



# Saddle Ranch Vacation Bible School



Monday - Friday, July 12 - 16, 2010  
5:30 - 8:30 PM Nightly for Ages 3— Completed Grade 6  
Registration Fee: \$10 (for Crafts & Nightly Snacks & Drinks)

**DRIVIN' HOME ANSWERS:** Saddle up for VBS 2010 where kids will be ridin' the range and roundin' up questions like, "What is God's plan for me?" and "How can I be like Jesus?" At the end of the day, they'll discover God's Word has all the answers!

**JAMES 1:5** Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives to all generously and without criticizing, and it will be given to him. *HCSB*

Motto: **NEED ANSWERS?  
ASK GOD!**

To Pre-Register your child for VBS by MAIL, please complete the enclosed VBS Registration Form and mail it to FBC.

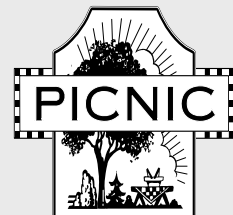
- Worship Rally Valley
- Rec at Mustang Mountain
- Crafts at Blazing Star Stables
- Bible Study Bunkhouse
- Missions at Firefly Cavern
- Big Sky Grill (Snacks)
- Music at Campfire Creek



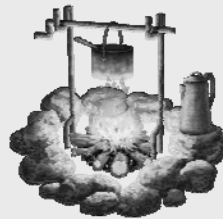
To Pre-Register your child for VBS by EMAIL or by PHONE, please email Mrs. Erma Hartwell in the Church Office or call FBC between 9 AM — 4 PM:

ehartwell@malabarbaptist.org  
FBC Office: 321- 723-1602

## VBS Family Day Sunday, July 18, 2010 No 8:30 AM Worship Service

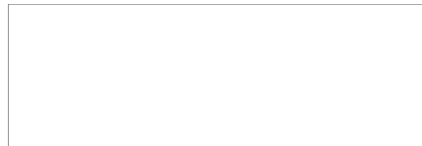


9:30 AM VBS Open House & Video Presentation  
 10:30 AM VBS Commencement Service  
 Recognition of VBS Students, Parents, & Workers  
 12:00 PM VBS Family Day Cookout & Picnic at FBC  
 Dress Casual & Bring a Lawn Chair



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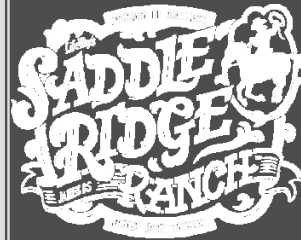


**God & Country  
Worship Service**  
Sunday, July 4, 2010  
11:00 AM  
No 8:30 AM Worship Service



# VBS

July 12 - 16  
5:30 - 8:30 PM



Ages 3 - Grade 6

# The Malabar Messenger

## July - August 2010

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## First Baptist Church of Malabar

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## Angels Bridging Gaps Palm Bay Autism Support Group

Meetings are scheduled every other Tuesday at 6:00 PM at FBC Malabar. Please see the church calendar for dates.

**Autism Group Horse Therapy**  
At the home of Pastor Rick & Mrs. Valarie  
3055 Weber Road Malabar, FL 32950  
Sat., July 10, 2010 10 AM - Noon  
Sat., Aug. 14, 2010 10 AM - Noon

**Gardening Gals & Nature Pals**  
A Day Camp for Autistic Teen Girls  
At First Baptist Church of Malabar  
Monday - Thursday, July 19 - 22, 2010  
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
For Registration Info,  
Please Contact Mrs. Jackie Yearby

### Ministry & Contact Info

Ministry Leader:  
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## Sacrificial Giving . . . We Give Because God Gave

Thank you for helping us Catch Up our budget deficit.

To give a Catch-Up Offering "above and beyond" your tithe, on your offering envelope please write:

**A Special Offering for Catch Up**



Coming to FBC Malabar in September:

**Dave Ramsey's  
Financial Peace University**  
Powerful. Enlightening. Fun.

**Financial Peace University** is a biblically based financial curriculum that teaches families how to manage money God's way. This life-changing program will help you to achieve financial goals by eliminating debt, saving for the future, and giving like never before. You will be challenged and motivated to make a plan for managing your money that can change your family tree forever.



## Live Like No One Else!

**Financial Peace University** consists of a 13 week video curriculum taught by financial expert Dave Ramsey. It incorporates small-group discussions to encourage accountability and discipleship. **Financial Peace University** is highly entertaining for everyone, with a unique combination of humor, informative financial advice and biblical messages. You can join more than one million families whose lives have been changed.

