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215 E. Ettels Lane  
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IN GOD WE TRUST

**Thank you!**

Dianne & Bobby Hoback want to thank you for your prayers, cards, gifts & visiting when Bobby's sister Betty passed away on November 24 & his brother Dallas Hoback passed away on January 25. Thanks for being so thoughtful.

**Welcome**

to Natalie Ray Stankewicz, born 12/9/12. Congratulations to the proud grandmother, Nancy Stankewicz and great grandmother, Ruby Day.

**Christian Love & Sympathy**

is expressed to Wanda Coleman and family in the loss of her husband, George. George was a member of FSBC.

is expressed to Karen, Bro. Russ & family in the loss of Karen's aunt, Ann Coomer.

**Offering Information**

Budget Needed: \$ 10,636.21  
Offering Received: \$ 8,529.50  
Designated Other: \$ 25.00  
Designated V2V: \$ 871.00  
**Total: \$ 9,425.50**

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	79	AM	136
Youth	16	PM	73
Children	15		
Preschool	18	Discipleship Training	14
<b>Total:</b>	<b>128</b>	Graded Choirs	25
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>39</b>

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serving...in the name of Jesus  
Christ and for His glory.*

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**Calendar of Events**

**Saturday, February 9**

Church-wide wedding shower for Ethan & Debra French in FLC - 2:00 PM

**Sunday, February 17**

Business Meeting - 7:00 PM

**Monday, February 18**

President's Day - Office Closed

**Tuesday, February 19**

XYZ Pitch-in luncheon and Game Day in FLC - 12:00 PM

**Friday, February 22**

Youth Open Gym Night in the FLC - 7:00-9:30 PM

(Please note date change)

**Saturday, February 23**

Cub Scout Pack 10 Blue/Gold Banquet & Pinewood Derby in FLC - 4:00-7:00 PM

**Sunday, February 24**

Senior Adult Day

Lord's Supper - PM Service

**Sunday, March 3**

Sunday School Workers Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM

Deacon's Meeting - 7:25 PM

## Pastor's Paragraphs

Yesterday was our Southern Baptist family's Call to Prayer. You can go to [namb.net/sbccalltoprayer](http://namb.net/sbccalltoprayer) for more information. This international prayer focus calls on each of us to pray for four things: someone in your family who needs Christ, a friend who needs Christ, a "Send North America" city, and an unreached people group. We are focusing on the Bajio region of Mexico for this last prayer focus. There is a possibility that our church can partner with some of the missionaries there to assist them to bring the Gospel to this "Heart of Darkness" region of Mexico. Please pray for Missionaries Alan and Jane Woody and the Bajio region of Mexico.

Do you think you can learn anything from a clay pot? Paul described himself and his fellow ministers as "earthen vessels" or clay pots in 2 Cor. 4:7. What can we learn from a clay pot? First, we can learn the secret of God's strength. Paul said the treasure of the gospel was carried about in clay pots. The victory and successfulness of our lives lies not in our strength, but in God's. Secondly is the secret of endurance. He describes in vv. 8-9 all of the hardships he encountered as an apostle of Christ, and how God sustained and protected him through them all. Third, there is the secret of purpose. He says in v. 13: "we also believe and therefore speak." He had a purpose and a reason to speak the gospel. It is the power of God unto salvation. Fourth, there is the secret of the seed. He speaks of being delivered unto death for the cause of Christ. Jesus said a seed must fall into the ground and "die" in order for it to bear fruit. Dying to self in investing in the gospel bears fruit eternally. The final lesson from the clay pot is the secret of inner renewal. "The inward man," v. 16 says, "is being renewed day by day." God gives inner strength as we serve him. You can learn a lot from a clay pot.

See you Sunday, *Bro. Russ*

## The Upcoming Week

### Sunday, February 10

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Preschool & Children's Choirs  
Discipleship Training for Adults & Youth
- 6:15 PM Worship Service

### Wednesday, February 13

- 5:00 PM Youth Choir
- 5:45 PM Meal: Pizza, salad, dessert
- 6:30 PM Mission Friends, GA's, RA's  
Youth Bible Study  
Adult Prayer/Bible Study  
Worship Choir Rehearsal  
La Respuesta Bible Study
- 7:40 PM Handbell Team Rehearsal

### Thursday, February 14

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

### Saturday, February 16

- 8:00 AM Men's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

### Sunday, February 17

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Preschool & Children's Choirs  
Discipleship Training for Adults & Youth
- 6:15 PM Worship Service
- 7:00 PM Business Meeting

### Monday, February 18

President's Day - Office Closed

### **Church-wide Wedding Shower**

for Ethan & Debra French on Saturday, February 9, 2013 at 2:00 PM in the FLC. For more information, please contact the church office. Everyone is invited to attend. If you have a favorite recipe, please put on a recipe card and bring to give the new bride.

## A Word from Keith

While the Bible can be convicting and challenging to us in our personal lives it also provides great hope and encouragement. As a born again believer we have been given the greatest gift ever, Jesus Christ died on the cross to pay for our sins and to provide eternal life. That alone is great news! As I read through the Old and New Testament I also see a God that is aware of our lives and the trials we face. In Exodus God tells Moses that He has "seen the affliction of my people", also that He "hears their cry", and He "knows their sufferings." There may be times when we feel alone or in a hard time of life but God knows and cares about us and what we go through every day. We need to pray in good times and bad. Below are just a few of many verses that I hope are an encouragement to us all.

Psalms 55:22 "Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved."

I Peter 5:7 "Casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you."

Romans 8:39 "Nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

James 4:8 "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded."

God Bless,  
Bro. Keith



## Remembering in Prayer

**Clark Memorial:** Lonnie Oyler

**Wedgewood:** Katie Cawthorn

**Riverbend:** Maxine Burke

**Home:** Annette Anderson, Marie Click, Ada Dunn, Mary Eddings, Esther Figueroa, Brenda Gaunce, Ione Howard, Donna Huff, Abbey Hunter, Danny Jones, Ruth Leffler, Anna Lyles, Muriel McKinney, Mary Alice Northington, Sandy Ragan, Daphne Ryan, Kenny Sullivan, Beulah Truesdell,

**Shut-Ins:** John & Mattie Stith, Bettyruth Wilson, Juanita Zuberer

### **Through the Bible in a Year**

February 8 Leviticus 4-6 & Matthew 25:1-30  
February 9 Leviticus 7-9 & Matthew 25:31-36  
February 10 Leviticus 10-12 & Matthew 26:1-19  
February 11 Leviticus 13 & Matthew 26:20-54  
February 12 Leviticus 14 & Matthew 26:55-75  
February 13 Leviticus 15-17 & Matthew 27:1-31  
February 14 Leviticus 18-19 & Matthew 27:32-66  
February 15 Leviticus 20-21 & Matthew 28

### **Choices for Women Baby Bottle Campaign**

Our annual Baby Bottle Campaign in support of "Choices" began on Sunday, January 27th.. All bottles are due back to the church on Sunday, February 10th. You may fill the bottle with silver coins, paper money, or a check made out to **Choices for Women Resource Center.**

### **XYZ Updates**

Pitch-in luncheon and "Game Day" on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 in the FLC. Please sign up on the sheet in the lobby.

Having lunch at the Overlook Restaurant at Leavenworth on Tuesday, March 19th. Leave church at 10:45 AM.