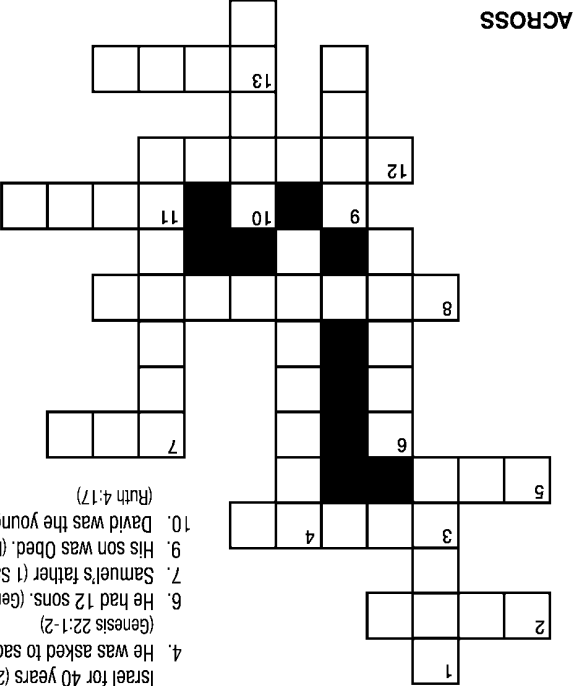


FATHERS IN THE BIBLE

God plans for our fathers to play important parts in our lives. Fill in the puzzle squares with names of important fathers from the Bible. Use the clues and verse references below to help.

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1. King Solomon's father, who ruled over Israel for 40 years (2 Samuel 5:4)
4. He was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac. (Genesis 22:1-2)
6. He had 12 sons. (Genesis 35:22)
7. Samuel's father (1 Samuel 1:19-20)
9. His son was Obed. (Ruth 4:21)
10. David was the youngest of his 8 sons. (Ruth 4:17)



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2. His 3 sons helped him build an ark. (Genesis 6:10)
3. His youngest son, Jacob, tricked him into giving away the birthright of his older son Esau. (Genesis 27:30)
5. The Father of our Lord (Ephesians 1:3)
7. His sons were not like Samuel. They were wicked. (1 Samuel 2:12).
8. David's best friend and father of Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:6)
11. Father of Cain, Abel and Seth (Genesis 4:25)
12. He was married to Mary, mother of Jesus. (Matthew 1:20-21)
13. Father of Jonathan, he was chosen by the people as the first king of Israel. (2 Samuel 9:6)

A Special Treat for a Special Dad

Fathers work hard to take care of their families. To thank your special dad for all he does, make him a treat bag that he can enjoy while at work, in the car or at home.

What you need:

- gift bag, paper lunch bag, plastic container or large Ziploc® bag.
- markers or crayons
- paper (8 1/2" x 11" or smaller
- ribbon, stickers, photograph of your dad (optional)
- glue
- scissors
- large bowl for mixing
- spoon
- 1/4 or 1/2 measuring cup
- your dad's favorite snacks to make a mix. For example: small pretzels, nuts, M&M's®, dried cereals (Cheerios®, Chex®, etc.), chocolate or carob chips, dried fruit (cranberries, raisins, apricots, etc.), shredded coconut, etc.

What to do:

1. Cut your paper to fit on your bag or container.
2. Decorate your paper with a message like: "A Special Treat for My Special Dad!"
3. Glue your message onto the bag or container.
4. Add stickers, photographs or more drawings to the container or bag.
5. Pour 1/4 or 1/2 cup of each snack food into a large mixing bowl.
6. Stir your snack mixture with a spoon, and then pour it into the bag or container.
7. Fold the top of the bag, or close the container. (Use a ribbon or stapler if needed.) Ask for help from an adult to make sure the snack will not fall out.
8. Thank your dad, and then give him this special treat and a big hug!



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Vision and Purpose Statement:

To encourage and empower changes within ourselves,
to meet the needs of the congregation, community and the world.

