



IN THE WINDOW

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From the Pastor — Daniel Glaze

As I write this column, I am up to my eyeballs in budget planning for 2012. Over the next few weeks, the finance committee will gather to receive request forms from committees throughout the church. We will pray over these requests, and then we begin the difficult task of putting together a budget for your consideration.

Why is this a difficult task? Because a church budget isn't just about dollars and cents. We are writing a theological document about what we value and where we feel God is calling us as a church. It is all about providing resources for us to accomplish our God-given purpose. We constantly ask ourselves, *how can we be most responsible with our finances so that we can be most generous toward God in missions and ministry?*

This year, the task of budgeting is especially difficult when you consider the economic situation in which we find ourselves. Please know that the finance committee and I are well aware of the current economic climate and the 2012 budget will certainly reflect that.

As such, I have a favor to ask. After you read this column, please put this newsletter down and pray for our church—that we might listen

for God's leading, and that we would all be able to provide the financial resources for our church's missions and ministries. Please pray for the finance committee chair Edgar Swain and vice-chair Liz Harrell, and the committee as they seek to be responsible stewards.

Thank you for your commitment to this church. It is truly an honor to be your pastor.

Daniel

OPERATION INASMUCH

Saturday, October 8

A Day of Helping & Caring for Others

**Begins at 7:30 am
with breakfast at Ahoskie
United Methodist Church**

Please bring canned meat or canned fruit for the Ahoskie Food Pantry; and also bring a breakfast item.



Sunday Worship at First Baptist

October 9
11:00 am

***"No Shirt, No Shoes,
No Service"***

Colossians 3:12-17
Matthew 22:1-14

Dr. Daniel Glaze

Musical Leadership by
The Sanctuary Choir



October 16
11:00 am

***"What is God's and
What is Caesar's?"***

Psalms 96:1-10a
Matthew 22:15-22

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Musical Leadership by
The Vocal Ensemble

From the Associate Pastor—Anita Thompson



THE CHILDREN CHORISTERS Grades 1-6

... will be singing for worship this Sunday, October 9.

The Schedule

- 9:20 am Rehearse in Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Robe in Room 104
- 11:00 am Worship Begins

What to Wear

- Dark Pants/Skirt
- Dark Shoes
- Red Turtleneck (provided by FBC)

At the beginning of the worship service the children will be seated together. After they sing, they will go and be seated with their parents.

Future worship leadership dates for the Children Choristers are:

- Sunday, November 13
- Wednesday, December 7
- Sunday, December 11



Serve one another in love.
Galatians 5:13b

CHILDREN'S MISSIONS DAY for Grades 1-6 Saturday, Nov. 5

Forest Hills Baptist Church
Raleigh
9:30 am—3:00 pm
\$25 per child
(includes breakfast, 2 snacks,

lunch, supplies, and backpack)

- 7:00 am Depart FBC
Stop for breakfast
- 6:00 pm Estimated return

Make check payable to *First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, Inc.* Due Monday, Oct. 10.



**Wednesdays
7:00—7:30 pm**

On September 21st we began rehearsing *Voices of Christmas*, to be presented on Sunday evening, December 11 at 7:00 pm. We've been pleased to have new singers join the regular Sanctuary Choir to rehearse with us. There's room for more! Rehearsals will remain open through October 12. Come join us.



**CHAIRO MUSIC ENSEMBLE
Sundays at 5:00 pm**

The 2nd year of Chairó's ministry is off to a good start. For the past 2 Sundays approximately 12 singers have gathered to learn Praise & Worship songs and multi-cultural world music to sing for worship. We're learning a contemporary setting of *For the Beauty of the Earth*, *Ancient Words* recorded by Michael W. Smith, and *Amen, We Praise Your Name, O Lord*, a Southeast African praise song. (We're even learning to sing it in Xhosa, it's

original language as well as English.)

Chairó is a lot of fun and there's still time to join us. Any interested adults, youth (grades 7-12) and older children (grades 5 & 6) are invited to join us each Sunday afternoon. It'll be worth your while.

ORGANIST UPDATE

Thank you for your patience as we continue to search for a Music Associate/Organist. With the international shortage of organists, we are but one of many churches who are searching. In a recent conversation with Andrew Scanlon, organ professor at East Carolina University, he relayed that he receives calls weekly from churches in desperate need of an organist. There just aren't enough organists available to fill the need. Thankfully, I have recently received a couple of inquiries which I am pursuing. I will keep you updated as things progress. In the meantime, please continue to pray for our search and give thanks for substitute organists like Dr. Catherine Garner who played for us last Sunday and will be playing for us on October 9, 16, 23 and November 6. Dr. Garner serves as collaborate pianist on the faculty of East Carolina University.

Grace & peace,
Anita



**STEWARDSHIP
REPORT**

October 2, 2011

Weekly Needs	\$	8,782.00
Weekly Offering	\$	9,739.37
Over Weekly Needs	\$	957.37
YTD Needs	\$	351,280.00
YTD Offerings	\$	321,787.56
(Under) YTD Needs	(\$	29,492.44)
Food Pantry to Date	\$	1,305.00

To: Women of First Baptist Church

Have you ever said?

"I like to do some mission work, but I can't go to meetings."

"I'd like to help the church with some mission projects when I can but I'm not always available."

"I would like to hear about what is going on and all the options, events, and speakers."

