



JULY 2007



July 4th Picnic In The Sorrento Park from 11:00 am to 2:00 PM. Food, fun, games, and outreach to the community. East Lake Chamber, VFW, County Park Rangers, Sorrento Christian Center, and Sorrento Church of God are all participating. Come on out!

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS A HUGE SUCCESS!

The Lord poured out His blessings on us during the week of June 10–15 as we turned the church facilities into a giant water park and the children and teens participated in Take the Plunge! Make a Splash with Jesus!

Thanks to Tiffany Scott and over three dozen teachers, helpers, craft ladies, music leaders, kitchen crew, and security team, this was another successful week of Bible study, food, games, and fun.

On our night of highest attendance, there were 93 children and teens and we ministered to a total of 123 children and teens during

the week. At the beginning of the year, in keeping with the size of God's vision for the church, we set a goal of 100 students. God, of course, exceeded our expectations.

The greatest outcome of Vacation Bible School were the ten professions of faith and the four baptisms. Another child will be baptized on July 1 in the 10:55 am worship service. Undoubtedly the seeds of the Gospel were planted and we can count on God's timing to reap the harvest of souls.

Not surprisingly Vacation Bible School has also in-



123 children and teens took the plunge during this year's Vacation Bible School

creased the number of children who have begun to participate in our regular weekly children's ministry. See the article below to see how God may have a place for you to serve.

Check out page 2 for photos of the fun.

If you love children and would be interested in helping, please speak with Linda Windall at church or call (407)886-6869. It is sometimes exhausting and challenging to work with children, but oh so fulfilling and rewarding. Don't miss out on the blessing!

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### Special points of interest:

- July 4th Picnic in the Park 11 am—2 pm
- We took the Plunge and God blessed at VBS
- New Women's Ministry to launch in August
- The 5 Cs vision continues to move forward

## KIDS KORNER

You may have noticed that approximately one-third of our congregation is comprised of children. And, as a result of a very successful Vacation Bible School, our numbers are growing even more. This is very exciting! We have such an opportunity for ministry. At the same time, it's very challenging as it takes a lot of work and energy to meet the needs of

these children. Some of our classes, especially on Wednesday night, are too large and need to be split up in order to be more effective. We've also lost workers due to illness and family needs. We need people (male and female) to help as teachers and assistants. We also have a need for pre-school and nursery classes during Sunday School.



Take the Plunge 2007—Praise the Lord!

# July Daily Bible Readings

- [01](#) 2 Kings 18:13-19:37  
Acts 21:1-7  
Psalm 149:1-9  
Proverbs 18:8
- [02](#) 2 Kings 20:1-22:2  
Acts 21:18-36  
Psalm 150:1-6  
Proverbs 18:9-10
- [03](#) 2 Kings 22:3-23:30  
Acts 21:37-22:16  
Psalm 1:1-6  
Proverbs 18:11-12
- [04](#) 2 Kings 23:31-25:30  
Acts 22:17-23:10  
Psalm 2:1-12  
Proverbs 18:13
- [05](#) 1 Chronicles 1:1-2:17  
Acts 23:11-35  
Psalm 3:1-8  
Proverbs 18:14-15
- [06](#) 1 Chronicles 2:18-4:4  
Acts 24:1-27  
Psalm 4:1-8  
Proverbs 18:16-18
- [07](#) 1 Chronicles 4:5-5:17  
Acts 25:1-27  
Psalm 5:1-12  
Proverbs 18:19
- [08](#) 1 Chronicles 5:18-6:81  
Acts 26:1-32  
Psalm 6:1-10  
Proverbs 18:20-21
- [09](#) 1 Chronicles 7:1-8:40  
Acts 27:1-20  
Psalm 7:1-17  
Proverbs 18:22
- [10](#) 1 Chronicles 9:1-10:14  
Acts 27:21-44  
Psalm 8:1-9  
Proverbs 18:23-24
- [11](#) 1 Chronicles 11:1-12:18  
Acts 28:1-31  
Psalm 9:1-12  
Proverbs 19:1-3
- [12](#) 1 Chronicles 12:19-14:17  
Romans 1:1-17  
Psalm 9:13-20  
Proverbs 19:4-5
- [13](#) 1 Chronicles 15:1-16:36  
Romans 1:18-32  
Psalm 10:1-15  
Proverbs 19:6-7
- [14](#) 1 Chronicles 16:37-18:17  
Romans 2:1-24  
Psalm 10:16-18  
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- [15](#) 1 Chronicles 19:1-21:30  
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Psalm 11:1-7  
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- [16](#) 1 Chronicles 22:1-23:32  
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- [17](#) 1 Chronicles 24:1-26:11  
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- [18](#) 1 Chronicles 26:12-27:34  
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- [19](#) 1 Chronicles 28:1-29:30  
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Romans 14:1-23  
Psalm 24:1-10  
Proverbs 20:12

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## Schedule of Events

- **July 3—Day of fasting and prayer in preparation for July 4 picnic outreach**
- **July 4—Picnic in the Sorrento Park from 11 am—2 pm. No Wednesday night service that day.**
- **July 8—Deacons' meeting following evening service**
- **July 11—Regular monthly business meeting following prayer meeting**
- **July 15—Church Council meeting after 10:55 am service**
- **July 22—July birthday celebration following evening service.**

## HISPANIC MINISTRY UPDATE

Things are exciting in the Hispanic ministry. Millie and I have met many people in the neighborhood close to the church property and have invited many of them to Bible study.

