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Tribal News

Marilyn Duker

The Tribe of Judah recently enjoyed its monthly fellowship at the Golden Coral. The event was both a fellowship and a meeting. Several ideas were generated regarding future events. Our efforts continue to be focused on team development, increasing member participation, and glorifying God. If your last name starts with an A or C, The Tribe of Judah welcomes you to join us! You can find the contact information for the FBC Tribes of Israel located on the counter at the entrance

to the Son's House. Please join us as we focus on unity, Pastor's vision for the Church and continue to strive to "Defy, Defeat and Destroy Division."

The Tribe of Simeon congratulates Simeonite Sister Shirlene King, who was a Praise 102.5 prize winner.

The Tribe of Ephraim prays for continued success for Jalia Carlton-Crew (Osborn) daughter of Admira Osborn who was in-

ducted into The National BETA Club on May 4

The FBC Twelve Tribes of Israel continue to present the Books of the Bible during the Wednesday Night Bible Study. It is an event that you don't want to miss! The presentations are very creative and provides an opportunity to learn so much about the Bible.

Tribes may submit their news to Sister Marilyn Duker, mdukes210@yahoo.com by the 15th of each month

Welcome New Members

Brooklyn Craig
Rashaunda Craig
Tahirah McDaniel
Essie Shakesnider
Kyle Shakesnider
Destiny Thomas
Dytina Thomas
Fredrick Thomas

Mothers' Corner

Letter to Mother

Date: Now 'til Eternity

Dear Mother,

You are probably wondering why I am writing you this letter when I could just call you. A telephone call last but a few minutes, a letter lasts a lifetime. What I have to say in this letter will carry us throughout eternity. Every day I am reminded of what a fantastic mom you are. Now that I have children of my own I understand just how hard being a mother really is and how well you do it. I couldn't have prayed and asked for a better mother! You have always been there to give excellent advice, make great food, go shopping, or just listen. You are truly a terrific mom and a special person.

As a young girl I watched you pray, when I did not know or understand why since everything seemed fine. Now that I am a mother, I know that you were praying for my protection from those things that my youthful eyes could not see but your maternal instinct knew. I thank you for being patient with me through my ups and downs. When I was young, I know I tried your patience. Now that I am a mother, I know it was in those times that you were on your knees PRAYING for me. That is what got me through. I understand the power of prayer and the importance of keeping your children covered in the PRECIOUS name of our Father. You have always been the Godly voice of reason, and always managed to be kind, and full of joy. I can only PRAY that I am half as good a mother to my children as you are to me.

Grace, Love and Peace,
Your Daughter

You should be known for the beauty that comes from within, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is so precious to God. ~ 1 Peter 3:4

**Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers
From
The Mothers' Board**

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Living the Word *Pastor Micheal Benton*

The Great Gift of Motherhood

Motherhood is one of life's greatest callings and God's greatest gift to the world. A mother's influence on her children is often evident and manifest in their actions and achievements. The Bible relates stories that characterize stellar mothers and their subsequent influences on the achievements of their children. Eve was thrust into motherhood with no instructional manual, no mentor and no role

model. Her God-given intuitive instincts earned her the title of "Mother of all living" and propelled her to fulfill her part in God's plan of populating the earth. Godly mothers are patient, faithful and loyal. Sarah exemplified these attributes. Loyal to her husband, she conceived through a miracle at an old age. Her faith is an example of waiting on the Lord and caused her to be called the "mother of the nation of Israel". Like Sarah, Hannah conceived at an old age. Because of her prayer life, steadfastness and faith in God, she gave birth to Samuel and five other children who were all a great blessing to her life. Bath-

sheba was a mother that experienced the heartbreak of losing a child. She was loyal to her husband, King David, and bore Solomon who grew up to become Israel's greatest king. Jochebed, the mother of Moses was an underappreciated mother but she demonstrated a tremendous faith in God and her brave and unselfish actions saved the life of her son. Consequently, Moses freed the Hebrew people from their four hundred year bondage and led them on a journey to the Promised Land. Godly mothers are obedient, selfless and committed to the Lord. Elizabeth, mother of John, was obedient to the instruc-

tions of God. She dedicated her son to the Lord and he became a great prophet. Mary, mother of Jesus was the most honored mother in the Bible. She accepted God's will in her life while suffering shame and pain. Mary is an optimal example of obedience and submission to God's will and was highly favored by God. Her son, Jesus, ultimately became the Savior of the world. Consider these examples from the Holy Bible and never underestimate the power of influence that a mother has over her children.

