

# *The Mintz Herald*



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*Month 2006*

## **Baptist Men's Day**

**This Sunday, January 28**

**All services led by the men!**

**Breakfast 8:30 a.m.**

*All Men's  
Choir*

*Testimonies*

**Sunday School 9:30 a.m.**

*SERMONETTE*

*Special  
Music*

**Worship 10:30**



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Sarah and I want say it is our turn to express how much we appreciate you as our church family. Sunday was a very emotional and heartwarming day for us as you expressed your love and appreciation. We want you to know that the feelings and appreciation go both ways.

The Lord has blessed Mintz because we have been a pastor and people with one focus, one spirit, and a growing love for each other. We have worked hard together when it was needed, and we have played together when the opportunity was there. We have laughed together in the good times and we have cried together in moments of loss or in light of bad news. We have shown compassion and forgiveness to those within our fellowship who messed up and sought our help and spiritual strength.

You have demonstrated over these 13 years a faith and trust in us as your spiritual leaders that have been unequal to other pastoral experiences. You placed yourself outside your comfort zone many times as we stepped out in faith to take on expansion projects, trusting God first, then your shepherd, and then yourselves. We have learned the meaning of Paul's analogy of the church as he compared it to the human body. There is no one part more valuable than another. Any time one part fails to function or carry out its purpose, the effect has been felt throughout the body.

I have seen you grow spiritually; I have seen your talents become more fine-tuned and I have witnessed God adding, through the work of the Holy Spirit, additional spiritual gifts to your lives. Sarah and I have witnessed the growing up of many of our youth whom we love and hold very dear in our hearts. We have had the privilege of seeing them accept Christ, and I having the privilege of baptizing them.

Also, it is so emotional to look at many of you as parents and leaders within this fellowship and remember when you yielded your life to Christ and became committed to His work and the Church.

As Eddie said to us, "These are not just words, but are real expressions of our love." Sarah and I want to assure you of the same thing. We love and appreciated you more than we can ever put into words. Church, we thank you for this past Sunday!

Pastor McBride

## **BAPTIST MEN'S DAY** **SCHEDULE**

Services will be altered for Sunday, January 28. The schedule will be as follows:

**Breakfast** 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Plan to arrive early for breakfast so the clean-up committee will have ample time to finish their work by the Sunday School hour.

**Sunday School** 9:30 – 10:15 AM. The men will conduct all classes, from Nursery up.

**Worship** 10:30 AM. A very meaningful service is prepared. James Edwards, Dale Johnson and Rex Pilkington will be giving testimonies. Tom Dudley will bring a very inspirational sermonette. Special music will be by Ed Marston, Frank Powell and the Men's choir.

Remember our men in prayer this week as they prepare for this special service.

## **NEW 2007 BUDGET**

In December, without hesitation, our church adopted a record budget for Mintz Baptist. We praise the Lord that our offerings for the first three Sundays of the new budget year exceeded our weekly goal. This shows our commitment to this new budget.

Because of our faithfulness in the past, God has blessed Mintz Baptist. He is in the blessing business and His desire is to bless us beyond our imagination.

I believe greater things are yet to be seen!



## **MEN'S RALLY**

We have a good number signed up to go to the Baptist Men's Rally in Fayetteville on Monday night January 29. The meeting will begin with a meal at 6 p.m. At 6:45 p.m. we will enjoy a time of praise and worship together. There will be special music by the Fishers of Men followed by the program with Rev. Stan Welch. Rev.

Welch is the pastor of Blackwelder Park Baptist Church in Kannapolis, NC. He is also the current President of the NC Baptist State Convention.

We will depart the church promptly at 5:15 p.m. and travel by church bus.

## **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

The church directory pictures have been taken and now the committee has the task of compiling all the material into the final directory. We should have the final product in our hands in the very near future.

## **WIDOW/WIDOWER/ SR. CITIZENS BANQUET**

On Saturday, February 10, the Deacon Ministry of Mintz Baptist Church will host a banquet to honor the widows and widowers of our community and the senior citizens of our fellowship.

