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**HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY**

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**MALI PEOPLE ...
Helping People Around the
World.**

Recently our church was informed about the people group of "S" village (Sunja people) in Mali, the Summit Baptist Association has adopted to support, is in desperate need of food and grain. It is literally a life and



death situation and I am so grateful that Broadman chose to bring life and hope to these people who need our help. The need for food to survive and grain to plant is a real problem that most of us cannot even imagine. Most of us know nothing about being on the verge of starvation and malnourishment. We cannot fathom not having enough food to feed our families. Yet, this is the reality for "S" village in Mali everyday. It is their reality. But thanks be to God that village "S" is learning about Jesus and learning how to survive because of the efforts of the World Hunger Fund, Cooperative Program,

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**Pastor's
Corner**

How much does your pastor care?

I have been at Broadman going into my seventh year now and I can honestly say

that I cannot see myself anywhere else. I love the Lord, I love my family, I love our home, I love God's Church, I love you, I love this community, and I love what I do; and I hope it shows! As a result I believe my tenure at Broadman may be the longest stay of any pastor. There are many reasons why - God's will, God's growth, God's refining, God's people rising up, God's blessings, God-things happening, God efforts by all, God sized faith and much more.

As your pastor I have come to love each of you and I love what Broadman represents and who we have become as a church over the years. I have invested my heart and soul into God's church at Broadman. I give the ministry of our church my all each and every day. It is truly an honor to care for God's church that is motivated by my deep love for God and each of you (Matthew 22:38-39).

I know that I may not always say it or show it, but I love and care for you all very deeply. I know that God has a future for Broadman (Jeremiah 29:11) and I know that God will use the good and the bad for His glory and for our good (Romans 8:28). I am confident that just as God has done great things in the past, He will do great things in our future.

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B.A.N.D. SUNDAY MAY 31...

Bring A Neighbor Day is May 31st. Invite neighbors and friends to join us and also enjoy a great pot-luck dinner following the morning celebration service.



PASTOR'S CORNER CON'T...

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PASTOR'S CORNER..

John Maxwell says that, "People don't care what you know, until they know how much you care." I have found this to be true in life. When people know you care about them, they know you have their best interest at heart. So I hope through this short letter you realize how much I care about you. Then you will understand why I do everything I do to lead this church in the right direction by walking with the Lord, staying on His path, exalting Christ, honoring His Word, loving Him, loving one another, and serving Him with excellence. Surely God's blessings, favor and best for us will follow as we are faithful to God's will as revealed through His Son, in His Word, empowered by His Holy Spirit.

In His Grip,
-Pastor Chris

NEW TO THE FAMILY OF GOD...

Billie Burleson - A native of North Carolina, Billie moved to our area so that she could get to know Bob (Ambrose). Over the years she has been a dedicated jig-saw puzzle enthusiast.

Sharon Goff - Sharon is a native of Cuyahoga Falls, where she now resides with her husband, Michael and their family -- they have 5 children and 2 grandchildren. Her busy schedule includes 5 days a week college as well as work at the Woodridge High School cafeteria and at the Board Office. The highlight of her

life is spending time with her family.

John Michael Rader - A junior at Firestone High School, John likes music and enjoys being with his friends. John is a grandson of Jim and Beth Rader.

Kevin Schantz - Kevin is a native of Kenmore, where he now lives. A former son-in-law of Jim and Beth Rader, his daughter Ashley is part of Broadman.

Brittany Thompson - A sophomore at Woodridge High School, Brittany has an 'Irish twin' sister, Jessie -- who has the same birth year as Brittany. Her favorite subjects are history and math; she is in choir and loves to dance and hang out with friends.

Orrilla Van Horn - Orrilla grew up in Cuyahoga Falls, where she now resides. She is a client service representative and enjoys crocheting, reading, hiking and camping.

THANK YOU...

A BIG thank you goes out to Millie Castillo for designing the beautiful arrangements on the alter for Easter.



THANK YOU...

PRAYER FOR THE COURSE OF OUR ACTIONS...

Dear God,

We seem to be such busy "doers."

There's our "to-do" list and "honey-do list."

When a friend is in sorrow, we tell them to let us know if there's anything we can "do."

Even Saint Paul tells us that faith without works is dead.

Yet -

Sometimes we're so busy with the "works" we forget about the faith.

Help me, O God, to keep in touch with you, the wellspring of my faith.

Let me allow you, and not me, to be the real source of my actions.

