Focus on Youth and Young Adults

National Baptist Congress Highlights

“No Excuses” Men’s Conference

Fairview Focus On The Family In September

Fairview Youth at the National Congress (with Vice-Presidents Reed and Young)

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DO YOU HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST?

If you believe in your heart that Jesus is Lord, the Christ, the Savior, the Son of the Living God, and you are willing to turn from sin to God, then receive Jesus Christ now by faith and pray this prayer:

Lord Jesus I am a sinner. Forgive me of all my sins, come into my heart and save me. I do now confess you as my risen Lord. Thank you Lord Jesus for saving me. AMEN

This quarter, we are focusing on our Children, Youth and Young Adult (WOW) Ministries. These Ministries have been involved in a number of events during the past few months and are currently planning for their first combined ministry Conference.

You will also find a recap of the Men’s Empowerment Conference, “No More Excuses,” and a brief view of the church’s experiences at the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education held in Dallas Texas.

We encourage you to make note of the upcoming events scheduled at Fairview. You’re sure to be blessed by committing to be a part of the worship periods as well as the Christian education opportunities. Some announcement are brief in this issue but you will be able to find weekly updates through church announcements and viewing the church website at www.fairviewokc.com. Remember to Make us your homepage!

The month of September will center on The Family. We invite you to join us as we spend the month focusing intently on the Biblical principles set forth for the family.

Blessings to you and we look forward to sharing with you again in October 2014. Feel free to send comments or items for print to communication@fairviewokc.com. Items must be received by the first Sunday in September to be included in the October—December issue. Reminder: information is printed at the discretion of the Editor in Chief and is subject to editing by the Editor.

Maeleatha Patterson, Editor

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My beloved members,

The month of September is Family Month in our church. The emphasis is placed upon the value of the family in today’s society. With this in mind, I would like to ask two questions addressed to all of the families of our congregation: “How Christian is your home?” and “How would you define a Christian home?”

I would define a Christian home as having at least the following three characteristics:

A. A Christian home is a home where Christ is known, trusted and obeyed. It is a home in which Christ lives as Savior, Lord, Friend and Teacher.
   1. The husband loves his wife sincerely and steadfastly even as Christ loved the Church (Ephesians 5:25).
   2. The wife reverences her husband and recognizes him as the head of her household (Ephesians 5:21-24; 33).
   3. The children respect and obey their parents in the Lord (Colossians 3:20).

B. A Christian home is a home where the husband and wife love each other sincerely and steadfastly. The vows they made before God and they stated on their wedding day are treated as an unconditional commitment to each other as long as life lasts.

C. A Christian home is a home where there is a creative relationship between the parents and the children.

The husband and the wife have a spiritual responsibility to help each other to be the best Christians they possibly can be. In turn, they have a responsibility to provide spiritual nurture and encouragement to their children as well as provision for their material needs. The parents must not delegate to the church the sole responsibility for the spiritual training and discipline of their children. Parents must recognize their responsibility for the spiritual training and discipline of their children.

Children need to recognize that they have a responsibility to God for assisting in making the home Christian. It is the will of God that they respect and obey their parents. If they would be pleasing to their Lord, they must recognize the authority of their parents.

Let me encourage you to make your home Christian by letting Jesus Christ dwell in your hearts and in your home as Savior, Lord, Teacher and friend. He will assist and encourage you.

Yours can be a Christian home if you will trust and obey Christ!

Your Pastor
Fairview registered around 30 delegates for the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education that met in Dallas, Texas, the week of June 16—20. One local news station reported that over 40,000 National Baptist were in Dallas. This was possibly a conservative number.

The majority of the delegation left OKC on Sunday with some returning on Friday and the remainder returning on Saturday.

The group, led by Fairview’s Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr., not only attended but were actively involved in the activities during the week. The delegates had the opportunity to rub shoulders with members of the Convention and Congress leadership, due to Pastor Reed’s standing with those persons and his serving as one the National Convention Vice Presidents.