The banquet will be held at 4:30 PM in the Family Life Center. Larry and Charlotte Tanner have agreed to prepare the main meal. The deacon wives will prepare the side dishes and desserts.

The program will feature the Marksmen Quartet and an inspirational devotional. A special feature will be the Pastor and Sarah singing the top song on the senior citizen's top 10.



## **SPECIAL GROUP TO SING IN APRIL**

For our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday sing in April we have a group, Wing and a Prayer, coming from the Greensboro area. They will be arriving, with their spouses, on Saturday (April 28) in order to get their equipment set up for Sunday service. We need a couple homes for them to spend the night.

If you have a spare bed and would like to have a Christian cou-

ple spend the night with you, please let Robin Brown know.

## **ANNUAL FUND RAISER**

Mark your calendar now for our Spring Fund Raiser scheduled for **March 3**. The proceeds from this annual fundraiser are used to support the Lord's work locally and on a foreign field. For the past two years we have sent a portion of our profit to our adopted missionary in Canada.

The day will begin with our Bar-B-Q and chicken plates served during lunch and dinner hours. Our annual auction will close out the day.

Start now thinking about those auction items you plan to donate.

## **HELP NEEDED AT RIEGELWOOD**

The State is now enlisting volunteers for food service and construction teams to meet the needs of the Riegelwood community.

The work project is tentatively set to begin in mid-February and last about 3 weeks. The goal of the NC Baptist Men is to rebuild 3 houses in this short time frame.

I hope there will be an interest shown and that many of us can go and help in this project. The exact dates will be forthcoming but in the meantime let's see if we can build a team within





our church to help with this project.

A sign-up sheet will be placed on the hall bulletin board. You may contact Rex Pilkington or the Pastor for further information.

## **THE ANNUAL EVANGELISM CONFERENCE**

We would like to take a group from our church to the Annual Evangelism Conference at Providence Baptist Church in Raleigh on February 12 & 13. The first session begins Monday evening at 6:25. There is also a morning and afternoon session on Tuesday as well as the evening session at 6:25. We would like to take our group to both of the evening sessions, which we highly promote.

For those interested in going, a sign-up sheet will be passed around the Sunday School classes and posted on the hall bulletin board. We have invested in a church bus and we need to take advantage of some of the outstanding programs

offered through our convention. This is one of those opportunities.

If you have never been to an Evangelistic Conference, you have missed a great treat. You will hear outstanding music, testimonies and preaching. The musicians and speakers come from all over the Southern Baptist Convention. **Plan to go. You will not be sorry for the sacrifice of time made to attend this conference**


## **NEW WEB PAGE**

It has been a long time coming but the site should be published within 30 days. The Web Committee has now turned all the material over to the developer and they have sent back some of the content for review by the committee. You will be pleased and proud of our Web site once it is complete.

The web site will provide information for the community and keep our membership informed of all current and upcoming events.

# CONNECTING

OUR CULTURE WITH THE



## *Gospel*

60<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
EVANGELISM & CHURCH  
GROWTH CONFERENCE

**FEBRUARY 12-13, 2007**

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH  
6339 GLENWOOD AVENUE  
RALEIGH, NC 27612

[www.pray.org](http://www.pray.org) or [www.bsnc.org/evangelismmissions](http://www.bsnc.org/evangelismmissions)

## **SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS**

Tentative reservation for 35 slots has been made at Ridgecrest for the weeks of June 25-30 and July 23-28. We must decide by February 1st which week we will be reserving and a deposit must be made to hold that reservation. We must also have a count of those who plan to go.

Application has also been made



with Caswell, but confirmation has not been received.

## **LAY WITNESS REVIVAL**

The Deacons and Pastor have discussed our evangelistic emphasis for this church year. We have had three revivals back-to-back (led by guest speakers) and it has been four years since we have had our first lay revival. We all agreed that it was time to get personally involved once again by inviting another lay team to come and lead us in a weekend outreach and spiritual adventure. This event is scheduled for May 4, 5 & 6.

