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Dear Church Family

Wanting to honor Christ and do what is best for you and my family, I am resigning as your pastor effective immediately. I've also decided that I will not return to lead another worship service because the events of the past several weeks have created very strong feelings in the church family. Preaching at Berea First again, even to say goodbye, might delay the healing of your fellowship and the healing of my heart. I am so thankful for the great opportunity you have given me to be your pastor. Let's not allow the last few weeks to block our view of the twelve wonderful years we've served Christ together. Thank you for the support you're giving me as I seek and find God's will for the next chapter of my life. I will pray for you as you make your own new beginning. In His time and in His plan, may God lead you and me forward to our greatest days of ministry. In the words of Paul, I will thank my God every time I remember you.

With Deepest Gratitude,
Ronald D. Vaughan



Sunday Mornings at Berea First Baptist Church

May 15 and 22

Discovery Service, 8:15 a.m.
Message by Rev. Drew Stables

Cornerstone Service, 10:30 a.m.
Message by Dr. Marshall Sargent

May 29-June 26

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Message by Rev. T. Walter Brashier

Statement from Personnel Committee

Upon the recommendation of the Deacons of Berea First Baptist Church to work to retain Rev. Chris Murrell's position as Minister of Music, the Personnel Committee and Finance Committee have reached an agreement with Chris and he has accepted.

The Three Little Pigs

Presented by The Preschool Choir



Wednesday, May 18, 6:15 p.m.
In the Sanctuary

NEED PRAYER?

Please share any concerns with our
Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Email: prayerrequest@bereafbc.org
Voicemail: (864) 246-9182, Ext. 27

G.A. Recognition Service

Sunday, May 15, 6:00 p.m.
In the Sanctuary



Lawn Maintenance Volunteers Needed

Would you be willing to volunteer to help with our lawn maintenance team on a rotating basis? During this tight financial time we are trying to put together a team to help hold down expenses by keeping our grounds looking their best without any cost to our church family. Please email Mike Parker at mparker@bereafbc.org or call him at 246-1921. We will have meeting on Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. to set up our teams.

Camp Counselor Meeting

Sunday May 15

7:00 p.m. In the Choir Room

VERY IMPORTANT meeting for anyone who is planning to go to camp as a counselor.

Friendship Group Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 17, 11:00 a.m.

Senior Adult Building

Program: Charles W. Aiken, Jr.

"Mr. Poetry" will read and recite well known poems, 1930's and 1940's radio commercials, and some of his own writings.

Menu: Chicken Salad, Pasta Salad, Fruit, Croissant

Quarterly Church Conference

Sunday, May 22, 6:00 p.m.

Youth World Changers Meeting

For All Middle School and High School Participants and Parents

Wednesday, May 25

8:00 p.m., In the Crosswalk

We will answer any questions that you may have about the trips and give out all necessary forms.

The Reaching Center

Needed: jelly, peanut butter, canned fruit

R.A. Recognition Service and Greenville Drive Game

Wednesday, May 25

Recognition Service begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Immediately following the service, those who signed up for tickets will go to the Greenville Drive Game at Flour Field. Tickets are \$7 per person.

Deadline to register is Wednesday, May 18

Forms available online at www.bereafbc.org.

LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE

May 8, 2011

Weekly Required Budget Giving... \$28,542.31
Budget Gifts Received.....\$23,947.00
Budget Shortage.....\$4,595.31

Pass It On Giving.....\$824.00
Designated Receipts\$2,820.83
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....\$27,591.83

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to **Jim Connor** in the death of his mother, Clarice Connor.

Memorial Gifts

Given in memory of:

Tina Mauldin by:

Doug Moody S.S. Class

Ernest and Betty Reece

Arthur Rossier by:

Doug Moody S.S. Class

Ernest and Betty Reece

Blood Drive

Wednesday, May 18

4:00-8:00 p.m.

All donors will receive
a free T-shirt!

Camp Fees Due

Please pay your remaining camp fees in the church office.

Total Cost of Camp \$160

Registration Fee: \$50

Remaining Fee: \$110

College and High School Graduate Recognition Service

Sunday, May 22

10:30 a.m.

Are You A Notary?

If so, please call us at 246-1921. Occasionally a notary is needed in the church office and we would like to compile a list of those we can contact.

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:30 am Discovery Service
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Cornerstone Service
6:00 pm G.A. Recognition Service

WEDNESDAY

10:30 am Senior Adult Choir
5:15—6:30 pm Supper
6:00—6:45 pm Preschool Choir
1st—5th Grade Choir
6:00—7:30 pm Discipleship Classes
6:45—7:30 pm 3—5 Year Mission Friends
7:35-9:00 pm 1st—5th Grade G.A.'s
1st—5th Grade R.A.'s
Prayer Ministry and Bible Study
Adult Choir

Student Ministry, Grades 6-12

WEDNESDAYS

5:00 pm Crosswalks opens
5:15-6:20 pm Café open for supper
6:30-8:00pm Fun-time and Worship
8:30 pm pm Crosswalk closes

SUNDAYS

6:00-7:00 pm Small Groups

Wednesday Supper Menu

Adults: Fried Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Slaw, Biscuit
Kids: Chicken Strips, Macaroni and Cheese, Fruit

Reservations/cancellations due by noon, Tuesday.

Churchwide Mission Action

Pendleton Place
Children's Shelter

Needs: seasonal clothing, undergarments (must be new), shampoo and conditioner, soap, hair products for African-American hair, deodorant, lotion, chapstick, hair brushes, combs.

Summer Basketball Camp

June 13-17

K4-3rd Grade: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
4th-12th Grade: 12:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.
(current school year)

The 1/2 day basketball camp will be led by Jeff Maness, head basketball coach at Berea High School.

Cost: \$50 per child.

**SIGN UP IN THE CHURCH OFFICE
BY MAY 25!**