

**June 2008**

**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

**Sunday, June 1**

Teens (11th and 12th-graders),  
Determine Your Destiny,  
5:30 p.m.

Baby Shower, Karina Duran,  
following evening service

**Monday, June 2**

College Class, *Customs &  
Manners of the Holy Land*  
7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, June 7**

Teen Car Wash,  
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Sunday, June 8**

Ambassador Quartet,  
morning service

Young at Heart Luncheon

**Thursday, June 12**

Bradford Oaks Nursing Home  
Fathers' Day Service, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, June 14**

Clinton Nursing Home  
Fathers' Day Service, 6:30 p.m.

**Sunday, June 15**

Heart to Heart Meeting, following  
evening service

**Monday-Friday, June 16-20**

Teen Camp,  
Cost-\$175 per camper

**Thursday-Friday, June 26-27**

Teen Youth Conference,  
New Jersey

**Sunday-Thursday, July 13-17**

Vacation Bible School

**Monday-Friday, July 21-25**

Junior Camp

**Saturday, July 26**

Ladies' Mini-Jubilee,  
10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

*Independent Baptist Church*

# HIGHLIGHTS

## FROM OUR PASTOR



**Michael Creed  
Pastor**

1 Corinthians 10:31, "*Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.*"

The school year is quickly coming to a close as we count down the last few days. We are excited about all God has done in the church and academy this month. We had a wonderful college and academy graduation; the Deaf Awareness Day with Silent Word Ministries was a success, as well as our Mothers' Day service. My family and I had a wonderful trip to West Coast Baptist College. I preached in chapel on Tuesday, and Michael graduated on Wednesday and got engaged to Rachel Spence on Thursday. Pray for them as they make plans

for this exciting time in their lives.

As we close out May on a high note, we look forward with great expectancy to all God is going to do at Independent in June. I want to thank everyone for their involvement in the ministry. We have had great numbers out for soul-winning, and I would like to see even more folks join us. I challenge you to work hard and pray that God will give us much fruit this summer.

We have the Ambassador Quartet from Oklahoma Baptist College scheduled for Sunday, June 8, in the morning service. Teen Camp will be June 16-20. As always, we look forward to a great camp, and we are asking God to keep the fire going in our youth department. I really appreciate our teens and how involved they are in the ministry. Fathers' Day, Sunday, June 15, will be an exciting time as we give a gift to each father and honor them in the morning service. Fathers' Day services at the Bradford Oaks Nursing Home and the Clinton Nursing Home will be on Thursday, June 12, and Saturday, June 14, respectively.

On Wednesday, July 2, Dr. Greg Baker, FaithWay Baptist Church, will be preaching in the service, and on July 6, we will have God Bless America Sunday (Red, White and Blue Sunday). Please pray that the church will be filled on both days.

Throughout June and July, please pray for God to challenge our hearts, and that we will stop, be still, and listen for His still, small voice. Pray that God will speak to our hearts and move us in the direction where we will be useful vessels for Him. Pray that God will do even greater things during these summer months. I would like very much to see our church grow in numbers during the summer. When you go on vacation, don't take a vacation from the Lord, but attend a good, independent, Bible-believing, Bible-preaching, Baptist church and be an encouragement to the pastor and his people.

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## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES and ACTIVITIES

### INDEPENDENT BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

This summer, IBBC is offering the following **two summer classes**:

#### EDUCATION

##### **"Materials and Methods"**

Mrs. Kristy Ocker

Teaches ways of creating bulletin boards, visuals, etc. for a school or Sunday School setting.

**Tuesday, May 27  
to Monday, June 2  
9:00–11:00 a.m.**

#### BIBLE

##### **"Customs and Manners of the Holy Land"**

Brother Barry Ocker

Teaches some of the unusual customs of God's chosen people, the Jews. This study will help in your understanding of the Bible.

**Monday, June 2  
to Friday, June 13  
7:00–9:00 p.m.**

The cost for each of these classes is **\$55.00 per credit hour plus books**. Please consider taking these classes.

IBBC is also offering the following **two independent studies**:

#### FOR LADIES

##### **"Woman, the Assembler"**

Self-Taught

Teaches on the role of the wife in supporting her husband at home.

#### FOR MEN OR WOMEN

##### **"Practical Counseling Procedures for Christians"**

Self-Taught

Teaches how to counsel oneself through God's Word and then enables one to help others follow God's direction in their lives.

The cost of both studies is **\$55.00 per credit hour plus books**.

Please **contact Brother Dove for more information**.

### SOUL-WINNING

There is no greater joy than to bind up the brokenhearted, set the captives free, snatch a soul from the devil, or rescue the perishing from the flames of hell. That is what **Tuesday night soul-winning visitation** is all about. Now that daylight is longer, won't you come and go with us as we spread the Sonlight? If you are sitting at home wondering why God won't use you, **here's your opportunity to be used in a most amazing way** to dispense God's amazing grace.

**We meet for prayer and go out in pairs at 6:30 p.m.** If you do not know how to talk to someone about salvation, we will send you with someone who can.

We also encourage you to become a part of the **Soul-Winner's Club**. Our **next session starts up June 18 after the Wednesday night service**. Please **see Brother Adair for more details**.

## ENROLL NOW FOR IBA'S 2008 SCHOOL YEAR

**Some classes are already full**

## TREMENDOUS TEENS

*By Jim Stroud*

**S**ummer is upon us. Wow! I cannot believe we have arrived at this wonderful time of the year. **With so much extra time, we have a great opportunity for growth and to get things done. We also have more time to serve the Lord**, so take advantage of the time God has given you.

