



SPBC equips people to *Love God,*
Love Others, Lead Generations.

~ *The Informer* ~

July-August, 2012

“I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Luke 15:10

Reconcilers

Our world is in constant struggle. There are viewpoints on the left and the right. People have opinions, agendas and not to mention flat out desperate needs. Turn on the screen or open the papers and life looks bleak. And if you look long enough you may be tempted to think we are all helpless and hopeless. We might as well give up, run away and never come back.

But then we are drawn back to reality. And the truth is hope is not just a fancy idea or aspiration. Hope is a Person and He is alive. Jesus Christ came to reconcile all things to Himself (Colossians 1:20). Most specifically, people who were once far from God, whom were lost, in darkness and without hope can now be found and brought near to the light of God's great love because of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

And this good news (gospel) is not just momentary sentimental drivel, but is life-changing truth. Think about it: God sent His only Son to die on a cross to pay the penalty for sins He didn't commit. This action would be horrendous if it didn't have power to impact everyday life. The gospel is about complete transformation:

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.” (2Corinthians 5:17-20)

Did you catch that? The gospel is not only meant for us but meant to go through us! Christians have salvation and a purpose. You have a ministry. You are an ambassador. You are a reconciler. So, look around just a bit longer to see what needs help and who needs hope. God just might use you to display His power in ways you never would have imagined.

Partnering Together,

Pastor Dave

Southern Baptist Convention

Recently, the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) made news in its 167-year history as messengers elected its first African American president, Fred Luter Jr.—Pastor of New Orleans' Franklin Avenue Baptist Church. This was a momentous occasion showing the movement of God to bring about racial reconciliation. The SBC has a tainted history but has sought repentance and genuine change in the past couple decades. The percentage of non-white SBC churches has grown, from 5% in 1990 to over 20% in 2011. Pray this trend continues! Fred Luter is more than a token symbol for this but is a true man of God to lead Southern Baptists to look more like the kingdom of God.



Pray for Pastor Luter and all of us as Southern Baptists to continue advancing the gospel of Jesus to all the peoples of the earth.

SENT

Glen Burnie Baptist
Severna Park Baptist



Reaching the unreached with
the gospel of Jesus Christ

PRAY: Psalm 2:8

Asking God to advance His kingdom to the nations

GIVE: Luke 10:27-37

Loving God and others with our resources

GO: Romans 10:13-17

Spreading the gospel & strengthening missionaries



August 16-23, 2012

SENT 2012 Team Members

Pastor Dave Brown

Pastor Bob Rudman

Lauren Burris

Mary Rudman

Holly Yutz

Pat Schwarz

Wanda Murray

Pastor Zach Villafuerte

John Ritter

Donald Williams

Ministry Agenda

Orphan Care (James 1:27)

Children's VBS Ministry (Luke 9:48)

Proclaiming the Gospel (Matthew 28:19-20)

Encourage Missionaries & Christians (Acts 13:3)

The Messiah Project (MPNIC) is a non-denominational Christian ministry organization that reflects God's love by bringing relief to physical suffering along with spiritual truth through Jesus Christ.

July 8 Night of Music @SPBC 6:45pm

Financial donations will support the
SENT2012: MPNIC ministry & mission experience.

Thanks in advance for your generosity.

NICARAGUA AT A GLANCE

- ◆ **Nicaragua is the 2nd poorest country in the Western Hemisphere (Haiti is 1st)**
- ◆ **Per capita annual income is \$1200**
- ◆ **50% live on less than \$2/day**
- ◆ **60% unemployment**
- ◆ **68% literacy rate; poverty affects school participation**
- ◆ **Nicaragua is plagued by natural disasters, civil wars, government corruption**
- ◆ **Many physical, social and spiritual structures are completely broken**
- ◆ **"Gallo Pinto" is the national dish, made with rice and beans**
- ◆ **Mostly nominal Catholic with both small groups of Christian & Mormons growing**

Operation Christmas Child

It's never too early to start collecting shoe boxes and items to pack. Be looking for the "Back To School" sales coming the end of summer!

SPBC Collection Week: November 12-19

Contact Becky Chambless for more information



UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:
Youth XFuge @ Eastern University
 (Philadelphia, PA)
 July 9-14
 \$366/camper before fundraising

Contact PZ for more info
 zvillafuerte@gmail.com
 240-988-2550



TEEN TIMES

Wednesdays:
 Youth Group
 6-8pm
 Bring a friend!

Sundays:
 Bible Study
 9:30-10:30am
 Grow in Jesus!



