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Christ in the world.

"I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!" Luke 12:49

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The Newsletter of Kirkwood Baptist Church
...together in freedom to care and to reconcile in Jesus' name...

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PASSPORTKenya Update July 30 - August 10

Just 2
weeks to Go

Over the past several months, our three youth have been diligently working through all of the requirements and opportunities for participation in PASSPORTKenya. The following is an update of what's been done, what's left to do, and a word of thanks from Alyssa, Joe, and Melissa.



On June 5th, Alyssa, Joe, and Melissa worked with Challenger Baseball, helping severely mentally and physically handicapped kids.

Camp Requirements

- ✓ Written book review (Foreign to Familiar)
- ✓ Participate in a cross cultural bible study -
- ✓ Choose and participate in a group mission project (see pictures above)
- ✓ International meal (Sameem's Afghan Restaurant July 9th)

KBC Requirements

- ✓ Teach adopted adult bible study class on Youth Sunday
- ✓ Q&A in worship
- ✓ Bi-monthly preparation meetings
- ✓ Thank you notes to contributors

Commissioning Service (July 25th)

Fundraising

- ✓ Provide names and addresses of friends and family (fundraiser)
- ✓ Work at Baskin Robbins (fundraiser)
- ✓ Emcee Pasta Playhouse (fundraiser)
- ✓ Yard work for KBC family (fundraiser)
- ✓ Plan, sell tickets, and help with two fun fellowships (fundraiser)

Travel Plans

- ✓ Turn in copies of U.S. Passport
- ✓ Vaccinations
- ✓ Purchase plane tickets and make hotel reservations for NYC

Dear KBC, on behalf of the KBC youth participating in PASSPORTKenya, we would like to thank you for your contributions both through money and prayer. We are blessed to have a supportive congregation that greatly cares about the youth members and their mission activities. The past year has been a long journey for us, planning a rare opportunity and figuring everything out along the way. This trip would not be possible without you all, and we are grateful for it. As time is passing and we are getting closer to our trip, we ask that you keep us in your prayers as we prepare for an experience we will never forget. Joe, Melissa, and Alyssa

OUR VISION

We will be the presence of Jesus Christ in our community and beyond, through participative worship, open inquiry, loving fellowship, valued diversity, genuine inclusiveness, and servant leadership - encouraging all members to exercise God's gifts and calling as we share the Gospel with the whole world and minister to the whole person.

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Kenya: 3 years later

by Robert Jackson

Three years ago, around this same time of year, I was preparing for a journey to Kenya with four other members of the KBC youth group. We raised funds, taught Sunday School, answered all sorts of questions, and even went as a group to receive all of our inoculations (Daniel didn't cry, don't worry). I was excited for the trip all summer, due to the large amount of preparation that went into a trip this large. The tight bonds that were created between the youth who were to attend excited me even more; I couldn't wait to share the upcoming experience with them and Daniel.

Despite so much hard work and planning, nothing could have prepared me for what I would see and learn in Kenya. Looking back, I think I was so caught up in getting ready for the trip that I had forgotten what it was we would be doing there. When the group of Kenyans arrived at camp, they were nothing like I had expected. To make myself clear, I did not think we would be camping for a week with the native Masai, helping them to herd their cattle, carry water, etc. What surprised me was how they talked and interacted with each other. They joked, laughed, sang and generally "hung out" the same way my friends and I did. I had prepared myself to talk about nothing but the Bible for a week, to defend my views and bring clarity to our different opinions; the majority of my time was actually spent discussing the English soccer league with my roommate Jazz. I thought we would encounter serious issues trying to explain our faith to each other. The opposite was true; I was more comfortable discussing my salvation and calling with the youth from America and Kenya than most of my other peers.

Now, in a time when the "missional church" is growing rapidly, the lesson from that journey is clear. The cliché goes "we aren't that different after all." I think it is a necessary outlook in this age. While the world grows smaller and smaller, we must look for what brings us together as we fulfill our calling from Christ to be witnesses to and for the Gospel and to love always. We all love to eat, sing, dance, laugh, love, and to be loved. Well, maybe not dance or sing, but you get the picture.



GO! Sunday is August 22nd.

Kindergarteners will join us in worship for the first time.

1st graders will be presented with a new Bible.

Save the date ...

HANDS ON KIRKWOOD
A missionALL project of Kirkwood Baptist Church

October 9, 2010

Begin Your Week with Worship

Sundays at KBC

7:45 am & 10:15 am Deacons
Pre-Service Prayers
8:00 am & 10:30 am Worship Service
9:15 am Bible Study for all ages

Upcoming Sermons

- July 18** *A community of United Diversity* (Ethiopian Eunuch) Acts 8:26-39
July 25 *A Body of Challenged and Changed Lives* (Paul's conversion) Acts 22:1-11
Aug 1 Daniel Johnson Preaching

July 18th

Deacon of the Week
Marilyn Minich

Worship Care Team Leader
Katherine Sandvos

Worship Care Volunteers
Michelle McReynolds, Greg Lundberg, Pattye Taylor Phillips, Allen McReynolds, Grace Jones

Center Your Week

Wednesdays at KBC

4:45 pm Family Dinner
5:45 pm Prayer Meeting
6:00 pm Bible Study
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers, KBC Brass
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Current Studies

5 Week Study with Donna Watts
Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

KBC Family Dinner

\$6/adult, \$2/child, \$16/family of 4+
Reservation/Cancellation Deadline: Noon on Monday for the following Wednesday. Late cancellations will be charged.

