

For His Glory

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE – The First Baptist Church of Redway shall exist to glorify and love God by reaching out to all people, sharing the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ, baptizing believers, and teaching them to obey God's commandments as they are found in the Bible.

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Son Rose service Schedule for Resurrection Sunday April 4, 2010AD

- There will be a Continental Breakfast from **9:30-10:15**
- Gathering to Worship **10:15**
- Worship **10:30**
- There will be no Sunday School
- Invite your friends and neighbors!

Women's Ministries

2010 Women's Ministry Conference will be held Saturday **April 24th** at **First Baptist Rio Dell** in partnership with First Baptist Church Redway 9:00AM ~ 3:00PM Our Conference is titled "**Fastened Together in Christ**" Our theme verse is **John 17:20-21A** "**21Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; 21That they all may be one**" KJV Please join us in a day of encouragement, growth, relaxation, and joy as we bless our sisters and be blessed as we glorify God together.

Secret Sister Revealing Party~ Scones and Tea at Three! Ladies come enjoy the afternoon April 10th 3~5PM with your sisters. Contact Marie Keller for more information 923-9302

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering ~Goal: \$750.00 Thank you for your prayers and giving to this valuable ministry.

Women's Ministry Meeting Sunday April 18th 6:00PM

FBCR Website!

by Doug Culbert

First Baptist Church Redway gets a Website! It should be up and running by April 2nd in time for the Easter weekend. The address will be <http://www.fbredway.com>.

The purpose of the website is to have information and resources available for our church family such as an online version of the newsletter and bible study outlines for you to download prior to the meeting. A link to the church calendar as well as upcoming events posted on the home page. We also have edited audio sermons in mp3 format from 2008 to the present that you can either stream online and listen to or download for listening at a later time. This is just a brief description of the many more resources that will be available.

The Pastor's Corner

by Pastor David Sanchez

"For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!" Romans 5:10

Last month I talked about cooperating with God in the building of His dwelling place; and we are that dwelling place that God has desired to dwell. The truth is that rather than being a "new home start," we are more like a remodel job. The pre-sinful Adam was the "new home start." Then the fall of man came and with it, sin's storm beaten effects on the degenerating house designed to be the dwelling place of God.

Every one of us comes to the place in our lives when we realize that our life needs some major remodeling. We realize that the house we call our life is falling down and needs to be fixed! But how do we get that job done? So many people are out there trying to remodel their life and they're using all the wrong people and tools to get the job done. All they have at the end of the day is a big fat hairy mess on their hands!

Over the past 20 years at FBC Redway, I have seen a number of remodel jobs. I have seen that before you can put up the new, you have to remove the old. The same is true when it comes to our life; we need someone who can tear down some walls that need to be removed but also to put the new ones up correctly.

We can see the wall in our life that needs to come down in **Isaiah 59:1-2**, when the Scripture says: "Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear." That is a wall that is too big for me to remove! I need a major wall buster who is able to do the job.

It's a good thing for you and me that someone like that exists in the person of Jesus Christ. For it says in **Ephesians 2:14-16**: "*For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.*"

The death of Christ busted through the wall of separation that stood between God and man but there is always more to remodeling than removing walls, you have to build the new structure to replace it. Both the Ephesians passage above and Romans 5:10-11 speak to this creation of a new structure: "*His purpose was to create...*" and "*...how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!*"

The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is not just about someone dying and coming back to life. It is about God's plan for the ultimate remodel job of humanity! It is about destroying the old walls in our life that separates us from God. It is about building new walls in our life that reunite us with God. It is about using the right contractor with the right tools and the right

materials to build our life the way it's supposed to be! In these verses are thoughts that build from glory to glory. It is a great and glorious thought that God would send His Son, Jesus Christ to remodel my life and take it from rags to riches and from the greatest despair to the greatest hope. But that he did this for me when I was his enemy...that is even a greater glory than before! This, believer is where my confidence in God's ability begins to really soar; If he would reconcile me to God by dying for me while I was his enemy, how much more can I expect that he will finish the job of remodeling my life through the power of his resurrection! It is then that I am reminded of the Peter's voice by the Holy Spirit in 1 Peter 1:3-5: "*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, 5 who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.*" Oh the glory of it! What a hope!

Who is the contractor for the remodeling of your life? Jesus Christ is the only contractor who is able to both tear down the walls of separation between you and God and rebuild the house called you life in order to make it ready to be the dwelling place of God. If you believe, praise the Lord! He is already on the job doing the work! If you will believe, his work will be applied to your life beginning today.

Call on Jesus today!

For His Glory, Pastor David

NCBA ~ Children & Youth camps

By Pastor Doug Culbert

The Blue Slide Camp Ministry is in full promotional mode with Children's and Youth Camp forms being mailed this past month. I serve as the Blue Slide Camp Executive Administrator which means, in addition to being the Program Director of Youth Camp, I oversee the entire NCBA Camp ministry. Kimberlie Davis is the Program Director for Children's Camp, July 26th-30th. The theme for Children's Camp is "**Heroes of the Faith**" Camp forms are available on the church bulletin for kids entering the 3rd through 6th grade.

One hundred thirty-one Blue Slide Youth Camp registration forms have been mailed to campers who have attended Blue Slide the past two years. Youth camp is for kids between the ages of 12 and 17 yrs old, and are entering the 7th through 12th grades next fall. If you have a teen that has not attended Blue Slide you can pick up a registration form at the church located on the bulletin board in the foyer. The first deadline is April 9th. Camp registration cost will be \$100--- BUT, if full payment is postmarked by the first deadline of April 9th the total cost is only \$90. The cost goes up after each deadline so I encourage you to take advantage of this as the cost goes up by 50% on the day of camp. Also note that only the deposit of \$50 is due for each deadline except for the final deadline of July 23rd when payment is due in full. The theme for Blue Slide 2010 is "**Every Move I Make**" and the theme verse is Acts 17:28 '*For in him we live and move and have our being*'. God gives us traction to move through life effectively and with purpose...without Him, we're just spinning our wheels. All the teaching and break out sessions will be centered on this application. Neil Montgomery, Senior Pastor at New Heart Community Church will be the Camp Pastor. Neil and I have a wonderful relationship not only in Ministry but as brothers in Christ and I'm looking forward to working with him again this year. Pastor David will be the camp Worship Leader and it goes without saying how much I enjoy his partnership. We have been blessed with a plethora of adult staff throughout the years and 2010 will be no exception.

Last year's attendance surpassed 110 campers and I anticipate this year being much the same. Please pray for this ministry as it is the event that many teens and adults alike look forward to each summer. I have set up a group on Facebook where you can get all the new Blue Slide information as it comes up. If you haven't already received an invitation to join the Facebook group, go to the Groups page and do a search for "NCBA Blue Slide" and it should come up. Click on "Join Group" and a request will be sent to me. I'm looking forward to another great year at Blue Slide!

Pastor Doug