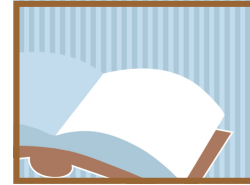


# The Pastor's Page



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

## CALENDAR

### Wednesday, January 21

6:30 pm House of Prayer, Adult Bible Study, Youth On Mission, Kids of the Kingdom

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, January 22

10:00 am Cancer Pads Ministry

### Sunday, January 25

#### *Baptist Men's Day*

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

9:15 am Bible Study

10:30 am Morning Worship

4:00 pm Children's Workers Meeting

5:30 pm Discipleship Training

6:30 pm Evening Worship

### Monday, January 26

6:30 am GROW Outreach

"O" & "W" Teams

Sunday we will meet with all children's workers and any who are interested in any way working with children. Lynette and I have discussed Youth Ministry. Soon we will begin our Senior Adult Ministry. In a few short weeks we will meet as Sunday School leadership. We don't want to leave out any areas of ministry!

However, our vision must be on what God desires us to be! Will you join that vision? Will you actively pursue the area God would have you help in? Truly the fields are white unto harvest, but the workers are few! Won't you join our "Church of Excellence"?

Yours in Christ,

*Bro. Phil*

As Pastors, and other Christians, we often struggle because our churches, our ministries, our classes, our organizations, etc. just don't seem to grow as we feel God would have them to grow. Certainly quality is extremely important. But God's Word reminds us in John 4:35:

*Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!*

Rick Warren led his great church from infancy to 10,000 in attendance in 15 short years (even more now). How? He is a visionary leader! By his own admission, "God gave me a vision to build a purpose-driven church. Proverbs 29:18a gives us the key:

*Where there is no vision, the people perish:*

Do you have a vision for the work of the Lord? Does our church? Do each of our classes, our different ministries, organizations or leaders? Vision is our key for making an impact for God in an ungodly world. Without vision, SVBC will perish!

I have already challenged each of you for our church to be one of excellence. I have met with the deacons. We have discussed priorities, importance and accountability. As a staff we have done this and challenged ourselves. This

### Devotions for January 26-31 *"Why The Miraculous?"*

**Monday:** *Exodus 30:1-15*

**Tuesday:** *Psalms 105:1-5*

**Wednesday:** *Hebrews 2:1-4*

**Thursday:** *2 Corinthians 12:11-12*  
*Acts 2:22,43*

**Friday:** *Mark 13:22-23*

**Saturday:** *Job 37:14*

## CHURCH STAFF

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### Sunday School Report

January 18, 2009

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Record (March 29, 1998)    | 210 |
| Members Enrolled           | 252 |
| Total Present              | 115 |
| Previous Week's Attendance | 117 |

### Service Opportunities

Deacon of the Week for January 25  
Bro. Ted Blackmon

### Preschool Volunteers

#### Sunday, January 25

AM —Donna Harrison

PM—Cathie Little

#### Sunday, February 1

AM —Jennifer Edwards

PM—Tammy Howard



### Prayer Room Schedule:

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>NAME</u>     |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1-21        | PM          | Carolyn Walters |
| 1-25        | AM          | Jeff McCoy      |
| 1-25        | PM          | Dianne Repasz   |
| 1-28        | PM          | Emily Tompkins  |



### FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

#### Reservations required!

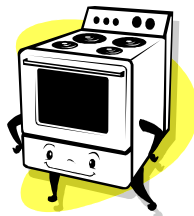
Sign up on the reservation sheet in the foyer, or call the office by 12 noon on the Monday before. Meals are served from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Prices are \$4 per adult and \$2 per child (6<sup>th</sup> grade and under)

#### Menu for January 28:

Meat Loaf, Macaroni & Cheese,  
Butter Beans, Salad & Dessert

## G.R.O.W.

“O” & “W” team members, plus those who want to make up a missed week will meet on Monday, January 26 at 6:30 pm. New teammates are always welcome. See Bro. Phil for more information.



### SVBC Kitchen Remodeling Fund

**We have \$19,232**

toward our goal of \$20,000 to remodel the church kitchen!

Designated offering envelopes are available in the foyer.

Bible Drills: Parents please note that Bible Drills has been cancelled for the remainder of the church year.



### 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 to get yours today!

### Letter of Thanks...

*I would like everyone to know how much you have made me, Stefan, Katie, Drew, Mykel, Krista and all the other people that have come with us welcomed and loved. I can honestly say it's the first church that I have felt like part of a family and part of the body of Jesus Christ.*

*We have made a very tough decision to start attending a church closer to home in Cochran, GA and today is our last day here. However, we will be back to visit and will continue to stay in touch.*

*Thank you for accepting us and giving us the privilege to serve in SS, Children's Church, Kids of the Kingdom and the SOS family. We love each and every one of you as Jesus Christ loves you!*

**Sarah, Drew, Stefan, Krista, Katie & Mykel and the rest of our many kids**

### From The Director of Educational Ministries—

Spring Revival – Middle GA Community Crusade Volunteers: 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. *Training to assist at the revival is mandatory.* Contact Lynette Sheeley today!

Children's Ministry Meeting: Sunday, Jan. 25, 4:00 p.m. for anyone who is currently working or possibly interested in more information about working with our children's ministry. We are in the process of evaluating the needs and opportunities that God has given us in ministering to children and your input is greatly valued and appreciated!

**Children's Ministry Workers Needed:** Volunteers are needed to teach both the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade SS class on Sunday's at 9:15 a.m. and Kids of the Kingdom on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. Additional workers are needed in Kids of the Kingdom to serve as helpers. See **Lynette Sheeley** for more information.