I'm Just Saying



The Joys and Trials of Motherhood

Children teach us how to be mothers. No two children can be mothered *exactly* alike in all phases of their lives. Once we think we have mastered the awesome task of mothering, we

are presented with yet another challenge. At any given moment, we witness our children transform from God's little angels to imps of terror. Our chore is a daily balancing act of "too much" and "too little": too much discipline, too little freedom; too much affection, too little attention; too many responsibilities, too little expectations; and the list goes on. The roles and tasks of mothers are many and never-ending. There are no days off, no sick leave, no vacations, no sabbaticals, no holidays or time off for good behavior for us. We are the "go to" people for every

aspect of our children's lives and responsible (by default) for their actions and behaviors. Whether our children perform well or poorly, the charge is laid at our feet – especially when they perform poorly. We often have to take the blame but share the credit. Our lives are a constant barrage of questions, requests and expectations. No matter the age of our children, we are forever bombarded with "will you?", "can you?" or "did you?", along with "I need", "I want" and "I must have." We are expected to know everything and do everything from fixing a

broken heart to fixing a broken toilet. Despite the trials, disappointments and self denials, motherhood is cherished and highly regarded. It is arguably the most important job known to man. No mothers, no world! Two true and famous sayings bear out this claim: "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world" and "Jesus was so special to the world that God only trusted Him to enter the world through the womb of a woman." Happy Mother's Day. You DESERVE a break today!



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128th Church Anniversary Celebration

Deaconess Shelia Anderson

“Denying, Defeating and Destroying Division”

God has truly smiled on Fairfield! He has continuously taken us higher and higher in His will for our church. Let us offer up praises to Him as we begin the celebration of our 128th Church Anniversary.

The Anniversary celebration commences with a spirit-filled revival Wednesday - Friday, May 15 - May 17, 2013 at 7 PM nightly. Pastor Jerry D. Black from Beulah Missionary Baptist Church will be our guest revivalist.

The anniversary celebration will culminate on Sunday, May 19, 2013, during our 7:30 AM & 10:45 AM services. Pastor Keith Brooks of All Nations Life & Praise will be the guest speaker for the 7:30 AM service and our very own anointed Pastor Micheal Benton will deliver the message at the 10:45 AM service.

A special occasion will occur in the Zack Brown Administrative and Educational Center on Sunday, May 19, 9:45 - 10:15 AM. Our media center will be named in honor of the late Deacon Eli McKenzie, Jr., PhD. Join us as we pay tribute and reminisce the impact of Deacon McKenzie's life on the FBC family.

Encourage your friends, family and neighbors to fellowship with us during our anniversary celebration.

**Anniversary at a Glance
Wednesday - Friday, May 15 - 17, 2013, 7 PM**

Revival
Pastor Jerry Black, Guest Revivalist
Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, Decatur, GA
The Son's House

Sunday, May 19, 2013
Worship Service - 7:30 AM
Pastor Keith Brooks, Guest Speaker
All Nations Life & Praise, Stockbridge, GA
Appellation Services of the Eli McKenzie, Jr. Media Center
Zack Brown Administrative & Educational Center
9:45—10:15 AM

Worship Service - 10:45 AM
Pastor Micheal Benton

Good Friday Celebration

Minister Valerie Jackson

Our Trail of Passion Week

The multitudes that went before and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest. (Matthew 21:9). A celebration of the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. On Palm Sunday, the FBC Ministers and family re-enacted the triumphant entry of Jesus entering Jerusalem. The entrance was made by Rev. Leonard Franklin, portraying Jesus accompanied by Min. Leonard Jones and Jack, the donkey, portraying the colt. As they made their entrance onto the FBC campus, the excitement in the crowd was building, although it was cloudy and a few rain drops fell, it did not stop the Sunday school classes from dismissing early so that they could catch a glimpse of this magnificent sight. The grounds around the courtyard were covered with palm branches and those that received palm branches after the 7:30 AM service, anxiously laid them down in the path of the trio as they reached their destination of the front entry of the Son's House. The amazement of the glorious scenario outside permeated the atmosphere of those watching from inside the building. How awesome it was, the atmosphere and experience was one to remember.

