

# — THE BINDER —

*“Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love...”*

*The Monthly Newsletter of Edgefield Baptist Church*

— August, 2011 —



**Welcome to Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street,  
where Jesus makes a difference every day!**

**Friday, August 12th-Sunday, August 14th**

Each day at Main Street kids will participate in the excitement of Sidewalk Celebration, experience Jesus' parables at Parable Productions, create service or craft projects at Fun Factory, enjoy snacks and learn more about the Word on the Street at Brown Bag Bistro, and play great games at Firehouse Fitness! And, through it all, they'll learn that Jesus' life and love makes a difference every day!

New wacky friends at Main Street - Heidi Claire, Chef Pierre mon Frère, and Justin Time - will help kids learn why Main Street has been turned inside out and upside down. Kids will explore and experience stories Jesus told about everyday people in everyday situations. But His stories were anything but ordinary! Kids will be challenged to retell Jesus' stories, take a new look at what the Bible says about gratitude, compassion, forgiveness, grace, and faithfulness, and let Jesus make an amazing difference in their everyday lives.

*(See complete schedule on page 3 inside)*

Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street will be the weekend of August 12th-14th. We hope you will plan on joining us, and bringing along your friends, for what is an always awesome summer weekend at EBC! There will be classes for kids K-grade 8. We hope to see you on Main Street!

**VBS preview and worship rally, Wednesday night, 8/10 @ 6:30 pm. Come join the fun.**



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*A Message From*  
**Pastor Steve**

*I have written about prayer for the past two Binders. For this issue, I want to offer my prayer for n Edgefield Baptist Church. This is from my heart as your pastor and brother in Christ.*

Our Father

We thank you for your saving love for us and the expression of that love in Jesus. We praise you for your grace and mercy to us. Our salvation is provided by you and that it pleased you to sacrifice your son so that we can have eternal life.

I thank you for the gathering of your people known as Edgefield Baptist Church. Your blessings are evident there and for that I am thankful. Your Spirit is alive among us and we see that your hand is on us as a body of believers.

I pray that we see our community as our mission field. Compel us to be a church that leaves the building and deliver the gospel to those around us. God, grant us wisdom as to when, where, and how to share how Christ has changed our life. Many in our community have tangible needs, let us be Your hands and

feet. Many have emotional and relationship needs, let us be Your comfort. Many have reasons to rejoice, let us spread the joy that only You can give. Everyone in our community has a spiritual need of one kind or another, let us be vessels to witness and minister. Give us all a burden for the lost souls in our lives.

I pray that we worship well and that our gathering times are honoring and pleasing to you o Lord. May our attention be fully on you and our worship be that of adoration and praise of our heavenly Father. May our Lord Jesus be glorified in what we sing, pray, and proclaim. Guide the hearts of worship leaders to prepare for our tasks of leadership. May each of us be Spirit lead and directed.

Bless all the ministry leaders and have their preparation times be devotional and uplifting. May they see fruit for their labor. May they equip others to be light in an ever darkening world. Give them power, encouragement, and understanding.

Praise you Father for our church family and for ordaining these days at our church. We know You are alive and among us and that you have the power to change lives. Change us Father, draw us closer to you, and show us Your will in the days to come. In the mighty name of your son, Jesus, Amen.

You can contact pastor Steve at [ebcpastorsteve@bellsouth.net](mailto:ebcpastorsteve@bellsouth.net), and follow his writings on [www.examiner.com/bible-studies-1-in-nashville/stevesaunders](http://www.examiner.com/bible-studies-1-in-nashville/stevesaunders)

## Edgefield Baptist Church

*family...friends...community*

*Our purpose is to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in our world and to build up the body of Christ in love through worship, discipleship, fellowship and ministry.*

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**Steve Saunders**, senior pastor

