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**From The Pastor's Desk**

The other day Jodie brought me a stack of graduation cards for seniors in First Baptist Church about to leave the nest and test their wings in this exciting, but dangerous world.

She caught me at an awkward time and I'm afraid, in my haste, I didn't exactly say to them what I needed or wanted to say. I'm not sure they would listen to me anyway, but I still think some things have to be said by parents, grandparents, teachers and pastors. It is our responsibility; our duty and obligation to them and to God who ordained that we should serve in these capacities.

I remember when I first left home, there was a sense of, "Now I can do it my way." Let's face it, even the most loving and attentive children, if we have taught them to think at all, have ideas of their own about how to do things. That's good. The problems start to arise when a child realizes they are no longer being watched day and night and now they can make decisions totally on their own.

Some of the decisions they will make may result in financial disasters; others in physical disasters; and, some decisions can result in moral or ethical disasters. Most of their disasters will be small and manageable, although they might not feel like it at the time. We all made them and sometimes we have to make them ourselves to learn life's little lessons.

Here's the thing we need to know. They are going to make mistakes, and the best way to help them through these times was something we should have started doing almost 20 years ago. They are going to need a moral compass built into their subconscious mind. They need a Biblical world view that has been ingrained in them and is now second nature.

When they start to fall, and they will in some way, from time to time slip (we all do), the Holy Spirit, who you and I led them to in earlier years, will cry out to them, lift them up, and put them back on course.

If you are a parent of little ones, start today. Make sure your children know who Jesus is, what He did for them, and what He will continue to do for them if they keep Him close.

If you are a parent of a senior, relax, trust. If you've done the best you can, it is time to let your investment pay off. It is time to give your child up to adult hood and have the same faith in God you have taught your children. God is in control.

**SERVICE TIMES & HELPERS**

Sunday, May 23, 2010

**8:00 - CONTEMPORARY SERVICE - Sanctuary**

**Greeters:** Kayle Stremmer  
 Ben Lucas, Joshua Lucas  
**Nursery:** Tom & Sandy Walker  
**Next Week:** Karla Hundt & Bri Vis  
**Ushers:** Tony & Rita Vis Family

**9:15 - SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Believers 101** (In Pastor's Office)  
**Nursery**  
**Next Week:** Karla Hundt & Bri Vis

**10:30 - TRADITIONAL SERVICE - Sanctuary**

**Greeters:** Jim & Vickie Gillespie  
**Nursery:** Bob & Bonnie Burton  
**Next Week:** Jim & Jane Jensen  
**Ushers:** Walt Bernard, John Gilliland, Brent Soll, Doug Welsh

The crew going to Wichita to move Pastor Dan will be returning to Harlan on Saturday May 22 sometime around 7:00pm. They could use some extra help in unloading and moving the Hawn's belongings into the parsonage. If you can help see Joel Berndt or John Gilliland or give the church office your name and phone and you will be called with a more exact arrival time on Saturday. Thanks for all your prayers.

**FOR THE RECORD**

May 16, 2010

<b>Sunday School</b>		84
<b>Previous Sunday</b>		105
<b>Morning Worship - 8:00...</b>	124	<b>10:30...</b> 94
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<b>Morning Worship A Year Ago</b>		193

**TITHES & OFFERINGS**

May 16, 2010

<b>2010 Budgeted Weekly Needs</b>	\$5,875.25
<b>Weekly Needs Giving</b>	3,249.73
<b>Missions</b>	\$160.00
<b>Memorials</b>	\$25.00

### PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Wilbur Wetzel Family
- SCCO
- Allyn & Bev Bartelson
- Reno Stofferson
- Our sister churches in Latvia
- BYF Ministry
- Leanna Jensen
- Viola Waddell
- Darlene Blakely
- Geraldine Hansen
- Pastor Dan Hawn & Family
- Our troops

### SENIOR RECOGNITION

First Baptist Church will be recognizing our graduating Seniors on Sunday, May 23. The graduates will be honored at the 8:00 a.m. service. The congregation will be able to congratulate the graduates from 9:50-10:15 in the New Fellowship Hall. Please stop by to congratulate the Class of 2010.