Those attending from Fairview, in addition to the Pastor included: Rev. Cleo McGlory, Rev. Timothy Jones, Paula McGlory, Bob Simmons, Darnell Forshee, Lavinnie Moore, Marcy Turner, Maeleatha Patterson, Teresa Hill, Lillian House, Linette Burton, Monica Wilder, Clara Finley, Donna Thompson, Eboni Johnson, Brady Watson, Joleeta McClish, Maurice Hayes, Don Taylor, Tracey Burton, Shaniya McClish, TeShyla Jones, April Ryan, Jailah Reed, Micheal Wilder, Senequa Hildreth.

The delegation stayed at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, one of the headquarter hotels. The accommodations were a far cry from those years when the housing was located miles away from the Congress site and the hours that were spent riding the vans to and from class. Look at God!!

In addition to their registered classes, delegates participated in Children and Youth Rallies, attended the iRock Rally and events, were able to witness and be a part of Convention President Campaign Rallies, participated in the 4th Annual Parade of States (Oklahoma, of course) and many more. There was also a trip to Six Flags for some, then there were the shoppers, and daily opportunities to be a part of the mass worship services. Rev. Jesse Jackson also made his appearance.

The following pages are recaps of the session through photos along with quotes from some of the youth that attended.

**Jailah Reed:** Congress was so much fun! We had a great time. I also had a great time. I learned new things and met new people. We learned about the 7 miracles of John. Six Flags was the best part of my fun. I really hope I get to go next year because it was that much fun!

**Tracey Burton:** I learned about the 7 I Ams. I learned that Jesus is the vine, like the social media. Jesus can take 6 seconds of something to conclude the whole story.

**Shaniya McClish:** The Congress was very fun! We went to Six Flags, the mall, and hung out. The experience was amazing.

**TeShyla Jones:** The experience was great. Six Flags was fun but it was hot. I learned a lot but had a great time at the same time. We learned about the 7 I ams. One of them is I am the way, truth, and life. The way means the Christian way and life. The truth is staying true in your Christian life and life is your spiritual life.

**Donvea Taylor:** I had a great experience while I was in Dallas. The classes we took taught me a lot. I had lots of fun at Six Flags. We stayed in a beautiful hotel. It was huge. The overall experience was the best.

Next year’s session will be held in Detroit, Michigan. Start planning now to be a part of this memorable, educational experience.
A safe return to Fairview after a long week!

**J. WARREN MITCHELL**, keyboard artist at Fairview, recently released a CD, entitled J. Warren Mitchell / The Aria Album. Warren, as he is known around Fairview, has been making a living as a choral music educator and conductor but is now realizing that a career singing opera is on the horizon. “It chose me, because I definitely did not choose it,” says Warren. Since stepping out into the opera arena, he has won the young Singer Encouragement Award, and has other honors, awards and scholarships in the area of opera. He has traveled to Austria as well as sung at Carnegie Hall.

To get your personal copy of the project, see Warren at Fairview or email jwarren.liricotenore@gmail.com.
Greetings Fairview Family!

The Youth and Children Ministry has had a blast these last few months! Since April, we have had the Youth and Children Weekend (which included a movie night, trip to the Wondertorium in Stillwater, and the Annual Youth Day), sponsored six (6) youth and one (1) child to attend The National Baptist Congress of Christian Education in Dallas, Texas, and participated in several programs with the Music and Fine Arts Ministry, including the Easter, Mothers', and Fathers' Day Programs.

The young people have also been busy singing in the choir and praise dancing. Additionally and importantly, we continue to grow our youth and children in Bible Study every Wednesday night at 7:00 pm and Sunday School every Sunday morning at 8:30 am. The collaboration of the Youth and Children Ministry, the Sunday School Ministry, and the Music and Fine Arts Ministry has been outstanding as we all continue to focus on the spiritual growth of our young people.

As we look forward to the next few months, we are gearing up to attend the East Zion Consolidated District Congress 2014 and we are particularly excited about the new Fairview Conference that will be held August 14-17, the "Are you about that life?" Conference, featuring sessions for children, youth, young adults, and mid-lifers. All of these ministries have come together to plan a spirit-filled and spirit-led conference that truly focuses on spiritual growth and development and everyday Christian life situations.