The Good Friday service was one likened to no other the FBC family had ever experienced before. After many practices, prayers and much patience, the FBC Ministerial Staff along with their families, deacons, tribal members and many others, invited the congregation on a tour of Passion Week that occurs the week before Jesus' crucifixion. As the guest entered the Micheal Benton Family Life Center, they were greeted with a welcome and prayer after which the guest had the option to take the tour or take their seat. Once the threshold of the lobby into the gym was crossed, the transformation gave the feel of being in a different place in time. Jesus, the tour guide, portrayed by Rev. Leonard Franklin, walked those on the tour through each day of Passion Week. The first day was Monday - Jesus Curses the fig tree and cleanses the temple for the second time in His ministry. On Tuesday, Jesus and the Disciples find the fig tree withered, He teaches of faith followed by the scene wherein Judas bargains with the Sanhedrin. Wednesday was a silent day and a day of prayer. As we left the prayer garden, we came upon the scenes for Thursday; the Lord's Supper, the foot washing and Garden of Gethsemane. As Judas and the soldiers enter to take Jesus away, the focus then

turned to the finale - Friday, the crucifixion! As Jesus carried the cross while being scorned and ridiculed by the soldiers, Jesus was not left alone. He was escorted by His mother and John and several others that understood His plight. On the stage were the two thieves. As Jesus mounted the stage with the cross on His shoulders the tension built, because we all knew what would take place next. Can you imagine, Jesus hanging on the cross, right here on the campus of FBC? Well He was and hearts were pounding as Jesus, the tour guide, took us through the emotions and acts of what our Savior endured for us on that cross. Watching as His side was pierced, the soldier doused Him with His blood, he instantly became a believer. Witnessing His body taken to the tomb, while the GLAD dancers saluted Him with a dance was awesome. Knowing that the story would not end at the cross was cause for joy! Three days later at sunrise was an even greater story. The Sunrise service begins, where the Good Friday Service ended - at the tomb. Glancing upon the tomb, there stood an angel, but where was the body that was laid there?

He is RISEN!!

Upcoming Events

WINGS' Meeting

Tuesday, May 7, 7 PM
Zack Brown Administrative and Educational Center, Room 219
First Lady Y'Vonne Benton, Convener
All ladies are asked to attend.

Journey to the Holy Land

Pastor and First Lady Benton will host an informational meeting for persons interested in traveling with them to the Holy Land in 2014. The meeting will be held on Friday, May 24 at 7 PM in the Library. All are welcome.

Breaking News!

Micheal Benton Academic Excellence Program (AEP)

The Micheal Benton Academic Excellence Program (AEP) is celebrating 20 years of achievement in 2013. We are looking for all former AEP scholars from over the years. If you are, or know, a former AEP participant, please sign up at the kiosk, email aep@fairfieldbaptistchurch.org or contact the church secretary. We wish to get as many former AEP scholars as possible, so spread the word!

Classy Grad Scholarship

The AEP committee invites all current high school seniors who are entering college in the fall to apply for the Classy Grad Scholarship. Applications are available on the church website. The deadline to submit an application is May 31, 2013.

MEDALS, get ready...

Men's Day
Sunday, July 14, 2013
7:30 AM & 10:45 AM Worship Services
A gathering for healing, deliverance, spiritual awakenings, and a washing in the pure, unadulterated word of our Heavenly Father, Lord God Almighty!

Spring into Shape in the Micheal Benton Family Life Center

Gospelcize
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7PM - Saturday, 8 AM

Zumba
Mondays, 7:30 PM



May 28 - August 9
Monday ~ Friday 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM

For more information please call
770.482.7660, Ext. 8
or
visit the church website

FBC Lost and Found

The Ushers' Ministry is responsible for the management of lost and found items. If you have lost/misplaced an item, please contact the church office at 770-482-7660, ext. 180 to provide details on the item. Also, please provide contact information so you can be reached if we locate the item. Due to the number of unclaimed (no owners' names) Bibles found last year, to ensure return, make sure that your name and number are displayed in your Bible. Items retrieved are normally maintained for a period of six months.

**Fairfield Baptist Church
Service Times**

Mondays
Intercessory Prayer
7:00PM
Sanctuary
"The Upper Room"

Wednesdays
Bible Study
12 Noon
C.L. Nall Chapel
7:00 PM
The Son's House

Worship Services
Sundays
7:30AM & 10:45AM
The Son's House

Sunday School
9:15AM
Zack Brown
Administrative Center

Youth Church
Last Sunday of Each
Month
10:45AM
C.L. Nall Chapel

Church Directory

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Lost & Found
Usher Ministry
Ext. 180

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Mission
Food & Clothing
Ext. 112