Joe Arentson (Terry & Connie)  
Michael Kauffmann (Lee & Julie)  
Mary Kauffmann (Lee & Julie)  
Mark Langenfeld (Todd & Ann)  
Luke Lansman (Howard & Tara)  
Rob Larson (Jeff & Shelli)  
Brandon Martin (Dan & Marilyn)  
Brandon Vis (Tony & Rita)  
Josh Weisenborn (Mike & Lori)

### OPEN HOUSE FOR 90TH BIRTHDAY

Eleanor Allen will celebrate her 90th birthday at an open house on Sunday, May 30, from 2-4 p.m. in the McKee Room at the Baptist Memorial Home. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Her children are Steve and Jane Allen, Basking Ridge, NJ; Joe and Karen Allen, Austin, TX; Jeff and Linda Allen, Rogers, AR; and Sam and Jill Allen, Clayton, NC. She has 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Her husband is the late Ted Allen. She requests no gifts.

### VIDEO MINISTRY

First Baptist Church services is now on three local cable companies every week.  
HMU - Channel 23, Mon. @ 1pm and Wed. @ 3pm.  
FMCTC - Channel 48, Mon. @ 1pm.  
Mediacom - Channel 18, Mon. @ 1pm.

### MEDIA FOR THE SERVICE

If you have any item that needs to go through the media system during the Sunday services, please contact one of the following people 10 days prior to when it needs to run.

Phil Perkins - [pjbiperk@harlannet.com](mailto:pjbiperk@harlannet.com) or 755-5383  
Lois McDermott - [macscan@harlannet.com](mailto:macscan@harlannet.com) or 755-2190  
Rachel Swenson - [Courage\\_2\\_win@yahoo.com](mailto:Courage_2_win@yahoo.com)

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday

- 6 am - Promise Keepers Bible Study
- 5 pm - GriefShare
- 7-9 pm - Fresh Start

#### Thursday

- 2 pm - ABW - Joan Martens hostess
- 7 pm - Contemporary Praise Team (Sanctuary)

### VBS SCHEDULED

This year's Vacation Bible School will be held August 2 - 6, from 5:55 to 8:40 p.m. The web address for our VBS Pro online registration is:

<http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/fbcharlan>.

For more information contact Rita Vis.

### RELAY FOR LIFE

*If you wish to order a Luminaria in honor or in memory of someone you may pick up one of the special envelopes at either of the lobbies.*

### GRADUATION OPEN HOUSE INVITATIONS TO THE CHURCH

All but Rob Larson's are in the Church New Fellowship Hall



- May 22 - 4-7 pm, Brandon Martin
- May 23 - 3-6 pm, Josh Weisenborn
- May 23 - 4-7 pm, Rob Larson, 974 Oak Road
- May 30 - 2-4 pm, Brandon Vis

### BID FAREWELL TO PASTOR ROGER AND JODIE

#### Farewell Potluck Picnic

The church family is invited to celebrate Pastor Roger & Jodie's service to FBC at a potluck picnic on Wednesday, May 26. It will be held at the Pioneer Park in Harlan, at the shelter located on Pine Street (located north of the Historical Museum). The event will begin at 6PM. Please bring a main dish, one side dish, and your own table service. Drinks and cups will be provided. If you'd like, bring a lawn chair or blanket; some lawn chairs will be provided. In case of rain, the event will be moved to the church fellowship hall. We hope everyone can join us as we say 'thank you' to these precious people.

#### A special day of worship on May 30

The church is invited to attend a COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:30 a.m. on May 30 where Pastor Roger will preach his final service at FBC. There will be no 8AM worship service on this day. Sunday School will begin at its regular time, 9:15.

**The purpose of the First Baptist Church is to bring people to Jesus  
and to develop them to Christ-like maturity.**