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### Come join us Sundays!

8:45 am Sunday School classes for all ages  
10:00 am Worship

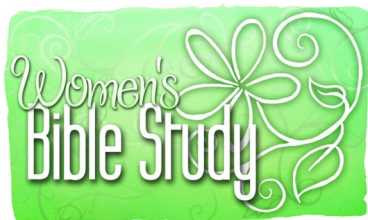
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# The Messenger

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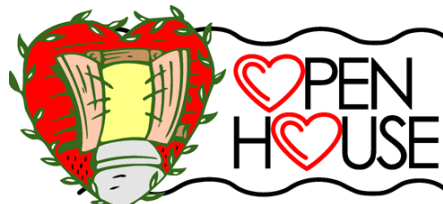
Starting Wednesday, September 14  
@ 11:30am

“Lord, Teach Me to Pray” in 28 days  
by Kay Arthur

Sign up @ Welcome Center  
so that books may be ordered

**Children's Church** will resume on  
Sunday, September 11. We will be having  
some lessons about “A Journey down the  
Roman Road.”

There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome  
Center for adult helpers.



Oh give thanks to the Lord;  
Call upon HIS NAME; make known  
his deeds among the peoples!  
Psalm 105:1

God has faithfully provided for our need  
following the tornado of March 28, 2007.  
Please celebrate our new house of worship  
with us at our Open House.

**Sunday, September 4, 2011**

**From 2:00—4:00 pm**

First Baptist Church  
Holly Colorado



September brings to mind school and Labor Day the unofficial end of summer. Labor Day was set up as a celebration of work. Retirees may remember their years of working the job. They may have fond memories and yet they are still working around the house or yard or organization to which they belong. Those who are still in the workforce may see their job not so fondly and as something they have to do.

Work is what keeps life interesting. The work itself and the people involved. The people become a matter of prayer. Have you prayed for or with co-workers? Have you ever thanked God for them? The Apostle Paul remarks several times how he thanked God for the people every time he remembered them. Do we ever think that our co-workers may be going through stress or difficulties or worries? Have you thought that you may be the only one who cares about them? Do we think that we may be the only way they might know about the Lord? Maybe God placed you in that job at this particular time for a particular reason even though you may not know the reason. Since God is in control of everything and has a Plan He is working out, our job fits in and so does our job relationships.

As we look at our work, are we doing our best or just getting by—just putting in time? The Bible teaches that even in work we can worship God. Ephesians 6:7 states, “serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men.” Colossians 3:23 repeats the same thing so that we should be looking at the human boss as if he/she were the Lord.

So how do we view our line of work—with joy, with thankfulness, with a desire to honor the Lord? Think about this: some people want to work but don't have a job; what if firemen didn't really care about getting quickly to a house fire or forgot to put hoses on the truck; what if the car mechanic didn't tighten the lug nuts on the car wheels after rotating the tires. Not a good job performance it is?

Maybe we should rejoice more in what the Lord is giving us to do. Maybe we should take a lesson from the cartoon Seven Dwarfs who sang on their way to work and, I think, didn't they also whistle while they worked. Better yet, maybe we should remember our Lord Jesus Who wanted to do the work of the Father. Let us reread Philippians 2:5-13 and adopt Jesus' attitude.

Blessings  
Pastor Dave



We want you to let you know how much we appreciate the contribution First Baptist Church has made to God's ministry here at the CareNet Pregnancy Center.

May God bless you all abundantly for your obedience.

Claudia Gill  
CNPC Board Member

### Larry Barlow is stepping down but not out ...

Larry Barlow has been leading our praise worship for the last three years. He has always felt led by the Lord to lead the praise team but now feels it is time to bring on board Alan Garcia as lead guitarist and worship leader. Alan has been backing up the praise team the last couple of years. He loves music and works well with our youth. He will be leading the praise team beginning Sunday, August 28.

