



**2008
PRAYER LIST**

Lorena Buehler	Homebound
Bill Cherry	Homebound
Bette French	Homebound
Posey & Gerri Gaines	Homebound
Dorothy Gilreath	Homebound
Maury Green	Homebound
Ardythe Hester	Homebound
Wanda Love	Homebound
Ruth Wilson	Homebound
Janie Allen	Good Samaritan
Carl Bruce	Protestant Home
Casel Bush	Protestant Home
Mabel Georgesen	Heritage Center
Margaret Hollingsworth	Good Samaritan
Thelma Julian	Atria Assisted Living
Ruth McMillan	Core Nursing Home
Stella Neel	Holiday Village
LaVone Peach	Good Samaritan
Anne Peterman	Heritage Center
Bessie Pffingston	Mt Vernon Nursing
Gladys Rezek	Solarbron
Roberta VonHarten	Atria Assisted Living
Benita Williams	Solarbron
Dr. Robert Williams	Heritage Center
Allan Reeves	US Air Force, Afghanistan
Megan Peninger	US Air Force
David James	US Army
Steven A. Michaels	US Marines - Japan
Matthew Peninger	US Army
Tim Chrockrem	US Navy
Home & Foreign Missionaries	
The Howell Family	
Marc Klein	
Prentice Ethington	Deaconess Gateway
Thelma Allen	
Gretchen Barth	St. Marys
Judi Schneider	

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Vision Statement

We are building on our heritage and approaching the future with a vision relevant to our changing world while creating an atmosphere where Christ can bring healing, hope, and joy to all.



As I watch the evening news the debate continues as how we could best improve the health care system in our country. While it may seem to many that the chance for meaningful reform runs from slim to nonexistent I remain hopeful. After all, I serve a God who has both the power and the resources to provide quality health care for his children so I believe there is an answer if we have the will and the courage to find it.

I heard that one company that was having trouble affording the health care benefits for its employees sent out an email that went something like this: *Since we are no longer able to afford the health coverage from the company we have dealt with for the past thirty years we have a new health plan called "Don't Get Sick". Everyone is asked to please stay healthy until further notice. Those who fail to meet the demand of this policy may be terminated.*

Of course this was a bogus email sent as a joke but the lack of health insurance for many is no joke. If the church is the body of Christ and if Jesus spent a significant amount of his ministry healing then shouldn't the church be interested in health care? Is there a prophetic voice the church needs to have in the middle of this debate?

One way the rise in healthcare cost could be slowed would be for people to adopt a healthier lifestyle. Obesity, alcoholism, smoking and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases all add millions of dollars to the healthcare price tag and are at least in part a result of personal lifestyle choices. People want the right to choose not to wear a seatbelt or a motorcycle helmet, but when they get into an accident without them the injuries are more extensive and the cost of treatment goes up.

Maybe healthcare reform should start at home. We could eat better meals, exercise more, and take fewer risks that might lead to illness or injury. One person making these changes may not make much difference but if a couple of million people could catch the vision and make some changes who knows what impact that might have. Will it be easy? No! But with God's help we can make better choices and then if the healthcare system fails at least we will be healthier.

Grace and Peace,
 Pastor George

*Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Bloss
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter*

Sarah Elizabeth

to

*Mr. Zachary William Harris
son of*

*Mr. and Mrs. Freddie L. Harris
Saturday, the twenty-sixth of September*

*Two thousand and nine
at two-thirty in the afternoon*

*First Baptist Church
320 Cherry Street
Evansville, Indiana*

*Dessert Reception
immediately following ceremony
in Church Fellowship Hall*

NEW OFFICE HOURS—
Beginning in September the church office will be closed on Wednesdays. New Office hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm and Friday 8:00am-12 Noon. If you have an emergency call Pastor Huffsmith on his cell phone 202-3883 or leave a message on the church answering machine and someone will get back to you.

Outdoor Movie
Sat., Sept. 5th
7:15pm
EVANSVILLE



ASSOCIATION AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN

Join us at our next meeting, August 31st at 6:30pm at the First Baptist Church, 802 13th Street, Tell City, Indiana. Guest speaker, Ken Miller, past president of Indiana Baptist Men. Topic will be Activities of the Disaster Relief Trailer. Please bring a covered dish. Cook out - brats, hotdogs and hamburgers provided. For more information please contact Ed Rush at (812) 471-3498.

APPLE FESTIVAL 2009
To Benefit Weekday Christian
Education Program
Saturday September 19th
The Methodist Temple
22109 Lincoln Ave.

3:00-7:00pm
Pork Chop or Pulled Pork BBQ Dinner
\$8.50 - Served 4:00 to 7:00pm
Includes beverage and Apple Pie
Childs Dinner with hot dog -- \$4.00
For sale: baked goods, candies,
pumpkins, apples, gourds, fall décor
and many more items.
Large full Mum plants - \$8.00 each

**EVANSVILLE'S CITY WIDE
REVIVAL**
presents
Dr. Tony Evans
Pastor of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship
Dallas, TX

September 14th - 16th, 7:00pm
at the VICTORY THEATRE



Fall is approaching, and Sanctuary Choir rehearsals are back! We will have some new music to learn and will begin working on our very special Christmas music. The FBC Choir will again collaborate with Eastminster Presbyterian and members from the Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra. This December we will present Handel's "Messiah." If you have ever sung or have always wanted to sing this amazing work, please come join us from 7:00pm to 8:15pm on Wednesdays as we prepare.



Komen Evansville Race for the Cure® 2009

As a recent Breast Cancer Survivor (1 year and 1 month now). I encourage one and all to join in the fight against Breast Cancer, by participating in the upcoming Susan G. Komen "Race For The Cure". This uplifting event will be held on Sat., Sept. 19, 2009 (downtown). As a first time participant last year, I know this to be true. You are not alone!! There are others, men and women. Yes, it does effect men as well as it does women. Donna Waller will be Team Captain for our FBC group. Contact Donna for details. (985-3756)

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE PrimeTime Wednesday

On Wednesday, September 9th our NEW PrimeTime Wednesday will begin! All ages are invited to join us in the fellowship hall for a mid-week time of fellowship and worship.

5:30pm - Dinner (\$2 donation accepted)
6:15pm - Contemporary Worship Service
7:00pm - Adult Choir Practice

THE FEED MILL

Everyone is invited to join the Seeker's Sunday School Class on Sunday, August 30th after church as they gather for lunch at the Feed Mill in Poseyville. We'll meet in the parking lot and leave the church around noon.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

Garvin Park Bandstand
Saturday, September 19TH
2:00pm to 4:00pm
Featuring The River City Quartet



YOUTH LOCK-IN

All Middle School and High School youth are invited to a Lock-In on Sunday-Monday, September 6-7 (Labor Day weekend). Meet at the church at 6:00pm on the 6th. More info will be coming soon in the mail!