Let the source of my actions determine the course of my actions. Amen.

-Peggy Ferrell

PARKING METER...

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MALI PEOPLE CONT...

IMB missionaries, and our Association's mission effort and that includes our efforts....praise the Lord.

Our church gave over \$400 dollars to this need. That may seem small, but that is huge. The reality is we cannot feed the world, but we can do our part by helping the people of Mali. Thank you Broadman Baptist Church for being "A Church That Makes A Difference!"

May God continue to bless us and may God bless "S" village in Mali. Remember to pray for the IMB missionaries assigned to Mali, and the temporary missionaries that we send to the area on short-term mission trips. May God take our humble gifts and use them to turn life around for this people group...to God be the Glory great things HE has done and IS DOING!!!!

Republic of Mali, Africa

PARKING METER...In 2009 let's remember to keep feeding the meter!...

Don't forget to pay the meter! We currently have about \$48,000 in parking lot debt. We need to make it our goal to pay off the debt in less than five years, if possible. So long as we can pay at least \$1,000 a month or more we can accomplish this. Paying off the parking lot is not part of our budget, it is an offering above the tithe. I am calling on all of us to give something regularly to this. I realize our gifts may not be equal, but we can have equal sacrifice. Please seek God's face and ask what you are able to give beyond the tithe. Thanks to all who are already giving and praises to God for the new parking lot...to His Glory!!!



NEW TO THE FAMILY & MORE...

RECIPE OF THE MONTH...

WORK DAY...

May 2nd 9:00 AM

Spring is here! The snow is gone! The grounds need our help!

A **WORK DAY** has been scheduled for Saturday, May 2nd at 9:00 A.M. . Though much of the work will focus on the lawn, we need help in many areas of the church. In addition to the lawn work (seeding, edging, planting, mulching, etc) we need help with general cleaning, painting and organizing in and around the church building.

As you know, Work Days are very important. The amount of work that needs to be done could not be accomplished without volunteers like you. However, the work doesn't begin or end on specified work days. If you cannot be present on May 2nd but would like to help another day, please see Dave Lape.

There is a lot to do and many hands make light work.

-Dave Lape
Building and Grounds

THANK YOU...

The Hostess Team would like to thank everyone who brought food for the Maundy Thursday dinner and the Son-Up breakfast. The food was wonderful and we had such a good variety. Thank you for your willingness to assist us in feeding those who attended. Without your help the dinner and breakfast would not have been such wonderful successes. We look forward to tasting what you will bring for the next Potluck meal.

ALL MY TIME...

A mother of 13 children was asked, "How in the world do you have time to care for 13?"

"Well," she replied, "when I had only one child, it took all my time; what more can 13 do?"



Spicy Beef Curry Stew

INGREDIENTS ...

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 pound beef stew meat
- salt and pepper to taste
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh ginger
- 1 fresh jalapeno peppers, diced
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes with juice
- 1 onion, sliced and quartered
- 1 cup beef broth

DIRECTIONS...

Heat the olive oil in a skillet over medium heat, and brown the beef on all sides. Remove from skillet, reserving juices, and season with salt and pepper. Cook and stir the garlic, ginger, and jalapeno in the skillet for 2 minutes, until tender, and season with curry powder. Mix in the diced tomatoes and juice.

Place the onion in the bottom of a slow cooker, and

layer with the browned beef. Scoop the skillet mixture into the slow cooker, and mix in the beef broth.

Cover, and cook 6 to 8 hours on Low.



<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe/Spicy-Beef-Curry-Stew-for-the-Slow-Cooker/Detail.aspx>



Memorial Day



May 25th 2009

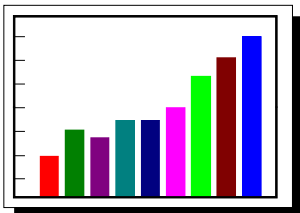
Quote of the Month

"A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing."

- George Bernard Shaw

TRACK OUR ATTENDANCE...