Larry will remain a part of the praise team as rhythm guitarist and singer and will lead when necessary.

### In response to the invitation ...

Ricky Austin responded to the invitation Sunday, August 21 and came forward to become a member of First Baptist Church. He is the son of Rick and Maria and brother of Josh and Sophia.

### Check out the large bulletin board

to see familiar and new faces of those who attend First Baptist Church. If your picture isn't on the bulletin board contact Becky Davis to get your picture taken.



Encourage  
one another  
and build up  
each other....

1 Thessalonians 5:11, NRSV

### Another Sunday School Class

Beginning Sunday, September 11 another adult Sunday school class will begin in the library at the church. Rick and Maria Austin have agreed to lead this class. The class is geared toward the young adult age range of roughly college age through the thirties, though we are not sticky or picky about ages. We are looking for more avenues to study and grow in the Word of God.

### Regional Gathering

Our church has freely associated with other Baptist churches to form the American Baptist Churches of the Rocky Mountains. Each year these churches gather for fellowship and inspiration. This year's gathering is at First Baptist of Laramie, Wyoming. This is the oldest Baptist congregation in Wyoming. The gathering will be Friday and Saturday October 7 and 8. Our church is entitled to two delegates. Details can be found on the Welcome Center or from Pastor Dave.

### Crosses added to our wall



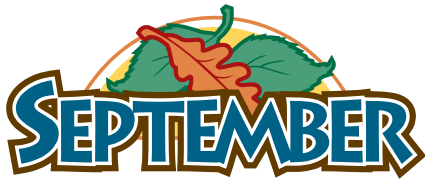
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In memory of Austin Peterson son of Ron and Lori; grandson of Jim and Joan Peterson by Ron and Lori Peterson

In memory of Ronald "R.W." Haggard by Larreen Haggard

In memory of Joe Perkins, Tracy Perkins, Nancy Smotherman and Amy Wilson by Betty Perkins.



## Birthdays ... and ... Anniversaries

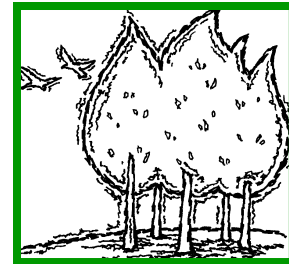
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| <b>2</b> Veronica Carrillo | <b>13</b> Maria Austin    | <b>3</b> Dave and Becky Davis (34)  |
| <b>4</b> Randy Hager       | <b>19</b> Richard Widener | <b>26</b> Bill and Kay Marples (41) |
| <b>5</b> Grayden Flint     | <b>21</b> Sophia Austin   |                                     |
| Marley Flint               | <b>23</b> Joan Peterson   |                                     |
| <b>8</b> Saige Owens       | <b>27</b> Sean Verhoeff   |                                     |
| Nathaniel Reid             | <b>28</b> Jan Verhoeff    |                                     |
| <b>9</b> Gary Campbell     |                           |                                     |

★ If we have missed your birthday and/or anniversary, please call the church office so we may include them on our calendar.

**WORD SEARCH** — find the colored words in Jeremiah 17:5-8

This is what the LORD says:

“**Cursed** is the one who **trusts** in man,  
 who **draws strength** from **mere flesh**  
 and whose **heart turns away** from the  
 LORD.  
 That **person** will be like a **bush** in the  
**wastelands**;  
 they will not see **prosperity** when it  
 comes.  
 They will **dwell** in the **parched places**  
 of the **desert**,  
 in a **salt land** where no one lives.  
 “But **blessed** is the one who trusts in  
 the **LORD**,  
 whose **confidence** is in him.  
 They will be like a **tree planted** by the  
**water**  
 that **sends** out its **roots** by the **stream**.  
 It does not **fear** when **heat** comes;  
 its **leaves** are **always green**.  
 It has no **worries** in a **year** of **drought**  
 and never **fails** to **bear fruit**.”



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