

2010 Easter Offering for U.S. Missions

On behalf of the Cooperative Missions Committee, chaired by Jackie Ward, I am pleased to announce four options for our 2010 Easter Offering for U. S. Missions.

The overall goal of the offering is \$5,000.

We will receive gifts for this offering through the end of May.

Every penny of each gift designated for a particular option will be applied to that option. But in keeping with longstanding Missions Committee policy, any undesignated gifts will be divided equally among these four options:

- 1. Easter Offering for North American Missions.** Traditionally called the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, these gifts help to support the work of the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Currently some 5,300 missionaries are serving the Lord full-time or part-time through the NAMB, engaging primarily in evangelistic work in cities, on college campuses, and elsewhere, and planting hundreds of new churches.
- 2. Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina.** Founded 15 years ago, this small but growing organization seeks to facilitate mission activities locally and abroad with many North Carolina Baptist churches. CBFNC strives to further the objectives of the national CBF organization by encouraging and helping to facilitate outreach to numerous Unreached People Groups, some of which are represented right here in North Carolina.
- 3. Youth Mission Service Trip to Bowie, Maryland.** As is now a longstanding tradition among our youth, this coming summer many of them will spend the better part of a week doing hands-on missions and outreach work. This year's senior high youth mission experience will be based in Bowie, Maryland, near Baltimore. Our youth will be working hard to renovate a church located in a transitional neighborhood that is home to numerous unchurched adults, children, and youth. They will also be working with young children from that area in Bible-learning and other Christian discipleship activities, primarily through an outreach Vacation Bible School. Worship, Bible study, and fellowship opportunities in the evenings are always included in these wonderful endeavors. Funds are needed to help pay for the cost of travel and other expenses.
- 4. "Faith Comes By Hearing" Ministry.** Many church members have benefited from listening to an MP3 audio recording of the New Testament during Lent. These recordings were made available to us free of charge through an arrangement with the national CBF, which had received a sizeable grant for distributing them here and overseas. The "Faith Comes By Hearing Ministry," based in Albuquerque, NM, is itself a free-standing non-profit ministry dedicated to reaching the world's poor and illiterate people with the Gospel. It also distributes these recordings to thousands of people here in the U.S. This ministry depends on support from churches and other organizations in order to make these recordings available. Thousands of lives have been changed as a result of hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this form.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

Love, Tom

FREE LIPID SCREENING

Thursday, April 8

7:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Come and get your cholestrol, triglycerides, sugar level and other blood work checked. You can also get your bone density tested.

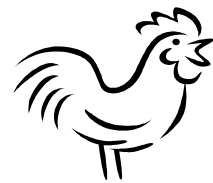
No food or drink after midnight.

In our fellowship hall

Sponsored by Blue Ridge Healthcare

MARS HILL CHOIR

The Mars Hill Choir will be in our worship service on Sunday, April 11.



Chicken Pickin'

Friday, April 16

11:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dine In - Take Out - Delivery

Delivery available upon request in the Morganton area for four or more plates!

\$7 per plate. Includes 1/2 BBQ cooked chicken, baked beans, slaw, bread, dessert & Tea/Coffee

Proceeds to be used for First Baptist Church Youth Missions.

For tickets or delivery call

828-437-2544

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MISSIONARY PARTNERS

Mark Hamblen – Ireland

Robert Dunlop – Ireland

Nunzio Louidice – Italy

Annette Hall – France

Janos Katona – Romania

SERVICE MEMBERS IN ACTION

Michael Bradley Pat Morrison

Nick Long Johnny Franklin

Wes Shuffler E r i e n n e

Davidson

Roland Berger Veronica Graham

Mark Scannell Ryan Moya

Joshua Davidson PJ Chapman

Zack Maye

SERVICE PERSON OF THE WEEK

Nicholas Long - Army

Serving in Iraq

Requested by Suzette Pendleton

YOUTH MINISTRY

This Sunday, April 4

AM –

9:45 – Breakfast, info and prayer time

10:00 – Sunday Morning Bible Study

Join us for this exciting Bible study

series,

Learning to Share Grace-Giving Away Your Faith

Session Two "What Do I Hear?" (John 20: 1-18)

No Youth Activities Tonight

But join us *next Sunday evening*, April 11, when you will have two great choices of events!

1. You can choose to go to the Toby Mac and Skillet Christian Music Concert at the Civic Center in Asheville. We'll leave at 3:30 to go eat at Fuddruckers then head over to the concert at 6:00. We hope to be home by around 10:00 p.m. Cost: \$6.00 for concert plus your meal.

2. Or you can attend an interesting post-Easter Super Session about the appearances of Jesus *after* His resurrection day, before He ascended to heaven. This will be followed by a lively time of recreation!