Mar 29.....	243
Apr 5.....	159
Apr 12.....	207
Apr 19.....	155



ARMED FORCES DAY
MAY 16th, 2009



Pentecost
May 31st 2009

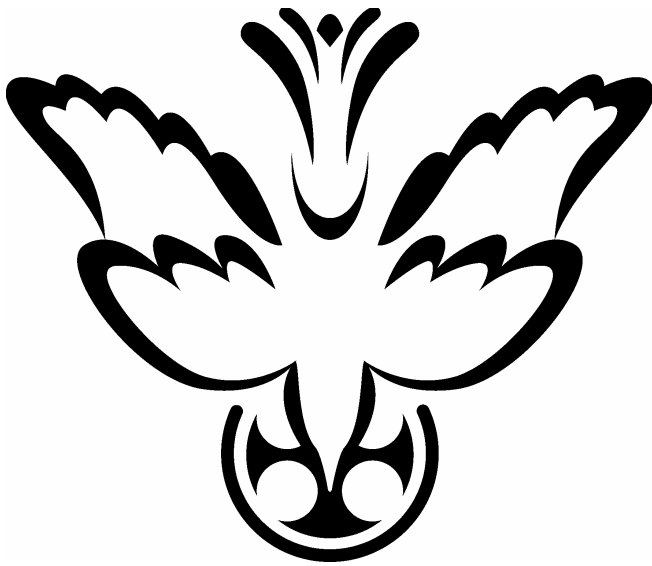
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & MORE...

MAY

• **Christian Symbols +**

DESCENDING DOVE...

The descending dove is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. "As soon as Jesus was baptized, he ... saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove" (Matthew 3:16, NIV). The three-rayed nimbus around the dove's head identifies the Spirit as a member of the Trinity. A dove shown without the nimbus is a symbol of peace.



BIRTHDAYS

- 5/3 PHOEBE CARSON
- 5/3 JANE MASON
- 5/6 WENDY PLUMBLEY
- 5/6 MARJORIE EVANS
- 5/8 ANN EPLING
- 5/8 MARILYN WORTMAN
- 5/13 CHERYL McCOMBS
- 5/14 LORRI BAUGHMAN
- 5/15 BETTY MORNEWECK
- 5/18 KAYLA GIFFIN
- 5/19 AMANDA JOHNSON
- 5/19 GARY RZESZOTARSKI
- 5/20 STEVE PLUMBLEY
- 5/21 VI HILL
- 5/22 MAGGIE KUBE
- 5/23 THERESA JOHNSON
- 5/24 REBECCA LALLATHIN
- 5/25 TYLER JODON
- 5/27 ANTHONY MURPHY
- 5/30 EMILY WESEMANN

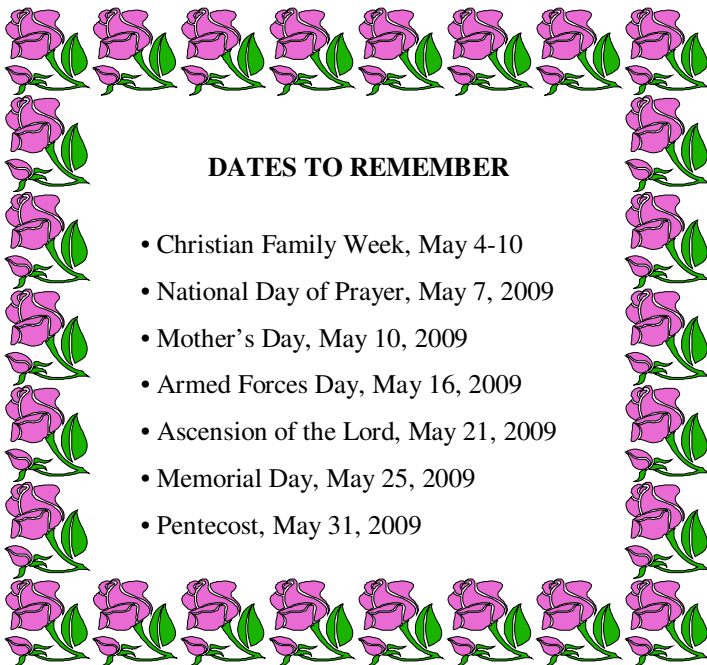
ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/20 TOM & JANIE LINDSAY
- 5/20 DAVID & LORRI BAUGHMAN
- 5/23 ED & MARYANN FULLERTON



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Christian Family Week, May 4-10
- National Day of Prayer, May 7, 2009
- Mother's Day, May 10, 2009
- Armed Forces Day, May 16, 2009
- Ascension of the Lord, May 21, 2009
- Memorial Day, May 25, 2009
- Pentecost, May 31, 2009



BOOK SALE...

HELP PAGES...

GFS...

WB WEDNESDAYS...

BIBLE QUIZ...

