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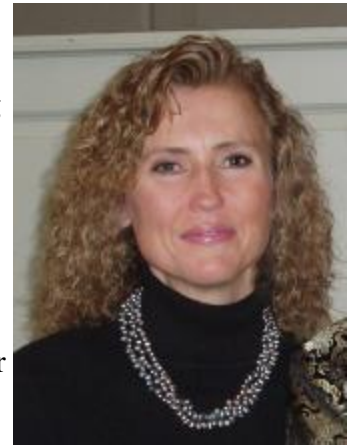
Sabbatical Story: June 10-23

Dr. William E. Hull, a Birmingham native, is a highly acclaimed Baptist educator, minister, author and lecturer. Following graduation from Samford University, he earned both the Master of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. For more than two decades, Dr. Hull served on the faculty and in the administration of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Starting as a Fellow in 1954, he served as professor and chair in the New Testament Department, as director of Graduate Studies, Dean of the School of Theology, and as Provost from 1969-75. In 1987, Dr. Hull returned to Samford where he served as Provost until 1996, and currently serves as Research Professor. Ordained to the gospel ministry by Dawson Memorial Church in Birmingham, Dr. Hull has served as pastor and interim pastor of numerous churches through the years. Since 1991 he has served as Minister-in-Residence at Mountain Brook Baptist in Birmingham.



Guest Preacher
Sunday, June 10 & 17

Kimberly L. Smith is Co-Founder and executive Director of Make Way Partners. Make Way Partners is a Christian mission agency that is committed to prevent and combat human trafficking and all forms of modern-day slavery by educating and mobilizing The Body of Christ. For more information about Make Way Partners please go to their website: www.makewaypartners.org. Kimberly has experience in both corporate America, where she served as vice president in a financial institution for a number of years, and the mission field. She has lived in the Caribbean, Asia and Europe with extensive service in Sudan, Africa. As a wife, mother and grandmother, the protection of and provision for oppressed women and children are especially important in her leadership toward biblical justice.



Guest Preacher
Sunday, June 24

On Call Schedule

John Duke, 482-6280

Week of June 10-16

Fisher Humphreys, Lay Minister, 979-1159

Mike Martin, Deacon of the Week, 879-3722

Week of June 17-23

Dewayne Lasseter, Lay Minister, 380-9967

Suzann Smith, Deacon of the Week, 823-7180

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

With Fisher Humphreys

June 13: *We Are Servants*

June 20: *We Are Stewards*

Sarah's Sabbatical Highlights!

Week of June 10 - Beach Trip

Week of June 17 - David to Savannah College
Art of & Design

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to Life*

**“Seeking His Heart...Being His Hands”
Disaster Relief Ministry Trip
Gulfport, Mississippi
June 24 - 30, 2007**

Mark Cobb, Tex Hawley, Stevie Hoven, Tim Liptak, Frank McCrory, Rick Traylor, and Tracie Wade will be the BCOC team for this mission trip to Gulfport. **They will be commissioned on June 24.** As in previous trips we will be in partnership with Vestavia Hills Baptist Church and Cross Point Baptist Church and will be providing food services for disaster relief volunteers.

Those who wish to participate but are unable to go can help by bringing homemade cookies for lunches and un-iced cakes or other desserts for dinner. This will enhance what we are able to serve the disaster relief workers. Please bring them to church on Sunday, June 24.

Please bring letters of encouragement for these volunteers to the church office by Friday, June 22.



Operation PASSPORT~Kenya 2007

OPK, Inc. exists to provide BCOC youth with the unique opportunity to have a cross-cultural experience in Kenya. Youth will focus on **building relationships, cultural exploration, and learning about God through interaction with Christians in a developing country.** Buying a share in our company allows BCOC to send 3 members to Kenya this August. The total cost of the experience will be over \$10,000, so your investment is greatly appreciated. Pick up a brochure to learn more about shareholders' benefits.

Each share is only \$10

Become a *LionShareholder* by purchasing 5 or more shares.

Visit the OPK table in Fellowship Hall Wednesdays and Sundays through July 31 to receive certificates of ownership.

Become an Investor Today -- Join the *Pride!*

coffee for
kenya fundraiser
Thompson High School, Alabaster
Serve Coffee to Teachers
June 18-22 from 8:30am - 10:30am

Another way to help support our youth going on Passport Kenya 2007! Please contact Melissa (585-8065 or maevans00@hotmail.com) if you can help on any day!

