

The SONshine News!

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February 2012

Sweethearts Banquet



Ages 50+



February 11th ~ 5:00 p.m.

SBA Retreat Center

The cost is \$20.00 per couple. Please sign up through Sunday School or by calling the church office @ 349-6288.



Treaties for Your Sweeties

Order a Treatie for Your Sweetie (spouse, child, friend, teacher) from the Acteens (delivered the week of Feb. 12th). Fill out 1 label per person, put labels inside one envelope, include your donation for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, and turn in through your Sunday School class or give to Julie Whitaker. Do NOT put labels on the envelopes. **The last day to order will be Wed., February 8th.**



March 3rd

9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Purchase tickets on-line @ www.sullivanbaptist.com or contact the church office @ 349-6288. See Conference Poster or Brochure for more information. We need items for the Silent Auction such as handmade crafts (sewing, crochet, art, candles, wood-working) OR new items (costume jewelry, lotions, gift basket items, home décor). For information contact Melissa Baskette via Facebook, email: Melissabaskette@embarqmail.com, or phone at 348-7641. Proceeds to go to the Sullivan Baptist Church Food Pantry Ministry. Please leave items on the table outside the office no later than February 29th.

Featured speaker:

Kimberly Sowell

Featured musicians:

Crawford Crossing

“Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.” 1 Thessalonians 5:24



Ladies' Beth Moore Study

Begins Wed., Feb. 15th @ 6:30 p.m.

Facilitated by
Ramona Strong

Call the church office @
349-6288 to register.

Cost - \$10

Ladies' Missions Get-Together & Acteens' Connection

For Women & Girls Grades 7-12

March 23rd -25th

Gatlinburg Convention Center

Lodging is at the Clarion Hotel. Registration is \$50 and is due by February 26th. Please contact Sharron Richardson for more information.

**Welcome
New Members!**

By Letter...

Karen Hicks, Stephen Hicks, Harriet Swanson

By Baptism...

Hannah Coffman, Lauren Couch, Noah Martin, Brenda Mowell, Duane Mowell

From Preacher Jeff...

14Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it. Ephesians 5:25

In my soon-to-be 51 years of life in this wonderful place God has created for us to enjoy, I have done some incredibly dumb things. I cannot tell you how many times I have wished that my insurance covered the preexisting condition of my being so stupid!

At the age of five, I rode my "Va-rooom" bike down our outside basement steps. In 2nd grade, I pulled a coffee cup from under the spout of a 20 cup pot, hooked the spout, and spilled the entire canister of hot coffee on my then *small, lean*, seven-year-old body. (By the way, that is the last remembrance I have of being *small* and *lean*!) What was so stupid about that accident? The cup I used was too tall for the spout! It was a stupid move. Later in life, I knocked myself unconscious riding my high-handled "spider" bike with "no hands." That dumb move was at Bell Ridge Elementary School when I was in 7th grade. I figured looking at the girls on the playground was more important than watching for the flagpole.

I heard a story once about two men on trial for robbery. The prosecuting attorney was examining a witness who was at the scene when the robbery took place. He asked, "Did you observe the two robbers at the scene of the crime?" The witness said, "Yes, I did." The prosecutor then asked, "Are they present in the courtroom today?" Before the witness could answer, the two robbers raised their hands. Some decisions are just not very smart.

Although I have made some stupid decisions in my life, I have also made at least a couple of smart ones. The smartest decision I ever made was to accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and Lord. The next most brilliant move in my life was when I married Ramona. I wondered if she would still love me when I was old and gray. Now, I know she does! I am thankful God gave her to me, and I love her so much.

Dr. Adrian Rogers said, "The more I learn about Jesus, the more I love my wife!" Husbands, show your wives more love this Valentine's Day by learning more about Jesus. If you add a box of candy and some flowers, it may be one of the smartest moves you ever make. She will love you for it.

God loves you, and I love you!

Bro. Jeff



Church Family,

Worship ---have you ever thought about what that word really means? I was at my uncle's funeral yesterday and was talking to a dear pastor friend discussing this very topic. As the Lord works things out, I had just read in Genesis where Abraham takes his son Isaac to sacrifice him.

This is the first time in the Word that the word *worship* is used. To put it simply, Abraham was going to worship God by sacrificing his most precious possession, his son, as an act of worship to God. Worship is more than just singing songs or attending a Sunday or a Wednesday service. We see from the story in Genesis that Abraham was fully ready to follow through, with dagger in the air ready to thrust it into his son. Then, he was stopped, and the blessing occurred...the ram in the thicket. In short, the order of worship is not receiving the blessing and then sacrificially giving. No, it is the opposite. God wants us to give up sacrificially the thing(s) we love the most in order to worship Him. Then, as He sees fit, He will bless us. Are you ready to truly WORSHIP?