**Johnathan Woodside**, worship

**Linda Gawel**, nursery

**Daniel Davis**, youth & students

**Peggy Hawkins**, church secretary

**Misti Frazier**, children

**Letha Culver**, church cook

**Rodney Jenkins**, custodian

**Church Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Monthly Digest:

#### July 2011:

Bible Study & Small Groups Weekly Average: 46

Tithes & Offerings thru 7/24/11: \$7,376.50

Year-to-Date \$57,919.09

Budget Requirement \$69,827.40

Difference (+/-) -\$11,908.31

Centennial Campaign To Date: \$13,837.81

Centennial Campaign Balance July 24, 2011: \$1,546.59

### Prayer Needs...

#### **Church Family:**

Tina Benton Wallace Carson Henrietta Davidson

Lillian Fuqua Mary Martin Juanita Tomlinson

Dixie Wooten

Beverly Fallati (Sycamore Terrace Assisted Living)

Brice Kernell (Jackson Park Christian Home)

Mildred Preston (Trevecca Health & Rehab Center)

Billie Wheat (Madison Health & Rehab Center)

#### **Family & Friends:**

The Ramos Family Don Fulton Richard Gwartney

Rosella Jackson Fred Maddux Loretta Sanford

Ronnie Taylor Katherine Travis Destanie Wilson

Sean Wilson

Kids & Leaders going to CentriKid Vacation Bible School

#### **Community & Beyond:**

Tornado Victims in Tuscaloosa, AL & Joplin, MO

Military Personnel serving around the world

Missionaries serving around the world

Rejoice Ministries

Churches & Ministries serving East Nashville

**Please notify the church office with prayer needs updates.**

### Sympathy...

Is extended to the family of former member, Jean Stevenson, on her recent passing.

### New Address:

Dixie Wooten  
235 Maplewood Terrace  
Nashville, TN 37207  
226-8453

## News & Notes...

**Planning, and preparation**, is well underway for the new fellowship hall rear entryway improvement. Surveying has been completed, design work is underway, and the new doors will be installed soon. We will be planning a big groundbreaking celebration within the next couple of months prior to actual construction getting underway...be watching for more details! As you know, this is a large, and expensive, undertaking for our church, but it is an improvement that is vitally needed as the fellowship hall is one of the most utilized spaces in our church facility, but it's accessibility is one of the most challenging. Funds have been tapped from the church's trust fund to help pay for these improvements, but we also need your contributions. You can contribute to this project, thru the Centennial Campaign, by simply writing on your envelope Fellowship Hall Entrance Project. We pray that the entire church family will be supportive of this project and that it will a wonderful improvement to our current church facility.

### CONGRATULATIONS EBC!

#### We reached our Summer Centennial Fund goal!

A great big THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the centennial fund this summer! Our goal is to raise money to cover the Fellowship Hall handicap entrance upgrade. We are off to a great start by meeting and exceeding our summer goal of 1,000.00 by raising \$1,135.00 so far. The Worship and Fellowship committee gave the profits from The Grace Card movie night and many of our members have donated as well. We still have a long way to go to cover our expenses, but we are on our way to doing just that as long as everyone keeps their support coming in. If you would like to help out just place your donation in a Special Offering envelope and designate it as the "Fellowship Hall Fund." Any amount is helpful and welcome. Thanks again to a great group of people we call friends at Edgefield. God is Good! -Erin

**Summer Sundays continue** as Pastor Steve shares a sermon series through the book of Galatians. This book was written by Paul to affirm the correct understanding of Christianity. The Galatians were buying into a lot of teachings about the faith that were not correct and this was not good. This book is a summary of Christian theology that will speak to everyone as they seek to follow Christ each day. Join us this month, as Summer Sundays begin to wind down, and we hear how this book speaks to us today... and since it's Summer Sundays, you can leave the tie at home! Join us each week, beginning at 10 am.



East Nashville

**East Nashville Night Out Against Crime** is coming up on Tuesday evening, August 2nd from 5:00 to 9:00 pm at Eastwood Christian Church, 1601 Eastland Avenue. Presented by Eastwood Neighbors, Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Assoc., Rosebank Neighbors, Concerned Citizens of South Inglewood & Historic East End. A neighborhood event focused on connecting East Nashville communities and our many resources.

Goody bags with crime prevention & personal safety tips, musical entertainment, children's supervised play area, booths, food, and a relaxing good time. Edgefield will have a booth on site and will be sharing information about our upcoming Vacation Bible School. If you would like to come join our effort, or just come and hangout, please see Tricia Murphy.