Caffe C - an acoustic coffeehouse at BCOC

Baptist Church of the Covenant's new coffeehouse Caffe C will kick off its inaugural season on Friday evening, June 8 at 7:30 PM in our Fellowship Hall. The first concert will feature singer/songwriters Mark Stuart and Stacey Earle – two of the sharpest voices and writers in Nashville today. Tickets for the evening are \$15 and doors will open at 6:45 PM. All proceeds beyond expenses will be used to support BCOC children and youth who plan to attend Passport Camps this summer.

Plan now to attend and reserve your seats by calling Todd Heifner at 425-8985 or sending an e-mail to todd@pitchagency.com.

We anticipate a sold-out crowd for this concert and look forward to welcoming music enthusiasts from around Birmingham for this and other Caffe C concerts.

Passport Wingate

June 24-29

The participants: Matthew Childs, Micah Martin, Parker Smith, Jacob Watson and chaperone, Morgan Ponder will be commissioned Sunday, June 17.

Our youth will be working on construction projects and with senior adults and children. Please mail notes of encouragement to them at the following address:

Youth name -BCOC

Passport Summer Conference June 24-29

Wingate University

P. O. Box 2676

Wingate, NC 28174

CBF General Assembly

The annual meeting of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship will take place in Washington D.C. on June 28-29, with auxiliary events planned for June 27 and 30. It will include worship, business, and a multitude of workshops. A sampling of the workshop titles includes “Caring for God’s Creation”, “Conversion Conversations with Children”, “Working with Difficult People”, “Spiritual Formation”, “HIV/AIDS and the Church”, “What Does the Bible Say about Women”, “Making Sense Out of the Baptist Nonsense”, and many others. There will also be a “Freedom from Hunger and Poverty” event with political and religious leaders, and an ethics conference with speakers such as Tony Campolo, Jim Wallis, Melissa Rogers, and others. For more information or to register, please go to the CBF web site at www.thefellowship.info.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Week of May 27

Budget	\$8,949.22
Building Fund	300.00
CBF Missions	151.00
Gardner Fund	200.00
Gardner Jadita	20.00
Rogers Fund	500.00

Week of June 3

Budget	\$11,744.16
Building Fund	5,160.00
Rogers Fund	614.65
Gardner Jadita	240.00
CBF Missions	10.00
Kenya Passport	150.00
Gardner Fund	398.15

YTD – May 2007

YTD Receipts - \$220,076.04

YTD Expenditures - \$209,469.09

YTD Budget Requirements - \$231,597.90

***Kate Campbell Benefit Concert
For Greater Birmingham Ministries
Thursday, June 14, 7:00 p.m.
Unitarian Universalist Church***

Tickets for the concert are \$20, which is a tax-deductible donation. Advance ticket purchases are strongly encouraged. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold at the door the night of the concert. The concert is generously underwritten by Mary Johnson-Butterworth and Chuck Butterworth with in-kind support from Accu-Print. Tickets may be purchased by calling Melissa Patrick or Gracie Johnson at 326-6821.

***Birmingham Hospitality Network
6th Annual Reception and Silent Auction
Fundraiser
Thursday, July 26, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
B & A Warehouse***

This event is a major source of funds for BHN's ministry: assisting homeless families in our community.

The reception and silent auction again will be held at B & A Warehouse from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., and it will feature live musical entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Guests will be able to bid on over 300 items in the silent auction. For tickets and sponsorship packages please contact Lynn Coffey, 999-0354.

Auction items are needed for the fundraiser to be a success! These can be household articles, art objects, jewelry, vacation rentals, gift certificates from restaurants and other businesses, and other items of general interest. Please contact Linda Martin, 591-8919 or LMartin322@aol.com, if you have items to donate!!



**Free Family Concert
Sixth Avenue Baptist Church
Tuesday, June 12, 2007, 7:00 p.m.**

At Home

Bob Litton
Russell Whistler
Elaine Peterson



Rehabilitation and Healthcare

Jerry Martin
2728 South 10th Avenue, 35205

Hong Kong

Jerry and Ruth Moyer

Peace Corps, Benin, West Africa

Charles Reeves



June

10-Michael Clark	18-Kathy Hollis
10-Ethan Foreman	18-Brian Vaughn
10-John Harold Burge	18-Daniel Evans
14-Nancy Yarbrough	20-Naytesha Perkins Jones
14-Jay Lasater	21-Wynona Pelham
15-David Henderson	21-Joe Dean
16-Ann Yates	21-Mark McClintock
16-Janet Anthony	22-Todd Heifner
16-Liesl Ward	22-Griffin Peterson
17-Blaine Humphrey	22-Graham Heifner

PASSPORTkids Book Sale Fundraiser

From Sunday, June 17 through Sunday, July 1, we will have a book sale fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall to help our families sending children to PASSPORT-kids. We have eleven children going to the camp this year, and some families are sending multiple children! We will have a variety of books available, including some written by some of our summer's leaders, including Fisher Humphreys. It will also include books by Phillip Gulley, who will be leading the Labor Day retreat and who asks that those attending the retreat read two of his books. We will be keeping 20% of the sales and using that money to help pay the costs of our children going to camp this summer. The books are being obtained through Cokesbury Book Store. So if you are looking for good books to read this summer and/or want to help our children go to camp, save some money for this sale!

