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Sandy Valley Baptist Church
 1124 S. Houston Lake Rd.
 Warner Robins, GA 31088
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 Return Service Requested

CALENDAR	
Wednesday, February 4	
6:30 pm	House of Prayer, Adult Bible Study, Youth On Mission, Kids of the Kingdom
7:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, February 5	
6:00 pm	RBA Wild Game Dinner
Sunday, February 8	
9:15 am	Bible Study
10:30 am	Morning Worship
1:00 pm	Deacon Lunch & Bible Study
5:30 pm	Discipleship Training
6:30 pm	Evening Worship
Monday, February 9	
6:30 am	GROW Outreach "R" Team
7:00 pm	SOS Meeting E-3 Meeting for Youth

There will be a Church Council Meeting on Sunday, February 15 at 4:30 PM.

CHURCH STAFF	
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I have never been one to enjoy being away from home for long periods of time. I have never enjoyed going on a week long or two week long vacation. I am one who loves to be around family and friends. I enjoy talking to them, remembering the "good old days", sharing a meal, and just generally "loving each other".

I'll never forget those times when I was young at a creek, an old pond or those times when we went to Carabelle, Florida, enjoying each other and for me just enjoying catching a fish. I'll also never forget those times when I was in seminary and was welcomed by family and friends every time I came home. Those times of renewed friendships and renewed love are indeed priceless.

I am never happier than those times when I am able to spend time with family and friends. Jesus said in John 15:12-14a:

This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. 14 You are My friends

Isn't that comforting to know that we are friends of Jesus?

But listen, Jesus wants all of us to be friends! Today there is much talk about "networking". Even our computers in our offices are "networked". Why don't we as God's children "network" ourselves

together instead of constantly bickering and fighting among ourselves? Why can't we do as Jesus tells us in John 13:34-35:

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

My challenge to you is simple: love on each other the way Jesus has loved on us! After all, John 3:16 says:

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

If He loved us, shouldn't we show that same love to those around us?

Yours in Christ,
Bro. Phil

RBA ANNUAL WILD GAME DINNER
GUEST SPEAKER:
DAVID PENDLETON, "making you believe anything can talk!"
Thursday, February 5 at 6 PM
 Tickets are still available for \$10 each/\$75 for a table of eight.
 See Bro. Phil for tickets.

Sunday School Report

February 1, 2009

Record (March 29, 1998)	210
Members Enrolled	252
Total Present	106
Previous Week's Attendance	129

Service Opportunities

Deacon of the Week for February 8
Bro. Gary Howard

Preschool Volunteers

Sunday, February 8

AM —Volunteer Needed

PM—Carol Simmons

Sunday, February 15

AM —Patsy Rooks

PM—Volunteer Needed



Prayer Room Schedule:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>NAME</u>
2-4	PM	Dianne Repasz
2-8	AM	Pat Jobin
2-8	PM	Ray Armstrong
2-11	PM	Janice Simpson



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

Reservations required!

Sign up on the reservation sheet in the foyer, or call the office by 12 noon on the Monday before. Meals are served from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Prices are \$4 per adult and \$2 per child (6th grade and under)

Menu for February 11:

Roast Beef, Potatoes, Carrots, Salad & Dessert

G.R.O.W.

“R” team members, will meet next Monday, February 9 at 6:30 pm. New teammates are always welcome. See Bro. Phil for more information.



SVBC Kitchen Remodeling Fund WE DID IT!

We have met & exceeded our goal of \$20,000 to remodel the church kitchen! Planning is now underway to begin the remodeling work.

May God receive all the glory for the achievement of this goal!

Devotions for February 9-14
“Will You Be My Valentine?”

Monday:	<i>1 John 4:1-10</i>
Tuesday:	<i>1 John 4:11-21</i>
Wednesday:	<i>John 3:16</i>
Thursday:	<i>2 Corinthians 5:19</i>
Friday:	<i>John 13:34-35</i>
Saturday:	<i>1 Samuel 18:1</i>

Deacon Study By Johnny Hunt

This Sunday, February 8th immediately following AM Worship we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for lunch and study from the book “*The Deacon I Want To Be*” by Johnny Hunt. Hunt will challenge us to be the best we can be. All deacons and their wives are urged to attend.

The **Middle Georgia Community Crusade** with **Dr. Tony Evans, Evangelist Nick Vujicic**, musicians and other special guests will take place here in the Perry/Warner Robins area **Monday - April 27, through Thursday - April 30, 2009!** The Crusade has an official website where you can keep up with everything coming our way in April. Go to:
www.middlegeorgiacommunitycrusade.com

Be in prayer **NOW** for the coming crusade and make plans to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE

ALL Sunday School teachers and workers are invited and encouraged to attend a Sunday School Conference on **Saturday, Feb. 21, 9 am-12:30 pm** at Green Acres Baptist Church, 901 Elberta Rd, Warner Robins. Break-out sessions will be held for each age group. Contact Lynette Sheeley for more information.

Middle GA Community Crusade Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed in the following areas at the community crusade; which will also serve as our spring revival in April: prayer/telephone/outreach, arrangements, ushers, attendance/publicity, finance, music, youth, hospitality, advisors/counseling. Contact Lynette Sheeley if you would like to help out.



SPECIAL OFFERING
A Special Offering will be taken Sunday, February 15th, to help support the Middle GA Community Crusade which will be held in April. Please give as the Lord leads you.



“The rest of the bell choir is out with the flu.”