

We invite your family
to join our family
in a time of

Revival



Hear

Dr. John Brock

from Highland Baptist Church
Florence, Alabama

share valuable insights on
living meaningful lives
in uncertain times

October 25 - 28, 2009

6:30 p.m. each night

Join us for a

Power Lunch

Monday - Wednesday at 12 noon

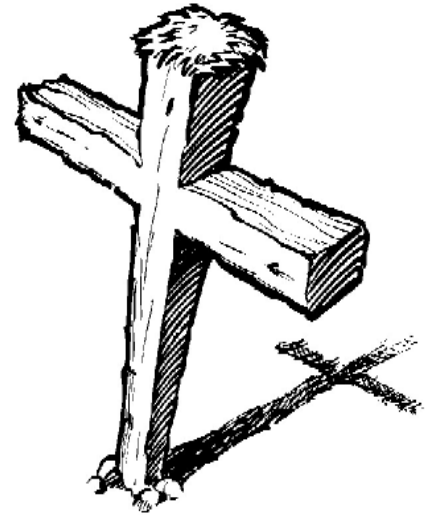


Right Minds

I am sure we all remember the parable Jesus told of the prodigal son. By asking for his inheritance while his father was living it was the same as wishing his father dead. The father granted him the insulting wish and continued to love him. How could one do such a thing? How does one overcome the hurt brought on by such actions and still love the offender? We find a clue about midway through the parable. The Scripture records, "When he came to himself..." Politely put, he came to his senses. That being true, it must then mean his prior actions were a result of not being in his right mind! Think about it. If insulting

actions and riotous living were the result of not being in his right mind, then humbling himself, repenting, and setting relationships right must be the actions taken when he is in his right mind. Just a brief search of Scripture tells us God has much to say about fools, folly, and sin. They seem to be closely linked. One such verse is Prov. 15:5, "A fool despises his father's instruction; but he that regards reproof is prudent." To disregard our Heavenly Father's instruction is all the more foolish. How can a man contend with God? It is the most sensible and logical of all things to humble ourselves before Him, and in doing so, receive His blessing. The father in the parable is representative of God. As this father dealt with the prodigal, so much more so will our loving Father deal with us when we 'come to ourselves' and follow in obedience. That's what revival is all about. Please continue to wait upon the Lord in prayer, lift up Dr. Brock in your prayers, and seek the ways God wills to use you in revival at FBC.

Blessings,
Bro. Keith



The next two newsletter deadlines are
October 23 & November 10.

Sign up for

In-Home Evening Prayer Meetings,

Mondays and Thursdays
until Revival.

7:00 p.m. each night.

"Pray without ceasing"

for the Revival
Sign-up papers are
in the main hall.



Learning Center News

October is fire prevention month. The Scottsboro Fire Department brought the big, red fire truck and the firemen talked to the children about fire safety. One of the firemen dressed in his turnouts, put his self contained breathing apparatus (helmet) on for the children to see. They learned to stop, drop and roll if your clothes ever catch fire. They also learned to crawl out of a burning building and to never be afraid of the firefighters who are there to help you. We have a walking trip to the fire station planned for the end of the month. Experiences like these are wonderful learning tools for children.

Children who attend the Learning Center are also learning about other helpers in our community this month. We are so excited to have visitors from the community speak to the children about the jobs they do for us. Scottsboro police officers showed the children the inside of a police car and brought the K-9 unit. Our mail man brought the mail truck for us to see and our local paramedics brought the ambulance for the children to view from the inside. The street department brought the big clean-up truck and gave the children a demonstration of how the "claw" works. Our local librarian came to share books with the children and talk to them about the library. This is such an exciting time for us. How wonderful it is for children to meet these special people who provide such a valuable service to our community.

We have received a generous donation of books from the Tyson Green family. We also received a donation of fabric to be used for infant room curtains from Lynn Green. We so appreciate their generosity and support of the Learning Center. If you would be interested in making curtains for our nursery please contact the Learning Center or the church office.

The Learning Center continues to be in need of substitutes. Please keep this need and the ministry of the Learning Center in your prayers.

Blessed to be His,
Lisa

*...be strong
in the grace that is
in Christ Jesus
and the things
you have heard me say
in the presence of
many witnesses entrust
to reliable men
who will also be
qualified to teach
others.*

2 TIMOTHY 2:1-2

Women's Ministry

Mark Your Calendars Now

The Gathering!