WEDNESDAY PM

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

No Studies this Wednesday, April 7 due to Easter break but plan on joining us Wednesday, April 14!

5:30 – Church Family Night Supper Youth Fellowship

Take note: Youth eat for 1/2 Price during April!

6:10 – Youth Ministry Prayer & Information Time

6:30 – Great New Course Continues!

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens

In an entertaining and engaging format, you will learn strategies to:

- improve self-image,
- build friendships,
- resist peer pressure,
- achieve goals,
- get along with parents,
- and much more!

We will show you how these principles align with teachings in the Bible. Attend this course and meet *the new, improved you!*

Habit Two: Begin with the End in Mind – Led by Jennifer Debnam and Traci Rigsbee

Come and invite friends!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Offering Received March 28\$12,758

Budget Required to Date..... \$225,459

Received to Date \$203,976

TURNING DREAMS INTO DEEDS

Pledged \$807,000

Building Fund Rec to Date \$814,041

Building Fund Expenditures \$724,584

Building Fund Balance\$89,541

MEMORIAL

A memorial has been given to honor the memory of Jane Scarboro

IN HONOR OF

Doris Bentley

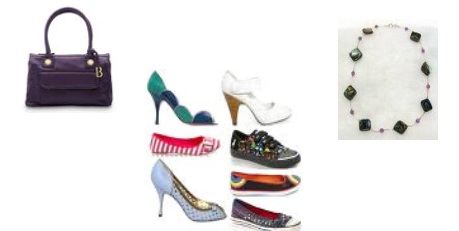
Charles Brittain

There will not be a **ChurchWeek** newsletter next week.

The church office will be closed Monday, April 5.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Marc Sholar



LADIES OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MORGANTON CONSIGNMENT SALE FOR U.S. MISSIONS

Thursday, April 22; Friday April 23 and Saturday, April 24

Please be collecting any:

- clothing
- shoes
- hats
- pocketbooks
- scarves
- jewelry
- gloves

Anything else that you would like to donate, but note that we will accept only ladies' items.

Please Note: Volunteers and clothing racks are also needed.

April 22: 1:00 PM—4:00 PM Set-up We will need WOMAN (and man) power for this!!

4:00 PM—8:00 PM Please bring your donations and you will be able to make purchases.

April 23: 4:00 PM—8:00 PM Open to the public

April 24: 9:00 AM—12:00 Noon Open to the public 1/2 Price Day



**Easter Offering for Missions
Inside the United States of America**

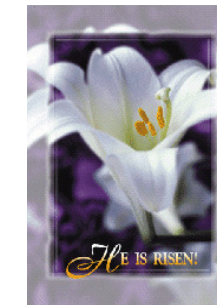
Church Goal: \$5,000

If you choose to designate your offering we suggest the following options:

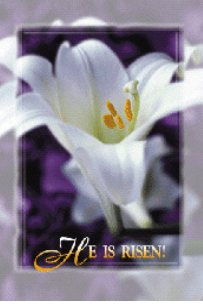
- **Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina**
- **SBC North American Missions**
- ***Faith Comes By Hearing Bible Translators***
- **FBC Youth Mission Trip to Bowie, Maryland**

COMING NEXT WEEK

- ◆ **Sunday, April 4**
EASTER SUNDAY
A.M.
9:45 - Sunday School
10:55 - Worship
PM
No Activities
- ◆ **Monday, April 5**
Church Office Closed
- ◆ **Tuesday, April 6**
7:00 p.m. - Men's Prayer
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 7**
NO CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT
- ◆ **Thursday, April 8**
7:00 - 9:30 a.m. - Free Lipid
Screening in the fellowship hall
- ◆ **Friday, April 9**
10:00 a.m. - Women's Prayer
Group
- ◆ **Sunday, April 11**
AM
8:30 - Deacons' Meeting
9:45 - Sunday School
10:55 - Worship with Mars Hill
Choir
PM
3:30 - Youth leave for concert
5:30 - Youth Super Session
- ◆ **Monday, April 12**
5:30 p.m. - Preschool/Afterschool
Meeting - K101
- ◆ **Tuesday, April 13**
4:00 p.m. - Mission Mgmt Meeting
7:00 p.m. - Men's Prayer
- ◆ **Wednesday, April 14**
Regular Church Family Night
Activities
- ◆ **Friday, April 16**
10:00 a.m. - Women's Prayer
Group
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Youth
Chickin' Pickin'



*You Are Joyfully Invited
To Join the Congregation
of First Baptist Church
of Morganton for*



Easter Sunday Worship
April 4 at 10:55 a.m.
In our Sanctuary

*To Celebrate the Resurrection
of our Savior Jesus Christ*

The congregation is invited to bring flowers before
Sunday School or before Worship to place on the
Easter Cross in the sanctuary.

Children who come to Sunday School will be part of
a special Easter processional.