BROADMAN HELP PAGES...

Do you need help with yard work? Are you looking for a painter, or someone to help with projects around the house? Is your car in need of service? How about someone to walk your dog, house sit, baby sit, or clean your house? Need dental care or eye care? The Broadman Help Pages is at your service!! We have listings for all of the services listed above and then some. Just get on the Broadman web page and click help pages. It will take you directly to the listing of individuals recommended by our church members. Also, we can still use some more listings so just contact Pastor Chris, Millie Castillo, or Meila. Millie can be reached at milliecastillo1873@msn.com.

New Vendors have been added!!

Check it out at:

http://www.broadmanchurch.org/spiritual_helps/bbc_help_pages.html

BOOK SALE...

The church will be having a book sale on Sunday May 17 and Sunday May 24 before and after the worship service in the fellowship hall. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the parking lot fund. If you have any books you would like to donate please drop them off any time in the church library. We will accept any genre of book. If you have any questions please contact Heather Groetz or Vivian Bright.



GORDON FOOD SERVICES:...

"A Great Way To Give Back To The Lord!"

Are you a part of the GFS "Fun Funds" program for our church? Did you know you could buy some great food and products at a great price and give back to the Lord? Well you can! Find out more at the church information kiosk in the sanctuary. IT IS FREE!!!!



Bible Quiz



After Judas took his own life, the remaining apostles decided someone should take his place. Two men were suggested as possibilities: Justus and Matthias. The disciples placed two stones in a small box, one representing each man. Someone, probably Peter, shook the box until one stone popped out. Which person became one of the Twelve?

- A. Matthias
- B. Justus

Answer: (See Acts 1:15-26)

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JOIN US FOR SUPPER

Every Wednesday

Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:15 pm

May 6: Spaghetti & Salad

May 13: Sausage Gravy, Biscuits & Hash Browns

May 20: Ham & Macaroni and Cheese

May 27: Hot Dogs & Baked Beans



After a delicious meal stay for the WB!

VBS 2009...

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009...

“IT ALL COMES BACK TO JESUS” is what we will learn this summer as we take the Boomerang Express to the Land Down Under, July 19-24, 2009.

It is time to start planning and preparing for VBS now. Your VBS Director, Mary Reagan has been working hard to make VBS 2009 a great success. We have many of our leadership and volunteer positions filled, but we still need leaders and many volunteers for certain sections. One area that needs a lot of help is babies, toddlers and preschool. If you can help out, please let either Pastor Chris or Mary Reagan know.

The areas one can participate in and volunteer as part of a collective group are: outreach (4th of July parade & VBS community outreach), decorating team, VBS work days and Family Fun Night. Areas in which we need volunteers during the week of VBS are: recreation team, craft team, snack team, security team, administration team, music/worship team, missions team, nursery team, toddlers class, preschool class, K-1 class, 2-3



grade class, and 4-5 grade class. Not only do we need leaders over all of these areas, we also need volunteers to serve. Please pray and sign up now to be a part of VBS.

Important dates:

July 4, 2009 – Stow 4th of July Parade, mark your calendars and plan on celebrating the 4th of July with the family of God as we worship God during the parade, we have fellowship, pass out outreach materials, and candy, and celebrate our independence as a nation. More specifics in next months Broadman Beacon.

June – July - VBS Workdays every Saturday...we need you. Each Saturday, starting in June we will gather from 9 – noon to work on VBS decorations. It is an all out effort. Crafty kids and teens are a great help along with any willing adults who can chip in. Even if you are not an adult volunteer for VBS you can help with the decorations.

So as you pray about the “Boomerang Express”, remember “it all comes back to Jesus.” Good day mates!!!

R909 EVANGALISM...

R909 EVANGALISM STRATEGY...

PURPOSE:

Reach 9 people in 2009 (R909). The State Convention wants to reach 6,000 people in Ohio for Christ in 2009. Broadman’s goal is to see over 50 people reached for Christ and baptized in 2009.



Who have you reached out to in 2009? Our goal is for every believer to reach out to 9 people in 2009 (R909). May we be faithful to this endeavor. I have been reaching out and as a result 3 of the people I reached out to have gotten baptized. God can use your efforts to plant seeds and bring in harvests. But all that is required is that you reach out in the Name of Jesus.