**Kids Ministry Paint Day** is coming up on Saturday morning, August 6th, at 9 am. Come join us as we try to complete all of the painting that's been taking place, in our kids ministry rooms, just in time for this year's Vacation Bible School.



**The Mayor's First Day Festival** is coming up on Sunday, August 7th, from 2-4 pm, at the Bridgestone Arena. It will be a fun-filled day of celebration of our schools, children and parents, featuring free school supplies, entertainment, and many educational activities.



**First Day of School, for the 2011-12 school year**, is coming up on Thursday, August 11th. Please be in prayer for all of our Edgefield children, and students, as they return to school for a new year. Also be in prayer for all students, teachers, and administrators in our East Nashville schools.

### EBC semi-occasional-annual

**Comedy & Talent Night** is returning on Saturday evening, August 27th, and we invite you to join us! This fun night features a spaghetti dinner, and also some of your friends and family showing off their talents thru skits, games, song, etc. We're still looking for volunteers, so if you've got a talent you would like to show off, please contact chief talent scout Mike Brake. Comedy & Talent Night proceeds will go towards the fellowship hall rear patio entryway improvement. Make plans now to join us!!



**EBC Movie Night** is returning next month, by popular demand! Make plans now to join us, for a special presentation of Bringing Up Bobby, on Saturday evening, September 17th, at 6:30 pm. Suggested donation will again be \$10.00/person or \$25.00/family. This includes tickets, popcorn, drinks and treats. All monies raised will go towards the fellowship hall rear patio entryway improvement.

**145th Anniversary Homecoming** has officially been set for next year. It will be on Sunday, April 22nd, 2012. Mark it on your calendar now so you won't miss it! The Homecoming Committee has also been set. It will be co-chaired by Tim Kernell and Tricia Murphy. Committee members include Mike Brake, Christy Davis, Cheryl Frazier, David Goodman, Lynn Green, and Brenda Saunders.

### August Dates To Note...

- Pro:31 Meeting at EBC - Tuesday, August 9th, 6:30 pm
- Monthly Business Session - Wednesday, August 10th, 6:15 pm
- MOE Breakfast at Biscuit House - Saturday, August 27th, 9 am

### Edgefield Kids Notes...

The 2011-12 AWANA Kickoff Fair is coming up on Wednesday evening, August 31st at 6 pm...for ages infant through 5th Grade!!!

### Edgefield Students Notes...

**Back To School Bash & Parents Night** is coming up on Wednesday, August 24th! All parents and students should plan to attend to find out what's new for all 6th-8th graders. This will also be the new date for our Back To School Bash, which will include the Parent/Student edition of "Minute To Win It". You won't want to miss this!



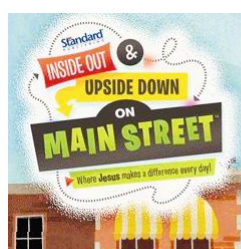
### Vacation Bible School Schedule...

Preview—Wednesday, August 10th

Friday, August 12th : 6-9pm

Saturday, August 13th: 9 am - 4 pm

Sunday, August 14th : 10 am - 2 pm  
Family Day will begin at 2 pm - Water Slide and water fun for all plus a drawing for an ipod!



# CentriKid camps

Edgefield Kids, and Students, will be heading off to CentriKid Camp this month, August 1st-5th. We ask the entire Edgefield family to be in prayer for this awesome group of kids, and leaders, that will be traveling to the Shocco Springs Conference Center, in Talladega, AL, and experiencing an amazing week together. The kids and leaders traveling to camp are:

Karson	Morgan
Sharilyn	Paula
Kyla	Elijah
Brandon	Eli
Ethan	Michael
Travis	Shad

Adults: Misti Frazier, Daniel & Christy Davis



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### Weekly at EBC...

#### Sunday Schedule:

Worship	10:00 am
Coffee & Fellowship	11:00 am
Bible Study	11:15 am

*(Pre-school care is provided for all regular weekly activities)*

#### Wednesday Schedule

Fellowship Supper	5:15 pm
AWANA for Kids	6:00 pm
Prayer Meeting for Adults	6:15 pm
Bible Study for Adults	6:15 pm