

# THE GOOD NEWS FOR JANUARY 2007

from Pastor Glen Johnson and Good News Free Will Baptist Church

## **SOME VERY SPECIAL EVENTS IN JANUARY**

The first Sunday of the year "**VISION SUNDAY 2007**" will be a very special day for our church and you will not want to miss it. After the morning service, we will have a meal followed by some very important activities that will last till 3:00 p.m. We will not be having an evening service and so we hope everyone will remain for this afternoon gathering. The meal will be catered and for all who can help with the cost of the meal we are asking for a donation of \$5 per plate to be turned in with your RSVP card by this Sunday, December 31. You will not be disappointed. But please plan to come whether or not you can donate to the meal. We want you to be there! And visitors will certainly be welcome. We will prepare extra in hopes that our visitors will stay and join us.

After the meal there will be some fun time for the whole family. This will be followed by some more serious fellowship and vision casting. We will have nursery for the entire time and child care for the adult session.

Please make this gathering a PRIORITY. We will set the course for the whole year during this afternoon and we need you to be on board from the start. So please clear this day and give it to God and to the church. I think you will be glad that you did.

On Sunday, January 21st, **BLESS THE CHILDREN SUNDAY**" we will have a dedication service for the infants that were born during this last year. We encourage all who desire to dedicate their babies to notify the pastor by January 10th. By the way this is a great time to get family members and friends to come to church, so please ask about invitations that we can provide for you to mail to them. During the service we will also have a special blessing for all the children and so parents are invited to bring everyone as we emphasize the family and Christian child-rearing. At the end of the service, there will be a prayer of dedication offered for the whole family. In this day when attacks from the evil one are raging, we need to do all we can to pray that God will protect and guide our children in the path that is right. So parents bring your children on this day and join us in this time of asking God's blessing on our families.

A weekend of wisdom will characterize our stewardship conference "**MY PART IN THE MASTER'S MISSION.**" We will receive information and inspiration as Rev. Howard Bass unveils the head and the heart of a wise Christian steward. You will be blessed to see how God can use you in ways, perhaps, you never even considered. Mark off Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 26-28, as an investment in eternity. The time you spend on this week-end conference will be well worth it.

## **CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ~ THIS FALL**

Plans are in the making to begin a Christian school this fall. At the present we are meeting with county officials to get everything cleared to begin this school. So far there have been no problems. Our intentions are to begin just a pre-school (3, 4 and 5 year olds) this year and then add a grade each additional year. We appreciate your prayers for this endeavor

## **OUR VISION FOR 2007**

***"Where there is no vision, the people perish . . ." ~ Proverbs 29:18a***

<b>January</b>	<i>" Vision for Stewardship"</i>
<b>February</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Families"</i>
<b>March</b>	<i>"Vision for Sunday School"</i>
<b>April</b>	<i>"Vision for Missions"</i>
<b>May</b>	<i>"Vision for Revival"</i>
<b>June</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Children"</i>
<b>July</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Country"</i>
<b>August</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Ministries"</i>
<b>September</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Christian School"</i>
<b>October</b>	<i>"Vision for Chesterfield County"</i>
<b>November</b>	<i>"Vision for Our Prayer Life"</i>
<b>December</b>	<i>"Vision for Christmas"</i>

## **GREETINGS ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY**

### ***Happy Birthday:***

Charles Kennedy 01/02, Amanda Harvey 01/03, Lauren Lewis 01/04, Shamika Winston 01/04, Jacob Hudson 01/05, Jimmy Frame 01/06, Mariah Wallin 01/06, Larry Blankenship 01/09, Kimberly Eubank 01/10, Linda Druin 01/17, Bob Wilson 01/17, Amber Graves 01/18, Jackie Jackson 01/19, Pastor Lane 01/20, Sue Fahed 01/21, Allen Prentice 01/21, Chelsea Hammonds 01/22, Shayna Horne 01/22, Dave Midgette 01/22, Janet Postlewaite 01/23, Eric Lehman 01/25, Molly Pyle 01/25, Caroline Corbett 01/27, Alexia Spencer 01/28, Peyton Garst 01/30, Jennifer Wilborn 01/31

### ***Happy Anniversary:***

Tom & Susan Smith 01/01, Harold & Pat Godsey 01/06, Don & Pat Bordeaux 01/07

# JANUARY 2007

"CARRYING THE GOSPEL IN EVERY DIRECTION"

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Benevolent Offering	4	5	6
7 Vision Sunday Luncheon & Activities till 3:00. No evening service.	8 Health Committee Meeting	9 Mission Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.	10 Haircuts and Egg Rolls Fund Raiser 10 am—4:30 pm	11	12	13 Teen Visitation at 11:00 am
14	15	16 Rezoning Meeting	17 Parenting Class for Mothers Begins (15 wk study)	18	19	20 Prison Ministry Serves and Music Ministry Fellowship 6-7:30 pm
21 AM: Bless the Children Day With Baby Dedications And Business Meeting in PM Meeting	22 Service at the Good Samaritan Inn 7:30 pm	23	24	25	26 Stewardship Conference Opening Session 7 pm	27 Men's Brunch Aunt Sarah's 10 am and Banquet at church 6 pm
28 Sunday school leaders meet 8:45 am & Stewardship Sunday Messages am & pm	29	30 Bill Campbell's surgery	31			*There will also be an outreach at the abortion clinic on 1/27 8-10 am