Phil. 4:13, James 2:26

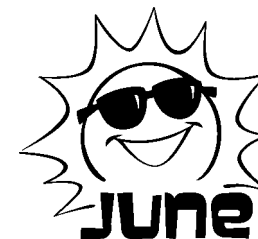
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2006 Daily Bible Reading Guide for June

6/1	2 Chronicles 25-26	Acts 20	6/16	Esther 5-6	Romans 3
6/2	2 Chronicles 27-28	Acts 21	6/17	Esther 7-10	
6/3	2 Chronicles 29-32		6/18	Job 1-4	
6/4	2 Chronicles 33-36		6/19	Job 5-6	Romans 4
6/5	Ezra 1-2	Acts 22	6/20	Job 7-8	Romans 5
6/6	Ezra 3-4	Acts 23	6/21	Job 9-10	Romans 6
6/7	Ezra 5-6	Acts 24	6/22	Job 11-12	Romans 7
6/8	Ezra 7-8	Acts 25	6/23	Job 13-14	Romans 8
6/9	Ezra 9-10	Acts 26	6/24	Job 15-18	
6/10	Nehemiah 1-4		6/25	Job 19-22	
6/11	Nehemiah 5-9		6/26	Job 23-24	Romans 9
6/12	Nehemiah 10-11	Acts 27	6/27	Job 25-26	Romans 10
6/13	Nehemiah 12-13	Acts 28	6/28	Job 27-28	Romans 11
6/14	Esther 1-2	Romans 1	6/29	Job 29-30	Romans 12
6/15	Esther 3-4	Romans 2	6/30	Job 31-32	Romans 13

1	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Praise Team Practice
3	Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Ministry
4	Sunday	10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Small Group Study <i>Book of Romans</i>
6	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	ABW Ministries, Hostess: Mary Hoff, Meet at the Hoff Residence, 413 Pinecrest, Macomb
		6:30 p.m.	United in Prayer
8	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Praise Team Practice
10	Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Ministry
11	Sunday	10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Small Group Study <i>Book of Romans</i>
13	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Boards Meet
14	Wednesday		Flag Day
15	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Praise Team Practice
17	Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Ministry
18	Sunday		Father's Day
		10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Small Group Study <i>Book of Romans</i>
20	Tuesday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Mosaic - Free Blood Pressure Screening
22	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Sunday Praise Team Practice
24	Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Men's Ministry
25	Sunday	10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Small Group Study <i>Book of Romans</i>



- 3 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
Becoming a Living Sacrifice
Romans 12:1-2
- 4 9:30 a.m. *Becoming a Living Sacrifice*
Romans 12:1-2
- 10 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
Pulling Yourself Together for God
Ezekiel 37:1-14
- 11 9:30 a.m. *Pulling Yourself Together for God*
Ezekiel 37:1-14
- 17 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
Guest Speaker
- 18 9:30 a.m. Guest Speaker
- 24 7:00 p.m. Southern Gospel Weekend
- 25 9:30 a.m. Southern Gospel Weekend

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Dear First Baptist Family:

When was it that we saw you thirsty? Matthew 25:37

It happens everyday. Usually we handle it so quickly and routinely that it hardly registers in our consciousness. "It", is thirst. Such an ordinary part of life, that we, at least those of us reading a letter like this - rarely stop to think about it.

We've become a hydration nation. Our doctors tell us to drink eight glasses of water a day. Our televisions urge us to consume a vast array of liquids from beer to coffee to soft drinks to... water. Quenching our thirst is such a routine part of our lives that we rarely stop to think about the amazing amount of work that has gone into making water come out of the faucet when we turn the taps.

Then Katrina hit the Gulf Coast. Suddenly we saw how precarious life becomes when the systems we take for granted break down. We saw the paradox of people desperately thirsty while surrounded by water. Salty sea-water and contaminated waste water.

Can we see people whose suffering is not just critical, but chronic? Can they emerge into our awareness without an emergency? Will we let the Spirit of God give us eyes to see and hearts to respond to those whose suffering is not on the evening news?

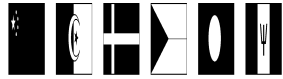
When we give to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering, your gifts testify that you see people in need, even when they are not on TV. First your gifts help to address the needs of those who cannot count on the same kinds of systems that make our lives what they are (safe drinking water, secure shelter, economic opportunity, effective healthcare). Second, your gifts enable emergency response agencies prepare to act quickly when the next wave, flood, famine or earthquake hits.

Ask the Lord to let you see thirsty people in the United States and around the world. When you see them, give to the One Great Hour of Sharing. We will receive the offering during the month of June. Our goal is \$2500.00. Please give as generously as you can.

I do look forward to working and worshipping with you this month.