We look forward to continuing to follow the vision of our Pastor, we hope that everyone will continue to support the efforts of our youth and children, and we pray that our ministry will continue to grow! #youngview
Workers Of the Word

Young Adult Ministry

Join Us! dbar103081@gmail.com

A New Generation - Bridging the Gap
Fairview’s Children and Youth Ministries were onboard for Annual Youth Day 2014. Special guests were Rev. Larry Mouton, Sr. and the Pleasant Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas. Fairview’s Children, Youth and Young Adult choirs provided music for the Morning Worship period.

Pleasant Mt. Gilead’s Music and Fine Arts Ministry were represented by their boys and girls’ praise dancers. Pastor Mouton brought the morning

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The Fairview Baptist Church held its Spring Session of their Christian Leadership School, May 9-10, 2014. The theme was “Solidarity with the Savior through His Work.” Matthew 5:15, John 10:32, Titus 2:14, and Hebrews 13:20-21. The school is approved and certified by the Sunday School Publishing Board (SSPB) of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. (NBC, USA, Inc.). The school was opened to anyone interested in furthering their Christian Education or earning course credit toward certification through SSPB. Seventy (70) were in attendance.

Classes were held Friday night, 6-8:30 p.m., through Saturday, 9 a.m.—1:00 p.m. in Fairview’s Donald Burns Educational Center and Fellowship Hall. The courses offered were taught by a very knowledgeable staff: Creative Ways of Teaching/ Sandra Holloway, Introduction to the New Testament/ Rev. Lee Benson, Introduction to the Old Testament/ Rev. Al Walter, Baptist Doctrine/Rev/ Frank Washington, Effective Bible Reading/Rev. Michael Eaton, and Rethinking Christian Education/ State Director & State Dean Rev. Alfred Baldwin.

Special thanks to the Culinary Arts Ministry and all Fairview staff and leadership that assisted with the School.


Dr. O. K. Patterson, of St. Louis, MO, is a renowned teacher in the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education and Head of the Evangelism Department for the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. He will serve as Lecturer for Saturday’s session.
The Fairviewan

Third Quarter: July—September 2014

NO MORE EXCUSES
MEN’S CONFERENCE – 2014
By Vickie Staten Ford


The first leg of the men’s conference began with high anticipation as if we were waiting for the Olympics to start. Rev. Tony Rhone, Pastor of the Galilee Baptist Church in Shawnee, OK, was the first to carry the torch as he emerged with a dynamic message entitled “Stay in the City.”

Pastor Rhone began by telling us “no one likes to be called Impotent or Weak” as these labels suggest that men have the inability to perform a given task in the natural realm. In the spiritual realm, however THERE ARE NO EXCUSES. LUKE 24:49

Jesus speaks to the men of God, revealing the assignment they have been given to “stay here in the city until you have been clothed with Power from on high.” Jesus’ appearance did four things:
(1) Brought to the disciples the reality of the resurrection (Luke 24:43),
(2) Spoke about the necessity of everything they saw,
(3) Spoke of the urgency of the matter. There is too much at stake and Jesus is depending on the men in this passage just as He is depending on us today,
(4) Identified the Holy Spirit as the source of their power.

Pastor Rhone goes on to say, “You as a man/woman cannot do anything effectively or of value without the power of the Holy Spirit.” To accomplish the task, it is of divine necessity to “stay in the city.” The importance of staying in the city is vital to the plan. There is a promise in the city. God wants us to carry out the plan through the Holy Spirit. There is a civil war in all of us — wanting to do things our way rather than yielding to the ways of the Holy Spirit. We’ve got some power, but we must stand on the power within us; that of the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Rhone stated, “we have everything we need to fulfill the assignment of the Lord if we live by the Spirit. “Stay in the City” and receive all the power to fuel our purpose.

An outstanding number of men, as well as several women were present to hear a Word from the Lord.

Prior to satisfying our spiritual appetites, the culinary ministry saturated our natural appetites with smoked meats, baked beans, potato salad, and a variety of cakes.

The session concluded on Saturday, beginning with a hearty breakfast. Next to carry the torch was Rev. Teron Gaddis, Pastor of Greater Bethel. He spoke to the men on the topic, “No More Hiding Behind the Past.”