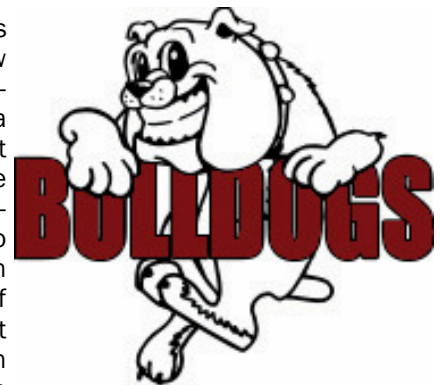
WOODRIDGE WALK-A-THON TO BENEFIT BROADMAN:**5th Annual Dogs with a Cause Walk-A-Thon**

May 9, 2009, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Woodridge High School Track

This year the walk-a-thon will benefit Broadman directly. We are slated to be one of the recipients of the food drive. What an awesome blessing to be able to partner with one of our local school districts for a worthy cause to take a bite out of hunger!!!

We are asking as many people to show up at 10 a.m. as possible. If you have a Broadman shirt please wear it. We also need some volunteers to sign up to man our information table at this event. If you are willing to sit at our table for an hour rotation please sign up at the kiosk. Time slots are for 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 12 p.m.



We need to have a good turn out for this event. Let’s walk to take a bite out of hunger and to show our community that we are a united church that cares about those in need.

CULTURE...

TALENT...

KEEPING AN EYE ON CULTURE...



They Knew God, BUT!!!

The Bible tells us in [Romans 1:21](#) "For though they **knew God**, they did **not** glorify Him as **God** or show gratitude. Instead, their thinking became nonsense, and their senseless minds were darkened."

Is this where we are as a society in our nation? Is this the path we have chosen for our culture? Are we a people that once knew God? Are we a society that neither glorifies God or gives Him thanks? Is our way of thinking about God in our culture become total nonsense? Have our minds become darkened?

I don't think I have to answer these questions for the answer should be obvious to any one who is a true believer. The answer is we are a Romans 1:21 culture but we should be a Romans 12:2 culture, which says, "Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God."

Our nation, society, culture, community, church, home and personal lives cannot discern what is good, pleasing and perfect to God unless our minds and way of thinking are focused on bringing Him glory and giving Him thanks. This can only happen by renewing our minds and refusing to conform to the ways of this world.

Until that day, it seems like the days of Romans 1:21 are the days of America...they knew God, BUT....

-Pastor Chris

TALENT: How have you grown your TALENT?

During a recent sermon series entitled the "Economy of God" our congregation was each given a "Talent" or a \$1 coin. We were asked to take this coin and make it grow so we could bless our Master. This is just a reminder that we are going to have "TALENT" Sunday on May 31, 2009....what have you done with your "TALENT"?????

The Parable of the Talents (HCSB – Matthew 25:14 – 30)

¹⁴ "For it is just like a man going on a journey. He called his own slaves and turned over his possessions to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five talents; to another, two; and to another, one—to each according to his own ability. Then he went on a journey. Immediately ¹⁶ the man who had received five talents went, put them to work, and earned five more. ¹⁷ In the same way the man with two earned two more. ¹⁸ But the man who had received one talent went off, dug a hole in the ground, and hid his master's money.

¹⁹ "After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five talents approached, presented five more talents, and said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. Look, I've earned five more talents.' ²¹ "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave! You were faithful over a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Share your master's joy!' ²² "Then the man with two talents also approached. He said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. Look, I've earned two more talents.' ²³ "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave! You were faithful over a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Share your master's joy!' ²⁴ "Then the man who had received one talent also approached and said, 'Master, I know you. You're a difficult man, reaping where you haven't sown and gathering where you haven't scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went off and hid your talent in the ground. Look, you have what is yours.' ²⁶ "But his master replied to him, 'You evil, lazy slave! If you knew that I reap where I haven't sown and gather where I haven't scattered, ²⁷ then you should have deposited my money with the bankers. And when I returned I would have received my money back with interest. ²⁸ "So take the talent from him and give it to the one who has 10 talents. ²⁹ For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have more than enough. But from the one who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. ³⁰ And throw this good-for-nothing slave into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'



TALENT SUNDAY – MAY 31, 2009

Come and bring your TALENTS before the Lord. There will be a time of Sharing after the Morning Worship Service during the "potluck" lunch for anyone who wants to give Testimony to what God has done. May God receive all the Glory and may we share in our Master's Joy!!!!



MISSION OF THE MONTH...

WEBSITE UPGRADE...

MISSION OF THE MONTH...