## As I See It . . .

**Rev. Daniel Wilkerson**

Senior Pastor [dwilkerson@malabarbaptist.org](mailto:dwilkerson@malabarbaptist.org)

**If it's summer at FBC, it's time for VBS!** One of the annual events of every Baptist church each summer is Vacation Bible School. I can still remember vivid scenes of assemblies filled with singing, happy children, listening to the teacher sharing stories of Biblical characters and places, and struggling with creating craft items I saw only once a year – key chains, lanyards, and such. It was, in a word, **WONDERFUL**.

Perhaps the most indelible memory I have from VBS was the scripture memorization competitions. No, present day planners deemphasize Bible drills; but for me, my fascination in and love for God's Word had its roots in VBS. Countless pastors, missionaries and church lay leaders were groomed in VBS, first as students and later as VBS workers. My first assignment as a young Christian was to teach 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades in our church's two week VBS. Oh, and I took vacation to have the privilege!

This July, I will have the distinct honor to assist Emily Green with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Some years ago, I was the teacher for the same class and Emily was my assistant. The circle will be completed, and another set of blessings will fill my heart. I firmly believe the workers in VBS actually get more blessings out of the experience than the students – at least in the short term. Just wait until they grow up, start their own families, and become VBS workers themselves!

Won't you join us July 12 through 16; the three hours each day for five days you invest in young lives will likely be the most productive and meaningful of the entire summer. Call Mrs. Erma Hartwell in the Church Office at 321-723-1602 and see where you can help out. The payoff is out of this world!

Looking with expectation to VBS,

*Pastor Dan*



## Pressing On . . .

**Rev. John D. Selvage, Jr.**

Associate Pastor

[jselvage@malabarbaptist.org](mailto:jselvage@malabarbaptist.org)

### Bad News & Tough Days

Mrs. Alene Fleenor and her husband Jerry were once very active members of our church family. Ten years ago, they became homebound due to their health issues. Last week, I visited Mrs. Alene at Holmes Regional Medical Center hospital where she was being treated for congestive heart failure and double pneumonia in both lungs. This week, Mrs. Alene was released from the hospital and she returned to the Atlantic Shores Rehab Center where she shares a room with her husband, Jerry.

On Friday, June 18, 2010, Mrs. Alene got some very bad news. She asked her daughter Joan to call me. That night I called Mrs. Alene. She shared that cancerous tumors had been found on her kidney and liver and I made plans to visit her after our Sunday Worship Service. Just like her husband, Jerry, most likely she too will soon be a Hospice patient. As I prayed with Mrs. Alene on the phone, I was reminded of how strong she stands in her Christian faith. Several years ago after a Wed. evening service, I visited Mrs. Alene at a Nursing Home. When I walked into her room, as was her nightly routine, she was laying in her bed reading her Bible.

When we visit the Fleenors at Atlantic Shores, we turn to the right at the nurses station. If we turn to the left, we will now find Bro. Cyril and Sister Rose Lowe sharing a room. After a recent stay in the hospital, their health issues made it impossible for them to return home at this time so they too are now getting therapy at Atlantic Shores.

Like the Fleenor's and the Lowe's, so many of you are walking through some very tough valleys in your health, finances, job situations, and the many challenges that life so often brings our way. At times, what we face in our lives may seem like more than we can bear. Yet as we pray, read our Bibles, and walk by faith, God is faithful to give us the strength we need to endure it ALL — moment by moment.

The theme for our Maundy Thursday Easter Lord's Supper Service, was "THIS CUP." After instituting "The Lord's Supper"

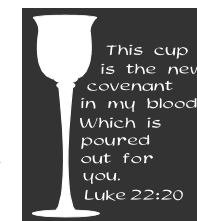
in the Upper Room, in Matthew 26:39, the Bible tells us that, "Jesus went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let "THIS CUP" pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."

In the Garden of Gethsemane, on HIS knees with HIS face buried in the ground, as JESUS prayed, "THIS CUP" was a symbol representing the pain and agony that JESUS would endure when HE died on the cross for our sins. For the Fleenor's, the Lowe's, and for ALL of US, "THIS CUP" represents those things in our lives that are too tough, too sad, too painful, too unfair, too heart breaking, or just too hard for us to bear without GOD's guidance, help and strength.

As a pastor, it blesses me to see how so many of you walk by faith trusting God to help you bear the challenge of what "THIS CUP" represents in your lives. In planning our Maundy Thursday Service, I asked several member of our church family to share their testimonies. That night, we had an awesome first ever 2 1/2 hour service with lots of tears as the Holy Spirit moved powerfully speaking to our hearts and encouraging us through the testimonies that were shared.

