



The Sharpstown Baptist Church

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday

- 6:30 p.m. Children's Program
Midweek Service
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Activities
- 6:15 p.m. Choir Practice



**SHARPSTOWN
BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Make 2012 The Year
You Invest Yourself
In Sharpstown Baptist Church!**

**Estudio Biblico Para Adultos
Domingos 9:30**



*(Please turn to Page 3
for additional information on "58: The Film")*

**Join us for Dinner and the
showing of 58: The Film
Friday, February 10th
Dinner starts at 6pm
West Wing
Movie 6:30 - 8:30pm**



Message from Brother Mike Jeter

I am always fascinated when God involves me in His actions. As I was getting ready to have surgery, the nurse that was preparing me for surgery told me that she felt called to the ministry. I assured her that she has an incredible ministry right where she was. Another nurse came in and told me that he was a member of First Baptist Church in the Woodlands. When the anesthesiologist came in, she told me that she went to First Baptist in Houston and that she was not just my doctor, but also my prayer partner. With all the people praying in the operating room, the waiting room, and all over Houston and the State of Texas, I had the opportunity to be a small part of what God was doing. I like it better when I am the one praying instead of the one being prayed for, but in the Kingdom of God, He invites each of us to be a part of His work, but seldom gives us the choice of how we are to be included.

Thank you so much for the prayers. This has been a fascinating experience for me. I have learned so many things through this. I don't like Jello at all, but I found out that when you go two days without eating, even Jello tastes good.

Love you,

Mike

FAST Club

A representative from Memorial Southwest Hospital was our guest speaker for the first meeting of the FAST Club on January 3. We were told about the various senior programs now being offered there. One of the very helpful services they now have is the Senior Emergency Room, - first in the State of Texas - which provides quicker, more personal attention to accommodate patients age 55 or older. There is also a Senior Medicine Unit on the 6th floor for patients who need to be admitted to the hospital and a Senior Treatment and Recovery Unit for Behavioral Care, known as "S.T.A.R.", located in a remodeled wing of the hospital on the 8th floor.

Our president also presented some new ideas for our consideration that might promote more interest and participation in the FAST Club.

A group of nearly thirty of us got together at Denny's on January 17th for breakfast and it was nice to have some new faces joining in. Some of us then came back to the church and, under the patient supervision of Cindy Poe, made some valentines for the children who go to Children's Church, to let them know how much we love and appreciate them.

Plans are in the making for a special observance of Valentine's Day for our February 7 meeting. Our own Merle Greene will be playing some "golden oldies" for a sing-a-long followed by a story on the history of Valentine's Day, closing with insights from the beautiful passage found in I Corinthians Chapter 13.

Everyone is welcome to join us when we meet to fellowship, play games, work on a puzzle or just visit, and then enjoy an interesting program. Please join us at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 7.

THE NAME "FAST CLUB" STANDS FOR:

"F" – Fellowship, "A" – Activities,

"S"—Study; "T"—Travel

**MEETINGS ARE HELD THE FIRST TUESDAY
OF EACH MONTH BEGINNING AT 9:30 A.M.**



Ricky Concepcion
Missions Chair

The Missions Committee invites you to Join us for Dinner and the viewing of 58: The Film on Friday, February 10.

58: The Film is the inspiring true story of the global Church in action. Witness bravery and determined faith in a journey from the slums of Kenya to the streets of New York. Confront the brutality of extreme poverty and meet those who live out the True Fast of Isaiah 58 and create stunning new possibilities for the future.

Travel from the sun-scorched plains of rural Ethiopia to British shopping centers, from Brazilian ganglands and the enslaving quarries of India to western churches, businesses, and conferences.

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JANUARY 2012 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Receipts - Actual vs Budget and Last Year

	Mo. thru Jan 29	YTD
Actual	\$34,069.09	\$34,069.09
Budget	\$38,990.38	\$38,990.38
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$4,921.29)	(\$4,921.29)

Budget Receipts

January 2012 YTD	\$34,069.09
January 2011 YTD	\$32,588.04
Over	\$1,481.05



Buildings & Grounds Report

Ken Miller

My name is Ken Miller, and I'm your new Building & Grounds chairman. Our church includes several buildings, equipment, and furnishings to help us carry out our mission. Naturally, all of this requires both routine maintenance and unplanned repairs. The Buildings and Grounds Committee is responsible for carrying out these essential functions.

Building & Grounds (B&G) has several projects we are looking at this year:

1. Security cameras throughout the property.
2. Fence in the back parking lot close to the West Wing.
3. Dumpster Enclosure Fence.*
4. Improve the children's playground.

* Dumpster Enclosure Fence: Sharpstown Baptist Church received a 30-day notice to build a fence around our dumpster. If we did not comply with the notice, Sharpstown Baptist Church would be fined. Pete Hughes acquired two bids and the B & G Committee awarded the project to a contractor. If you go by our dumpster located at the end of our Education Building close to Larkwood, you will see a well-constructed fence around our dumpster. If you see Pete, please thank him for his prompt action.

During the coming months, I will explain each one of the projects in great detail. During the year, we will be also be taking on other projects that will come up. If you have anything you would like B&G to look at, Please contact me at 713-214-4001 or talk to me on Wednesday night or after the Sunday Service. I will be glad to hear from you.

2012 Building & Grounds Committees & Chairpersons:

Interiors.....	Jackie Hughes
Landscape	Barbara Fulton
Security.....	Tom Graves
Kitchen.....	Jackie Hughes
Equipment Mgmt Team.....	Ken Miller



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 Preschool Director Suzanne Hickey
 Instrumental Music Assistant David McAllister
 Maintenance Coordinator Oscar Carrillo
 Financial/Admin Secretary Kathy Gross
 Membership Secretary Marge Lafferty
 Choir Music Librarian Merle Greene

How to Become a Christian:

A - Admit that you are a sinner and cannot save yourself (Romans 3:23; Eph 2:9)

B - Believe in your heart that Jesus died for your sins and rose again to promise us eternal life. (Romans 10:9-10)

C - Confess your sins and **Call** on Jesus to save you (Romans 10:13)

Call upon Jesus in repentance and faith, using the prayer below or words of your own, and Jesus will become your Savior and Lord!

"Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and I do not deserve eternal life. But, I believe You died and rose from the grave to purchase a place in Heaven for me. Jesus, come into my life, take control of my life, forgive my sins and save me. I am now placing my trust in You alone for my salvation and I accept Your free gift of eternal life."

If you have trusted Jesus as your Lord and Savior, please let us know. We want to rejoice in what God has done in your life and help you to grow spiritually.