

THE VISION

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THE RECORD

S. S. Enrollment.....124
 S. S. Attendance.....104
 Budget Offerings for August\$7,408.86
 Required Monthly.....\$30,874.51
 August Building Fund3,220.00
 Hispanic Attendance.....24
 Hispanic Offering.....\$352.00

August Schedule for Arbor Oaks & Happy Valley: Sunday, Aug. 19, 3 P.M. – Lynn Headley’s SS Class.

**AUGUST
 DEACON GREETER
 KINNEY BLACK**

VOLUNTEERS FOR
 PRESCHOOL DURING WORSHIP
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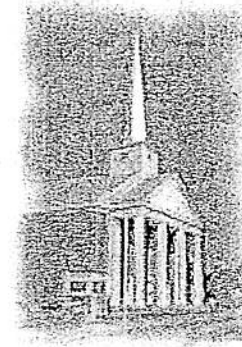
August 12, 2018
Mark & Becky Roberts

VOLUNTEER FOR NURSERY
 DURING
 SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP
To be announced

First Baptist Children’s Center
 Taking Fall Enrollment
 Openings in 1 & 2 yrs. olds
 & Pre-K
 Contact Carol Staley, 332-2058

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*“Loving God, Loving Others;
 Serving Both”*

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BRO. BILLY BARTLETT
 PASTOR

**Parting is Such
 Sweet Sorrow**
*Come fellowship and wish
 Tom and Leah Justus
 well as they move from
 Malvern this month.
 Bring your favorite homemade
 Ice cream or sweet treat to
 share.
 This Sunday night,
 August 12, 5:00 P.M.*

FALSE WORDS

“And David said in his heart, ‘I shall perish someday by the hand of Saul’”

I Samuel 27:1

David’s thoughts were false. He certainly had no ground for thinking that God’s anointing was an empty act. The Lord had never deserted His servant. David was frequently in danger, but in every incident divine intervention had delivered him.

David’s trials were many and varied, but in every case He who sent the trial graciously ordained a way of escape. David could not put his finger on any entry in his diary and say, “Here is evidence that the Lord will forsake me.” Rather, David should have recognized that because of what God had already done, He would continue to be his defender.

But don’t we also doubt God’s help? Is this not mistrust without cause? Have we ever had even the shadow of a reason to doubt our

Father’s goodness? Are His loving kindnesses not marvelous? Has He once failed to justify our trust in Him?

No! Our God has never left us. We have dark nights, but His star of love shines in the blackness. We have hard conflicts, but over our head He holds the shield of defense. We have gone through many trials, but never to our detriment, always to our advantage.

The conclusion from our past experience is that He who has been with us in six trials will not forsake us in the seventh. What we have known of our faithful God proves that He will keep us to the end. “Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy” (Jude 24). Do not reason contrary to the evidence. How can we ever be so ungenerous as to doubt our God?

Lord, throw down the Jezebel of our unbelief and let the dogs devour it (2 Kings 9:36).

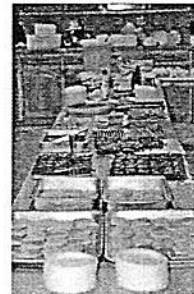
Dear Church Family,

I am so grateful for your kind expressions of Christian love at the passing of my dear sister, Joyce Sibley. The cards, phone calls, visits and hugs were of great comfort and will be long remembered.

Sincerely,
Jayne Keisler

RUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

August 9 – 11:30 A.M.
Class Lunch, Fellowship,
& Installation of Officers
Fellowship Hall



Ice Cream and
Dessert Fellowship
August 12 – 5 P.M.

Saying Farewell
to

Tom and Leah Justus!

Bring a favorite homemade or store bought ice cream or a dessert as we fellowship with Tom & Leah Justus as they move to their new home in Jonesboro this month. No gifts.

YOUTH NEWS

Wednesday, August 15, we are going to go to a private lake. There will be Kayaks, paddle boards, barge, and a cookout for dinner. We will leave in the church vans from Malvern at 3 P.M. and be back around 9:30 P.M. This will replace our Wednesday night service and be a fun time to kick off the school year! Any questions, please text Sean at 903-841-8297.

DEACONS’
MEETING/VISITATION
AUGUST 14 - 6:00 P.M.
FAMILY LIFE CENTER



School supplies are
OUT!! GREAT deals
on tons of items to fill
Operation Christmas
Child shoeboxes!!! Just think

Christmas in July! You can give any school supply items, small toys, and other items like soap, or washcloths for OCC. Just remember (No liquids, candy, toothpaste, sharp or war related items). You can always give to help fill boxes or shipping cost anytime. We are taking up donations to kick off Christmas in July now thru July 31. Look for donation boxes around the FBCM campus or at the church office starting this Thursday July 19!

Thanks!

Pursuing His purpose
Stephanie Brewster