Associational Missions Offerings

OTTIS DENNEY

“The purpose of the Summit Baptist Association is to assist the cooperating churches in their divinely appointed task of extending the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ through fellowship, missions, education, and proclamation.”

-Our Associational Missionary—[Martin Jones](#)

What you already know about Ottis Denney...

Ottis Denney, for whom our annual Associational Missions Offering is named, began mission work in Ohio in 1953, his ministry spanning almost forty years. After reading an appeal in the Home Mission Magazine for workers in Ohio in 1953, he left Mt. Pleasant, Texas, with his wife, Margaret, and three children to come to Ohio. Ottis Denney was committed to missions and new church starts.

What you may not know about Ottis Denney...

HANNIBAL, Mo. (BP condensed)—James C. Hefley Jr. was an Ozark man who graduated from college at 17 and eventually became the first chronicler of the conservative resurgence in the 16-million-member Southern Baptist Convention and a foremost Christian biographer, described by those who knew him as “brilliant” and “insightful”

He was born on the grounds of the Chillicothe Federal Reformatory in Ohio, where his father was imprisoned for ordering guns purchased with forged checks. Years after his father’s release, Hefley started his own gambling business in the Ozark town where he grew up.

Known first as “fessor” for graduating from Mt. Judea High School, a one-room schoolhouse, at 13, and later as “blackjack” for running a gambling operation, Hefley said there wasn’t much to learn after being tutored by his school-teacher mother in their log cabin — especially after the local sheriff shut down his make shift casino.

It was in that same log cabin where Hefley grew up that Ottis Denney, a Southern Baptist Home Missionary, challenged the book-smart Arkansas Tech student to read the Bible after he had made a profession of faith. Hefley was hooked. “I quit the gambling business and smashed up my slot machines,” Hefley smiled, wrapping his thumbs around ever-present suspenders that reminded him of the denim overalls he wore out when he was young.

“I honestly don’t know where I would be,” Hefley said. “My ambition was to go to Las Vegas or Reno and run a gambling business.” Hefley recognized God’s call on his life, and after earning a bachelor’s degree at Ouachita Baptist University at age 17, he spent years planting churches, writing radio shows and filling pulpits before his writing career took off.

BROADMAN WEBSITE UPGRADE

On May 15th the Broadman Baptist Website,

www.broadmanchurch.org, will officially be upgraded. All pages have been changed and new sections and pages have been added. Look for a lot of color and more graphics and pictures.

The focus of the website remains as quoted here from the **STRATEGY** page: “*Broadman Baptist Church exists to glorify God by being a prevailing church that relies upon the power of God that has saved and called us according to His purpose and grace. We further exist to make a difference in individuals and families in our local and world-wide communities*”. We desire to use the website to help us acknowledge and accept the Lordship of Jesus through worship, discipleship, fellowship and ministry at Broadman.

The site will continue to invite all **to come** to Broadman to fulfill spiritual needs. Additionally, the site will become an **outreach tool** as we publish witnessing testimonials, Life Impact lesson plans, evangelism testimonials and the like for those who may not be able to be physically at Broadman for person-to-person events. **SERMONS** will be posted. Worshipful **MUSIC** will be posted.

Certain doctrinal statements have been highlighted and reinforced. Cross-references and links have been added. Navigation has been simplified with use of only one *drop-down* access area. The **NEWS & VIEWS** page highlights people, programs and events. The new **ORGANIZATIONS** page provides links to the world-wide Broadman community.

Access to online editions of **THE BROADMAN BEACON** has been simplified; two years of the **BEACON** will be archived online. The **BULLETIN** for each Sunday and for some other worship services will be posted online; a month of **BULLETINS** will be archived.

Forms for your use which are included in the **CHILDREN-YOUTH HANDBOOK** are now downloadable for viewing/printing through your computer. The **COVENANT** and certain other documents are also downloadable. More forms will be made downloadable soon.

The **PICTURES** area is to be updated and expanded soon.

A page for **MUSIC** has been added in the **WORSHIP** area of the website.

Explore your site! Use your site! Stay connected to Broadman!

– Larry E. Taylor, Co-Webmaster,
larryetaylor@hotmail.com



4th OF JULY PARADE

GOODSEARCH...

MOTHER'S DAY STORIES...



