



Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

# MESSENGER

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## Bro. Ed's Epistle

"The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him." Lamentations 3:24

Jeremiah wrote Lamentations with a heavy heart. He was singing the funeral song for his nation, God's people. Yet in the midst of his sorrow, he discovered a shining truth which encouraged him and continues to encourage us today. The Lord is my portion, he wrote. Literally that means "God is my inheritance." A few years ago, before my Daddy died, we were discussing his will. His comment was that his estate would not be much. True, there was not a great deal of money, but I told him that day that I had a tremendously valuable inheritance because of what he had given me in a heritage of faith, honest values and love. When my Daddy died, I rediscovered Lamentations 3:24, and thank God every day that my real inheritance is Him.

I thank God for our church family. We are not perfect, but we have a perfect Lord to worship and serve. And He will continue to be our "portion" now and forever. Rejoice in Him today!

## HARRY'S HEARTBEAT

How do you say thank you for such a humbling and heart touching time in a person's life. I will cherish the memories of every moment, whether it was a verbal expression or a personal card. Sunday, October 3, 2010 will be remembered forever as one of the highest peaks in my Christian life. It would take many hours to personally respond to the 107 cards, but I would like to thank two special ladies (a little bird told me) who initiated the idea. I won't tell you their names, but their initials are Donna Rothe and Linda Crump.

When the Lord said, "a prophet is honored everywhere except in his own country, and among his own people" (Living Bible), He must not have been referring to the people at Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church. No matter where you go, the history of this great church reveals that God has always blessed her with friendly, loving, caring, grateful, forgiving, precious people who love their Lord, His Bride, and each other.

A special thanks to Jason and David for challenging us to return to our "first love" Jesus and march on. Continued next week. . . .

I love you Harry

## OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Congratulations to  
Larry Kelley & Judy Wilson  
on their marriage October 7, 2010

### HOSPITALS & TESTS

Dean Williams (St. Vincent)  
Jason Laney (bone scan results)  
Donna George (chemo)  
Bob Key (rehab at home)  
Kathy Kelley (Petscan Tuesday)  
Robert Hazel – rehab.  
Madison Manor Nursing Home  
Room 114, 3891 Sullivan Street  
Madison, AL 35758

Military men & women and their families

### LLOYD'S LINES

**PASTOR APPRECIATION** –The month of October has been designated as Pastor Appreciation Month in the Southern Baptist Convention. I hope that you have remembered this and have shown your appreciation to Bro. Ed (and Evelyn). It is a joy to work with such a Godly man as Bro. Ed Cruce. I feel that we are very fortunate to have him as Pastor here at Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church. I am so thankful to the Lord for having him as my Pastor. He truly loves this church. We love you and (Evelyn) and it is a joy and a delight to be a part of this church staff with you along with Bro. Harry Sims. We hope that you will be with us for a long, long time. God bless you and your family.

**REVIVAL NOTES** – What a blessing we had with the leadership of Bro. Jason and Bro. David Hopper. Truly I have had Revival in my life. Every Service was extra special with the messages in music as chosen by Bro. David and what inspirational messages we received from Bro. Jason. I firmly believe that this young man is God anointed and will go a long way in the service of the Lord. And special thanks to Bro. Eddie and the Choir for being so faithful for every service.

And now let's look forward to every service here on the Highlands (WHERE GOD IS BLESSING). There will be special days ahead in the life of the church. Just remember to pray daily for the Ministry here. Pray and lift each one up every day. Especially remember to lift up the names of Bro. Ed, Lloyd and Harry in your prayer time. And just remember "GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO I". Bro. Lloyd

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Ed Cruce  
Pastor

Harry Sims  
Educational/Evangelism Director

Lloyd Jones  
Music Minister



### VITAL STATS

October 17, 2010  
Sunday School 98  
Mission School 54  
Shut Ins 24  
Total 176

October 17, 2010  
REGULAR OFFERING \$ 3,420.00  
Special 175.00  
World Hunger 100.00  
Mem. Sherry Kern 125.00  
Top O River 135.00  
Total \$ 3,955.00



DEACON MINISTRY  
Week of Oct. 24, 2010  
Jerry Bagwell 785-7291

SECURITY PATROL  
Sunday, Oct. 24, 2010  
AM – N. H. Johnson  
PM – Ron Thomas,  
Terrell Anderson



Contributions made to the  
Church ministries for . . .  
Susan G. Komen Cancer  
In loving memory of Sherry  
Kern (Marguerite Holley's  
Daughter), by friends in the  
Sonshine Sunday School Class  
(Mary Monk's Class)