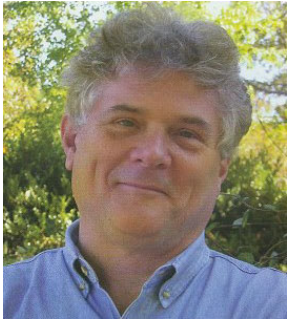


LAKE SHORELINES

June 28, 2006



“People Get Ready!”

Bob Darden

Adult Seminar

Wednesday, July 5, 6:30pm

Our friend Bob Darden will join us on Wednesday, July 5, to discuss his critically-acclaimed book, *People Get Ready! A New History of Black Gospel Music*. Bob will also tell us about the Black Gospel Music Restoration Project that he is leading at Baylor (backed by a \$350,000 gift) to

preserve this important part of our national heritage.

Bob joined Baylor’s faculty full-time in 1999, and now serves as an Associate Professor of Journalism. He spent 12 years as gospel music editor for *Billboard* magazine and since 1988 has been senior editor of *The Wittenburg Door*, the world’s oldest and largest (and probably only) religious humor and satire magazine. He’s been published in dozens of magazines and newspapers, and his work has drawn the attention of national media, including a feature segment on the NPR program, *All Things Considered*. His teaching, research, and writing interests have included the Branch Davidians, Texas history, screenplay and scriptwriting, editorial cartooning, and cinema. Bob is the author of 26 books, including: *On the Eighth Day*, *God Laughed*; *Mad Man in Waco*; *Corporate Giants: Stories of Faith and Finance*; and, most recently, *Reluctant Prophets and Clueless Disciples: Introducing the Bible By Telling Stories*.

Bob plays drums in the band “After Midnight” which includes our own Steve Gardner on the keyboard. Bob is a member of Seventh and James Baptist Church, where his wife, Mary, played an important role in mobilizing and coordinating Waco’s support for the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The Baylor Book Store has several copies of *People Get Ready* if you’d like to read it before the seminar.



The first Sunday of each month is “The Gathering Sunday” at Lake Shore, the time when church members bring offerings of non-perishable food items for our food pantry. Already this year we have supplied food, paper goods, and diapers to hundreds of people. Please help us restock the pantry

with peanut butter & jelly, pastas & sauces, canned fruits & vegetables, as well as canned meats. Bottled juices & water are especially good during the hot summer months when children are out of school. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Worship at Lake Shore

July Sermon Series

King David: The Early Years

It’s no secret that despite our thinking of Biblical heroes as having flawless character and enviable lives, many of them made enormous mistakes, had great flaws, and did not always “walk in the way of the Lord.” Perhaps King David is one of the most colorful among these. In years past we have focused on some of the stories that clearly pointed out David’s struggles and mistakes.

For this month, however, we’re going to revisit how David’s story began, his battle with Goliath, his dancing before the ark. We’re doing so not just to re-familiarize ourselves with his story, but to try to see what God saw in David’s heart to make him king and what qualities we see in David’s best and most carefree moments that we might cultivate in our own lives.

July 2

“The Heart of a King”

1 Samuel 15.34-16.13

July 9

“The Heart of a Champion”

1 Samuel 17.1a, 4-11, 19-23, 2-49

July 16

“The Heart that Dances”

2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19

July 23

“The Well-Intentioned Heart”

2 Samuel 7.1-14a

From Our Pastor . .

I think we're almost ready. As if you can ever be "ready" for a child. So perhaps I should say, "The house is almost ready." At least we have the basics almost covered. We've moved things around, sorted through closets, tried to organize the best we can (something that will always be a work in progress in any house I live in). But before our days are completely turned upside down, I've been taking some time to reflect on the stage that is about to come to an end, namely the pregnancy. And before my mind is filled with too many other things, I wanted to share some of these reflections and observations with you.

First there are some rather "surface" observations from these last eight months. I've noticed that during these months (especially lately) as I've been in the grocery store or picking something up at Target, I've felt completely free to walk past all women's magazines. As you know many of these magazines seem to specialize in making women feel "less than" with their pictures of unrealistic body images I presume in part so that then they can offer "solutions". I've enjoyed chuckling at the freedom to pass by every headline that promises me a "flat stomach in 30 days," not to mention those that suggest I "start now" to get my body "bikini ready" in the next few weeks. I'm not suggesting that the words "bikini ready" have ever really found themselves in a sentence I've used to describe myself, but now there is such freedom not to give it a second thought!

Another surface observation is how much easier it's gotten to shop for clothes (or not to shop as the case may be). Besides the challenge of finding maternity clothes that aren't of the spaghetti strap, low-cut style (who designs these things?), I have found a freedom these last few months to avoid entire sections of stores knowing without a doubt nothing there will fit me. It's been

like a free pass from the mild depression that arises on those occasions when I go from thinking something looks great on the Talbot's model to finding out it doesn't work on my body at all.