Help advance the Kingdom of God by using GOODSEARCH for all of your web searches and purchases online. All you have to do is go to <http://www.goodsearch.com/> and make Broadman Baptist Church your "charity" of choice and we receive money every time you search or purchase online for free. We receive about \$.01 for each search and 3% for purchases. So sign up today and place GOODSEARCH as your toolbar selection, your search engine and begin searching the web knowing that every search helps the Kingdom of God by giving back to Broadman Baptist Church.



So far we have raised the following amounts of money simply by using GoodSearch as our websearch engine: In January \$0.02; In February \$0.29; in March \$1.26; in April \$5.56 and for the year \$7.13. Thank you to everyone who is using GOODSEARCH for the glory of God.

VBS 4th OF JULY PARADE...

It's that time again!!! We are gearing up for our annual VBS 4th of July Parade! We appreciated everyone's support from last year and hope for another great turn out this year. We are beginning to collect candy donations! This candy will be handed out along with fliers telling children and parents about our VBS this year. If you can help we ask that you bring 2-3 bags of candy, candy must be individually wrapped. Your donations help make this event possible. Candy can be dropped off at the Kiosk and will be picked up at the end of service by Carla Patterson or Jen Jarosz.

Thank you,

-Carla Patterson and Jen Jarosz



AN UNFOGETTABLE DATE...

A woman told her husband, George, that she wanted him to take another woman on a date. "I love you," she said, "but the woman I have in mind loves you, too, and needs to spend some time with you. It's your mother."

Dutifully, George called his mom and made a date. For the special evening, she chose the dress she'd worn to the last anniversary she and her late husband had celebrated. Mother and son enjoyed chatting so much that they missed their movie. Both left feeling joyous and fulfilled.

Sadly, George's mother died only a few days after their date. He was so happy he'd been able to spend that special time with her.

Right before she died, George's mother sent him this note: "Enclosed are two prepaid tickets for you to have dinner where we had such a pleasant evening together. You'll never know what that night meant for me. I love you, Son."

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER...

Make me a wise mother, O Lord. Keep me calm and give me patience to bear the small, irritating things in the daily routine of life. Give me tolerance and understanding to bridge the gulf between my generation and that of my children.

Let me not be too ready to guide my children's stumbling feet, but allow me to be ever near to bind their bruises. Give me a sense of humor that I may laugh with them but never at them. Let me refrain from preaching with words; let me show by example instead.

Keep me from forcing their confidences, but give me a sympathetic ear when my children come to me. Make me humble. Keep my children close to me, O Lord, though miles may separate us. And let Thy light so shine upon me that they, too, will perceive Thy glory. Amen.



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SALT & LIGHT...



Remaining positive in the darkness....

There are so many cultural issues facing our generation that is it overwhelming. There is so much going on in our world that is not good how can one begin to think positively about our culture?. How do we even begin to be the "salt" and "light" that God wants us to be to a world of darkness? These are truly trying times for us as Christians.

So how do we remain positive in all of this darkness that surrounds our culture? First, we must realize that God's ways are best, God's grace is greater than all our sin, God is still on His throne, and God is still in control. Secondly, we must never give up hope or stop fighting for God's ways to prevail over our culture. If anything we need to become more determined to influence our culture. Third, the darkness that has overtaken our culture just means we have a greater opportunity to let our light shine. Opportunity to share the Gospel can produces Godly optimism. Lastly, the darkness of our culture can help us stand out even more as we live Godly lives, establish God honoring homes, and are a church that makes a difference. The world may reject our light, but it will shine bright.

I pray that in the darkness that surrounds our nation today we realize our great need for the "Light" of God

T.A.S.S.E.L....

to rule our hearts and minds. May we remember to not grow weary of doing good, remain faithful to God and His ways, and encourage one another.

Go be the "salt" and "light" of the world.

-Pastor Chris

CHOIR NOTE...

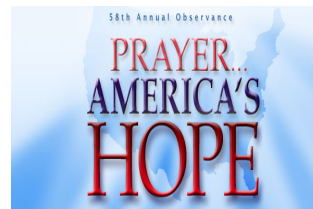
Please mark your calendars!! The Choir will be practicing on the following Wednesdays: May 6, May 27 and June 3. Hope to see you there.



DAY OF PRAYER...

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER...

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. Our Task Force is a privately funded organization whose purpose is to encourage participation on the National Day of Prayer.



Learn more about The National Day of Prayer at:

<http://www.ndptf.org/home/index.cfm>

HUMOR CORNER...

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CHURCH...

► Some Christians never miss church—even when they don't go.