November 13 - 14

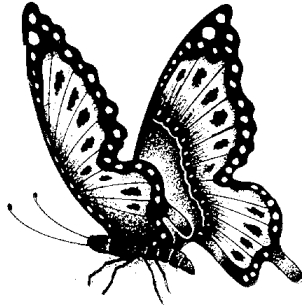
\$30 per person

Worship • Special Speaker

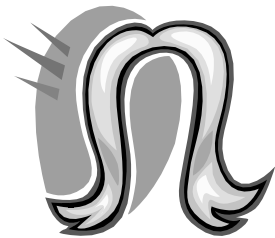
Food • Fellowship

Registration Deadline:

October 25



WIGS



The Women's Ministry of FBC adopted the name WIGS for this church year. WIGS stands for *Women in God's Service*. Thanks to the 40 women who joined us for lunch on Sunday. We had a great time of food, fellowship and planning. We missed those of you who were not able to be with us, but more

opportunities will be forthcoming. We will be beginning a WIGS breakfast club on the second Saturday of each month beginning in January. Make plans to be with us at The Bake Shop at 9 a.m., on Saturday, January 9. Look for signs around the church with future WIGS breakfast club dates. ALL women are welcome.

On Friday, February 19, we will have our first WIGS surprise overnight retreat. Call or email the church office to reserve a room. Our retreat focus will be on "Trust". I have to ask you to trust me to choose a great place for the retreat without telling you where we are going! You will need \$1 for gas money and money for supper and breakfast. Room rates are \$33 per person for 4 sharing a room, \$42 per person for 3 sharing a room, and \$60 per person for 2 sharing a room. Your room rate will be your deposit. You won't want to miss the unbelievable life story our speaker will share. All are asked to bring a snack food to share on Friday evening. Deadline for registration and deposit is Sunday, January 10.

Make plans to join us at 9 a.m., on Saturday, October 31, to cheer on the runners in the Spreading Hope 5K Race. We need all ages to be on the Martin Street side of FBC cheering as the runners come by. This is a great opportunity to be involved in a community event and show Christ's love to our city. We hope to have 100 church members cheering and showing support for this event. Be at the church by 9:00 and you will be finished by 10:00 a.m. Let's show people that FBC is involved in our great community.

Let's Grow FBC

Do you know someone that needs encouraging to come to church? Please invite them! If you think it would be a help to get your friends to visit FBC by having a Deacon or Staff Member visit them, please call the church office. Also, if you see a visitor during any of our services, please encourage them to fill out a visitor card.



W.O.M.



The October meeting for W.O.M. will be a housewarming shower on Tuesday, October 22, at 10 a.m., for the new Habitat for Humanity homeowner. Many of you may know the next homeowner. She is Amanda Manderson, a Scottsboro native. She would like a microwave for her new kitchen since HH does not provide for that. If you would like to contribute or give Amanda a gift card, please plan to attend or see Susan Carlile, Judi Terry, or Virginia Pitts. This shower will take the place of our regular program.

We are also working on our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes which will be dedicated on Sunday, November 15, during the morning worship service. You will hear more about the shoebox project in Sunday services and in your Sunday school class. The Awana kids have set a goal of 100 shoeboxes for this year. Let's add to this. If you are not able to shop for gifts for a shoebox, you may contribute toward the shipping (\$7 per box) or one of the W.O.M. ladies will be glad to do your shopping for you. You can still pack the box and pray for the child who will receive your

box. Samaritan's Purse determines where each box will go and packs a book in the child's native language telling about Jesus. This is the only opportunity for many children to know of God's love. Pray about your involvement in this project. Let's send more boxes than the 130 we sent last year.



FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

Fun for All Ages

featuring a

Family Chili Cook-Off

October 31

4 - 6 p.m.

on the Church Grounds



ITEMS NEEDED!!!



Baked Goods

Bags of Individually

Wrapped Candy

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

General Volunteers for the Festival

Families to Cook Chili

Children's Ministry

Children's Choirs

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Third Floor



Sunday Evenings
5:30 p.m. • Third Floor

October 18: "Mystery" Night, Fruit of the spirit:
Patience

October 25: "Bad Hair" Night

November 1: "Super Section" Night



Do you have a college student? The church office needs their name, address, and email. Please call the office with the information before October 31.

Immersion

Student Ministry

Saturation: Sunday Mornings, 9:45 a.m., in the Oasis

Quench: Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., in the Oasis

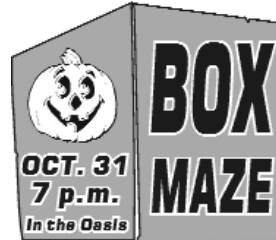
Overflow: Sundays, 4:30 p.m., in the Oasis



OVERTIME

after **SHS** Football Game

October 16



Bring your friends and try to find your way out of a 200 box maze.

Ski Trip Deposit Due

\$75 per person

October 15

No Reservations after October 15

Ski Trip: January 15 - 18, 2010



STUDENT NIGHT AT THE REVIVAL

Monday, October 26 • 4:30 p.m.

Games, Free Food, Prize Give-aways