VBS: The Great Bible Reef

is coming to BCOB this year!

Dates: July 23rd – 27th Time: 5:30 – 8:00 PM

We need volunteers for activity stations and group leaders. Fun will be had by all! Contact Denise Gardner for registration and any questions at 966-8771.



***We look forward to welcoming
Dr. Milburn Price as our
Interim Minister on Music on
June 17.***

Week of June 10

Week of June 17

Deacon of the Week: Mike Martin 879-3722
Lay Minister: Fisher Humphreys, 979-1159

Deacon of the Week: Suzann Smith, 823-7180
Lay Minister: Dewayne Lasseter, 380-9967

Sunday, June 10

VSP Pickup - Bill Smith
9:00 a.m. - Morning Worship: Dr. Bill Hull, pulpit guest
Lobby Monitor - David Litton
Ushers - Lynn Groom, Rick Mitchell
Greeters - Jean Thomason, Kelly Mitchell
Offering - David Groom, Frances Ferguson
Preschool - Patsy Love, Carol Dean
10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship
10:30 a.m. - Sunday School
Preschool I & 2 - Linda Martin, Marsha Henderson
Preschool 3 - Julie Burge, Eleanor Traylor
Preschool 4 - Denise Gardner, Kit Heifner
VSP - David Wilson
Sack Lunches - Youth
Building Lockup - David Young
11:30 a.m. - Deacon's Meeting
12:00 noon - Ministries Committee

Sunday, June 17

VSP Pickup - Becky Belcher
9:00 a.m.-Morning Worship: Dr. Bill Hull, pulpit guest
Commission Passport Wingate for the youth
Lobby Monitor - David Henderson
Ushers - David Young, Liesl Ward
Greeters - Susan Richardson, Karen Stephens
Offering - Bill Bennett, Sara Hoover
Preschool - Patsy Love, Janet Goodwin
10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship, Denise Gardner
10:30 a.m. - Sunday School
Preschool I & 2 - Linda Martin, Marsha Henderson
Preschool 3 - Julie Burge, Eleanor Traylor
Preschool 4 - Denise Gardner, Kit Heifner
VSP - David Wilson
Sack Lunches - Grooms-Hairston & Quaker
Building Lockup - David Young
12:00 noon - JIF Meeting
4:00 p.m. - Finance Sub-Committee
5:00 p.m. - COM

Monday, June 11

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous

Monday, June 18

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous

Tuesday, June 12

1:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. - Exchange Club Parenting Class

Tuesday, June 19

1:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. - Exchange Club Parenting Class

Wednesday, June 13

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous
5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Supper
Menu: Fried Chicken, Green Beans, Yellow Corn, Potato Salad,
Cookies and Brownies
Clean Up: Larry FitzGerald, Mary Ann Kirkpatrick, Mary Oswald,
Gayle Watts
6:15 p.m. - Children's Missions & Youth Program
6:30 p.m. - Fisher Humphreys: *We Are Servants*
Lockup: Joe Dean
7:00 p.m. - Covenant Choir Rehearsal
Choir Lockup - Tex Hawley

Wednesday, June 20

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous
5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Supper
Menu: Beef Tips with Rice, Steamed Broccoli with Cheese Sauce,
Black Eyed Peas, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Cookies and Brownies
Clean Up: Jack Brymer, Mary Hines, Susan Richardson
6:15 p.m. - Children's Missions & Youth Program
6:30 p.m. - Fisher Humphreys: *We Are Stewards*
Lockup: Joe Dean
7:00 p.m. - Covenant Choir Rehearsal
Choir Lockup - Rick Traylor

Saturday, June 16

9:30 a.m. - Saturday Morning Grocery Ministry: Abby Wiggins,
driver; Liesl Ward, helper

Saturday, June 23

9:30 a.m. - Saturday Morning Grocery Ministry: Sharon Chappell,
driver; Connie Bowers, helper



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