Thanks and God Bless,

Bro. Andy



Sullivan Seniors

Seniors, we have our normal schedule which follows:

- Tues., Feb. 7th ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Coffee and Cards
- Wed., Feb. 15th ~ 9:00 a.m. ~ Fellowship Breakfast @ Perkins
- Thurs., Feb. 23rd ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Fellowship Supper @ Picadilly

Another date to remember is the Sweetheart Banquet on Sat., Feb. 11th, at 5:00 p.m. See the bulletin for more information. Also, I want to get a group of Seniors to go to a retreat at Myrtle Beach. The dates are April 30th – May 2nd. I would like to have at least 10 Seniors to go, but I would love to have even more. It will be a great time of retreat and spiritual refreshment. See me for more information. The deadline for the first deposit is Feb. 19th. Don't wait to get in on this.

God Bless,

Bro. Andy

Happy Valentine's Day!




The church received "Thank You's" this month from...

Freddie & Damon Gordon, Erin Hodges, Dorothy Simpson, and Tyler Strong

The Pauline Sellers Crawford Family

Please stop by the downstairs hallway bulletin board to read these kind messages to our church family.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4
						
5	6 7:00 p.m. Deacons' Mtg.	7 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Cards 5:45 p.m. Gospel Choir	8 Last Day to Order Treaties for Your Sweeties	9	10	11 5:00 p.m. Sweetheart Banquet@SBA Retreat Center
12 6:00 p.m. Quarterly Business Meeting	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15 9:00 a.m. Sr. Breakfast @Perkins 6:30 p.m. New Beth Moore Study Begins	16	17 7:00 p.m. Transformers' Roller Skating @ Johnson City	18
WMU Focus Week ~ February 12th – 19th						
19 7:00 p.m. The Outlet T.R.A.S.H. @ McKee's	20 President's Day	21 10:00 a.m. WMU Prayer Group 5:45 p.m. Gospel Choir	22 7:15 p.m. WMU Council Meeting	23 6:00 p.m. Sr. Fellowship Dinner@ Picadilly	24 6:00 -8:00 p.m. Kids' Nite Out@ Fellowship Hall	25
26 5-7:00 p.m. Experiencing God for Youth \$50 CentriFUGE Payment Due	27	28	29 Leap Day Women's Conference Silent Auction Items Due	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"><p>In Case of Inclement Weather... Call the church @ 349-6288, extension #33, or check the church website @ www.sullivanbaptist.org</p></div>		

February Birthdays

- 1-Brad McKee
- 2-Christine Gardner
Peyton Holder
- 3-Noah Martin
Renee Roach
Jeff Strong
- 5-Amanda Barger
- 7-Roger Hodges
- 9-Peggy Harless
- 10-Pat Clark
- 13-Darell Johnson
- 14-Sammy Pearson
Steve Whitaker
Joyce Wilson
- 15-Christian Meridieth
- 16-Jamie Hensley
- 17-Jeff Robinette
Ryleigh Tate
- 18-Sarah Collins
Jonathon Hillman
- 21-Dollie Eaton
- 22-Eddie Rhea
- 23-Jennifer Quillen
Karen Smith
- 24-Wilma Feathers
Tommy Owens
- 26-Joshua Estep
- 29-Camryn Birdwell

New Member Photos



Hannah Grace Coffman



Lauren Couch



Noah Martin



Steve & Karen Hicks with granddaughter Savannah



Deacon Ministry for February:

Ordinances: Ben Hall (230-0251)

Bereavement: Greg Feathers (349-5505); Greg Jones (348-6095)

Grief & Crisis: Jerry Smith (348-7086)

Hospital: Gene Feathers (245-5437); Alan Shipley (246-5334); Jim Shupe (348-6142); Steve Whitaker (357-1498)

Shut-In: Ralph Conant (349-4301)

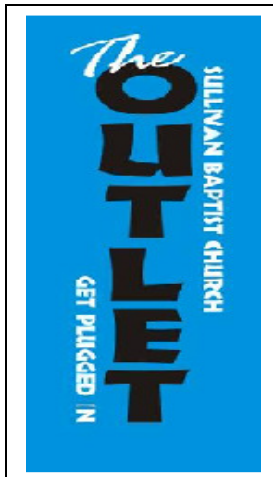
Visitation: Roger Hodges (247-6348); Mike Rushing (207-1309)



Deposit/Payment Schedule:

- Jan. 29th - \$5
- Feb. 26th - \$50
- Mar. 25th - \$50
- April 29th - \$50
- May 27th - \$75

June 25th – 30th
 North Greenville University
Pastor: John Mark Harrison
Worship: Finding Favor



Sundays

- 9:45 a.m.: Sunday School
- 11:00a.m.: Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m.: Student Drama Ministry
- 6:00 p.m.: Worship Service

Wednesday Nights

- 6:00-6:30 p.m.: Student Choir
- 6:30-7:00 p.m.: Orchestra
- 1st & 3rd Wednesdays-Acteens
- 7:00-7:15 p.m.: Prayer Meeting
- 7:15-8:00 p.m.: Bible Study

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The Outlet
 MARCH 16 – 17, 2012

This will be a weekend retreat (Bible Study, Worship and Concert) Students will stay in the homes Of our church members and commute back and forth to the church for activities. Please sign up A.S.A.P. for **D-NOW**.