“No More Losers’ Limp” was the topic presented by Rev. Michael McDaniel of the Northeast Missionary Baptist Church to strengthen the men’s resolve.

Hebrew 12: 1

The finale for the conference was facilitated by Bishop Lester Mitcheal Cezar, Senior Pastor Teacher of Greater Antioch Full Gospel Baptist Church, on the topic “No More Homosexual Males,” Leviticus 18:22 and Leviticus 20:13.

It was quite evident that much prayer and planning went in the Conference. The men of Fairview are to be commended for a job well done! Photos from the Conference are on the back cover of this issue.
Young View in Action
YoungView in Action
The following is a list of events and services scheduled for July through September, 2014. This is not an exhaustive list and some dates, times, locations, etc., are subject to change. Please check the church website at www.fairviewokc.com and/or view onsite church announcements regularly for possible changes and updates.

**July 6—Central Baptist, Chandler**
We will worship with the Central Baptist Church, Chandler, OK, for the Anniversary of Pastor James E. Reed, Sr. Pastor Reed will bring the message and the Young Adult Choir, Usher and Nurse Ministries will accompany him. Service begins at 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be served.

**July 12—OBSWA Prayer Retreat**
The Oklahoma Baptist State Women’s Prayer Retreat will be held at Fairview on Saturday, July 12, from 8:30 a.m.—12:30 noon with registration beginning at 8:30. Sister Marcene Mackey is President of the State Women and Dr. C. W. Whitlow is Convention President.
Fairview is encouraged to support the Prayer Retreat.

**EZD Congress of Christian Education—July 14–17**
The East Zion District Congress will be held July 14-17 at the Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 1020 N. E. 42nd Street, Oklahoma City, Rev. Ray Douglas, Host Pastor.
Those desiring to attend classes should contact Sister Lavinnie Moore, Fairview’s Christian Education Director, to select your course and be added to the list of Fairview’s delegation. The **deadline to submit the list is July 11** so please contact Sister Moore prior to that date. **All classes will be held in the evenings. Classes start at 6:00 p.m.**
Pastor Reed is asking that Fairview members would support and participate in the Congress as all classes and services are held in the evenings. There will be no Ministry meetings at Fairview during the period that the Congress is in session, with the exception of Wednesday **Mid-day Bible Study.**
Rev. L. Mike Woodberry is EZD Congress President and Rev. Gregory Rogers is Congress Dean. Rev. A. R. Crawford is District Moderator.

**July 26—OBSC Prison Ministry Youth Awareness Program**
The 10th Annual Youth Awareness Program, sponsored by the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention Prison Ministry, will be held Saturday, July 26, beginning at 1:00 p.m., at Greater New Zion Baptist Church, 1005 N.E. 28th Street, Dr. J. H. Tucker, Senior Pastor.
Additional information contained on flyer elsewhere in this issue or contact Sis. Donna K. Thompson, Prison Ministry Director, at 405-289-6730 or obspministry@yahoo.com. Dr. C. W. Whitlow is Convention President.

**July 27—Christmas in August Project**
On Sunday, July 27, we will take a special offering for the Women’s Ministry “Christmas in August” project. Money collected is used to purchase Christmas items for senior members.

**July 28–31 - Nat'l Evangelism Movement Workshop**
The National Evangelism Movement 33rd Annual Workshop will be held at the Reed Conference Center, 5800 Will Rogers Road, Midwest City, July 28–31. The Conference is hosted by Bethlehem Star Baptist Church, Rev. Rodney Payne, Pastor.

**August 2—State Youth Annual Meeting at Camp Burge**
Fairview youth will be participating in the State Youth Annual Meeting at Camp Burge on August 2. Parents should contact Fairview youth leaders for additional information. The meeting is for boys and girls.

