

## A Note from Pastor Randy

Several months ago a pro-life organization released a series of videos taken undercover which revealed some leaders of Planned Parenthood (PP) discussing the sale of organs & fetal tissue belonging to aborted babies. The horrendous images portrayed in the videos along with the callous language used by abortion providers brought new attention to this national disgrace. Last year PP reported performing 327,653 abortions. That works out to be 37 abortions per working hour, or roughly one every 90 seconds. How can many of our national leaders sanctimoniously lecture countries like China, North Korea & other oppressive nations concerning their human rights violations? Killing defenseless babies while they're still in a mother's womb is the greatest human rights violation I know of! Did you know that out of the 196 countries in the world that only 7 allow the killing of unborn children at or beyond 5 months of pregnancy? Our nation is among this dishonorable group of 7! Unborn babies 5 months or beyond are known as "paincapable." That is, they can feel the awful pain associated with their tiny bodies being torn apart from abortive procedures. As I'm writing this article, the US Senate is scheduled to vote on the passage of the "Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" (S.1553) which will ban abortion after 20 weeks. The US House passed a similar bill in May. We must pray that this blight on our nation will one day end. We need to stand for those who can't! "For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them" (Ps. 139:13-16). Pastor Randy

CARE Night – Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> Meal @ 6:00 pm Ministry @ 6:30 pm

> Sunday, October 18th Pastor Appreciation Day

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 8:00 pm SFBA Annual Meeting at Westport Baptist Church



Men's Quarterly Breakfast Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am In the Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to enjoy a great breakfast, fellowship, missions & ministry updates, prayer and a brief devotional.

It has been an amazing first month here. I have really enjoyed meeting everyone and I appreciate all the encouragement I have received. It is such a great joy to be here and to serve this church. I am excited about having such a great group of kids to serve. My family and I are enjoying getting to know all the youth and children of the church. We also want to get to know the rest of the congregation and would love to spend time with each of you. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call me.

My first goal here at Macedonia is to continue to grow in relationship with our people and communicate to them how much they are loved by God. I want our youth to know that our youth group is a place of refuge and that Jesus wants to bear their burdens. I want to continue to prepare them to be a light in the darkness as we start to reach this community together. I believe that Macedonia's Youth are the church of today and not just training to be the church of tomorrow. As we grow together and begin to reach out to others, mighty things are going to happen. The Holy Spirit is at work here and I am so excited to see what God is going to do. Thank you for calling me to your church. I am blessed here with two great mentors in Pastor Joe and Pastor Randy, an awesomely faithful group of youth and children, supportive parents, and such an encouraging congregation. Thank you for everything! **Pastor Jeremy** 

Beginning Wed., Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm Children 1st – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Come be a part of our annual Christmas Musical





Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>
Family Fun Day at the Lazy 5 Ranch
\$10 per person
A picnic lunch will be provided



Saturday, October 31\*
11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Games, Trunk or Treat,
Food & Fun

Children's Church October 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>





Youth Worship & Bible Study Sunday Evening @ 6:00 pm "Not a Fan"

Sunday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 – 9:00 pm Youth Trip to see the movie "Woodlawn"

Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> we will have a Deacon Ordination service for Sammy Bean

As I write this article for our newsletter, in 8 ½ hours our JOY Ministry sponsored revival will begin. When you are reading this article the revival will be over.......Wait a minute......If we only had 3 nights of services called revival it is over. But what our JOY ministry has been praying for in the past 2 months is a true revival. That is what we are praying for and expecting and if this happens (happened) to me and you we will still be singing His praises. The purpose of this revival has never been to draw as large of crowds as possible but that the ones who do (did) attend will be renewed and reminded that we are all a people on a mission. That mission is to reach as many people for Christ in evangelism and discipleship as we possibly can. We have been asking all of you to pray for these services and now I thank you for all the prayers and work that will make (made) these nights possible. I also by faith thank our Lord for what He will accomplish in all of our lives. My expectation for the immediate future is to see a group of Senior Adults and others in the church to carry out the work of the ministry with joy & zeal which comes from a renewed spirit and revived heart by the Spirit of the Lord. ~ Pastor Joe

Joy Ministry Monthly Luncheon Thursday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> at Noon in the Fellowship Hall



JOY Trip to JAARS
Saturday, Oct. 10th, 8:30 am
Plane, Helicopter &
ATV rides

JOY Weekly Bible Study Thursday, 10:30 am

## **November at a Glance**

- Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, Deacons'
   Mtg. at 5:00
- Sun. Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>, Pastor's Conference & BSCNC Annual Mtg
- Thursday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, JOY
   Ministry Luncheon, Noon in the Fellowship Hall
- Sun., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> Youth go to The Judgment House at Woodlawn Baptist Church
- Wed., Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, CARE Night
   Meal @ 6:00 pm
   Ministry @ 6:30 pm
- Friday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> JOY trip to Narroway Productions – "The Real Christmas Story" 4:30 pm
- Tues., Nov, 24<sup>th</sup> Youth Baking Night (Desserts for Thanksgiving Meals)
- Wednesday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> –
   Deliver Thanksgiving Meals to homebound members
- Thursday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving\_(Church offices closed Thurs. & Fri.)
- Sunday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Hanging of the Green at 6:30 pm

JOY Trip to Shatley Springs Inn – 7:30 am We will have breakfast at the Inn Restaurant then enjoy a drive along the Parkway to see the beautiful fall foliage