Upcoming Events:

- Sat., Feb. 11th ~ 4:30 p.m. ~ Serve at Senior Adult Banquet @ SBA Retreat Center.
- Sun., Feb. 19th ~ T.R.A.S.H. (Teenage Retreat At Someone's House). Bring an overnight bag, pillow, & sleeping bag to church Sunday night. Following evening worship, we will then travel to the home of Travis and Melody McKee. During our time together, we will have a devotion, play games, play video games, eat, and fellowship. We will head back home by 12:00 noon on Monday.



VBS 2012

June 18th - 22nd

Please start praying now about where God can use you . Watch for more details coming soon concerning this important Outreach.



Easter Egg Hunt

Friday, April 6th

Sign-ups for ministry opportunities regarding the Easter Egg Hunt will be available soon.



Upcoming Events:

- Sat., Feb. 11th ~ 4:30 p.m. ~ Serve at Senior Adult Banquet @ SBA Retreat Center.
- Fri., Feb. 17th ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Roller Skating ~ Johnson City. Cost is \$7.00 per person.



Mar. 24th ~ 9:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 Carson Springs Baptist Conference Center
 Newport
 Children Free / Adults \$25.00
 The deadline to sign up is February 18th.



The Connection
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KIDS' NITE OUT

Fellowship Hall
 February 24th ~ 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
 K-6th grade

There will be a devotion, a movie and/or games, and a light snack. Sign-up on the downstairs bulletin board or call the church office @349-6288.



CHURCH COOKBOOK

In celebration of the church's 75th Anniversary, we are preparing a custom cookbook featuring favorite recipes from the Sullivan Baptist Church family. These cookbooks will be professionally published and will contain special pages of interest, a table of

contents, an index, cooking hints, and recipe category dividers. It is sure to be treasured for years to come.

Please submit your favorite recipes so you can be represented in the SBC cookbook. Follow the instructions listed below. Your name will be printed with each of your recipes. Your help in contributing recipes will ensure that our cookbook will be a big success.

Several years ago, recipes were collected for a proposed cookbook. Many of those recipes did not have a name attached. In order to properly publish this cookbook and to include all the church family possible, it is necessary to resubmit all recipes. Therefore, if you submitted recipes several years ago, then **PLEASE RESUBMIT YOUR RECIPES** according to the new guidelines. **The contributor's name must be included, or the recipe will be discarded.** This will assure everyone is properly included and recognized.

All recipes must be received by **March 4th, 2012**. Recipe sheets (if you desire to use them) with instructions are available on the table downstairs near the office. Place recipes in marked boxes located in the foyer or office area. You may also email recipes to church@sullivanbaptist.org. **Please make sure the contributor's name is listed for each recipe within the email!**

- Print **NEATLY IN INK, NOT PENCIL**, and place only **ONE RECIPE** per sheet of paper. If more room is needed, use another sheet of the same size and staple together.
- Please **WRITE LEGIBLY** as this will greatly reduce errors.
- List all ingredients in order of use in ingredients list and directions.
- Keep directions in paragraph form and not in steps.
- Use names of ingredients in the directions, e.g., "Combine flour and sugar." **DO NOT** use statements like, "Combine first three ingredients."
- Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.
- Be consistent with the spelling of your name for each recipe you contribute.
- Any special recipe notes (anything other than ingredients, directions, contributor name, serving size, or recipe title) should be kept as a separate comment at the bottom, as they may not be included due to the costs associated with publication.
- Recipes from books, magazines, newspapers, websites can be used unless the recipe is trademarked, such as *Killer Brownies*[®], *Derby Pie*[®], *Neiman Marcus*[®] *Cookies*. The publisher reserves the right to change trademarked recipe titles to prevent infringement on a copyright if you use complete works from another source. Keep in mind that we lose personalization if you use these resources.
- Your recipes should fit into the following categories:

Appetizers & Beverages
Soups & Salads
Vegetables & Side Dishes
Main Dishes

Breads & Rolls
Desserts
Cookies & Candy
This & That

CHURCH MEMORIES

Please share your best memories and thoughts of Sullivan Baptist Church! Memory cards are available on both levels of the church. Please complete the card, sign your name, and drop the information in the marked container. Young and old, long-time and short-time members...everyone should respond! Share your memories with others!

CHURCH APPAREL

Beginning in March we will be selling church shirts, jackets, etc. Look for more information coming soon!!



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