**August 4-8 – EZD Association**
The East Zion District Consolidated District Association will be held August 4–8 at the Bethlehem Star Baptist Church, 2704 N. E. 24th Street, Rev. Rodney Payne, Host Pastor.
The Moderator’s Annual Program will be Thursday night, August 7, at 7:00 p.m. Fairview members are asked to be present to support Moderator A. R. Crawford as he gives his Annual Message.
The Annual Fellowship Banquet will be Friday night, August 8, at the University of Central Oklahoma, 100 North University Drive in Edmond. Sister Ollivett Brothers will be the Banquet Speaker. Fairview members should contact Sister Linda Edwards for tickets. Please be attentive to future announcements regarding the session.
There will be no Ministry Meetings at Fairview during the time the EZDA is in session with the exception of Wednesday’s noonday Bible Study and the Monthly Noon-day Service.

**August 10—Fairview Annual Church Cookout**
We will have our Annual Church Cookout on Sunday evening, August 10, beginning at 6p.m. The cookout will be held at Fairview. All members and their families are encouraged to attend this evening of fellowship and fun. Activities and games will be available for all age groups. Be attentive to further announcements.

**August 14–16 - Children, Youth and Young Adult Conference**
Plans are underway for Fairview’s Children, Youth and Young Adult Conference. The Conference will include speakers and special activities and will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday nights and 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. There is no registration cost.
Details will be available on the church website, www.fairviewokc.com, and through the YoungView and WOW social media outlets.

**August 17 – St. John Pastor's Anniversary**
We will worship with the St. John Baptist Church, 5700 N. Kelley Avenue, on Sunday, August 17, 3:00 p.m., for the **(Continued on page 13)**
Opportunities for Worship and Fellowship —

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Anniversary Celebration of Pastor M. L. Jemison. Pastor Reed will bring the message and the Music Ministry, Usher and Nurse Ministry will accompany him.

August 22 — Young Adult Midnight Musical

The Young Adult Ministry of Fairview (W.O.W.) will hold their Annual Midnight Musical on Friday night, August 22. The musical will begin at 10:00 pm and continue through midnight. Check the church bulletin board and website at www.fairviewokc.com for updates on the musical.

August 24 — Sunday School Promotion

The Sunday School will hold promotion of those transitioning to the next class level on Sunday morning, August 24 at 9:15 a.m.

August 29 — Usher and Nurse Conference

The Usher and Nurse Ministries of Fairview will have their Conference on Friday night, August 29. Please be attentive to further announcements about the Conference.

September — Family Month

The month of September is Family Month at Fairview. Please see page 15 for a list of activities for the month. Check the church bulletin board and website at www.fairviewokc.com for updates on the month’s activities.

September 1–5— National Baptist Convention

The 134th Annual Session of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., will meet September 1–5 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The Convention is the major business meeting of the boards, auxiliaries and member churches of the Convention. Fairview Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr. serves as Vice President for the Western Region of the Convention.

Please be in prayer for the delegation that will be attending and for the success of the session.

September 7— Grandparent Day

Sunday, September 7, is Grandparent’s Day! We pay honor to all grandparents for the contribution they have made and continue to make to the stability of our families. We will have our Grandparent’s Program at 9:00 a.m. and special emphasis will be placed on grandparents during the 10:00 worship period.

September 13— DOC Training

The Department of Corrections will hold training for those that interested in working with the Prison Ministry. For information, contact Sister Donna Thompson, Prison Ministry Director.

September 14— Senior Saints’ Day

Sunday, September 14, all those aged 60 and over will be honored as “Senior Saints.” Lunch will be served to our seniors immediately following morning worship. Please check the church website at www.fairviewokc.com for updates.

September 17–New Hope Baptist Church, OKC

We are invited to share with the New Hope Baptist Church, located at N.E. 7th and Lottie, on Wednesday night, September 17, for the Anniversary Celebration of Pastor E. Jennings Tyson. Pastor Reed will bring the message, the JRI Choir will sing and the Usher and Nurse Ministries are to be on duty. We WILL NOT have our regular Wednesday night services at Fairview. The Pastor is asking that all members will meet him at New Hope. Service begins at 7:00 p.m.

September 18— Paradise Temple, OKC

We will worship with Paradise Temple, located at 1404 Euclid, on Thursday evening, September 18, for the Anniversary Service of Bishop Bob Thomas. Pastor Reed will bring the message and the Singing Churchmen, Usher and Nurse Ministries are to accompany him. Service begins at 7:00 p.m.