What is the difference between a guest speaker revival and a lay-led revival? A guest speaker revival is simply that we come and listen to a speaker and seek personal renewal from the messages and leadership of the Holy Spirit. A lay-led revival is one that we personally get in-

involved in; we put forth an effort to seek out the lost and un-churched in our community.

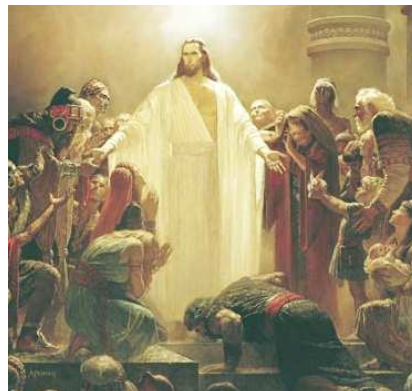
Our Lay Witness team leader for this year will again be Ron Jordan. Ron is coming to Mintz in the near future to start the groundwork for this revival.

Begin praying now for God's leadership in this upcoming revival.

## **EASTER PROGRAM PLANNING**

Since Easter is the second Sunday in April, time is short for planning and preparing our youth and children's program.

**Parents, it is important to note that all practices will be held on the Sunday nights the children and youth meet.** The Wednesday TK and Youth programs are too important to disrupt for two months. Also time is limited on Wednesday nights, whereas on Sunday nights the leaders will have twice the amount of time for practicing. **Important: Parents if you want your children in the drama/musical program this coming Easter, they will need to be present on the Sunday nights that are scheduled for Team**



**Kids and Consumed. The times will be listed on your monthly church calendar.**

# Youth News and Activities

"Without faith it is impossible to please God." Hebrews 11:6

Faith is really a big word.

I came out of my English class the other morning to go home and faith was on my mind. I felt somewhat overwhelmed and stressed because of being alienated in this class. My last study of any kind was in 1994! I want to do my very best for God in this new journey of education. I was telling God that I really was concerned about doing well in this English class. That very moment God gave me a faith reality check. It was like God slapped me across the head as I looked up at the beautiful birds He made. I was blessed at how they gracefully flew around the trees. God told me to put my faith in Him. After all, these creatures flying above me are because of Him. If God can cause the wind to blow the trees so smoothly and allow the birds to fly so freely, then my English class is nothing!



**Bryan Jackson**  
**Youth Pastor**

In Star Wars, Obi Wan tells Luke, "Your eyes can deceive you. Don't trust them. Stretch with your feelings." This is a creed that the Jedi lived by. This is totally messed up to the core when it comes to our Christian faith. I was doing the very thing Obi Wan was talking about. I was looking at this class with feeling and what my carnal eye allowed me to see. As a believer in Christ, **OUR FAITH IS MORE THAN A FEELING.**

Faith – "The assurance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Faith is the foundation for a relation in Christ. It was faith that made Peter step out of a boat and obey what Jesus had instructed him to do. Faith is trust in a true God that nothing is impossible.

We all are afraid of what we can't see but faith is to believe in what you can't see. Reward is seeing the outcome of it all in the end. That is what I feel God is telling me about my life. I feel God wants our youth to grow in true faith and that he is calling each youth at Mintz Baptist Church to be His light. Our deep, growing faith in God is what will keep igniting the world around us. I hope we will find ourselves side-by-side exercising our faith together this year.

Are you ready to join with Jesus in 2007? The choice is yours.

In Christ,  
Bryan Jackson

# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## Birthdays

### January

Jean Wilkie	10	Harold Cameron	15
Deborah Dudley	15	Erynn Sessoms	15
Hilda Brock	18	Tonya Bretthauer	20
Bobby Edwards	22	Gabriel Dudley	23
Donna H. Johnson	24	Billy Edwards	27
Cliff Bretthauer	29		

### February

Cecilya Davis	4	Amanda Kook	5
Andrew Kook	5	Anita Page	17
Lynette Knowles	27	Nicholas Johnson	28

## Anniversaries

### January

Chris and Regina Kook	2
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### February

Carl and Katrina Edwards	2
Chris and Melanie Johnson	17
Von and Deborah Johnson	24

*For additions, changes, or corrections, contact Sarah McBride*