STARTS
WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 5

online registration begins August

WOW:
Worship On Wednesdays
Starting September 5
6:00 - 7:30pm

TeamKID (ages 4 - 5th grade)
 Ministry for children to learn Bible truths through stories, activities, friends and fun

Generation Next (6th - 12th grade)
 Teens becoming leaders in training and serving with TeamKID ministry

Adult Bible Fellowship
 Meeting together for spiritual growth in Scripture, prayer and fellowship.

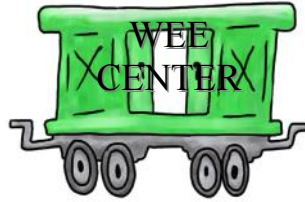
Family
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Growing Godly Generations
www.spbcm.com

Message Series

- July 8** A Dream Family
Genesis 1-4
- July 15** When Sinners Say "I Do"
Ephesians 1-6
- July 22** God on Sex
Song of Solomon 1-8
- July 29** Shepherding A Child's Heart
Proverbs 4:23
- August 5** Peacemaking for Families
James 4:1-10
- August 12** Family, Marriage and Culture
Genesis 1, 18-19
- August 19** 21st Century Families (interactive)
- August 26** 21st Century Families (interactive)



"WEE" Words

We have closed out our 36th school year and are excited about the upcoming 2012/2013 school year. We have only a few openings and are still giving tours and information almost on a daily basis. Pray that God will send us the families He wants us to minister to through our preschool program. We have a full staff for which we have given God thanks. We are one month into our summer vacations and know how quickly the start of school will be upon us. Thank you all so much for my Williamsburg escape which allowed me time to think, pray and enjoy the company of a lifelong friend.

We are gearing up for yet another great year and planning for our Parent Orientation on Tuesday, August 14th and our child orientation on Wednesday, August 29th. At least a third of the staff will be attending an all day workshop on August 16th in Towson. School will begin on Wednesday, September 5th. We also want to thank all of the church family that participated in our "prayer pal" ministry this year. Your prayers mean so much to each of the staff members and certainly make a difference in how we approach each day.

We are also excited about the "new floors" that will be appearing throughout the preschool wing and the fellowship hall and kitchen. We would like to thank David Weed for all the many hours that he contributes to keeping our building up and running. He takes care of all the little broken things and the BIG things too. Stay tuned as we will be needing help with some of our projects/events that will be coming up in the fall. God bless you all for your support.

With a grateful heart, Judy Myer

WEE Center Email: WEE@spbcmd.com

WEE Center Phone: 410-647-8162

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE:

Your mission - and you SHOULD choose to accept it - is to help in the nursery during the church hour.

We have more kids than ever in the nursery, and that means we need more volunteers. We need people to commit to working ONE Sunday a month in either the nursery or pre-school room. We also need people to commit to being substitutes.

Children's ministry is important for SPBC. Not only does it show parents how much we care about children, but it also allows them to use their gifts to serve the church. If you can help, please let Danielle Brown (ddbrown83@msn.com) or Tracy Fulton (tfulton@teksystems.com) know...they would be glad to get you started on your mission.

We'll be waiting



Spiritual Champions Day

Sunday, September 9

A Day to celebrate our
Bible Group Teachers &
WEE Center Staff

*****Churchwide Picnic to follow
Worship Service*****

This will also be Promotion Day
for children moving into the next grade
Bible Group

We need smiling faces to serve as Ushers and/or Greeters for our Worship Services. Please contact Ed Takemori 410-431-7360 or takemorijudo@verizon.net **or** just look for the guy in the Hawaiian shirt saying Aloha!

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Nikki Pitkanen-7/2
Patrick Harrington-7/3
Michele Langford-7/5
Ken Mowry-7/6
Kay McKay-7/8
Will Swartz-7/9
Sam Morgan, IV-7/9

Connie Meyers-7/10
Christopher Pickens-7/20
David Weed-7/20
Don Provine-7/20
Sarah Paxton-7/20
Danielle Brown-7/24
Donald Williams-7/30

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Audry Brown-8/4
Tyler Pitkanen-8/6
Lauren Burris-8/7
Loagan Burris-8/7
Nicholas Swartz-8/8
Glenn Stroh-8/15

Dawn Takemori-8/15
Brittany Furlough-8/18
Lonnie Kishiyama-8/21
Laura Huebner-8/25
Scott Murphy, Jr-8/25
Racheal Harrington-8/26

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Jason & April Montagne-7/19
Bill & Carol Baierlein-7/28

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Dave & Danielle Brown-8/3
Zach & Stephanie Villafuerte-8/4
De (Dennis) & Kay McKay-8/23

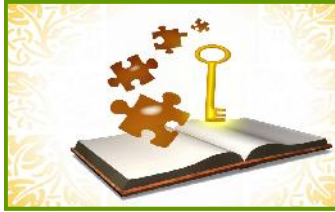
If you don't see your name (or family members' names) listed under Birthdays or Anniversaries, it is because we don't have that information on file. Contact the Church Office to submit dates! Thank you!

