is a week-long leadership training seminar at Saddleback Church with John Baker and Rick Warren, and we always come home renewed, refreshed, and running over with ideas and fresh commitment to doing God's work through Celebrate Recovery!

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### FRIENDLY STAFF

Pastor.....Dale Perry  
Associate Pastor.....Pat Alvey  
Minister of Music.....Floyd Williford  
Minister to Students.....Steve Lyles  
Minister to College Students.....Josh Thompson  
Children's Ministry Coordinator..Kay Weippert  
Nursery Director.....Donna Shaw

### **Welcome to Friendly (June—July)**

#### **Baptism**

*Kathi Prince Brenda Yancy  
Jacob Fulmer Elise Ellis  
Brandon Brown Jewell Brown  
Devin Brown*

#### **Letter or Statement**

*Lois Best Richard Yancy  
Richard and Aloma Brown  
Keith and Kristy Johnson*

## **JOY Group**

The JOY GROUP will have a movie night with Frito pie and pop corn on Friday, August 19, at 6:00 PM, in the VENUE.

It is a very good movie, titled "Home Beyond The Sun".

Come and bring a 2 liter soft drink and a friend.

*Ann Wilbanks*

## Women's Ministry

**Katina Yeargain**

**A**ngel Tree: As you are reading this newsletter, we are in the process of adopting children off the *Back to School Angel Tree*. Cost is \$250 per child. This buys 3 complete outfits, shoes, underwear, and all their supply list. You can pick a child off the tree or donate the money. Make checks to Friendly Baptist and Circle of Friends will shop for you. Single moms, people out of work, grandparents raising grandchildren—this need is right in our own church family, so please help. Matt 25:40 "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Ladies, our Women's Ministry would like to let you know of a couple of changes. Deanne Robertson is the new leader and Bobbie Featherston will assist her. We are excited about these changes and welcome any new ideas or help with any events. This ministry includes all the women at Friendly, so come on, ladies, and get involved!

Upcoming Events: It has been such a busy, HOT summer! Come join our Friendly *Heart to Heart* Women's Ministry as we present a Spa Night. Let us pamper you August 18, 7-9 PM, in the Venue. There will be finger foods, coffee bar, and smoothies to relax with...all the pampering you can stand. Make plans to attend. There will not be a nursery, so ask the hubby to keep this night open to have a date night with the kids. Come relax before all the fall activities get going. All ladies welcome!

Circle of Friends: We will be meeting Tuesday, August 23, 6:30 PM, at McAlister's Deli. Jennifer Barnes from Arbor Bible Fellowship Church will be the speaker. She will speak about *Refuge of Light*, an organization dedicated to establishing a long term safe home for victimized girls under the age of 18 in the United States.

## Girls in Action

**Cindy Waterman**

GA NEWS! The summer is coming to an end and GA Leaders are preparing for the new year. 1st-6th grade girls, please join us for our kick-off party and registration on Wednesday, Aug. 31st. Parents MUST show up and register their GA.

Also, we still need some helpers for the year. Please contact me if you can help. Enjoy the rest of your summer. 903-595-3246.