Events

May 5
Communion Worship Services
 7:30 & 10:45 AM

May 12
 Mother's Day

May 15 - 17
 Revival
 Pastor Jerry Black
 Beulah Baptist Church
 7:00 PM
 The Son's House

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 9:45—10:15 AM
 Appellation Service
 Eli McKenzie, Jr. Media Center
 Zack Brown Administrative &
 Educational Center
 10:45 AM Worship Service
 Pastor Micheal Benton

May 25
 Kimberly Simmon's Wedding
 4 PM
 C.L. Nall Chapel

May 26
Freedom Sunday
Kingdom Kreation
 10:45 AM
 C.L. Nall Chapel

May 27
 Memorial Day
 (Church Offices Closed)

Prayer Ministry
 Intercessory Prayer
 Monday Nights, 7:00 PM
 The Upper Room
 "The effectual fervent prayer of a
 righteous man availeth much".
 - James 5:16b

Fairfield Kingdom Voices
 1st and 3rd Mondays
 7:00 PM
 Zack Brown Administrative Center

Gospelcize
 Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 PM
 Saturdays, 8:00 AM
 Zumba
 Mondays, 7:30 PM

Around FBC...

The WINGS Ministry News

Cruise to Cozumel, Mexico
Contact Sister Carol Franklin for information.
 770-987-9148 or cfranklin@bellsouth.net

Co-Pastor Bernita Croslan & Women of Life

Invite you to attend a
 Mother's Day Brunch
 Saturday, May 11, 2013, 10 AM - 2 PM
 Guest Speakers

First Lady Y'Vonne Benton & Minister Nzinga Benton
 Paschal's Restaurant
 180 Northside Drive, SW
 Atlanta, GA
 \$25 per person (RSVP Minister Lilly Clopton or Minister Pam Dixon, 678.956.2247)

Women's Celebration

"Women of God: Building a Legacy and Leaving a Heritage"
 Revival, October 16-18, 7 PM
 Women's Day, October 20, 7:30 AM and 10:45 AM Worship Services

Ladies, to receive weekly emails from the WINGS ministry, please email us at wings@fairfieldbaptistchurch.org, so we can include you on future correspondence.

Toastmasters International's Youth Leadership Program

Invites
 Youth Ages 10 — 18
 To become a participant of the 2013 Youth Leadership Program
 a Free

Dynamic Summer Enrichment Program
 Developing Today's Youth
 Through

Speaking Skills, Leadership Skills, Self-Confidence and Interpersonal Communication Skills

Outline of Program

Eight 1-2 Hour Sessions
 Participants will learn how to:
 Prepare and present a speech
 Conduct Meetings
 Listen Effectively and
 Evaluate What They Have Heard

Participants will Receive

Handbook
 Completion Certification
 Youth Evaluation Form

Class Schedule
 June 3, 4, 11, 18, 25
 July 2, 9, 16, 23
 7:00 PM—8:30 PM
 Zack Brown Administrative &
 Educational Center

For information on registration contact:
 Deacon Toastmaster Michael Morris
 404.502.5806

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A Mother's Day Tribute

JoAnn Williams-West

O God, I thank you for the Mothers of the world, for they have served as lanterns in our lives. They have let their light shine in the dark and uncertain paths that we chose. Mothers have calmed and stilled debilitating doubts and fears with their hugs, encouraging words, wise lessons, firm nudges, and faithful actions along our journey of life and back to you, O God. They have loved us even when we proved to be not so lovable. They have believed in us when we wavered about our own sense of self worth. It has been our mothers who taught us how to survive in a mean world that does not always reflect you, O, Lord. For this, we are truly thankful!

To some the history of this very special day is well known, but to others, it is not. While we look forward to Mother's Day every year to bestow love and special blessings upon those to whom we lovingly call our mother, it might be interesting to know the origin. Mother's Day was first suggested in 1872 by Julia Ward Howe (who wrote the words to the "Battle Hymn of the Republic") as a day dedicated to peace. In 1907, Philadelphian Ana Jarvis began a campaign to establish a national Mother's Day. She persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Virginia to celebrate Mother's Day on the second anniversary of her mother's death, the second Sunday of May. After establishing Mother's Day in Philadelphia, Ana Jarvis and her supporters wrote to ministers, businessman, and politi-

cians around the United States promoting the idea of a national Mother's Day. They were successful, and by 1911 Mother's Day was celebrated in almost every state. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed Mother's Day a national holiday.

