



BOSTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

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The Right Words for Victory in Jesus

My mom tells a story of me as a preschooler, swinging in our backyard and singing loudly (and off-key, I'm sure): "Oh, victory in Jesus, my Savior forever. He *socked* me and *bopped* me with his redeeming blood." Though that isn't an example of how to effectively share Jesus with your neighbors, the wrong words might contain a nugget of truth.

In 1939, a stroke partially paralyzed hymn writer Eugene Bartlett. Bedridden and unable to perform anymore, he penned his final, most beloved song, "Victory in Jesus." The actual lyrics read: "O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever. He *sought* me and *bought* me with his redeeming blood."

It's beautiful to realize that Jesus indeed sought me out and paid the ultimate price for me. But sometimes I forget -- and that's when he "socks me" and "bops me." Jesus loves me too much to let life's chaos and struggles distract me from him and what he's done. Let us all remember to celebrate our victory in Jesus!

(Written by Janna Firestone)

Choir Notes

February is almost here, and I look forward to warmer days and the first spring flowers! After catching our breath from the busy Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, we are ready to begin planning music for Easter (April 9th this year.) In addition to music for our regular Sunday services, we include selections from the musical "Jesus the Undefeated One" in our weekly choir practice. All the songs are beautiful, but one of my favorites is "How Beautiful the Cross." We still meet on Wednesday nights right after Prayer Meeting if you want to join us. Happy Valentines Day!

Ellen "I sing for joy at the works of your hands." Psalm 92:4



Filling Shoeboxes Throughout the Year

To provide us all an opportunity to give throughout the year, we will have a basket in the foyer and collect different items for shoeboxes every month. In the course of your regular shopping or grocery pickups, we hope that you will consider adding some of these items to your list. Children are divided into 3 categories: ages 2-4, 5-9, & 10-14.

February's Shopping List

- stuffed animals
- plush dolls
- homemade sewing kit with 1-2 yards fabric and ribbon (can put this all in a gallon ziploc bag)



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February Events

Deacon's Meeting

8th Wednesday @ 7:30 pm

Business Meeting

12th Sunday after service

Women's Bible Study

23rd Thursday @ 5:45 pm
Bethany McDonnell's house

Seekers WMU Meeting

27th Monday @ 6:30 pm

February Birthdays

- 6 - Gunner Parker
- 8 - Lou Ellen Peek
- 10 - Viola Flowers
- 10 - Robbie West
- 13 - Jared Giddens
- 13 - Faye Pittman
- 24 - Codie Frick
- 25 - Hannah Stone
- 29 - Christa Herring

February Flowers

- 5 - Danny Groover
- 12 - Rick & Bethany McDonnell
- 19 - OPEN
- 26 - OPEN

Contact the church secretary,
Kristy Howell, at (229) 403-9379
to contribute to our newsletter or
to the flower calendar.

What Is Love?

We asked our children's class what their meaning of love is, and we hope you enjoy their responses.

Carter- "Love is when you play and be nice. I love my mommy this big <----->."

Grayson- Love is "when you like someone. My momma and daddy love me because they hug, kiss me, cook for me and give me toys."

Katie- "Love is when you help someone and give presents like I gave my best friend money for Kona Ice when she didn't have \$3.

Nate- "Love is when you respect each other and hugs and lots of hugs."

Ronan- "Love is about giving something to someone and not getting something back."

Rhett- "You love your mama and hug her and give her kisses on the cheek."

Millie- Love is "hugs and kisses."

Nolan- "People are kind to you and like you. Hugs and K.I.S.S. (whispers while spelling out kiss)

Colin- "God loves me. He died on cross."

Luke- "God loves me. He loves me because I'm a smart boy."

Reagan- "My mommy & daddy love me. They play with me."

Lucy Kate- "Love is kind and patient, like waiting on your turn and giving hugs and kisses."

Youth Updates

The youth have been studying the book of Hebrews on Wednesday night. The theme of the book of Hebrews is "Jesus is Better" and we are learning so much together as we dive in, ask questions, and go through a chapter each week.

The youth will be going to Teen Extreme Camp again this summer on the campus of Pensacola Christian College. We had such a wonderful time last year! We will be going June 26-30. Please see Mr. Rick or Mrs. Bethany if your teen would like to go.

There's a new baby in town...

Congratulations to Anthony and Nikki Shiver on the birth of their newborn son, Daniel Preston Shiver. Daniel was born on January 20th at 9:22 pm at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces and was 21.5 inches long. Daniel made his appearance a few weeks early but is in good health. Daniel's proud grandparents are Lavone and Kim Shiver. Congratulations to the Shiver family on their new, beautiful little blessing!