-- Pastor Wally





As American Baptist Women, we are most grateful that the White Cross goal of \$400 was reached. This will make it possible

MISSIONS

for us to accept the quota from our missionaries for supplies they need. Last year we sent \$325 to Nicaragua. This was in addition to articles requested from Christian Centers in the United States.



Thanks to all for your generous financial help. Our small group could not have done it alone.

Musing on Missions
by Meryl Cook

Word has been received from Alan and Whitney Brown, they expect to be in Macomb July 4-9. More details later.

In 2005, American Baptists gave an unprecedented \$3.5 million to help the Gulf Coast hurricane victims, and \$2.5 million to assist those affected by the Tsunami.

The United Nations estimates that in less than 25 years, if current water consumption trends continue, 5 billion people will live in areas where it will be impossible or difficult to meet basic water needs for sanitation, cooking, and drinking. They will not have easy access to the 13 gallons a day they need to survive. Just before the turn of the 21st century, earth's population hit 6 billion.

While 70% of earth's surface is covered by water, 97.5% of the world's water is salt water and 2.5% is fresh water. Most of this fresh water is trapped in the polar ice caps, with much of the rest found in soil moisture or in underground aquifers.

According to the World Health Organization, less than 1% of the world's fresh water is readily available for human consumption. Our atmosphere is a closed system. No new water comes in and none leaves. We have the same amount God gave us in the beginning. There are now 6 billion of us to use that amount, and we pollute more than we once did, rendering more of it useless to us.

Consumption of and exposure to unsafe water kills more than 25,000 every day, and accounts for 80% of illness in the developing world.

A shower uses nearly 9 gallons of water a minute, and a washing machine uses 45 gallons a load! These statistics are taken from the One Great Hour of Sharing material.

The Regional ABWM conference will be June 16-18 at Lake Williamson, Carlinville, IL. The conference project ties in with the theme "Expand Your Tents". The following items are requested and will be divided among Lake Benton, Lake Springfield, and Blackhawk Camps during the White Cross workshops: kitchen towels, dish clothes,

Tuesday, June 20 - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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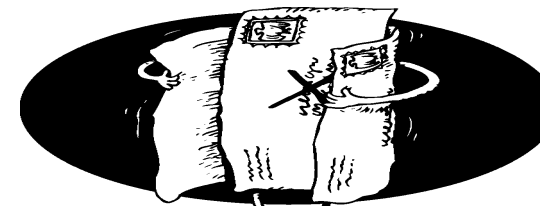


A child's curiosity

A little girl attending her first wedding was impressed with the lovely white gown the bride was wearing. After a while, she whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"

Bending down and whispering softly in the child's ear, she answered, "Because white is the color of happiness."

The child then glanced over at the groom and the groomsmen in their black tuxedos. She whispered again, "Mom, why is the groom dressed in black? Shouldn't he be happy, too?"



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On Saturday, April 29, 2006 in Normal, IL - Adron McMahon was inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame as a "Friend of Basketball." He was recognized for his involvement with the Macomb-Western High School Holiday Basketball Tournament since 1972 and for serving as chairman of the tournament committee for the past 20 years. He was also honored for 30 years of officiating high school basketball games. All six of their children and their spouses were in attendance to see Adron receive his award.



On Friday, May 12, 2006 in the Quad Cities - Don Garlick was inducted into the 2006 Gallery of Ageless Achievers. The award was in recognition of individual achievement, community service, and vitality of life as an older American demonstrating that age has no limits in contributing to the mainstream of life. In attendance were Pastor Wally and Annetta Holt, Veta Harper, and Don's wife, Kathy.

Band-Aids, Children's Tylenol, Children's Cough Syrup, Children's Benedryl, gift cards to Wal-Mart, Adult/Children scissors, microwave popcorn, Pepto Bismal, cough drops, Kool-Aid, Tylenol, duct tape, ink pens, and copy paper. Please bring these items and also any Campbell soup labels you may have, to the church by Sunday, June 11. Meryl is planning on attending the conference.

Rev. Charles Jones, Acting Executive Director of International Ministries, announced the appointment of Susan Lindermen for missionary service effective February 1, 2006.