Well, you can! You can sign up to be a part of WMU Choices and you will receive the monthly newsletter with:

- Updated news
- Mission projects you can help with if you choose
- Prayer concerns
- Upcoming events and speakers
- Your \$6.00 yearly dues will go towards missionary support and the Pearl Johnson Scholarship

You choose: no meetings unless you would like to attend something you see in the newsletter. This is a way to stay connected, help missionaries, support our scholarship and to be included and counted as a woman participating in missions.

Just Call Pat Byrd to sign up to receive the newsletter at 332-4122 or fill out the form below and return to the church office or drop it in the offering plate.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

I would like to join WMU Choices and would like to receive the newsletter by

_____ mail or _____ email My email address _____

_____ \$6.00 dues is enclosed

First Baptist Church WMU
Ahoskie, NC



**Sunday Morning
Bible Study**

9:45—10:45 am



**Mid-Week Prayer
Wednesdays
6:30—6:55 pm**

Options for adults include 3 co-ed classes, 2 men's classes, and 4 women's classes.

Join us for a devotion, shared concerns and time of prayer.



OPPORTUNITIES OCTOBER 9-22

Sunday, October 9

- 9:00 Bible Study Group
- 9:20 Children Choristers Rehearse
- 9:40 Adult Assembly
- 9:45 Sunday School/ Fellowship Class to Guardian Care
- 10:00 Radio Bible Class, WQDK-FM
- 11:00 Morning Worship, WQDK-FM
- 3:00 Min. to Youth Search Team
- 5:00 Chair Music Ensemble
- 6:00 Youth Activities

Monday, October 10

- 5:30 Girl Scout Troop 1702
- 6:30 Girl Scout Troop 244

Tuesday, October 11

- 9:00 Staff Meeting
- 12:00 Keenagers' Lunch
- 3:30 Sr. Adult Ministry Comm.
- 7:00 Finance Committee, FH

Wednesday, October 12

- 5:00 Children's Music & Missions
- 6:30 Mid-Week Prayer
- 7:00 Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
- 7:30 Sanctuary Choir
- 8:00 Vocal Ensemble

Thursday, October 13

- 7:00 Finance Committee, FH

Sunday, October 16

- 9:00 Bible Study Group
- 9:40 Adult Assembly
- 9:45 Sunday School/Adult II Co-ed Class to Guardian Care
- 10:00 Radio Bible Class, WQDK-FM
- 10:50 Church Conference
- 11:00 Morning Worship, WQDK-FM
- 5:00 Chair Music Ensemble
- 6:00 Youth Activities

Monday, October 17

- 5:30 Girl Scout Troop 1702
- 7:00 Book Talk

Tuesday, October 18

- 9:00 Staff Meeting
- 3:00 WCBA Fall Meeting @ Winton Baptist Church
- 6:00 Missions Committee
- 6:30 Development Committee
- 7:30 Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday, October 19

- 5:00 Children's Music & Missions
- 6:30 Mid-Week Prayer
- 7:00 Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
- 7:30 Sanctuary Choir
- 8:00 Vocal Ensemble

Thursday, October 20

- 6:00 Edith Freeman Class Dinner

Minister on Call: Dr. Daniel Glaze, 862-5108
Deacons on Call: Bill Earley and Malcolm Copeland
Sun. School at Guardian Care: Fellowship Class
Extended Session:
Babies— Mary Page Pierce and Stephanie Rose
1s & 2s— Elizabeth Harrell
3s-5s— Ginger and Eve Greene
Ushers: Lee Byrum, Kay Byrd, Gloria Freeman, Larry Freeman-balcony, Wally McKeel-balcony, Peggy Springfield, Carroll Thompson
Sound System: Henry Joyner
Floral Offering: Joyce Leary and Family
Home Delivered Meals 10/10: Sophia Sumner and Anne D. Joyner
Food Pantry 10/14: Rose Blowe and Margie Liverman

Minister on Call: Rev. Anita Thompson, 395-0061
Deacons on Call: Oliver Fleming and Jamie Burns
Sun. School at Guardian Care: Adult II Co-ed Class
Extended Session:
Babies— Linda Alexander and Claudia Morris
1s & 2s— Bill and Carolyn Arrington
3s-5s— Lee and Melanie Byrum
Ushers: Daryl Allen, Carolyn Arrington, Billy Greene-balc., Eve Greene-balc., Debbie Greene, Spencer Matthews, Chip Rose, Lee Wilson
Sound System: Louis Mizelle
Floral Offering: Iris Bazemore and Family
Home Delivered Meals 10/17: Penny Rose
Food Pantry 10/21: Sarah Mizelle and Robert Earl White

Committee Meetings . . .



October 9—20

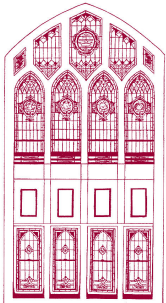
- Sunday, October 9
 3:00 pm Minister of Youth Search Committee
 Tuesday, October 11
 3:30 pm Senior Adult Committee
 7:00 pm Finance Committee
 Thursday, October 13
 7:00 pm Finance Committee
 Tuesday, October 18
 6:00 pm Missions Committee; Room 103
 6:30 pm Development Committee
 7:30 pm Deacons' Meeting



Keenagers Lunch

KEENAGERS' LUNCH
Tuesday, October 11 at 12:00

Senior Adults . . . Come join us for this time of fellowship and fun. Bring your favorite dish to compliment **Oven Barbecued Chicken** and we'll have a grand time together!



The Window

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