Congratulations to our **winners from this year's Teens for Christ: Daniel Capps, Kim Morgan, Ruth Ann Hicks, Daniel Skinner, Kent Estrada.**

## YOUNG AT HEART

*By Rick Dove*

**W**e had a great trip to Lancaster, PA. We shopped, drove through Amish country, and visited an Antique mall (Boy, did we have fun; the only problem was that I could remember most of the antiques they were selling). Our last stop before heading home was the Shady Maple Restaurant; believe me, no one left hungry. **It was a blessing to spend the day together.**

On **Sunday, June 9**, we will have our **monthly meal in the café. Bring your favorite dish.** We look forward to a wonderful time of fellowship.

On **Tuesday, July 8**, I have scheduled a trip to the **National Cryptologic Museum**. The museum shows how things are kept secure. We will leave from the church at **9:00 a.m. and return at 2:00 p.m.** The only cost will be for your meal.

## NURSING HOME

By Brian Michaud

Acts 20:35, "I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Last month, the Mothers' Day services at the nursing homes were truly a blessing. After two excellent messages, invitations were given, and many hands were raised. **Four souls got saved!** Amen! Then we passed out gifts to the ladies and fruit to everyone. It is truly a blessing to give to others!

I want to especially thank the Hedrick family who supplied the fruit, and the Master Club children who made the gifts!

## NEW MEMBERS

### Baptism:

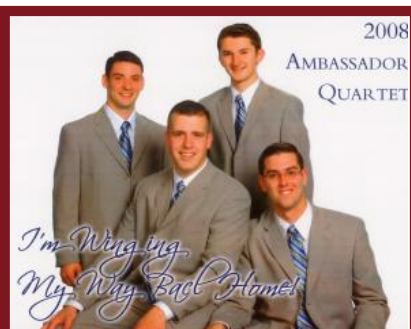
Nicole Baumgartner

Julio Gualotuna

### Statement:

Santos Martinez

Tracee Smith



Sunday, June 8  
Morning Service

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### IBC ORCHESTRA

Psalm 150:3-6, "Praise ye the Lord . . . Praise him with the sound of the trumpet . . . the psaltery and harp . . . with stringed instruments and organs . . . Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord . . ."

**P**raising the Lord is exactly what we want to do at IBC. We praise God through congregational singing, solos, and ensembles, as well as through the Adult Choir, Youth Choir, Children's Choir. We also praise our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, through the piano and organ, but that is not enough. **We also want to praise Him through an orchestra.**

Several folks have already signed up to play. However, we have not started, because **we need your help.** Equipment for even a small orchestra is expensive. **We need stands, chairs, and yes, some instruments. A stand/chair combination costs approximately \$100, and a decent used violin is approximately \$200-300.**

We would also like to have a **2-3 week orchestra summer camp** during the last of July and the beginning of August. This would be open only to Independent Baptist Church members that faithfully support IBC. **We are working on getting several violins for beginners to rent,** so we can teach them.

**If you would like to contribute to the orchestra or if you are interested in the orchestra summer camp, please see Brother Adair.** Finally, please pray for the 4th of July Adult Choir patriotic presentation.

### MEN'S CAMP OUT

**O**ur annual Men's Camp Out will be Thursday-Saturday, August 7-9, on the Eastern Shore. We will leave the church on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and arrive back at the church on Saturday around 1:00 p.m.

The camp out is always a special opportunity for the men of the church and their sons to spend time together. **The outing should be a great time of fellowship as we relax, eat, fish, and take part in many other activities.**

The cost is \$30 per person or \$70 per family. **Mark your calendars** and plan to enjoy the fun.

### TEENS

**E**ach Sunday, June 1 through August 24, we invite all Juniors, Seniors, and teen graduates to meet in room A-4 from 5:30-6 p.m. for a special series, "Discover Your Destiny." During the 13-week study, **we will discover from God's Word how to have direction in our lives.**

In June, we also have the following events scheduled:

**Car Wash**

**Saturday, June 7**

**Teen Camp**

**Monday-Friday, June 16-20**

**Teen Conference**

**Thursday-Friday, June 26-27**

Please pray as we look forward to a new season of **Teens for Christ** beginning Tuesday, September 2. Meetings will be held each week from 5:30-8 p.m.



**Reformers  
Unanimous**  
Addictions Program

1 Corinthians 16:9, "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me,  
and there are many adversaries."

**By Jerry Skinner**

**G**reetings on behalf of Reformers Unanimous. We are pleased to share with you all that the Lord is doing within the ministry.

The Scriptures tell us, "I say unto you that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance" (Luke 15:7). This month, **we saw four salvations and two of them followed the Lord in believer's baptism.** Please pray for the other two.

- The Lord has blessed us with **twelve first-time visitors** this month. Hallelujah!
- We continue to **meet weekly for distribution, soul-winning, and visitation.** Praise the Lord!
- Although the ministry has been faced with many challenges, **the Lord has caused us to see many victories in the lives of individuals** who continue to place their trust in His ability to set them free "*finally.*"

We ask you to **pray for those who continue to struggle with addictive sin and strongholds** that God will allow them to experience His grace and victory in their personal lives as they walk with Him.

Again, **Reformers Unanimous is a scriptural, successful, solid program which deals with addiction as sin and not as a disease!** If you are not involved in a ministry here at Independent Baptist Church, or if you feel the Lord would have you serve in the RU ministry, please contact Brother Jerry Skinner.

Please continue to pray for us!



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