

the Encourager

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Benton

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An Encouraging Word

Pastor Rick Grant

If you live long enough you will discover that life sometimes has a strange way of working out. Take for example Carol Burnett, who was one of the most popular entertainers of the last half of the twentieth century. Her hour-long comedy and variety show made her name a household word in America. But Burnett was not always famous. We might have never heard of her at all except for a closed door and then an open door.

Early in 1959, Richard Rodgers was overseeing a revival of the stage musical *Babes in Arms* and Carol tried out for a part. The show would open in Florida and then eventually come to Broadway. She did well in her two auditions and thought she would get the part. But she didn't. The director called and told her that he was going to give the part to a "name" and her name was not big enough.

Her thirteen-year-old sister tried to comfort her by reminding her, "One door closes and another one opens." No sooner had the words come out of her sister's mouth than the phone rang. The producers of an off-Broadway musical called *Once upon a Mattress* wanted her to audition for a part. She got the part. The show was a hit and ran for a year and then, off and on for the next several years on television. This play gave her a big enough name that Garry Moor saw her and brought her onto his new television show where she soon became a regular. And the rest is history.

By the way, *Babes in Arms* — the play she so much wanted to be in, closed in Florida and never made it to Broadway.

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sharing Christ **honoring God** building believers

join us at FBC *Benton*

Sunday Afternoons ~ 4:00 - 6:00pm
Beginning August 22nd



Led by Ann & Larry Easterling
For more information you may contact them at:
Ann (501) 310-8102 / Larry (501) 343-7007
Workbook Cost \$12.00—Childcare is Provided



Led by Frances Raley
For more information you may contact her at:
office (501) 315-2270 / cell (501) 840-6601
Workbook Cost \$12.00—Childcare is Provided

Please call Karen or Frances in the church office at 315-2270
to register for either one of these classes.

Murry's Dinner Playhouse

Presents

Smoke on the Mountain

September 15th ~ Noon Matinee

Don't miss this foot-stompin', banjo-pickin', bluegrass gospel musical comedy, where the hymns, hilarity and homemade treats will surely make a believer out of anyone.



All FBC Senior Adults are asked to call Karen in the church office at 315-2270 to reserve their spot today for this event.

Tickets are \$27.00 per person for a group of 20 or more (includes buffet, coffee, tea, tax, gratuity and the show).

Summer Sunday Nights @ 6pm

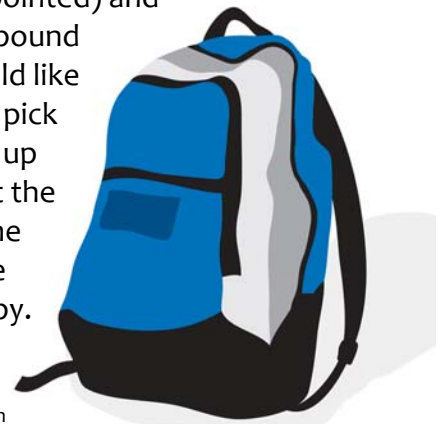
- July 18 LORD'S SUPPER Service & after service
Watermelon Fellowship
- July 25 Hamburger Supper
- August 1 Student Share Service
- August 8 Movie Night ~ *The End of the Spear*
- August 15 Ice Cream Fellowship after service
- August 22 Fall Schedule begins!

Thank you Boy Scouts Troop #34
for cleaning and striping the Bus Barn
parking lot (between River and South Streets).
It looks great!



Ralph Bunche Back to School Picnic

Each year we have the opportunity to encourage the children in our community by providing school supplies to the Ralph Bunche Back to School Picnic. This year FBC Benton has been given the task to collect scissors (both rounded and pointed) and single subject spiral bound notebooks. We would like to encourage you to pick some of these items up and drop them off at the church office or at the Welcome Desk in the Worship Center Lobby. The deadline to turn these supplies in is Wednesday, July 28th. Thank you in advance for your help! Clay



First Baptist Family

Wednesday Night Supper Menus

July 14 Turkey and Cheese on a Croissant
Potato Salad, Cucumber and Tomato Salad

July 21 ALL VEGTABLE MEAL
Fried Okra, Turnip Greens,
Oven Fried Potatoes, Sliced Tomatoes
Cole Slaw, Beans seasoned with Ham
Cornbread

July 28 French Dip Sandwich & Onion Rings
(roast beef and cheese served on a hoagie bun with au jus for dipping)

All meals served with one dessert item or fruit

Adult plate \$5 (age 11 & up) Child plate \$3 (ages 4-10)

Chef salads \$5 Pizzas \$2 Household maximum \$15

Chef Salads & Pizzas available

Come join us each Wednesday Night

No Reservations Needed

The FBC Prayer Group Ministry has placed prayer brochures in the pew racks. Any time you have a prayer request for the group, please fill out one of the brochures and put it in the offering plate or in the special lock box located by the bulletin board in the hallway by Selph Hall kitchen. These requests will strictly be for the prayer group ministry.

Anyone interested in joining the prayer ministry, please call Eric Roberts.

Living Proof Live Simulcast



Featuring

~Beth Moore~

Saturday, September 18th

Simulcast Hosted by: First Baptist Church ~ Benton

Tickets \$20.00 per person

(A box lunch is included with each ticket)

Tickets go on sale in the church office

July 12, 2010.

For more information call Karen in the church office at 315-2270.

"Kiddie Keeper 777"

This number is an announcement that we need extra adult volunteers in ETC, our Worship Care Ministry, to help care for preschoolers during that service. If you serve in the Preschool & Children's Ministry in any area & would be willing to help, please make your way to the Preschool Desk where you will be greeted then led to a classroom. If you are not currently serving & would like to know how you can help, please call the church office and talk with Debbie Bridges or Laurie Cox.

Sunday, July 11, 2010

Senior Adults	203
Median Adults	200
Young Adults	77
Spanish	15
Youth	87
Children	84
Preschool	72
Total Bible Study	738
Avg. Attendance	890

Stewardship
...serving a Great God

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life.'"

John 14:6

Receipts 07.11.10	53,899
Weekly Goal	59,635
Receipts YTD	1,449,039
YTD Goal	1,669,780
Building Fund YTD	68,563

Given through June 30:

Cooperative Program = \$134,338

Associational Missions = \$13,434

Church indebtedness on June 30 = \$5,734,340

