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Women on a Mission

New Home Baptist Church Women's Ministry

Focus Scripture

"That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."
Romans 15:6



*To all the Ladies
At New Home Baptist
Church*

A very special "thanks" to each of you. Your kindness meant more than you will ever know. The loving kindness of the Lord was reflected in your hearts.

Psalm 36:7 How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! ...

Thank you so much for the gift certificate and flowers – you are the best and I love you all.

The Lord truly blessed me and I want to give Him praise, *Psalm 68:19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits...*

Under his wings!

Mrs. Annette

Psalm 91:4

He shall cover thee with feathers, and under his wing shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

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Jesus' Birthday

As I was thinking about what Christmas means to me the word "birthday" kept coming to my mind. When Jeremy and Nick were small, as a parent, I always tried to make their birthdays special. We would invite their friends to come over and help us celebrate. As we approach this Christmas season, how do you think God wants us to celebrate His Son's birthday? I would like to challenge each of us to invite and introduce others to Jesus this Christmas. Let us not forget to share His love and compassion with them. Let us shout out a big "HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!"

Patsy Foshee



Operation Christmas Child



150 shoe boxes were collected - exceeding our goal of 100. Thanks to everyone who participated.



Missions Christmas Tree



Pictured with the Missions Christmas Tree - decorated by the Women's Ministry - are Terri Wright, Annette Smith, Betty Moore, and Janice Clem.



“A Shoe Box Filled With Love”

By
Rena Pace

It started with a shoe box
As empty as can be;
It was headed for a destination that
was
Unknown to me.

But you see it didn't matter
Cause inside there were gifts
galore',
And I knew it would bring a smile
To tear-filled eyes once more.

It's not the price it took to make it,
But the love from these two hands;
As I kneel over these shoe boxes to
pray,
I know God already has a plan.

To make a child's life more
meaningful,
It takes a cheerful heart;
And loving life and living it,
Each day as a brand new start.

It takes a positive attitude
When trials come our way;
And having the strength to carry
on
And taking the time to pray.

Life is what we make it
For the time that we are here;
So start each day with a cheerful
heart
And see God's miracles appear.

Pray for every shoe box
And the hands it falls into;
God bless these little children
That they may come to know you.



Relay For Life

Relay for Life is an event that brings people together to raise awareness and money for the American Cancer Society. If you know someone who is going through cancer treatments, has gone through treatment, or has lost the battle against cancer, then participating in Relay for Life is a good way to honor them.

Last year we got a late start for Relay for Life. This year I would like to have a team in place by January (if possible). Anyone who would like to participate this year can see Virginia Brewton or me. There will also be a sign up sheet on the desk in the foyer soon.

The Relay for Life event is scheduled for Friday, May 6, 2011, from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. at the Fairgrounds in Scottsboro. This year's theme is "HOLIDAYS, EVERY DAY IS A HOLIDAY WHEN YOU ARE CANCER FREE." We had a wonderful time (just ask Terri W.) last year. We would not have raised over \$4500.00 if not for the support of New Home Baptist Church and the help from all the people who participated in Relay for Life last year. Let's make the 2011 Relay for Life even better. If anyone would like to be a co-captain this year, just let me know. Thanks for your support and please be in prayer about being a team member. Relay for Life is not just for women – men are invited to join our team also.

Betty Moore

Tina Peek



A True Life Toucher

Experiencing God, The Mind of Christ, Special Birthday Party, **F.R.O.G.** – *Fully Rely On God*, Blue Elephant Swap, *Queen for a Day* honoring Mrs. Annette, Cookie Swap, Princess Party, Life is a Circus What do these bring to mind? LifeTouchers, of course! And when we think of LifeTouchers, it is only natural to think of **Tina Peek**. Tina has been actively involved in preparing Bible Studies and devotions for LifeTouchers for many years. I remember when I first came to New Home in 1998 that Tina was preparing to teach Henry Blackaby's series **Experiencing God** – *Knowing and Doing the Will of God*. Back then Debbie White Kenimer was WMU President and Eva Nell Peek was LifeTouchers Leader. During this period of time, Tina also spoke at some of our Ladies Conferences, worked with the Acteens, and along with her husband Stacey, ministered with

Holly and Woody Beard as our Youth leaders.