Most people will agree that there is not a more important person on earth than their mother. Understandably so, all "mothers" are not necessarily "birth parents." Inherent in the word mother is the spirit of one who enriches, informs, nurtures, guides, protects, and helps to shape lives. As children of awesome mothers, we strive to be half as good, half as brave, and half as faithful as they have proven to be. We aspire to be the role models that our mothers have been since our childhood when we watched as they went into uncharted waters for the purpose of making life better for us. There is an intense need for more mothers who are willing to ensure that their children do not drown in materialism, greed, and violence. We need more mothers like those of yesteryear who were not willing to sit idly by and watch their children self destruct or grow up thinking that life is about acquiring rather than sharing, selfishness rather than sacrifice, and material rather than spiritual wealth. As an awesome mother, share with others so that the legacy of motherhood is strengthened with each generation. In so doing, Happy Mothers' Day!

A Memorial Day Salute

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Americans have celebrated achievement of individuals, small groups, and organizations that have conquered major events throughout time that have been beneficially significant for society as a whole. Americans have come together within families, schools, social clubs, corporations and churches to commemorate these events in various ways. Ways such as awards ceremonies, formal parties, concerts, and tributes that bring huge awareness to the entire world. One theme that definitely carries throughout America is the need to acknowledge those who have fought in wars for American freedom. This is a theme that has been met with struggles but has managed to survive. One day that promotes this theme is Memorial Day. Memorial Day is a day of remembering soldiers who lost their lives while serving in the United States Armed Forces. It is held on the last Monday of the month of May every year. The day was first called Decoration Day because the graves of fallen soldiers were decorated with flowers to show tribute. The day originated after the Civil War to remember those who lost their lives in the Union and Confederate armies. Eventually, the day broadened to include all those who lost their lives

in any war while in the Armed Forces. Memorial Day and Veteran's Day have a lot in common. However, the difference between them lies in the fact that Memorial Day is a salute to those who are no longer living and Veteran's Day salutes the same but the concentration is on those who are living. On Memorial Day United States flags are raised to the top of the staff and then lowered to half – staff until 12 noon. After 12 noon the flag is raised to the top of the staff for the remainder of the day. The half staff position is to honor the many people who lost their lives serving their country. Raising the flag after the lowering signifies that those who are still fighting will not let the lives of fallen soldiers be in vain. Those who remain will continue to strive for freedom and justice for all. Memorial Day should serve as a renewal of all Americans as we think about the importance of freedom in life for all. As Christians we should thank God for those who are not afraid to sacrifice their lives for others. As Christians we should continue to pray for all those serving in the Armed Forces today. May the peace and protection of God be with them always, in Jesus' name, Amen!

Journey Through the Bible

Bible Study
 Wednesdays

Noon Day
Book of Revelation
Apostle John, Author
Jesus Christ's Second Coming and Satan's Defeat

Key Verse
"Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near."
 - Revelation 1:3

There are two books in the Bible that Satan does not want us to read. These books are Genesis and Revelation. He doesn't want us to read Genesis because it establishes who God is and His will for mankind. Also, he wants us to ignore the book of Revelation because it informs us of Christ's return and Satan's ultimate defeat.

In the following chapters, God shows Satan that He is still in full control and re-affirms that those that have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior will be victorious.

Chapters 6 and 7
Opening the seven seals -
This begins the series of judgments in which the Lord takes back creation from the usurper, Satan.

Chapters 8 and 9
The seventh seal and the sounding of the seven trumpets -
God's judgments intensify and expand dramatically.

7:00 PM

"The Son's House

The Book of I Samuel
 May 1 & May 8
 Presented by
 Tribe of Ephraim

The Book of II Samuel
 May 22 & May 29
 Presented by
 Tribe of Manasseh

Thoughts on Faith

Has your faith blossomed?

Deaconess Cecelia Horne

We have gone through "April Showers" and now it is "May Flowers". As we welcome Spring, I have one question to ask, "Has your faith blossomed?" As we look toward springtime, we see things around us changing - flowers blooming, butterflies flying and birds singing. Understand that God expects us, as believers, to grow in our faith and come to a level of spiritual maturity (Hebrews 6:1). Realize that growing in our faith is a process that is outward and inward; it is an ongoing journey. Just as a caterpillar goes through a metamorphosis to reach its full potential to become a butterfly, we as children of God must undergo a spiritual transformation to reach our God-given potential. We were all created in the image and likeness of God, but when sin entered the world, sin became our first instinct; so in saying that, we must renew our minds daily so that we can be trans-

formed into the image of Jesus Christ (Romans 12:2, 2 Corinthians 3:18). We have been told plenty of times that if we have faith the size of a mustard seed, we could move mountains (Matthew 17:20). In order for the seed to grow, it must first be planted, then watered. If we want to grow, we must be planted in a church and watered in Sunday School and Bible Study so we can keep growing stronger and stronger in Christ. Know that we all make mistakes along the way as we strive for maturity, but if we keep the faith we know that He will complete the work in us if we cooperate with his plan for our lives (Philippians 1:6). So let us take the time to blossom in our faith, reading God's word daily, fasting, praying and fellowshiping with other believers. Again, I ask, "Has your faith blossomed?"

