

The Messenger

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"Leading others to know Jesus Christ"

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Treasuring His Word...

From the Pastor's Heart:

"And all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was sixteen years old, and made him king in the place of his father Amaziah... and he reigned fifty-two years in Jerusalem... And he did right in the sight of the LORD according to all that his father Amaziah had done. And he continued to seek God in the days of Zechariah... and as long as he sought the LORD, God prospered him" (2 Chronicles 26:1-5 – excerpts).

Who knows what our young people will be doing in the days ahead! They may or may not be kings, but they will be children of "the" King, Jesus Christ. And even as teenagers, they need to be prepared to rise up to the calling and challenge to live in such a way that is right, and such that God is glorified! They will represent the Lord wherever He places them in this society. One of the ways we help prepare them is through ministries offered them right here at our First Baptist, Clanton, campus. In a desire to facilitate that ministry, the deacons have brought a motion before the church that we renovate the Youth Center based upon the proposal submitted to them in their monthly meeting last week. The total cost of the project is right at \$117,600.00. This coming Wednesday, May 24, we will discuss this motion, and then vote on it next Sunday, May 28, without discussion. We are excited about the short-term and long-range hopes for First Baptist, and this falls under the category of an immediate need. Please be here to express your perspective on God's will for our Student Ministry. May our efforts in Youth Ministry lead our students to seek the Lord God in every aspect and season of their lives, for in so doing, God will bless them!

Bro. Joe Mims called me with a good report on how the disaster relief project in Missouri is going. Continue to pray for them as they finish their work and head home. Many thanks go to the team as they are representing Christ so that others may see Jesus in them!

Don't forget to help us support the Care Net Pregnancy Resource Center of Chilton County. Each year we have been collecting offerings through their "baby bottle" ministry. Pick up a baby bottle from the church in which you can place your coins, bills, and checks to accumulate an offering over the next several weeks. You will be asked to return the baby bottles with your offering enclosed on Father's Day.



Deacons of the Week:

Donny Finlayson
Gene Foshee

Church Security:

Jim Greene
Mike Elder

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 28

8:15 a.m. - Orchestra Practice
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship

Monday, May 29

5:30 p.m. - Exercise Class

Tuesday, May 30

5:30 p.m. - Exercise Class
6:30 p.m. - Stitch 'N Pray

Wednesday, May 31

9:00 a.m. - Peace by Piece
5:00 p.m. - Family Supper
5:45 p.m. - Prayer Meeting
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice