



The Messenger

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Ms. Mandy Steward	<i>CDC Director</i>
Mrs. Nita Johnson	<i>MDO Director</i>
Miss Pam Morris	<i>Music Assistant</i>
Facts and Figures	
April 24, 2011	
Budget Giving	15,101.34
Designated Giving	29,348.95
Budget Needs Weekly	21,640.54
Budget Giving YTD	71,310.59
Building Debt	26,192.00
AAEO (Easter Offering)	4,853.64
<i>(Budget Year: April 2011-March 2012)</i>	
Worship 8am	246
Sunday School	229
Worship 10:45am	380



Sunday, May 1

**Golden Notes singing at both morning services
All Senior Adults are invited to join us for
lunch in your honor following 10:45 Service**

RAD Week - Redeemed and Delivered

An exciting new opportunity from PBC Kids Ministries. The purpose of RAD Week is to help your child grow in faith. July 11-15 is for children entering first grade through third grade and July 18-22 for children entering fourth grade through sixth grade. The camp staff will be led by Mrs. Brandy Kinard. The cost is \$60 for the week. Registration is limited to 30 children per week, registration will close June 12. Camp is Monday-Friday, 8:30am-3:30pm.



Pastor's Thoughts Dr. Rusty J. Sowell

The events of this past weekend are to be commended. This past Saturday the community Easter gathering planned and implemented by Mrs. Kaye and her able team was a great celebration. A few hundred plus enjoyed the beautiful Spring day.

And how about Sunday! Every aspect of our worship was Christ honoring and all together over 600 plus gathered to celebrate our Risen Lord. Our thanks to all who helped to make this a weekend to remember.

Trust me on this one, I know that these are difficult days. Yet, these are also days of opportunity, moments when we can all help out in numerous ways to make a difference for our Lord and His church. These next few weeks we all need to consider an offering above and beyond to our debt reduction. As I reflected on Bro. Gene's reminder and challenge to us a few weeks ago regarding our obligation and commitment to pay down our building debt, I was reminded how the Lord has provided thus far and that together we can meet this obligation sooner rather than later. Please pray about giving a gift above and beyond for the debt reduction.

This Sunday is Senior Adult Day and we will have another great day of worship. I trust to see you church this Sunday.

**Ladies Coffee and Canvas
Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 pm**

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH		SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE May 1-7, 2011				
SUNDAY 1	MONDAY 2	TUESDAY 3	WEDNESDAY 4	THURSDAY 5	FRIDAY 6	SATURDAY 7
Worship (EC) 8:00am Sunday School 9:15am Worship (WC) 10:45am Senior Adult Meal Following Praise Band (Sanctuary) 3:00pm Youth/Child Choirs 5:00pm Mission Friends, RA, GA 5:00pm Deeper Roots 5pm/6pm	EACC/EAYC 4pm	MDO 9am-1pm Deacons Meeting (FSH) 5:30pm	Golden Notes Choir 4:45pm King's Kids 6pm Prayer Meeting 6pm Youth Connect 6pm Church Choir/PS 6:45pm	MDO 9am-1pm	Wedding Rehearsal (FSH/Sanct) 6pm	Wedding Benford/Lamb (Sanct) 3:00pm

EC: East Campus
WC: West Campus
FSH: Fellowship Hall
AFM: Angel Food Ministry

MDO: Mother's Day Out
CDC: Child Development Center
EACC: East Alabama Children's Choir
EAYC: East Alabama Youth Chorale

PBC Kids Mrs. Kaye LeCompte

Standing at the top of the hill this past Saturday morning watching our "He Lives! Easter Celebration" unfold, I was overwhelmed. It was wonderful to see our church busily welcoming our community to our home. Over 225 saw our church family exhibiting God's love. We made many new friends and enjoyed fellowship with old ones.

The resurrection of Christ Jesus was presented to the children by the Thornton family. In costume they shared about Jesus' death, what it means for all of us, and why we celebrate His resurrection. During the egg hunt for the older children they completed Resurrection Egg sets. I hope they were used by the children to share the Easter story with their families.

Eggs, plastic eggs, and more eggs! Three other age groups hunted a bounty of eggs. During the weeks before Easter, we talked about what the egg represents- new life in Christ. Just as the children rejoiced when they found eggs, we rejoice in Christ and His resurrection. You could also think of the egg as the tomb of Jesus and whatever is inside is a treasure, like Jesus is our treasure.

In the midst of the excitement of hunting eggs and finding what was within, the children experienced the love of Christ through all the people from our church who gave so abundantly. The children enjoyed opening the "treasures" you gave! And all the candy! Thank you for responding, giving, and caring about our children!

Giving Their Time & Talent	
<u>Toddlers - Rm 2</u>	Jennifer Hughes Betty Sherwood
<u>Deacons On Call</u>	<u>2 Yr Olds - Rm 3</u>
Ken Wilder	Sandra Morgan
Daniel Lee	Janice Nolin
<u>Nursery Contact</u>	<u>3 Yr Olds - Rm 4</u>
Brenda Ponder	Margaret Belcher
745-7104	Kathy Belcher
<u>Bed Babies - Rm 1</u>	<u>8:00 am Nursery</u>
Kelly Langley	Judy & Beth Watson
Pamela Pattillo	
Prayerfully consider volunteering. Call Kaye LeCompte for details, 745-4608	

See inside for news from the Tuskegee-Lee Baptist Association



Sunday, May 8

Parent-Child Dedication Service. Please contact Kaye LeCompte if you would like to participate.

Tuesday, May 10

Senior Adult Game Night (FSH) 5:30 pm

Wednesday, May 11

Regular Church Conference (FSH) 6pm

Sunday, May 22

Graduates Luncheon, following 10:45 worship
Please signup if you are attending.

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Items Needed:
Blank CDs Staplers
Highlighters Dry Erase Markers
Gel Pens (Blue or Black) Permanent Markers
Paper Clips
Fly Strips (Flies are bad this time of the year)
Box will be sent in care of Sgt. Brandon L. Dykes

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