

March 29, 2013

Our office will be closed.

VOLLEYBALL

 TOURNAMENTS!

Date: March 8-9

Locations: Waldo and Joppa Missionary

**Executive Board Meeting**

**Monday, March 4, 7:00 p.m.**

**Seven Mile Baptist**

**The Council will meet**

**at 6:00 p.m.**

**All Pastors, Board Members and Associational Council are encouraged to attend.**

**Pastor Birthdays**

**March 4 – Cliff Easter**

**Metropolis FBC Youth Pastor**

**March 17 – Dean West, Karnak 1st**

**Pastor Anniversary**

**March 31 – Ryan & Laurel Anderson**

**Eastland Youth Pastor**

**Pastor Church Anniversary**

**Glenn Coram – Immanuel (2011)**

One thing we all love to see in our churches on Sundays is visitors. What we really would like to see is those Sunday visitors become regular church attendees. What I have learned over my years in ministry is that those visitors becoming members depends on how the first time visitor was received and what they were looking for. You can easily break down visitors into one of these categories:

The Testers – Visitors who are just looking because of reasons from past church experiences. They were dissatisfied, not growing in their faith, or didn’t like the leadership they were sitting under. Most testers are looking for that specific fit. Now don’t go and alter things for them, but make sure to answer the questions they have about your church.

The Pleasers – These visitors are there only to please their spouse, a friend or a co-worker who has been inviting them to come and they really don’t have an interest in the church. Yet what we can do for them is make them feel comfortable so they might want to come back.

The Seekers – This is the visitor who knows they are missing something in their life, but are not sure what it is. These visitors are our mission field and we must introduce them to Christ because they will become loyal to the church where they are saved.

The Jumpers – The jumpers speak for themselves as they hop from one church to another mostly because they didn’t get their way at the other church.

The Investors - The investors are those visitors who have recently moved into your community and are looking for a church to continue to invest their trust and faith in serving the Lord through it.

Regardless of what type of visitor you have in your church on Sunday, please try to see them as Jesus would. People are looking for answers about life and we as a church need to share the love of Christ with them so that they can and will become regular church members.

Serving the Lord Together,

Terry Mathis, D.O.M.

*We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Dr. James Cecil. Dr. Cecil passed on January 29, 2013. A $45 Camp MAC scholarship has been donated to Simpson Baptist Church in his honor.*

**Secretary’s office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Daylight Savings Time

begins on March 10th!

***Church Contributions for Budget***

***(rec’d & deposited in January)***

Brookport First $ 530.00

County Line $ 400.00

Cypress First $ 27.20

Dixon Springs $ 266.00

Eastland $ 304.00

Hillerman $ 599.72

Immanuel $ 239.64

Joppa Missionary $ 646.65

Karnak First $ 726.67

Metropolis First $ 2,371.39

Mt. Zion $ 310.02

New Beginnings $ 0.00

New Hope $ 2,092.16

New Salem $ 12.00

Oak Grove $ 72.31

Seven Mile $ 0.00

Simpson $ 208.00

Vienna First $ 866.66

Waldo $ 466.67

Weaver Creek $ 0.00

**Matthew 25:34-40**

**MARCH, 2013**

***If you have information that you would like to have included in our monthly newsletter, please call or email the UBA office by the 20th of the month. We would be happy to promote any special events (revival, singing group, special programs/ministries, etc.)***

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