In October of 2004, Mrs. Nell passed the baton as LifeTouchers leader on to Tina. For the past 6 years, she has been faithful to prayerfully seek God's direction for New Home's LifeTouchers ministry. Tina has a way of preparing just what we need; often she has used visuals and small gifts to make her point. Some meetings are full of fun and laughter like our Circus last year or the Blue Elephant Swap in January 2008. Some meetings we have guest speakers who challenge us in areas of outreach, such as *The Way Home* - a faith-based ministry home for first time teen moms, and last year's Relay for Life. Other times the devotions Tina brings speak to those who are hurting; sometimes they teach victory in daily living; always through God's Word, she brings food for our souls, encouragement and inspiration to help us grow in God's Grace, and instruction to mature us in Christ.

Tina has been an asset to our Women's Ministry as she worked closely with Terri Wright, our director, and the other coordinators of this ministry. She faithfully supported the Women's Ministry theme to ...*with one mind and one mouth glorify God* ... Her focus scripture has been "*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.*" Hebrews 10:24. Her goal has been "to see more women get involved ... grow closer in our walk with the Lord and to allow God to use this Ministry so that we all can be about

God's business of sharing the gospel to a desperately needed world."

Tina, thank you for your years of faithful service to our LifeTouchers ministry. We pray God's continued blessings upon you and your family as you continue to serve Him in other areas of ministry. By your daily walk and testimony, truly you have *spurred us on toward love and good deeds!*

By Judy Shavers



You're Invited!

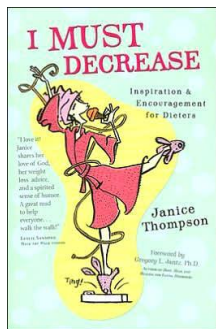
Ladies,

*You are invited to a
Celebration of
LifeTouchers
To Honor
Tina Peek*

*"Through The Years"
Unforgettable Lessons
on Life,
Love & Family.*

*Monday,
January 10th
At 6:00 p.m.
In the Garden Room*

Faithfully Fit



Beginning January 4, 2011, Faithfully Fit will begin a devotional using the book *I Must Decrease* by Janice Thompson. Faithfully Fit will meet every Tuesday night at 6:00 PM. Terri Wright will lead the devotional and Debbie Kenimer will be in charge of the weight loss portion.

If you are not able to find a copy of the book on the internet, let Terri know so she can print a copy for you.



For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11

Serving God

by *Sheila Overby*

When you asked me if I would serve,
I didn't know if I had the nerve.
To do just what God wants me to do,
I wondered if I could see it thru.

Then I realized, "it isn't me"! That will make me "what I need to be"!
It is God who has all the power,
Of every day, every hour.

So, Yes I will try and do my best,
To face each challenge, to pass each test,
If I just follow God, He will do the rest!!



Sunshine Baskets



In the past three months five Sunshine Baskets have been delivered.

Eva Nell Peek

"...let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth."

I John 3:18

PAC MOMS

(Moms Praying for Adult Children)



Front L-R: Melinda, Robbie, Gwen, Anita, Fay, Sarah
Back L-R: Patsy, Dedra, Judy, Janice, Claudine, Tina, Phyllis, Dean, Virginia, Roberta, Kim

PAC-MOMS, a women's Bible Study Class led by Kim Batey, meets on Sunday nights at 5:00 PM in the Garden Room of the CLC. This study, based upon the book and study guide The Power of Praying for your Adult Children by Stormie Omartain, provides fresh direction on praying with the power of God's Word over our adult children. When we take our concerns to the Lord and trust Him to answer on behalf of our adult children, our prayers have power to effect change in their lives and that gives a peace we can find no other way.

