

# MESSENGER



Ed Cruce, Pastor  
 Harry Sims, Minister of Education & Evangelism  
 Lloyd Jones, Minister of Music

**DEACON ON CALL**  
 WEEK OF May 19<sup>th</sup>  
 Winston Massey  
 788-2248

**SECURITY PATROL**  
 AM- Charles Marlow  
 PM- Bill Howton

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**Attendance May 12, 2013**

Sunday School	71
Mission School	25
Shut Ins	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>121</b>
Regular Offering \$	4235.00
Disaster Relief	20.00
Memory of Mothers	500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3494.00</b>

*A donation of \$500.00  
 Has been made to the church  
 In Memory of Our Mothers  
 By  
 Amos and Ginny Elam*

  
 Welcome to the world Emily Jayce Tortorici born May 7, 2013 weighing 7 lbs. Proud granddad is Dale Jones and proud great granddad is Lloyd Jones.  
 Great grand #6.



I love my church. God is so good! I thank each of you for your precious prayers, the food, cards, visits and your love during the sickness and death of my precious daughter, Libbie. May God bless you all.  
 I love you all, Mamie McNutt

**Church Phone Number 205-780-6621**

**BRO. ED'S EPISTLE** *"Then he believed in the Lord; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness."* Genesis 15:6

Paul quoted this text in his letter to the Romans to prove that we are justified by faith rather than works. Abraham had obeyed God by leaving his homeland, and trusted God's revelation to him that he would have a son and descendants that would be innumerable. Paul declared that all who trust God are descendants of Abraham. Thus, Abraham is a key figure in our heritage as Christians.

It will be my privilege to begin a series of messages on the life of Abraham beginning in June. I have truly been blessed by preaching on the life and ministry of Jesus in recent months. Now we will look back to our father of faith, Abraham. Pray for me as I preach these strategic messages, and be faithful to attend each service.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve with you.

## SENIOR SPOT LIGHT

Vicki Haynes 6008 Gwin Circle Bess., AL 35023	Ellene Ryan Golden Living Center 2500 Riverhaven Dr Rm. 7 East Wing B'ham, AL 35244
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**Family - where life begins  
 and love never ends.**

**LLOYD'S LINES** – "PRAY WITHOUT CEASING" In Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." You can go to God anytime, anywhere, about anything. So whether you are on the Mountain Top or in the Valley, God is there. My friend, God has given you a winning combination. Praying about everything and being thankful for everything can send your spiritual life not just to the next level, but even beyond. So today I challenge you without interruption to pray and keep your focus and concentration on the Lord and remember the words of the chorus that says "Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace."

April is now history so with that in mind, lets just focus our eyes on May just to see what He has in store for Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church (where God is blessing.) You are some of God's choice people and it is a blessing to serve God here with you. And just remember, God loves you and so do I.

"SING-cerely," Bro. Lloyd  
 Proverbs 3:5&6

## Our Worship Choir will share CELEBRATE AMERICA

A Patriotic Musical  
 On June 30<sup>th</sup>, 11 AM

in our Morning Worship Service.  
 Join our church family for a morning  
 of worship and celebration



**HARRY'S HEARTBEAT** – Thank you Lord for a bedroom window that faces east. The beauty of a sunrise cannot be put into words. Some days it may not shine visibly, but it's still right on time. Come spring, every year, God adds extra beauty when a robin chooses to nest on a down spout right outside my window. For the last 3 years, she has chosen to use the same nest. A nest silhouetted by the magic of a rising sun.

Then Mom and Pop begin to teach me the wisdom of a bird. First comes the "PREPARATION." They diligently begin to remove all the old grass from the old nest. Not a pleasant job but necessary. God's word speaks of our dross, past and present. Isa. 1:25 refers to our spiritual cleansing. Likewise not always pleasant but needed.

Next comes "PATIENCE." Hour upon hour, 24-7 she perseveres as long as it takes. Laying her egg, keeping them warm until they hatch. God's Word teaches us,, like the mother bird, to be patient or stand fast. James 5:8

Finally comes "PROVIDER." Again, hundreds of trips searching for worms. Never showing any evidence of becoming weary. Again God's word says something about providing. 1st Tim. 5:8. Amazing! Wonder what school she attended to learn all this?

And guess what - - - without help from Washington!!!! See you Sunday.

I love you, Harry