



**2008  
PRAYER LIST**

Lorena Buehler	Homebound
Bill Cherry	Homebound
Bette French	Homebound
Dorothy Gilreath	Homebound
Janie Allen	Good Samaritan
Carl Bruce	Protestant Home
Sharon Buckles	Columbia Healthcare
Byran Buehler	Good Samaritan
Mabel Georgeses	Heritage Center
Ardythe Hester	Health South
Margaret Hollingsworth	Good Samaritan
Thelma Julian	Protestant Home
Ruth McMillan	Core Nursing Home
Stella Neel	Holiday Village
LaVone Peach	Good Samaritan
Gladys Rezek	Solarbron
Roberta VonHarten	Atria Assisted Living
Dr. Robert Williams	Heritage Center

David Jones	US Army-Iraq
Sgt. Matthew Peninger	US Army-Iraq
John Tucker	US Army-Iraq
Dr. Wayne & Katherine Niles	
(serving in the Democratic Republic of the Congo)	
Home & Foreign Missionaries	
Bill Epley, Jr.	Illness
Terry Stilley	Illness
Prentice Ethington	Illness
JoAnn Hahn	Illness
Sarah Cooper	Illness
Margaret Pride	Deaconess
The Howell Family	Death
Bev Thurgood	Deaconess Gateway
Anne Peterman	Illness
Nelya Palamarchuk	Illness

**Church Staff:** Dr. George Huffsmith - Reverend,  
H. Posey Gaines - Pastor Emeritus, Julie Lauer - Music Director,  
Olivia Yates - Organist, Marge Baker - Pianist, Beth & Sarah  
Bloss - Nursery Attendants, Tom Kinner - Sexton,  
Rhonda Wilson - Financial Secretary, Vada Chrockrem -  
Church Secretary, Donna Waller - Saturday Secretary,  
Nelya Palamarchuk - Custodian

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# THE CELEBRATIONS

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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.



I have been so grateful for all the love and support that has been shown to my family and me in the death of my nephew. Many have shared a word of encouragement or two and others have shared some of the pain they have been going through in their own life, some have even suggested that we develop a support group for those suffering from grief and other heavy burdens.

So let's give it a try. We will meet Tuesday evening, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Seekers Sunday School room at the bottom of the stairs on the parking lot side. I will bring a devotion, maybe some cookies or other snack, and I will help guide our time together. You come bringing yourself and anyone else you know who might find a group like this beneficial. You will have a chance to share or not as you choose and together we can create strategies and find support for the difficult struggles of our lives. If you are in fact interested but find that a Tuesday evening is not the right time for you, please call the church office and we can see if there is a time that is good for every one who is interested.

Wow!! 260 boxes of Angel Food ordered for the month of September. This ministry is clearly reaching a need in our community. I will be on vacation on distribution day but I am grateful for all the volunteers that help make this so successful.

Wednesday "Primetime" has traditionally been for children, November 5<sup>th</sup> there will be an offering for youth and adults. We will have a discussion time in the fellowship hall from 6:00 – 7:00 PM on the topic of "Creation and Evolution." The idea is not to tell you what you should think but to have an opportunity to think about Creation and Evolution, Scripture and Science. To help with the discussion James Bandoli, Professor of Biology from USI will be on hand to share his insights. Everyone is welcome and if someone would like to bring some cookies or snacks that would be great.

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(continued "From the Pastor")

As you get this in the mail I will be coming home from vacation at the North Carolina Beach. I will be rested and ready for all the exciting things that are ahead in the last Quarter of 2008. I look forward to seeing you on Sunday

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor George

### Always Say A Prayer (A.S.A.P.)

There's work to do, deadlines to meet,  
you've got no time to spare,  
But as you hurry and scurry,  
always say a prayer.

In the midst of family chaos,  
"quality time" is rare.  
Do your best; let God do the rest:  
Always say a prayer.

It may seem like your worries are  
more than you can bear.  
Slow down and take a breather-  
always say a prayer.

God knows how stressful life is;  
He wants to ease our cares,  
and He'll respond ASAP-  
Always say a prayer!

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER**  
A/C unit debt – collection to date  
\$5,585 toward \$7,000

A reminder that this Sunday is Women's Sunday and Charlotte Welling will be our speaker. Come to worship with and support the women of FBC.

### ALL-CHURCH BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Young Adult Sunday School Class is sponsoring an All-Church Birthday Party. Join us on Sun., Oct. 5 following morning worship for a baked potato and salad bar lunch followed by a "Disney themed" birthday party. There will be a cake given away for each birthday month plus some fun activities for all ages! The Youth Ministry Team will be providing the food for us. Come and join us for a birthday party for everyone!

### QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

The next quarterly business meeting will be held October 12, 2008 in the fellowship hall immediately following morning worship. Lunch will be provided by the church after the meeting.

### OCTOBER KOFFEE KLATCH

5<sup>TH</sup> - - N ~ Z  
19<sup>TH</sup> - - Seekers & Financial Team

### YOUTH FALL RETREAT

All High School students and YAUT are invited to our Fall retreat on Oct. 17-19 at Beaver Lodge on Barkley Lake. Our theme is "Get out of the Salt Shaker". More info will be coming in the mail.

### IT DEPENDS WHOSE HANDS IT'S IN!

A basketball in my hands is worth about \$19. A basketball in Michael Jordan's hands is worth about \$33 million.

A baseball in my hands is worth about \$6. A baseball in Roger Clemens' hands is worth \$475 million.

A tennis racket is useless in my hands. A tennis racket in Andre Aggassi's hands is worth millions.

A rod in my hands will keep away an angry dog. A rod in Moses' hands will part the mighty sea.

A slingshot in my hands is a kid's toy. A slingshot in David's hand is a mighty weapon.

2 fish and 5 loaves of bread in my hands is a couple of fish sandwiches. 2 fish and 5 loaves of bread in Jesus' hands will feed thousands.

Nails in my hands might produce a birdhouse. Nails in Jesus Christ's hands will produce salvation for the entire world.

As you see now, it depends whose hands it's in. So put your concerns, worries, fears, hopes, dreams, your families and your relationships in God's hands because . . . *It depends on whose hands it's in.*



Thank you to everyone for your participation in the new church directory. We are so thankful for everyone who came out and had their picture taken. We had a great turnout! Also, a big thank you to the volunteers who worked the sign-in tables, your time was much appreciated! If for any reason you were unable to have your picture taken, but you would still like to have your photo included, please contact Sarah Bloss (812-473-0455) as soon as possible and we will make sure you are included! Thanks again, EVERYBODY!

Sarah Bloss

FREE MOVIE NIGHT . . . Saturday, October 4 at 6:30pm. "The Bee Movie" Free popcorn and drinks!

October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm



Middle School Bonfire  
at the Hollis'

High School & YAUT  
Fall Retreat  
October 17<sup>th</sup> -- 19<sup>th</sup>  
at Beaver Lodge