CHILDMORES'S CONNECTION

Abounding in Thanksgiving

"Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving." Colossians 2:6-7

I've been mulling over the phrase "abounding in thanksgiving." And now that I'm thinking about thankfulness, I'm finding lots of reasons to be grateful even in circumstances that at first glance seem difficult or unpleasant. Little orphan Annie, the beloved character in the comic strip and musical, provides an example. When asked what she has to be thankful for, she responds, "At least you have pockets."

Likewise, as we enter the Thanksgiving season, it's important to cultivate an attitude of gratitude. When faced with challenges or difficulties, we can choose to look beyond the immediate circumstances and see the blessings that are present.

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THE MOVEMENT

FIRST BAPTIST NATCHEZ YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS:
All Youth Parent Leader Calendar Unveiling Luncheon
Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 11:45 a.m. Family Life Center (following the Morning Worship Service)
We will be discussing SNOW in February, Spring, Summer Trip 2017, plus upcoming fund raisers and other ministry things coming up this year. MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED
Every parent and teen who have been a part of our youth ministry and will be a part any this year are encouraged to come to this event! Thank!

YOUTH SUNDAY NIGHT DEEPER DISCIPLESHIP STUDIES
Winter/Spring 2017 Studies
Guys & Guns Bible Studies Begin:
Guys Study: “MY 8 - Embrace & Engage the Wonder of Evangelism”
Taught by Casey Smith and Dan Hatch
GIRLS STUDY: “BEAUTY FOR THE BOOKS”
Taught by Eim Smith and Jenny Beasley
SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2017 - 5:00 P.M.
Come to grow deeper in your faith in Jesus!

WINTER YOUTH MOVEMENT
MEET’S Every Wednesday Night at 6:15 p.m.

Bible Study for this week: “Love for the Local Expression of God’s Church”
For all 7th - 12th graders and your friends to great contemporary Christian music/worship, videos and Relevant for your times bible studies.

FIRST BAPTIST NATCHEZ YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS:
College Bible Study Leaders, Food, Fun and different Mission Project’s:
Special Guest’s: Paul and Natalie Epperson and Haley Boyd
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25th at 6:15 P.M.
First Baptist Church Family Life Center
All Youth/Parent/Leader Calendar Unveiling Luncheon
I AM _______________. Dealing with Our Identity!
Ladies Bible Study by Kay Arthur
At the home of Laura Man
February 5th and February 22nd.
Rates: Single $567.00
Double $431.00
Quad $383.00
Includes:
- Accommodations for three nights!
- Meals: Six, including three deluxe continental breakfasts and three dinners!
- Shows! Four, including Broadway’s Greatest Hits at King’s Castle Theatre, Dixie Stampede, Doug Gabriel, and Moses at Sight & Sound!
- Tours & Attractions! Tour of Branson area and free time for shopping!
- Host/Hostess! Your own local guide while in Branson!
- Taxes, meal gratuities, and baggage handling!

Registration forms are located in the church office.
The beautiful flowers on the Communion table Sunday, January 15 were in loving memory of Marlon Copeland, whose birthday is January 15, and were given by his children, Philip Copeland, Laura Copeland Tate and Andy Copeland and their families.

The beautiful flowers in the Baptistry Sunday, January 15, were in loving memory of Diane Shupe, whose birthdate is January 16, and were given by her husband, Ron and their three daughters, Tanya, Rhonda, and Shannon and their families.

**SYMPATHY**

Sincere Christian Sympathy is extended to...

Ouida Barnes in the loss of her brother
The family of Jennings Dixon
The family of Fred Foster
The family of Bill Pollard

**THANK YOU NOTES**

“it was God’s amazing love” that brought us through. We all rejoice and try to say thanks for all the incredible outpouring of love and caring of so many wonderful church friends and others during the short illness and departure to “Higher Ground” of our loved one, Max Simonton. So many people remembered us in so many unforgettable ways.

In His Name,
The Simonton Family