Brenda Buchwietz shared her testimony. As a wife, on nights and weekends, Brenda is the caregiver for her husband Mark who is a brain injury survivor. In 2002, a drunk driver hit Mark's car so hard it flipped nine times. The accident left Mark in a coma for two months with little hope for recovery. God answered our prayers and Mark's continued recovery is truly miraculous. As a daughter, sister, and aunt, Brenda's family knows her shoulder to be one they can cry on and turn to for help and encouragement. As the 2009 "Teacher of the Year" at Sebastian High School, Brenda's Algebra student's knows her to be a caring and trustworthy teacher. Brenda closed her testimony by sharing a poem that she had written for that Worship Service. (See below)

My beloved Malabar church family, when you get **bad news** and you face **tough times**, just like Jesus did, we too will often pray asking God to let "THIS CUP" pass from us. But many times, it's in life valleys that God so often teaches us painful, yet faith building & life changing lessons. I love you!



**"THIS CUP" is a Reminder . . .**

By Brenda Buchwietz  
Easter Week, April 1, 2010

**"THIS CUP" isn't a punishment...**

**It will not go away.**

**"THIS CUP" is a reminder...**

**To turn to God each day.**

**"THIS CUP" won't define us...**

**Or hold us back from life.**

**"THIS CUP" is a reminder...**

**Of Jesus' torment and strife.**

**"THIS CUP" can't be blamed...**

**When we do wrong.**

**"THIS CUP" is a reminder...**

**Of our victory to be strong.**

**"THIS CUP" will tip over...**

**When we choose our own path to trod.**

**"THIS CUP" is a reminder...**

**Of a joyous fountain  
when we line up with God.**



## Making Melody . . .

**Rev. Joe Hunt Minister of Music** [jhunt@malabarbaptist.org](mailto:jhunt@malabarbaptist.org)

### The Most Exciting and Powerful Trumpet Solo Ever!

Trumpets have been used throughout history for great celebrations and majestic events. In the Bible, the first time a trumpet is mentioned is just before the giving of the Law (Exodus 19 & 20). This trumpet was evidently not played by a human. The event was very powerful and spiritual. It was God making the Old Covenant with Moses and Israel, and just before God gave the Law (10 Commandments).

A time when people did play the trumpets was when the people followed Joshua and marched around Jericho seven times over seven days (Joshua 6). On that seventh day the priests blew the trumpets, the people shouted, and the walls of Jericho fell down flat! This was a great military and spiritual conquest for Israel in following God's will and leadership through Joshua.

The last Psalm (150) says that we are to praise the Lord with trumpet sound. I think God created music when he created sound. He must love trumpets, because He has his angels and His people playing trumpets at some momentous occasions. We are blessed to have trumpets played in many of our worship services by our own trumpet family – the Keenums!

At the end of time, there is going to be a trumpet solo that will surpass every one that has ever been played. It will be another day of spiritual power and conquest. It will be another trumpet solo played by an angel (Matthew 24:31; I Thessalonians 5:16-17; Revelation 11:15). It will be . . . "The Last Trumpet!"

I remember, in 1973 I was at a concert by the Bill Gaither Trio, when Danny Gaither sang the last verse of one of their great songs: "I can hear the chariot's rumble, I can see the marching throng / And the fury of God's trumpet spells the end of sin and wrong / Regal robes are now unfolding / Heaven's grandstands all in place / Heaven's choir now assembled starts to sing 'Amazing Grace'."

They had trumpets playing loudly with the other instruments as they started to sing that last chorus, "The King is coming, the King is coming / I just heard the trumpet sounding and now His face I'll see / The King is coming, O the King is coming / Praise God, He's coming for me!" As they were still in the last chord, Bill Gaither (playing the piano) started to sing, "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord", and we all joined in with him. I can't fully describe how I felt, but I was full of tears and goose bumps.

Well, when that day actually arrives, we are going to hear the greatest, most powerful trumpet solo mankind will ever hear. "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air . . ." (from I Thessalonians 5:16-17). Oh my, what a trumpet sound that will be. Think about that next time you hear a trumpet!



*Joe*

### FBC Malabar . . . My Church, My Charge!

2010	MARCH Weekly Average	APRIL Weekly Average	MAY Weekly Average	JUNE Thru June 20th
Sunday School	59	60	58	60
8:30 & 11:00 AM Worship	167	158	139	138
Regular Offering	\$5,328	\$4,425	\$4,689	\$4,941
Sanctuary + Catch-Up Offering	+\$ 27	+\$ 33	+\$ 66	+\$ 25
2010 Minimum Needed				
<b>5,790</b>	\$5,355	\$4,458	\$4,755	\$4,966