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Press Release

Second Baptist Church of Rock Island Celebrates Its 139th Church Anniversary - "Still Praising God"

Rock Island, IL, July 18, 2012: Rev. Joseph D. Williamson, Pastor of Second Baptist Church, 919 6th Avenue, Rock Island and congregation will celebrate its 139th Church Anniversary on August 11, 2012 and August 26, 2012. The theme is "Still Praising God" taken from Psalm 84:4. This theme acknowledges and salutes the dedicated pastors and members who have diligently pressed on and kept the faith to lay the foundation for the church today.

The 139th Anniversary Celebration begins with an "Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social & Open House" on **Saturday, August 11th from 12 Noon to 4:00 p.m.** in the parking lot of the church. This event is free and open to the public! All are welcome, young and old alike! Join us for food, fun, music, and fellowship! We'll have historical guided tours of the church and Family Life Center, historical video in the sanctuary, and get together in the parking lot for some delicious ice cream, cake, hotdogs, hamburgers, potato chips, and lemonade. Attendees are encouraged to bring a chair. A free will offering will be accepted. All proceeds will go to the 2012 Second Baptist Church Capital Improvement Drive for the new parking lot, fixing and painting church vans, installing steel doors in the Family Life Center storage area, and other building repairs that are badly needed.

The 139th Anniversary Worship Celebration will take place on Sunday, August 26th beginning at our 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. Our very special guest is Rev. Dr. Edward O. Williamson, Pastor of Bethel Baptist Church of White Plains, NY. The celebration will continue at 3:30 p.m. with Rev. Dr. Orville B. Jones, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Quincy, IL and congregation as our special guests.

Join us on August 11th for an "Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social & Open House" and on August 26th at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for the 139th Church Anniversary Worship Celebration for an Old Fashioned Church Service, complete with attire, as we turn back the clock to a simpler time, a time gone by, joyfully praising God for His past and future blessings on Second Baptist Church!

For more information, contact the Chairperson Ms. Bobbie Stegall at 309-235-5390.

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