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Berea First Is In The News!

Several times in the past few months, the people and ministries of our church have been reported in some way in the news. Since none of us see every news broadcast or read every newspaper and magazine, we've created a new page on the church web site to gather these stories and allow you to see and celebrate the good things that our larger Baptist family and our community are talking about. Visit our church web site (www.bereafbc.org) and click on the [Berea First in the News](#) page. You'll like what you see!

The Friendship Group Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, January 19
11:00 a.m.

In the Senior Adult Building
Cost: \$3

Special Guest: Joseph Greco,
Gospel and Country Music Program
Menu: Vegetable Soup, Cornbread,
Sandwich, Fruit

Reservations Requested

Deacon Organizational Dinner

Friday, January 29
6:30 p.m.

Senior Adult Building

All deacons who served this past year as well as all newly elected deacons are invited to share this evening of food, fellowship, and planning for the deacon ministry in 2010. Please call the church office by Tuesday, January 26, to reserve your place.

This Sunday at Berea First Baptist Church

10:30 a.m.

Dr. Vaughan continues his message series
Making 2010 a Truly New Year

with

Learn Before You Leap

Philippians 1:9-11

What's the most important lesson that you learned in 2009? You and I can't have a truly new year if we waste it repeating last year's mistakes. Sunday morning, Dr. Vaughan will lead us in thinking about some 2009 lessons we must learn if we are going to be free and faithful in this new year.

6:00 p.m.

When God's People Pray

Session 2: The Amazing Power of Prayer

Last Sunday night, we met Pastor Jim Cymbala and heard his challenge to "call upon the name of the Lord" in all circumstances because God loves us and wants to work in our lives. We also heard a testimony from a man whose life was changed by the power of prayer. Sunday evening, we take another step in our prayer journey as we learn the amazing power of prayer.

Good News Club

Would you like to share your faith with school-age children? Our church family, in partnership with Child Evangelism Fellowship, has been invited to lead a Good News Club right here in our own community at Westcliffe Elementary School. This Good News Club would meet on Tuesday afternoons from 2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. A team of energetic volunteers will be needed to provide and distribute snacks, lead small groups of children in prayer and activities, present a Bible story, and talk to children who want to know more about Christ. This Sunday morning, we will see a video describing this ministry. An information table will be in the Welcome Center after the worship service to tell you more about this opportunity, answer your questions, and to let you sign up to help. Every volunteer will be trained in how to lead this ministry effectively. Pray about the part that God would have you play in taking the gospel to the children of our community.

GRADES 1-5 CHOIR
presents
Cakes and Crescendos
A Variety Show

Saturday, January 30, 5:30 p.m.
In the Crosswalk
Cost: \$3 (payable at the door)
Reservations must be made through
the church office.

Mark Your Calendar!

**Grades 1-5:
Kid's Day Out**

Monday, February 15

**Preschoolers:
Lunch and a Movie**

Saturday, March 13, 11:30 a.m.

**Crosswalk
Student Ministries**

Sunday Night D-Groups Sign-Up

This Sunday night in the Crosswalk, we'll meet to form our small groups that we call D-Groups. These groups will meet each Sunday night on a rotating basis. One week will be prayer and discussion. Another week is a mission project and then group building activities. It's gonna keep you on your toes. Be in the Crosswalk at 6:00 p.m.

To Save A Life

On Sunday, January 31, our D-Groups will go to Cherrydale Cinema to see the movie, "To Save a Life." It's the story of a church youth group that must make the decisions to follow the crowd or follow Christ. We don't know the showing time yet as it has not been released, but we will announce it as soon as we can. Save the date.

Super Bowl Sunday Events

Souper Bowl of Caring

On Sunday, February 7, our students will join with youth all over the world for the Souper Bowl of Caring, in which money is raised to feed hungry families in our community. Once again our efforts will benefit our Reaching Center. Be ready to help on that day.

Super Bowl at the Crosswalk

Plan to join us in the Crosswalk on Super Bowl Sunday for a special time of worship, games and the football game on the big screen. Be watching for more details.

Brag-a-Bit

This month in Columbia, **Janie Marlow** will be awarded the 2009 SC Wildlife Federation Harry Hampton Woods and Waters Conservation Award for her web site, namethatplant.net.

LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE
January 10, 2010

Weekly Required Budget Giving... \$29,038.33
Budget Gifts Received.....\$31,331.38
Budget Overage.....\$2,293.05

Pass It On Giving.....\$8,305.00
Designated Receipts\$5,257.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....\$44,893.38

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:

Linda Loftis in the death of her aunt,
Allie Charping.

Charlotte Ellison in the death of her
nephew, Kevin Tilley.

Memorials

Gifts have been given in memory of:

Douglas Neil Baker by:
John and Helen Felder

Frank C. Martin by:
Frances Martin and Family

Frank Ferguson, Nannie Mae Ferguson,
Thomas Ferguson, Brooke Collins, Kate
Collins and Freddie Collins by:
Barbara and Lawrence Ferguson

A gift has been given in honor of Dr.
Vaughan and Staff by the Fidelis Sunday
School Class.

Join A Choir In January

January is the perfect time to join one of
our choirs. All choirs are starting new
music! If you are interested in one of our
music groups, call the church office for
times and locations.

IGNITE Youth Choir

Wednesday Night, 5:30, Music Suite

Build-A-Doll Workshop

Tuesday, January 26
3:00-9:00 p.m.

Senior Adult Building

Join us as we meet together to cut, sew,
stuff, and paint faces on boy and girl
dolls that will be used by mission teams
to share a gift of love and a witness to
our faith. Hotdogs, chips, and dessert
will be available at 6:00. Adult plates are
\$2 and children's plates are \$1. For more
information contact Susan Bishop, 246-
7253.

Opportunities

SUNDAYS

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship
6:00 pm Evening Worship
TeamKid
Adult Discipleship Groups

WEDNESDAYS

10:30 am Senior Adult Choir
5:15—6:30 pm Supper (*by reservation only*)
6:00—6:45 pm Preschool Choir
1st-5th Grade Choir
Discipleship Classes
6:00—7:30 pm 3-5 Year Mission Friends
6:45—7:30 pm 1st—5th Grade G.A.'s
1st—5th Grade R.A.'s
Rejoice Rehearsal
Prayer Ministry & Bible Study
Adult Choir

Schedule for Grades 6-12

SUNDAYS

6:00 pm D-Groups

WEDNESDAYS

5:15 pm The Crosswalk Café
opens for supper
5:30 pm Ignite Student Choir
6:45 pm Crosswalk Worship
begins in the auditorium
8:00 pm The Crosswalk will

Senior Adult Trip

Thursday, January 28

Lunch with

**Greenville Tec's Culinary Arts Dept.,
Northwest Campus and
Guided Tour of**

Bob Jones Art Museum and Gallery

Leave at 11:45 am (front of sanctuary)

Cost: \$17 per person

Reservation and money
must be in by January 19.

The Reaching Center

Items needed:

canned fruit, peanut butter, canned
tomatoes, macaroni and cheese,
breakfast foods.

Wednesday Supper Menu

Adults: Hotdogs, Chips, Baked Beans,
Coleslaw

Kids: Corndogs, Chips, Corn, Fruit

*Remember to cancel or add reservations
by noon, Tuesday.*

JANUARY

MISSION ACTION PROJECT

Blankets and cold-weather clothing
for The Reaching Center