Vacation Bible School was a perfect opportunity to reach some the Hispanic children and to meet their parents. Every night I had the opportunity to ride the van to Lake St and elsewhere to bring them in. The ultimate goal is the salvation of many souls. The immediate goal is to make contact and build relationships. God will provide the opportunities if we are faithful.

We have begun a Bible study "en Español" and have already seen one profession of faith in Jesus Christ because of it. God is already blessing your faithfulness to commit to His vision for this church.



Some of God's precious children who have been touched through the Hispanic ministry

We will soon have a banner to put in front of the church property to let everyone know about the "Estudios Biblico" we are having. Be in prayer for each person who drives by and reads that sign.

Soon you will be given the chance to fill out a prayer commitment card and set aside regular time to pray specifically for the ministry, myself, Millie, my family, the core group, and those we will contact. You also have the chance to join the team ... even if you don't speak Spanish. There are many things that can be done for the ministry that don't require ability to speak the language.

God's blessings to you all.

In His service,  
Pastor Rob

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WHAT IS GOD INSPIRING YOU TO DO? He has inspired three of your Christian sisters to take on the launching of a Women's Ministry here at FBC Sorrento ... and we need your help.

*It is not that we think we can do anything of lasting value by ourselves. Our only power and success come from God. (II Corinthians 3:4-6 NLT)*

“Jesus often interacted with women in ways which clarified a message, brought honor to God and challenged the women to lead transformed lives. The women's ministry of First Baptist Church of Sorrento will follow this example. We will involve, motivate, encourage, equip and activate the women of FBC. Many good works have been prepared for us to do and each of us is called to discipleship and ministry.”

This is an excerpt from the ministry plan set out for the new women's ministry at FBC Sorrento. It represents a call from God to get a multi-faceted ministry off paper and into action. We have a plan for all the women of the church to get involved in some aspect of ministry and to help and encourage those who are serving already. Come find out all that God has in store for us as we continue to implement the vision that He has given this church.

**The first meeting is a brunch in the FBC fellowship hall on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to noon. We're bursting with news and plans to share with you about how the women of FBC Sorrento will be able to impact our sisters, our church and our community for Christ.** (Be sure to join us as enthusiasm and inspiration are dishes best served fresh.) Our plan is to meet every other month on the first Saturday (church schedule permitting).

Our first fellowship outing will be to the “Live Like You Mean It” (Kathy Troccoli) Gathering for Women at First Baptist Church of Mount Dora on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

Your Sisters in Christ,  
Carolyn Green, Linda Huckeba, Pam Jennelle

*God is not the author of confusion, but of peace...Let all things be done decently and in order” (I Corinthians 14:33 & 40)*



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Phil Windall, Minister of Youth and Music  
Rev. Robert Mireles, Associate Pastor—Hispanic Ministry  
Patsy Johnson, Ministry Assistant

## VISION UPDATE

If you've been in our worship services lately, I'm sure you've noticed some of the blessings that God has given us as we pursue His vision for the church. Please allow me to recount some of them.

There is a great group of children and teens attending. You've already read about VBS on the front page and seen the pictures.

Our early worship service continues to be a blessing. Attendance in the late service has jumped back up to pre-early service numbers.

The Vision fund has allowed us to purchase a new van and the interpretation equipment for the multi-lingual service.

Pastor Robert Mireles and his family have dived right in to church life here at FBC and are making great contributions. Many members of the church are stepping up to serve God and lives are being touched because of it.

However, there are many more blessings that you probably haven't noticed or simply aren't aware of.

We have partnered with the Florida Baptist Convention and are in the application process to receive partial funding and support for the Hispanic ministry. Be in prayer for this important step.

We are preparing to move forward with the preliminary steps for building new

facilities when, with church approval, we apply to have Craig Avenue vacated. It is currently platted to hit our education building broadside (much like 3rd Street did a few years ago). The church property will also need to be surveyed and the separate parcels joined as one piece of property before we go to the county zoning board.

There are many things that must be done and God is helping us to stay on track. We must continue to give through prayer, with our time, and with our finances to see God's vision come to pass. He will continue to bless along the way as we stay true to the path He has chosen for us.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!!



God continues to bless in all areas of the Vision



*The monthly newsletter is designed to inspire, inform, and encourage you. Ministry leaders will be reporting what's going on in their areas of service and let you know about the opportunities God has for you to serve Him.*

*If you have any news that you would like to share, any words of comfort or encouragement, please send them to Pastor Green and he will see that they are included.*

*Remember to be in prayer for the many needs of the church family, those who are ill, and especially those in need of salvation.*