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FROM LAYNE

Where are we 4 ½ months into the actual intentional interim process (the Interim Steering Team had their training retreat February 4-5 to begin their work)? Thanks to the diligent work of your Interim Steering Team, we are moving both carefully and quickly. The IST has been meeting weekly (except for holidays). They continue to be prayerfully diligent in their work. We have completed the *Heritage* focus point and are well on our way to completing the *Mission* focus point. They continue to be open to hearing from you regarding the work that they are doing on your behalf. In coming weeks, they will begin sharing what they see as the mission and vision for SJBC's future. I invite you and encourage you to continue to pray for the team as they work with the core values identified.

It's time (as the book of Acts indicates) for our young men and women to see visions and our old men and women to dream dreams. In Arthur Miller's play, *Death of A Salesman*, Biff, Willie Loman's son, offers this assessment of his father's life - *He had all the wrong dreams. All, all wrong.* SJBC must discover, dream, and live out God's dreams. Not just any dream/vision will do. One thing is for certain – God's dreams NEVER leave us where we are. Inevitably they take us to new, challenging, perhaps even frightening places where we are out of our comfort zone. An example: Take a look at Matthew 8:23-27. The disciples didn't escape trouble when they got into the boat with Jesus. No, they sailed into the storm. Being faithful often dictates that we sail into the storm.

The truth is business as usual will not take us into God's future for SJBC. This God wants to take us places we've never been.

P.S. A big **THANK YOU** to Ryan Crowder for his work in making the movie clip "work" for the sermon this past Sunday. We couldn't have done it without him. Also, the power point with the dads and their children was great, wasn't it? Thanks, Martha, for putting that together!



HOLY GROUNDS THIS SUNDAY 9:00 am Church Lounge

Discussion question:

"What is the nature of the Gospels?"

Comparing the words and deeds of Jesus in the four gospels.

Discussion will be led by Lee Gray.

CBF 20th Annual General Assembly June 23-26 Charlotte Convention Center

Don't miss this opportunity to experience fellowship and worship with like-minded Baptists from across our country.



On-site registration is available Wednesday, June 23, from noon to 5:00 pm and Thursday and Friday, June 24th and 25th, from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Bill Leonard is the Thursday night worship speaker and Lauren Winner is the Friday night speaker. Note: registration is not required to attend the worship services.

For more information: www.thefellowship.info/assembly.

Please note: The church van can accommodate 5-7 people to and from the worship services on Thursday and Friday nights. The van will leave the church at 6:15 pm sharp and will leave the Convention Center at 9:15 pm to return to the church. When the van is filled, others may want to carpool from the church.

This Sunday, June 27th 10:30 am - Sanctuary

**Rob Nash, Coordinator for Global Missions with CBF, will bring the morning sermon.
"The Church and God's Mission in the World"**

Vacation Bible School - June 28-July 2

Next week we take off for Egypt!

Some reminders:

- Hours are 9:00 am -12:00 Noon
- Cost is \$10. After care goes through 5:00 pm and costs \$50/child -please pack a lunch.
- Dress comfortably!
- Friday is our big day in the park—any extra hands available would be most welcomed!

The registration form is available on the Children's page at www.stjohnsbaptistchurch.org. See you in Egypt!



4th of July Schedule

10:00 am - Morning Worship - Sanctuary

11:00 am - Lunch - Broach Hall

Mark your calendar for a day of worship and fellowship and good food! Plan to bring a large side dish or dessert to share - fried chicken will be provided.

Budget Receipts
June 20: \$9,174.50

Calendar: June 27-July 3

Sunday, June 27

8:30..... Chancel Choir
9:00..... Holy Grounds
9:15..... Sunday School
10:30..... Worship
11:45..... Pathfinders' Class Lunch

Monday, June 28

9:00..... Vacation Bible School
7:00..... Interim Steering Team

Tuesday, June 29

9:00..... Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, June 30

9:00..... Vacation Bible School
11:00..... Women's Bible Study

Thursday, July 1

9:00..... Vacation Bible School
7:30..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 2

9:00..... Vacation Bible School

Saturday, July 3

Recent Illnesses

Asbury/Aldersgate: Marie Wright

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Worth and Joy Jarrett** who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 25th.

Congratulations to **Helen Crawford** and **Richard Neff** who were married at St. John's on Saturday, June 19th.

Sympathy

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Idelle Tucker who died June 18, 2010.



Men's Softball Schedule

All games are at Providence Baptist Church

Tuesday, June 22 - 7:15 pm
Friday, June 25 - 6:00 pm
Monday, June 28 - 7:15 pm
Friday, July 9 - 6:00 pm
Monday, July 12 - 6:00 pm

YOUTH NEWS

The next High School Habitat workday is scheduled for this **Saturday, June 26**, from 9:00 am until the trailer is loaded! We leave for the Mission Trip to John's Island on Sunday, July 4th!

In Service Sunday, June 27

Deacons: Kim Allen, Stephen Allred, Fredda Kimball, Mark McNeill, Melissa Millette, Gene Poole, Lynn Pope, M. C. Sorrell, Todd Stillerman, Sally Young

Ushers: Leonard & Linda Balentine, Bobbie Hinson

Tellers: James Laney, Don Millsaps

Nursery Workers: Meredith Sorrell, Laura Sorrell, Becky & Jason Benton, Linda Crowder, Maggie Bond, Debora Thon

Nurse on Duty: Lynn Erdman



The Uptown Ladies

enjoyed a day-trip to the Billy Graham Library last week. Many thanks to Lee for driving and for being the photographer!

Dates to Note @ SJBC

June 23-26

CBF General Assembly at Charlotte Convention Center

June 28-July 2 - Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 4

Worship at 10:00 am (no Sunday School) followed at 11:00 by a Picnic Lunch

July 4-10

High School Habitat Trip to John's Island, SC

Women of the Church Activities

Thank You!

Many thanks to **Dianne Smith** who contributed so much time and talent to making the Int'l Fashion Show and lunch a success!

Bible Study

The June 30th meeting will be in Committee Room B. There will be no meetings in July.

IN MEMORIAM

Idelle Pennington Tucker
July 28, 1914 - June 18, 2010

It's Farmers' Market Time!

Our St. John's "Farmers' Market" is scheduled for Sunday, July 18, and needs the bounty from your backyard garden! In addition to summer crops, we need home-baked goodies, pickles, and plants.



Please bring items to Lasater Hall on **July 18th**. The sale will be at 11:45 am - after the morning worship service.

Proceeds will go to local hunger projects - last year we collected over \$600!

Let's have fun, eat well, and contribute to feeding those in our community who are in need.

Wagons and Cereal

Want to help with children's programming for the upcoming CBF General Assembly? There are two areas where you can be of tremendous help to our program:

Wagons-if you have a functioning kid's wagon, we'd like to borrow it the week of June 21-26-just drop it off at gym doors or call Martha;

Food-if you work downtown and would be willing to invite your office-mates to bring in cereal, peanut butter, fruit juice or other kid-friendly, non-perishable foods on June 25, email

Martha@stjohnsbaptistchurch.org.

Thank you!

Financial Report

May 31, 2010

	Current	Year to Date
Budget Required	\$ 92,308	\$ 406,154
Budget Receipts	\$ 71,700	\$ 355,883
Expenses	<u>\$(59,214)</u>	<u>\$(379,669)</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 12,486	\$ (23,786)

If you have any questions regarding the financial report, please contact Carolyn in the church office.

Please note: the church office will be closed on Monday, July 5, for Independence Day. There will be no newsletter published the week of July 5.

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