► Teaching Sunday School is hard—especially when a 6-year-old says to you, "Okay, if Jesus was so cool, why didn't he wear Reeboks instead of those cheap-looking sandals?"

► I know I should be in church more instead of playing golf. But I actually do pray more on the golf course.

FOOD...

► Baptists don't have beer bellies -- Baptists have pot-luck pouches.

► Buffalo meat is getting more popular. I suppose soon we can expect cold cuts made from it -- possibly called "buffaloney."

► Try a rice cake? The only way you know you're eating something is when you open your mouth to talk, stuff floats out.

► The big problem with "fast" food is that it slows down when it hits your stomach. And it just parks there—and lets the fat have time to get off and apply for citizenship.

► The key to good barbecuing is having a sauce that can cover up your mistakes.

► I love to barbecue. Last night I barbecued a chicken, a basting brush, and two Betty Crocker oven mittens.



T.A.S.S.E.L. SUNDAYS

Teens After Service Serving Elegant Lunch

The next T.A.S.S.E.L. is scheduled on

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2009

Enjoy lunch after the worship service

SUMMER COOKOUT

BBQ Chicken

Baked Beans, Potato Salad & Dessert

Love Donations Accepted!

Profits from these lunches will be used to defray the cost of youth activities.



Sign up at the Kiosk & Support Our Youth!!

TOWN HALL FOR HOPE...

YOUTH NEWS-MAY 2009

NOTE TO PARENTS-Youth entering the 6th grade in August are permitted to participate in youth fundraisers and activities effective this June. They will move up to the youth Sunday School and WB classes in September.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sign up rosters and permission slips for all youth activities are available in the youth room.

JUNE 7-13, 2009

MISSION ACTIVITY AT FAITH RANCH

This is a CHURCH WIDE mission activity!! We will be working on repairs and maintenance at the farmhouse on Faith Ranch. Hayride, horseback riding and other fun activities are being planned. More details will be available at the kiosk or in the youth room!

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009

Alive Christian Concert in Canal Fulton. The cost is \$40.00 per person for the entire day.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009

Car Wash Fundraiser

JULY 7-11, 2009

TRIP TO KINGS ISLAND (with Christian music concerts) and the CREATION MUSEUM

The trip includes two days at Kings Island (with Christian concerts each night) and a visit to the Creation Museum. The cost will be **\$130-\$150** and includes 2 days at Kings Island, the Creation Museum, four nights camping and food. More details to follow!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2009

Car Wash Fundraiser

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2009

Back-To-School Blast for Youth and their Families



-Jackie Forcina

RENT-A-YOUTH: Spring is here and it's time to start spring cleaning and yard clean up. In May, youth will be available to help church members with their spring cleaning, yard clean up or gardening. Love donations will be accepted. Sign up at the kiosk if you'd like to rent a youth!

**MEMORIAL DAY...**

Over the years, Memorial Day has become a big holiday weekend. It's now the unofficial start of summer, rather than a day of tribute to the departed it was originally meant to be.

Even if we plan fun events for Memorial Day weekend, it's important to stop long enough to bow our heads and pay respect to our departed loved ones — especially those who fell in battle while helping preserve America's liberties.

Let us take time to make the pilgrimage to various cemeteries and pause long enough to say, "Thank you, Father, for these special lives, for sacrifices made and for friendships we have shared."

**MEMORIAL DAY IS
MAY 25TH!**



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Scripture of the Month

Worship Schedule

9:00am Prayer in Sanctuary

9:30am Coffee & Fellowship

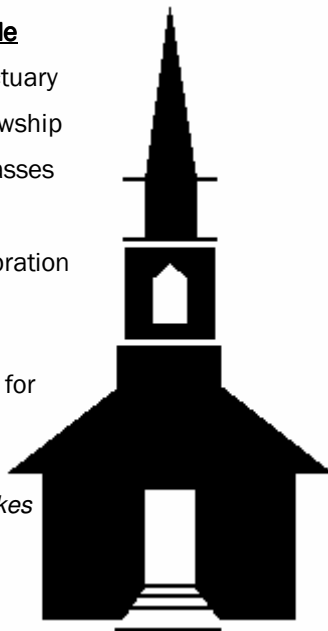
9:45am Life Impact classes
for all ages

11:00am Morning Celebration
Service

Wednesdays

6:30pm WB Something for
everyone

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a Difference!*



Exodus 20:12 HCSB

Honor your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

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