Sunday School

Bible Groups

We have GROUPS for everyone.

Come connect and grow with us!



Nursery:

Lois Zenone &
Cindy Mowry

Toddler:

Stephanie Villafuerte &
Katelynn Furlough

Children I & II:

Kathy Swartz &
Diana Shaffer

Youth:

Pastor Zach, Tony Bell

Adult I Co-Ed

(20-35):

Dave Brown

Adult II Co-Ed (36-45):

Ed Takemori & Steve Prettyman

Adult III Co-Ed (45-64):

Ron Chambless

Adult IV Co-Ed (65+):

Bob Fulton & Jim Cline



NEXT *Meaningful Membership* Orientation
(required for membership) July 22 & 29 (Sundays 9:30am)

Please sign up in the stairway foyer or contact the church office to rsvp
office@spbcm.com or 410-647-0765

UPCOMING LADIES' EVENTS

Ladies' Tea open to all ladies ~ September 29,
11:00am-1:00pm (contact Becky Chambless or
Janet Fox). Will also draw for Secret Sisters at the
Tea (contact Kera Day).



Baby Shower for
Stephanie Villafuerte on
August 25 (contact Kim
Barnes or Tracy Stroh).



Church Calendar for JULY-AUGUST 2012
Quarterly Business Meeting—Second Sunday of each quarter

Please check the Church Bulletin and Website for updates.

Sundays:

9:00am - Intercessory Prayer
9:30am - Sunday School (all age groups)
10:45am - Worship Celebration (all ages)
12:00am - After Worship Fellowship (everyone invited)

Wednesdays:

6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
6:00-7:30pm - Team KID (K-5th Grade)
6:30-7:30pm - Mid-Week Service
7:30-9:00pm - Worship Team Practice

Other Events/Activities - JULY 2012

Sunday, July 1 - 12:00pm - Church Council Meeting
Sunday, July 1 - 2:00pm - SENT Team Mtg @ GBB
Wednesday, July 4 - *Independence Day*-Church Office Closed
Sunday, July 8 - 6:30pm - Night of Music @ SPBC (SENT Fundraiser)
Monday-Saturday, July 9-14 - Youth XFuge Mission Trip to Philadelphia, PA
Tuesday, July 10 - 7:00pm - Deacons' Meeting
Wednesdays, July 11, 18, 25 - 11:00am - Luke Challenge Group
Wednesday, July 11, 18, 25 - 6:30pm - Luke Challenge Group
Wednesdays, July 18,25 - 6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
Sundays, July 22 & 29 - 9:30-10:30am - Meaningful Membership Class
Tuesday, July 31 - 6:30pm - CC & Deacons C&B Mtg

Other Events/Activities - AUGUST 2012

Wednesday, August 1 - 11:00am - Luke Challenge Group
Wednesday, August 1 - 6:30pm - Luke Challenge Group
Wednesdays, August 1,8,15,22,29 - 6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
Sunday, August 5 - 12:00pm - Church Council Meeting
Sunday, August 5 - 2:00pm - SENT Team Mtg @ GBB
Thursday, August 9 - 12:00pm - ABA Ministers' Luncheon
Tuesday, August 14 - 10:00am - WEE New Students Parent Orientation
Tuesday, August 14 - 11:00am - WEE Returning Students Parent Orientation
Tuesday, August 14 - 7:00pm - Deacons' Meeting
Thursday-Thursday, August 16-23 - SENT Mission Trip to Nicaragua
Monday, August 27 - 9:30am-1:00pm - WEE Staff Meeting
Monday-Friday, August 27-31 - WEE Work Week
Wednesday, August 29 - 9:00am-1:00pm - WEE Child Orientation

If you have an idea for an article or submission, please contact the Church Office. The deadline for the July-August issue of the "Informer" is NLT WEDNESDAY, August 15, 2012. The Informer is published bi-monthly and is also available on our website.

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