Lindermen, a native of Huron, S.D. is the first new missionary to be appointed since 2003, when the board halted new appointments due to financial challenges. She has had extensive volunteer missionary experience serving with the International Baptist Theological Seminary, as an English teacher, and with Project Hope, both centered in Prague, Czech Republic. Project Hope led by IM Global consultant, Lauren Bethell, is a ministry to persons caught up in the global sex trade, especially the victims of human trafficking. At present, this ministry has formed relationships with over 150 women affected by prostitution in Prague. The second world conference on sex trafficking was held at Green Lake, WI from April 22-27, 2006.

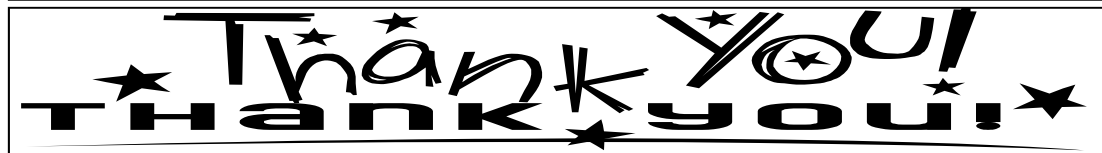
International Missionary, Annie Dieselberg, has started a ministry in Bangkok, Thailand that she calls "Nightlight". They have reached their capacity with 20 women in the program, with more desiring to come. They have started a business of making jewelry. The cost of hiring the women is \$4000 a month. Annie says, "We can continue to receive the women if the Body of Christ commits to providing the resources needed. Pray for wisdom in making decisions about registering as a foundation and / or business." If you are interested in supporting Nightlight, make a check out to International Ministries, specify for Nightlight/Dieselberg and send to International Ministries, PO Box 851, Valley Forge, PA USA 19482-0851. It can also be sent to the region through the church. Annie can send sample jewelry for a jewelry party and to take orders. It takes about 2 weeks to receive the jewelry. Her website is www.nightlightbangkok.com

Birthdays: June 4 - Dwight Davidson IM Japan Our Special
 June 17 - Flint Miller IM Philippines Our Special
 June 21 Kristina Gutierrez IM Nicaragua Our Special

June



- 1 - **Alan & Barbara Arvin (a)**
- 4 - Annetta Holt
Jerry & Mary McKamy (a)
- 6 - Robin Pittman
- 9 - **Tye & Jill Adair (a)**
Jonathan Harper
- 10 - Homer Icenogle
- 11 - Margaret Shaver
- 12 - Sharon Brown
- 18 - Lura Mason
Eva Isabel Molina
Kea Runyan
- 19 - **Bennie & Alice Arvin (a)**
- 28 - **Ted & Ginny Doxstader (a)**
- 29 - Whitney Brown
Claudia McCain



FBC Congregation -

Thank you very much for the gift certificate to the Christian Bookstore. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. Thank you also for your support and prayers. You all are wonderful, caring people and I am honored to know you!

May God bless you!

-- Love, Tara Sewell

First Baptist Church Congregation:

I would like to thank the church for its prayers, cards, "treats", and good wishes during my recent illness. I know I am quite fortunate to have such great support and friendship. I hope I can be as good contributor to the church body of Macomb First Baptist as you folks surely are.

-- Thank You and God bless,
Bert Miller

Dear FBC Family,

Thank you for all the love and support you've shown me over the past 2 years. You all have touched my life in so many ways. It's been wonderful to have a place to call home for the past two years. Thank you for the graduation gift as well. I hope to stay in touch!

Love in Christ,
Kirsten Boyd

Dear FBC Congregation,

Thank you for the wonderful graduation gift. Thank you as well for making me welcome as your temporary secretary and making me want to become your permanent secretary.

Thank You,
Leann England



Bible quiz

Fifty days after the Resurrection, a number of people who believed that Jesus was the long-awaited Christ gathered in a Jerusalem home. Suddenly, a sound like a violent wind filled the house and something like tongues of fire rested on each person. They became filled with the Holy Spirit and their faces glowed with holiness. They began to utter other languages that the Spirit had given them the sudden ability to speak. It was an uncanny occurrence, one which the church recalls with awe and appreciation every Pentecost.

In a way, the unique and powerful experience was the birthday of the church. So many people were filled with the Spirit that their enthusiasm and charisma influenced a large number of other people to become Christians that very day.

On that day how many people “devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship?”

- A. 2,000
- B. 3,000
- C. 4,000
- D. 5,000

Answer: B

The answer can be found in Acts 2:41.

