



Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

# MESSENGER

FAIRFIELD HIGHLANDS BAPTIST CHURCH ♦ 910 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET MIDFIELD, AL 35228 ♦ PHONE: (205) 780-6621  
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**Bro. Ed's Epistle**—*“He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”* Phil. 2:8 As we approach the Easter season, we need to reflect on what Jesus did for us. Jesus, the very Lord of all creation took humanity upon himself. He did not have to do so, but He chose to come and die for us. The humility of Jesus was voluntary. He was willing to be brought low. He was obedient to death without dignity. His death on a cross was total humiliation, filled with shame. And yet, Jesus chose to walk that path because He loves us. In His death, Jesus not only took the penalty of our sins. He actually became sin for us. Oh what love Jesus has demonstrated for us.

Praise God, the death of Jesus is not the whole story. Death was followed by resurrection three days later. The resurrection confirmed the effectiveness of Jesus' death. The sin debt was paid in full and in its place, we receive the righteousness of Jesus by faith. No wonder the hymn writer declared, “Hallelujah, what a Savior!”

### SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

Charles and Vicky Haynes -6008 Gwin Circle-Bessemer, AL 35023

Robert Hazel-105 Thornberry Lane, Madison, AL 35758

Dear Church Family, Thank you for your cards, concern and especially your prayers during my time of physical difficulty. You are such a special people. Evelyn Cruce

Thanks to all the men on the work detail for the start of the Food Pantry and special thanks to Bro. Ed, our Pastor, for his leadership in helping us. Guy Sellers

**Lloyd's Lines** “WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE?” That is the question being asked by so many people. Rev. Billy Graham was asked that question on a recent late night T.V. show and his response was “I do not know.” But the good thing is that God has promised us in the book of Romans 8:28 that “All things work together for good to them that love the Lord.” That is the only assurance that you and I have today. The tragedy that happened in Japan recently has us all confused. But you and I and the rest of the world must respond with love and concern.

The month of April is right on us and what a wonderful time of the year as we think of Easter and the glorified Resurrection Story. We have some great things planned and the Lord is surely going to bless us. So remember these special days ahead. They are:**April 17<sup>th</sup>** the adult choir will share the Easter Story with a musical entitled “More Than A Carpenter” in the morning service. **April 24<sup>th</sup>** – Easter Sunday – the morning service will feature our Choir with some stirring Easter Music. There will be other special music and then Bro. Ed will bring us a challenging and wonderful message of the Easter Story, There will be NO EVENING SERVICE.

Special thanks to all who came and supported the Bessemer Association Music Festival. Thanks choir for an excellent job. You made us proud. Pray for each other this week. SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

### HARRY'S HEARTBEAT- SCARRED

The shame He suffered left its brand, In gaping wound in either hand; Sin's penalty He deigned to meet has torn and scarred His blessed feet:

The condemnation by Him borne marred His brow with print of thorn.

Trespass and guilt for which He died have marked Him with a riven side.

Mine was the shame, the penalty; the sin was mine; it was for me He felt the nails, the thorns, the spear.

For love of me the scars appear in hands and feet and side and brow. Beholding them I can but bow Myself a living sacrifice to Him who paid so dear a price. Bob Jones, Jr.

### A NEW BABY TO LOVE

Congratulations to Robert Hazel on the birth of great grandson, **Alijah James** (7lb.1 oz.) Born March 25, 2011. He will be welcomed home by big brother Ethan, parents Patrick and Rose Elliott and grandparents Jeff and Robbie Elliott

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### VITAL STATS

#### ATTENDANCE

Sunday School	93
Mission School	38
Shut Ins	24
Total	155

REGULAR OFFERING	\$ 5,091.00
Food & Clothes Pantry	330.00
Annie Armstrong	1,500.00
Mem-Claud Wilson	50.00
Boockholdt Fdn.	134.27

TOTAL \$ 7,105.27



**DEACON MINISTRY**  
Week of April 3, 2011  
Ken Barclay 744-3096

**SECURITY PATROL**  
Sunday, April 3, 2011  
AM – Bob Key,  
Jimmy Gilmore  
PM – Burry Thompson,  
Ron Thomas



**Contributions made to the  
Church ministries for . . .  
Memorial**

In Loving memory of Claud Wilson by Harry Sims.

**Food & Clothes Pantry**  
Donation of \$230 by Fellowship Class (Jean Bush's Sun. School Class).

In loving memory of my wife Gail by Bill C. Warren.



**New Member . . .  
By Letter – Sharon Jacobs**



**Thanks . . .**  
“It's what we do for Christ in the *here* and *now* that will make a difference in the *then* and *there.*” Lucado 3-21-11

Dear Bro. Ed & Church Family “Thanks for making an eternal difference”. Thank you so very much for providing lunch last Thurs. for the World Changer students! They enjoyed the food and fellowship. Please thank your Brotherhood group for ministering to these students. Linda & BBA Staff