September 19–21 — Family Life Retreat

The Single adults and Married Couples of Fairview will hold their Annual Conference September 19 through the 21 at Fin and Feather Retreat, Gore, Oklahoma. If you have not secured a spot and would like to participate, please contact Larry or Cora Epps, 405-326-5270. Additional information in contained in this issue and on the church website. www.fairviewokc.com.

September 28– Annual Family Day

We will have our Annual Family Day on Sunday, September 28. Reverend Manuel Scott, Jr., of Los Angeles, California, will be the messenger for the service. We will begin the day with Sunday School at 8:30 a.m. All members are asked to be in attendance in Sunday School and families are asked to sit together during the 10:00 a.m. worship period.

Stewardship Emphasis

During the months of October and November, we will be putting special emphasis on Stewardship. All teaching and preaching will be centered on Stewardship.

October 1— Monthly Noonday Service

We will hold our monthly Noonday Worship on Wednesday, October 1, from 12:00 noon—1:00 pm. The message will be brought by Pastor Reed. A light lunch will be available.

October 1— Holy United Baptist Church

We are invited to share with the Holy United Baptist Church, 1325 NE 50th Street, for the Pastor Anniversary observance of Rev. Ricky Patton. Service begins at 7:11 p.m. There will be no Wednesday night events at Fairview.

October 4— Annual Women’s Conference

Fairview’s Women’s Conference will be Saturday, October 4. All women of Fairview should plan to be a part of this great Conference. Additional information will be forthcoming on the church website at www.fairviewokc.com.

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October 5 – New Hope Baptist, Chickasha

On Sunday afternoon, October 5, we will worship with the New Hope Baptist Church, for the Anniversary Service for Pastor Al Walter. Pastor Reed will bring the message and the Music Ministry, Usher & Nurse Ministries will accompany him. The church is located at 1202 Sheppard St Chickasha, 73108 (405) 224-0892. Lunch will be served.

October 6 – Staff Meeting

October’s Monthly Staff Meeting will be held on Monday evening, October 7, at 6:00 p.m.

October 6 – Music Committee Meeting

The Music Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m., immediately following the Staff Meeting.

October 7 – Clarence Wilder Fish Fry/Church Fellowship Supper

The Men’s Ministry of Fairview will host its Annual Clarence Wilder Fish Fry and Church Fellowship Dinner. The fellowship will be held on Tuesday evening, October 7, in the Donald Burns Fellowship Hall. All Fairview church members are encouraged to share in this great feast and evening of family fellowship. Dinner will be served, beginning at 7:00 p.m. For further information, contact Bro. James Tobler.

October 8–11 – Christian Leadership School

We will hold our Fall Christian leadership School October 8–11. See more details in the article elsewhere in this issue. Online registration will be available through the church website at www.fairviewokc.com beginning September 1.
SEPTEMBER 2014
FAMILY MONTH AT FAIRVIEW

WEEKLY EMPHASIS ON THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—GRANDPARENT DAY
- 8:30 a.m.—Church School (Designated Group Areas)
- 9:00 a.m.—Tribute to Grandparents (Donald Burns Fellowship Hall)
- 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship (Main Sanctuary)
  ◊ Sermon by Senior Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr.
  ◊ Reserved Seating for Grandparents—Center Section

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14—SENIOR SAINTS DAY
- 8:30 a.m.—Church School (Designated Group Areas)
- 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship (Main Sanctuary)
  ◊ Sermon by Assistant Pastor Derrick Walter, Sr.
  ◊ Reserved seating for Senior Saints—Center Section
- Senior Saints Luncheon (aged 60 and over) immediately following Morning Worship in the Donald Burns Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19-21
- Family Life Retreat
  ◊ Fin & Feather Resort, Gore, Oklahoma (Return to Fairview for morning worship, September 21)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, FAMILY LIFE RETREAT
- 8:30 a.m.—Church School (Designated Group Areas)
- 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship (Main Sanctuary)
  ◊ Sermon by Senior Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr.
  ◊ Wear Family Life T-Shirts

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28—ANNUAL FAMILY DAY
- 8:30 a.m.—Church School (Designated Group Areas)
- 10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship (Main Sanctuary)
  ◊ Sermon by Rev. Manuel Scott Jr., Los Angeles, CA
  ◊ Families are asked to sit together during Morning Worship