By Judy Shavers



Romans 12:12 *Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; KJV*

Christmas Christian Fiction Book Review



By
Debra Underwood

Holiday Season is often a time of stress. One way to beat holiday stress is to take a break and read a good book. The following books are quick reads and will either warm your heart, bring tears, or give you a good laugh.

***The Christmas List* by Richard Paul Evans**

James Kier reads his own obituary in the newspaper. After reading comments posted about his life on the internet, James learns what people think about him. James sets out to try to repair his image and rectify the wrongs he has done.

***The Christmas Candle* by Max Lucado**

An angel appears in a candle maker's shop every twenty-five years and touches a candle. Miracles follow for the lucky person who receives and lights the candle. But this year it seems that everyone needs a miracle.

***Christmas at Harrington's* by Melody Carlson**

After spending eight years in prison for a crime she didn't commit, upon her release, Lena moves to a new town. Thinking she can keep her past a secret,

Lena tries to start her life over and begins by taking a job as Mrs. Santa in a department store.

***The Christmas Scrapbook* by Philip Gulley**

In secret Pastor Sam Gardner enrolls in a scrapbooking class in order to make his wife a Christmas present. But his absence on Wednesday night causes speculation among his church members and before long rumors abound.

***Christmas Jars* by Jason F. Wright**

After receiving a Christmas Jar and discovering others have received Christmas Jars, journalist Hope Jensen sets out to find the source of this custom.

***Snow Day* by Billy Coffey**

When a big snow hits, Peter takes a Snow Day from work. Peter, worried that his job will be cut when downsizing takes effect at the factory where he works, finds hope and reaffirms his faith as he does errands, visits old friends, and discovers there is a Santa Claus.

***The Christmas Dog* by Melody Carlson**

A scruffy dog is instrumental in mending the misunderstandings between two neighbors and in bringing them together during the Christmas season.

More Christmas Reading:

Midnight Clear by Dallas Jenkins and Jerry B. Jenkins

Dearest Dorothy, Merry Everything! By Charlene Baumbich

Christmas in Harmony by Phillip Gulley

The Christmas Bus, Gift of Christmas Present, and Angels in the Snow by Melody Carlson

Two Tickets to the Christ Ball by Donita K. Paul



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

More than 6,400 unreached people groups would say no. But there is promising news – for the first time in history, researchers can identify the people groups that remain untouched by the Gospel. What does this mean? We could conceivably reach the rest of the world in our lifetime! Yet, because offering receipts are down, Southern Baptists haven't been able to send as many people as God's calling out. Let's start to reverse that trend! Please give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® so more workers can carry a witness to those waiting to hear.



A Recipe From
Robbie Overdear

Broken Glass Salad

1 small package each:
Strawberry Jell-O, Orange Jell-O,
Lime Jell-O

Prepare each box of Jell-O according to box directions – pour into thin layers using pizza pans, cookie sheets, etc.

Mix together:
1 small package lemon Jell-O
¼ cup sugar
½ cup pineapple juice
1 cup water

Refrigerate until slightly thick. Fold in 2 packages of prepared (mix according to box directions) Dream Whip.

Using a pizza cutter cut jelled Strawberry Jell-O, Orange Jell-O, and Lime Jell-O into small squares. Fold squares into lemon mixture. Chill several hours before serving.



Women's Ministry Calendar

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Sunday, December 12, 2010 -
Lottie Moon Offering

January

Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Faithfully Fit – 6:00 PM

Thursday, January 6 – HOPE - 6:30 PM - Garden Room

Monday, January 10 – LifeTouchers – “Through the Years” Unforgettable Lessons on Life, Love, & Family (A celebration for Tina Peek) – 6:00 PM – Garden Room

February

Tuesdays, February 1, 8, 15, & 22 – Faithfully Fit – 6:00 PM

Thursday, February 3 – HOPE - 6:30 PM – Garden Room

Monday, February 28 – LifeTouchers – 7:00 PM – Garden Room

*Merry
Christmas
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