

# The Baptist Record

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH EUPORA



### Celebrate Valentine's Day everyday

Many cards, notes and gifts will be given to someone this week. Most of them will be given to our valentine. It will be an expression to them of how we feel about them. We attempt to express to them how special they are to us. Our relationships would be much better and stronger if this is not a once a year thing. Every day is a good day to express to the one we love how special they are to us. We shouldn't just assume that they know. Why not make sure that they know?

As I think about Valentine's Day, it causes me to think about other days. One of those days is the Lord's Day. On Sunday, we have the opportunity and responsibility to gather together to express to our Lord how precious He is to us. Do we take advantage of every opportunity given to us or just assume that He knows? He knows a lot more than we think He does, and it is often not pleasing! Why not make sure that He knows how much we love Him?

Pray for D-NOW that is taking place this weekend. The worship services are at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday night at FBC Mathiston. Bro. Baron Ramsey, who is the speaker for D-Now, will be with us on Sunday morning. Pray for all the students, small group leaders, host homes and others who will be involved in some way. As we pray may we also become stronger disciples.

*In Christ's Love,  
Bro. Travis*

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Feb. 13 **Pete Shumpert**
- Feb. 14 **Myrtice Elkins**
- Feb. 14 **Paul Russell**
- Feb. 14 **Liz Cummings**
- Feb. 15 **Hugh Gibson**
- Feb. 16 **Janice Gary**
- Feb. 16 **Sam Gray**
- Feb. 16 **Peggy Hillhouse**
- Feb. 18 **Marilyn Maddox**
- Feb. 18 **Cameron Elkins**
- Feb. 18 **Ruthie Kate Carson**
- Feb. 19 **Larry Crenshaw**
- Feb. 19 **Joey Palmer**



Emily Russell has been appointed through the Mississippi Baptist Student Union and the International Mission Board as a 2014 Mississippi BSU Summer Student Missionary to Zimbabwe.

She will be responsible for a portion of her own expenses for this eight-week mission trip. The total amount that she must raise is \$4,600 which will take care of airfare, food, lodging and field transportation.

Emily will also be selling tee-shirts to help support her summer missions trip to Africa. She will be selling them from now until Feb. 16. The cost of the shirts is \$18! Contact Emily or call the church

office at 258-3491 to place your order!

Please pray for Emily as she goes to serve in Zimbabwe. Her mission is to minister to orphans and abused girls at an orphanage.

Any support that you can provide to help Emily to be a part of this opportunity will be greatly appreciated.

Please make checks payable to Blue Mountain College Baptist Student Union, P.O. Box 160, Blue Mountain, MS 38610.

For more information about this special ministry, please contact Emily or Blue Mountain College BSU.

## Russell to serve as summer missionary

### Emily to serve at an orphanage in Zimbabwe

### Did you leave worship saying, 'God is awesome'?

What makes a worship service "good?" I think most of us have different reasons for defining what a good worship service is. What makes you think, "Man, the worship service was great today."? Is it the music? Did we sing several favorite songs? Did the choir blow the windows out of the building? Was it the message preached? Do you think, "The message really spoke to me today" or "The message really made me feel good today."?

The true test of what a good worship service should be should include several facets:

1. Was the musical portion of worship theologically correct and played/sung to the very best of the musicians'/choir's/congregation's abilities?
2. Was the Word of God faithfully preached/taught/proclaimed?

3. Were all aspects of the service performed with only one goal in mind: to glorify God?

The final question to be asked is a personal one: Did I enter His house with the expectation to meet Him, worship Him with all that I have, and give glory to Him in all things?

If we can honestly answer "yes" to these questions, then I believe we can call that an AWE-SOME worship service. My personal desire each week is for people to NOT leave the building after a service with the statement, "The music was great today" or "That message was really convicting today." My personal desire each week is for everyone to leave the building after the service with the proclamation: "GOD IS AWESOME!"

*Have a blessed week,  
Bro. Jason*

### Patience is waiting without complaining; sign up for D-Kids, summer camp

Hey everybody! I hope you've had a good week at school. Have you practiced patience this week? Reminder: Patience is waiting without complaining.

We will not have G-Force this week. We will resume on Sunday, Feb. 23.

Don't forget to sign up for D-Kids and Kids' Camp. The list will be on my office door. Cost for D-Kids is

\$15 and it is for kids in 1-6 grades. Camp is for 3-6 gradeers and you need to pay a \$60 deposit when you sign up or shortly after. If you have questions, please call me.

Have a great weekend. See you at church!

*Love,  
Mrs. Anita*

### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- Thursday, February 13**  
6:30 Girls' Bible Study @ the Barnette's  
6:45 Guys' Bible Study @ FLC
- Friday-Sunday, February 14-16**  
\*\*\* D-NOW WEEKEND \*\*\*
- Sunday, February 16**  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Morning Worship (No G-Force)  
4:00 Youth Praise Band Rehearsal  
4:45 Adult Handbell Rehearsal  
5:15 YOUTH Bible Study  
6:00 Evening Worship
- Monday, February 17**  
6:30 Deacon's Meeting
- Wednesday, February 19**  
9:30 Lifestyles WMU  
4:45 Acteens  
5:30 MISSION Wednesdays  
6:30 Prayer and Praise Service  
6:30 YOUTH Worship



### ITEMS OF THE MONTH SMALL TOYS & SMALL COLORING BOOKS

Bring your OCC donations by the church office TODAY!

### THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to all who had anything to do with making and getting my prayer shawl to me. Only those who have received one can understand how special it is. Those prayers were felt and carried me through my cancer experience. May God continue to bless your church and its ministries.

*Gloria Mason*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL RECORD 2/9/14

Adult.....	146
Young Adult.....	3
College/Career.....	6
Youth.....	20
Children.....	17
Preschool/Nursery.....	14
Nursing Home.....	24
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>230</b>

### FINANCIAL 2/9/14

Weekly Bud. Rec.....	\$9,974.00
Weekly Bud. Need.....	\$10,368.69
Budget Needs to Date.....	\$62,212.14
Gifts to Date.....	\$64,831.17
Over Budget.....	\$2,619.03

### BUILDING FUND 2/9/14

Gifts this week.....	\$65.00
Current balance.....	\$190,560.22
<b>DAWN'S LIGHT CHURCH FUND 2/9/14</b>	
Gifts to date.....	\$2,600.00

### CHURCH STAFF

- Travis Gray—Pastor
- Jason Carson—Music Minister/Assoc. Pastor
- Kevin Barnette—Youth Director
- Anita Russell—Children's Director
- Yvonne Hitt—Financial Secretary
- Marcelle Robertson—Custodian
- Kathy Bailey—Librarian
- Sara Hitt—Church Clerk
- Gwen Sisson—Church Secretary