The ALLSTARS
Sunday School Perfect Attendance

The following members had perfect Sunday School attendance in March, April and May:

Brenda Colbert
Tykia Cole
Thomas Davis
Linda Gaines
Doretha Haskins
Havered Hill, Sr.
Chametra Holloway
Sandra Holloway
Bobby Jones
Mary Johnson
Verla Kinchion
Laila Marsh
D’Areee Moore
Rihauana Pullen
Sharon Pullen
Frankie Quinn
Amber Ryan
Robert Simmons
Cheyenne Thompson
Darcie Thompson

Community Outreach for Recovery
Faith Brings Change (FBC)

Please join us for the 12 Steps of Recovery from the Life Recovery Bible!

Location: Fairview Baptist Church - 1700 N.E. 7th
When: Every Monday - Times: 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact:
Sister Betty Nunez, Program Leader - 360-314-6323 or betnunez@williams.com
Rev. Chris McLeroy, Fairview Evangelist Minister - 509-754-3025
Marriage Ministry Meeting
June 13, 2014

While many in the ministry say “it’s better together,” the Fairview Marriage Ministry gave a new meaning to this adage in May as we teamed up with the St. John Baptist Church Marriage Ministry for the monthly Meeting/Date Night. The facilitators for this month’s gathering were Rev. Derrick and Sis Shree Walter. The short lesson was kicked off with a comedic video of Adam and Eve in the Garden with the focus of the lesson being The Blame Game. The ladies and gents separated for a “keeping-it-real” discussion of The Blame Game scenario and the individual actions and attitudes of the couple. The evening ended with dinner at Pearl’s. It was fun and it was better together. Next Meeting, Friday, July 11 at 7:00 at St. John.

Celebrating Marriage!
Monthly
The Marriage Ministry has celebrated monthly wedding anniversaries for the Fairview Family, recognizing about 19 couples to date, including three long-term couples: John and Laura Hawkins—59 years; Emmanuel and Bobbie Burns—59 years; and Pastor and First Lady—53 years.

Youth Ministry
Movie Night—The Youth Ministry sponsored a great Movie Night event on Friday, June 6 featuring SON OF GOD. The Family Enrichment Ministry provided and served food.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Retreat
September 19 – 21, 2014  Fin and Feather Resort
This is the 11th Annual Retreat, but 2nd year as the Family Enrichment Ministry Retreat. A part of the Annual Celebrating the Family Month at Fairview, the event will have sessions for married couples and singles featuring more fellowship time and plenty of fun for all.

- Initial Deposit—$50.00 Due by July 7
- Balance Payments can be made in two installments due August 1 and September 1 for final payment, $130.00-Singles, $225-Couples, $100-Seniors 65+
- Looking for sponsors for our Seniors 75+
- Registration and payments can be made online at www.fairviewoke.com and click the FBC Retreat link. For more information about the resort, check out their website at www.finandfeatherresort.com. For questions contact Larry Epps 405-326-5270.

HotFunintheSummerTime:
Marriage Ministry Cookout
Date to be Determined
James and T. Tobler will host a gathering of the married couples for some food and fun
Originally scheduled for June 14, a new date is TBD.

Heart & Soul Workshops
Sponsored by Oklahoma Marriage Initiative
Singles and Couples Workshops (free sessions)
Jul 12, Aug 9, Sept 13
Details at info@heartandsoulok.com, or calling Ramona at 405-848-4046 or 877-435-8033

Estate Planning
Date to be Determined
We plan for many things throughout our lives except the one thing that is inevitable, death. This session will focus on planning final arrangements.
The 70th year of the Simultaneous Revival is a story in and of itself. Sponsored by the Baptist Ministers Association, which is led by Pastor Reed, revival services are held simultaneously across the city at the churches in this Association with combined mid-day and late evening services at a designated church.

Fairview’s witnessing teams began in the community a week prior to the revival to reach the unsaved andunchurched. Our job is to plant seed, water the seed and God gives the increase. For what shall a man profit if he gains the whole world and loses his soul. A total of 290 contacts were made by our members.