July 21 - Art of Entertaining

Turkey Tetrazzini, Harvest Salad, Corn, Ice Cream Treats

July 28 - Garavelli's

Grilled Chicken Breast, Sweet Potatoes, Broccoli, Cake

**Calendar Reminders
for the week of July 18th**

See pg. 2 for regularly scheduled Sunday & Wednesday activities.

Sunday, July 18th

- 3:00 pm Passport St Louis begins
- 3:00 pm Property and Space Meeting
- 5:00 pm Hands ON Kirkwood Meeting

Monday, July 19th

- 7:00 pm Women's Group meeting at the home of Amy Alexander

Tuesday, July 20th

- 10:00 am PrimeTimers

Wednesday, July 21st

- 6:00 pm Bible Study with Donna Watts

Food Pantry Schedule

Friday, July 23rd

Food Pickup - Team 3
(Denny Redington, Ron Condray)

Saturday, July 24th

Food Pantry - Team 4 (Jennifer Pirrie, David & Lynette Chrenka, Brenda Williams, Glen Calvin, Mary Hughes, Carol Owens, Joe Hamilton, Tara Hill, Mary Earhart, Southwest Baptist)



**Kidsmart Fab 5 Collection
July 11 - August 1**

Collection containers are available in the Mission Filled Café.

- * Paper: wide-rule, loose-leaf notebook paper
- * Pencils: wood
- * Crayons: 24 count
- * Markers: 8-10 count, washable preferred
- * Glue: white school glue - 4oz

In Celebration Birthdays

- 7/18 - Verna Meyer
- 7/19 - Don Willis, Danielle Stefanic, Elizabeth Adams, Don Bee
- 7/21 - Hayley Landman
- 7/22 - Leah Toth, Sondra Grider
- 7/23 - Jackie Neuhaus, Cecile Vaughn
- 7/24 - Ruth Murphy, Cleo Sipes, Nicole Hartfelder, Anna Watts, Don Cordes
- 7/25 - Roslyn Wahlbrink
- 7/26 - Jerry Eichman, Brian Bunting, Malea Baldwin
- 7/27 - Peggy Earley
- 7/28 - Marg McCormick, Karen Dowell, Jim Huettner
- 7/29 - Steven Bunting
- 7/30 - Mekea Johnson, Greg Lundberg
- 7/31 - Ralph Sneed

Global Women, Too

Monday, July 19th at 7:00 pm
At the home of Amy Alexander

Eight women gathered at the home of Monica Stefanic several weeks ago. Our plan is to meet two more times this summer for conversation. We are not looking to define our gatherings narrowly, but to explore ways we can learn, grow in relationship with God and others, and serve. We had great fellowship and were inspired by seeing Monica's pictures from her trip to Cuba. We are reading a non-fiction book called "The Necklace" by Cheryl Jarvis that tells the stories of 13 women who jointly purchased a diamond necklace and how the experiment transformed their lives. We think this book will be a good tool to start conversation at our next gathering on Monday, July 19 at the home of Amy Alexander. If you are interested, contact Donna Watts. You are welcome to come if you choose not to read the book, but if you want a copy, Amy can tell you how to get one.

GLOBAL WOMEN ON THE GO !

The Women's Luncheon on July 7th. was an exciting and inspirational day for all who attended. Beautiful flowers and beautiful people came to hear Anara Nissipbekova share her experiences from living in Kiev, Ukraine and her home in Kazakhstan to which she will return soon. Anara represents women in eastern Asia, speaks in churches and does conferences for her Christian sisters. From our conversations with her, we know that she loves the Lord and serves the Lord ! Times are very difficult for her family and for her personally as she lives the presence of Christ through her daily witness. We wish you could have heard her stories ! Global Women thanks all who brought salads and desserts and worshipped with us through this experience.

THE WIDOW'S MIGHT

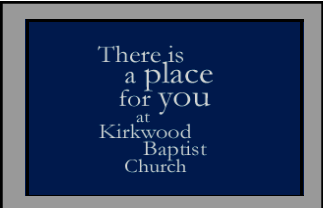
Sunday, July 18th

Please join us for lunch at Miss Sheri's on Sunday, July 18th, following the 10:30 am worship service. We have a reserved room and would love to see you there!

KBC Book Club

Tue, July 27, 7:00 pm
Thurs, July 29, 10:00 am

The Prince of Frogtown
by Rick Bragg



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These are some examples of our Lay lead ministries at KBC.

Bosnian Food Pantry Louise Duke

Counseling Services Linda Bryan

Global Women Nell Lockhart / Peggy Van Asdale

Friendship Int'l Norma Hawkins

Stephen Ministry Kathryn Rogers

Councils of KBC

Spiritual Growth & Development Steve Guinn

Worship Arts Doug Gavin

Ministry Debra Lueckerath

Gift ID & Development

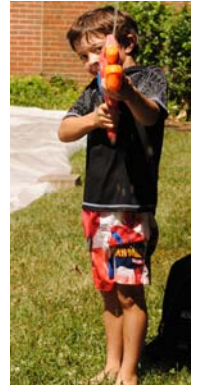
Church Leadership Glen Calvin

Resource Council

Giving Report 7/4/10
 Total Receipts \$ 24,797.63
 Budget Receipts YTD \$ 494,224.63
 Budget Need YTD \$ 588,771.72

Attendance Report 7/4/10
 Bible Study
 Worship (8:00 - NA / 10:30 - 267) 326

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Share memories of the last 140 hours.

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- ◆ Watch KBC videos at www.youtube.com/kirkwoodbaptist
- ◆ See pictures on Flickr at www.flickr.com/kirkwoodbaptist



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