Southern Gospel Weekend

Saturday, June 24 - 7:00 p.m. & Sunday, June 25 - 9:30 a.m.

You won't want to miss worship this weekend as we sing some of the great Gospel standards. Among those sharing special music will be Craig and Julia Burns, the Craig Burns Quartet, Andrea Molina, Tara Sewell, Steve and Stephanie Smart, Lee Unger, Pastor Wally, and the FBC Sunday Praise Team. Musicians include Jack Bailey, Gee Min Glaue, Richard Hurt, and Jim and Claudia McCain. Join us as we worship God through music.



Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 23 - Thursday July 27

Donations for T-Shirts at \$6.00 each needed

Contact Mary McKamy



One Great Hour of Sharing

One Great Hour of Sharing serves people in over 80 countries around the world. Sponsored by nine Christian U.S. denominations and Church World Service, OGHS makes sure that we can respond to needs as soon as they happen, and that tens of thousands of people receive support for ongoing relief, rehabilitation and development.

In 2005, our church gave special offerings during the year for the Tsunami and hurricane victims, in addition to our OGHS that totaled \$4824.34. Our goal this year is \$2500 and will be received during the month of June. The theme is from Matthew 25:37, “When Was It That We Saw You Thirsty?” The Sharing Table will once again be available throughout the summer months.

Thank you in advance for your contributions,
-- Missions Committee

Wise advice

Harold Macmillan, prime minister of England from 1957 to 1963, was once asked if he would give the British people a sense of "purpose." He replied that people who were seeking a purpose should consult their ministers, not their politicians.

Mother's Day Banquet



Mother's Day Banquet - Friday, May 19

The annual Mother's Day salad buffet and program was held Friday evening May 19 in the FBC Fellowship Hall. There were 51 people in attendance. Live flowers provided a centerpiece for each table, and were later given to those attending. The theme, "All God's Children" ,was carried out with little books, pictures, and

colorful programs.

Julia and Craig Burns gave a musical program in the Sanctuary.

Debbie Derry, Maureen Hamilton, and Kathleen Barry planned the program. Sandra Riggins and Marilyn Bourn decorated the Fellowship Hall and the Sanctuary. Sharon Brown was the sound technician. Barb Heaton and Meryl Cook made up the kitchen committee.

Our sincere thanks to all who helped make the Mother's Day Banquet a great success.

Inspirational vision

Charley Boswell, a former University of Alabama football star with hopes of a professional baseball career, lost his eyesight in World War II. But that did not stop him. He went on to become the National Blind Golf Champion 17 times. He was quoted as saying, "I never count what I've lost. I only count what I have left."

—The SourceBook of Wit and Wisdom

Welcome New Members:

Robert, Lora and Brooks Wallace:

Robert, Lora, and Brooks Wallace moved to Macomb in summer of 2004. Rob grew up in northeast Missouri (Ewing and Kirksville), and Lora grew up in southeast Missouri (Farmington area). Robert was baptized as a child at First Baptist of Ewing, MO, and Lora was baptized as a child at Lebanon Baptist Church in Bloomsdale, MO. Rob and Lora met as undergraduates at Northeast MO State (now Truman) in Kirksville, MO. After they married in 1995, the Wallaces resided in Iowa (Ames and Waterloo) for several years, where Lora completed graduate degrees at Iowa State University, and Rob at Drake University. The Wallaces also spent a few years working at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, where Brooks was born on Christmas day 2001. Rob is an advanced practice nurse (Family Nurse Practitioner) at Western, and Lora is a sociology professor at Western. Brooks attends preschool at Western's College of Education preschool.

Welcome Wallaces!

Robert Waight:

Robert grew up in Galesburg, IL. He was baptized at age 8 at the Colonial Baptist Church in Galesburg. He came to Macomb in August of 2005 enrolled as a student at Western Illinois University. He will be Macomb until May 2008, when he will receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in Information Management with a minor in Computer Science. He works for the University Computer Support Services at WIU and plans on becoming a hardware repair technician this summer.

Welcome Robert!

Beth Dietrich:

Beth was raised on a farm outside Mt. Morris, IL, about 35 miles southwest of Rockford. She attended Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren and was baptized there at age 13. She graduated from Western Illinois University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism. She is employed full-time at the Macomb Eagle

Welcome Beth!