The Revival held April 21-27, 2014, was kicked off by the Pre-Revival Musical at the Fairview church. As Pastor Reed teaches, Music is only the prelude as it prepares the ground by watering it and fertilizing it in preparation for the Seed of the Word. The Revival Musical performed such a role in preparing our souls for the fervent preached Word brought by our “messenger” evangelist, Rev. Reginald Bachus, Pastor of the Mt. Ollie Baptist Church of Brooklyn, New York. Following is a summary of God’s word to us:


In the story of Jacob, in chapter 22-30, Jacob wrestled with God and God touched him on his hip and left him with a limp. God gave Jacob a new touch, a new limp and a new name and rerouted Jacob’s life.

Sometimes God will not talk to us until He first “touches” us so that He knows that He has our attention and He will then transform our lives. Jacob’s limp became a Life Lesson that Jacob could use to help someone else through tough situations. Fighting against Him is resisting His will, but holding on to Him in the midst of my hurting redeems my future.

4/24/14 Message: Wake Up – Matthew 26:36-46

95% of Christian community has never personally witnessed to anyone and led them to Christ.

Problem: We are sleeping on the job and we need to WAKE UP! 95% of us are tired from mismanagement of our energy and our time because we are focused on My Thing and not HIS Thing.

Christians have 3 issues; Apathy, Attitudes Appetite. We have lost our zeal for the things that really matter to God. Our energy is zapped with our attitudes and concerns about the wrong things as in Matthew 26: 6-13. Finally our appetites distract us and drain us: Appetites for sinful and non-sinful things that keep us separated from God’s leading; and that take up or time and energy. We’re more likely to make a commitment to Scandal on Tuesday or Golf on Thursday, than to Bible Study on Wednesday. Hell is a real place of unending torment. The God we serve has given us a way out of Hell through faith in His Son, Jesus. Wake Up and tell somebody.


Either we are Growing or we are Dying; either on fire or lukewarm. Rather than moving into a place of real ministry, we may be choosing maintaining the status quo over ministry but God has something greater; He wants to use us.

The story of Paul illustrates this point. There was a conspiracy by some to assassinate Paul, so he was retired and sent to Tarsus by Jewish leadership. We often make the mistake of thinking that the messes in our lives are permanent so we continue to hide out in Tarsus rather than being in the place that God really has for us.

There are places where no one else will go that God can use you. There are people who won’t really hear from God except from Ex-folks; Ex-crack heads, dealers, strippers, gossippers, liars, etc. God changes our messes to miracles, making Tarsus not a permanent destination, but rather a place of preparation.

In the case of Paul, now Saul, coming out of Tarsus he moved to Antioch, to the place where God anointed him to preach the gospel to the Gentiles, to have a 50-city preaching ministry and to write ¾ of the Bible. Don’t stay stuck in Tarsus, the place where your mess took you. We must move out of Tarsus into our Antioch.

Marveda Stinson, Cora Kemp-Epps, Staff Reporters
**The GRADUATES**

**Fairview Baptist Church 2014 Graduates**

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**Tanjanique graduated cum laude and is currently preparing for medical school**

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**Kelsey received the Oklahoma City University Clara Luper Scholarship by the Devon Corporation; a four-year tuition and housing scholarship**
Fairview’s Fishes and Loaves Ministry volunteers were on duty each month of this quarter to greet those that come to the church to receive the benefit of the church’s food program. The Ministry members not only distribute food but also exhibit love through warm smiles, hugs, and foremost, the message of God’s love and saving grace.

Stats for April, May and June are as follows, respectively: Number of homes served: 89, 47, & 75; Number of adults in the home: 120, 63 & 93; Number of children in the home: 123, 57 & 77; Number of Evangelism contacts: 07.

Fairview members and others of the community are encouraged to take advantage of the monthly issuance of wholesome foods, which include fresh fruits, vegetables, meats and staples.

Questions regarding eligibility can be directed to Ministry Directors Teressa Hunter or Theresa Kirklin.
“NO MORE EXCUSES” — Men’s Empowerment Conference 2014 (May 30-31, 2014)
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