*"When desperation meets determination,
motivation is born.
When motivation is born,
transformation takes place."
Rev. Brenda Rush*

WEATHER SAFETY: HAVE A PLAN Nurses Guild - Crisis Intervention Team

Each year thunderstorms and tornadoes kill or injure hundreds of people. Do not wait until there is a watch or warning to form a plan. Form your plan now and review it regularly with your family. When skies look threatening, listen to a local radio or television station for reports of the weather conditions. Remember, a tornado **watch** means that conditions are right for a tornado. Be prepared to take shelter and keep informed of the latest storm conditions. A tornado **warning** means that a tornado has been sighted and confirmed in the area. When a warning is issued, take cover immediately. Abandon mobile homes or cars and find cover in a well-constructed building. If no suitable buildings are nearby, lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert, with your hands shielding your head. In shopping centers or large buildings, look for a designated shelter. The next best place to be would be the basement or a location in the middle of the building, behind an interior wall, or on the lowest

floor. Stay away from large windows or other glass. Do not use the telephone except for an emergency. If you are outside, do not stand underneath a natural lightning rod, such as a tall isolated tree in an open area. Avoid standing on a hilltop or in an open field. Have an emergency preparedness plan and review it regularly. Think about making up an emergency bag to include copies of important papers. If you had to get out of your house within a few minutes, what would you need to have in one location to take with you. Those are the things that should be in your emergency bag.

Be prepared to be safe!

Resurrection Sunday Review

Blanche Johnson

An Easter Celebration



For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
- John 3:16

FBC held its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30. The Sunday School Easter Program was held on March 31, in the Micheal Benton Family Life Center during the Sunday School hour. The purpose of the Sunday School Easter Program is to celebrate

the resurrection of Jesus. The **Easter Egg Hunt** was held on our campus offering fun and refreshments! Why an Easter Egg Hunt, one might ask? Reason being, new life begins with an egg, and with the resurrection of Jesus there is everlasting new life. A gift basket was given to the two winners who found the "special eggs", and there were

many other little give-aways for blessed winners. The Easter Egg Hunt was a fun activity for the children who came out. Special thanks to Trinitarian Beverly Smith along with Sister Janice Lampkin and the other volunteers who made this event a success. The **Sunday Easter Program** was entitled

"THAT'S LOVE". The children recited their Easter speeches and performed a skit that was directed by Sister Joyce Smith and Sister Gwen Franklin. The children were excited as they sang, "Jesus Loves Me". These events are a reminder that **"Jesus is the reason for the Easter Season."** We invite you to come and learn more about Jesus in Sunday School on Sunday mornings from 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM in the Zack Brown Administrative and Educational Center.



Kingdom Kreation

Brittany King

H.Y.Y.P.E.'s Events

Kingdom Kreation H.Y.Y.P.E. (Helping Youth Yield Positive Energy) held Movie Night on Friday, April 19. We were back on campus for a Friday night filled with fun, fellowship, and a free film, Soul Surfer. The youth brought their food and snacks to munch on while they enjoyed the movie, so it was a great alternative to the expensive movie theaters. Most importantly, our youth were able to gather for a positive activity with other like-minded peers. On Saturday, May 4, Kingdom Kreation hosted Fair-"Field Day" and Barbecue. Our youth ages 5 and up (parents were also welcomed to compete) were engaged in tug o'war, kickball, relay races and more. In between events, we enjoyed good food at this family event.



A'Shonnee Whitehead wins a gift for inviting the most friends.

Email your contact information to kingdomkreation@fairfieldbaptistchurch.org to receive text updates of our events or follow us on Twitter, @KingdomKreati0n to stay informed.

Movie night is not just for little kids! Jamal McDonald, Joshua Jackmon, Destiny Ramsey and Antonio Jackson join in the fun.



KK's Freedom Sundays
The Last Sunday of Each Month
10:45 AM
C.L. Nall Chapel