Of course, there are other observations that have come from the physical nature of pregnancy—the fatigue and how fast it strikes, how very little has sounded good to eat since November. There is much about these last months that has been a lesson in humility as I've had to realize my limits more acutely and that there is no glory in overdoing it physically when the one who may pay the biggest price is not you.

Still many of my reflections have had less to do with the physical and more with the spiritual, philosophical and emotional parts of life. My tears come a lot more easily these days (like I needed any help in that area), but at the same time there is something about the ability of the human psyche to feel more deeply about things and be more sensitive to the world around that has been a treasured part of this journey. These days I also have a new and much broader interest in how best to parent boys and the experience of boys growing up in our culture and men once they're grown.

There are plenty of other thoughts I've had, questions I've asked, but given the space, I'll share just one more. This final reflection is actually the one that prompted this article in the first place. As these days go by, I have found that I'm very much looking forward to learning how being a mother and being a pastor will intersect and inform each other. Yes, I have moments where I anticipate being overwhelmed by trying to balance the two. We all have those in our lives I think. And I know I won't always do both well. But mostly, after some time off to try as much as possible to get used to sleep deprivation (see the next page for the church plans for

while I'm away), I anticipate being enriched by the joining of these parts of my life. I don't pretend to know exactly how this will look or which will inform the other in what ways besides some of the obvious (I'm guessing my prayer life will take on a much more active element in the middle of the night when someone won't go back to sleep). It's simply something I thought you should know is an important part of this experience for me, one I look forward to sharing with you.

The truth is I've always loved the image of people rearing children in a church, where there are so many spiritual mentors, examples of different kinds of Christians, and simply lots of extra arms to help hold one up as they grow up. David and I are looking forward to that gift not just by rearing our son in the church, but in *this* church.

— Dorisanne

Good News

Alicia Neatherlin and Kevin Tomlinson were married Saturday. Bruce, Dorothy, Jacque, and Matt traveled to Connecticut for the wedding at which Bruce proudly walked Alicia down the aisle.

Pattie Herbert's son Taylor married Shelly Gagahan Saturday at their new home in Plano. Our warmest wishes are extended to them.

Caryl Miller-Reynolds and Kevin Compton will marry on Friday at Lake Shore. Dorisanne will officiate the ceremony. After the wedding Caryl & Kevin and their five boys—Andrew, Kyle, Ross, Matthew, and Koby—will travel to New Braunfels and San Antonio for a vacamoon.

Maternity Update

Many of you have asked what the plans are for my maternity leave beginning in August and here are the details. In accordance with the Personnel Committee and the stated parental leave policy in Lake Shore's Personnel Manual, the plan for my leave is as follows—I will be away from the church during August and September. In October I will return to preaching and worship leadership on Sundays and will be here on Wednesdays in addition to staff meetings and worship planning, but the majority of that month will be part-time supplemented with accumulated sick leave. We do have Sharlande scheduled to preach on July 30 in case someone decides to arrive early and the following schedule fills in the rest of the weeks out.

- ✦ August 6—Mike Sciretti preaching
- ✦ August 13—Sharlande Sledge preaching
- ✦ August 20—Bob Baird preaching
- ✦ August 27—Bill Bellinger preaching
- ✦ September 3—Sharlande preaching
(this is also Mike and Rachel's 5th anniversary at Lake Shore!)
- ✦ September 10—Bob Baird preaching
- ✦ September 17—Bill Bellinger preaching
- ✦ September 24—Children's Musical

Many of you have also asked how best to support the staff while I am gone, and here are some thoughts: Show up early for things and ask what you can do to help (this is true for Sunday mornings as well as special events). So many unexpected little tasks can take up time. Conversely, plan to stay after an event and help clean up, or when you have some free time, call the office and see if there is an errand you can do for someone or offer to pick up lunch. These "little" gestures can make the difference in a staff person's week and psyche. So thank you for your offers and for the ways I know you will fill in during this time of year when we kick off Sunday school and our school year schedule! —*Dorisanne*

YAC News

Do you have yard work, house cleaning, or garage cleaning you don't want to do? Babysitting or pets that need sitting, walking or bathing?

The YAC (Young Adults in Church) youth will be raising funds for our Pilgrimage in June, 2007. We hope to raise enough money to go to Canterbury and travel the route of this early pilgrimage site. To that end, we are ALL willing and available to assist you in whatever ways you need.

Members of this group include: Susan York, Emily Smallwood, Hannah Allen, Haley Warren, Todd Francis, Tom Miller, and Brad SoRelle. Please call to hire any or all of us. We're waiting to hear from you!

Watch for future news about our Garage Sale! Saturday, July 15th, at the Allen's house, 2211 Colcord. — Thank you, *The YAC Group*

Thomas Hanks Engaged!

Carole and Tom Hanks are delighted to announce the engagement of Rev. Stephanie Spitzer and their son Thomas Hanks, who grew up in LSBC. They invite any and all Lake Shore members and friends who have felt close to Thomas to join them at a celebratory engagement party at their home (5804 Westlawn Drive) at 7 pm on Saturday, 15 July. Eat before you come, says Tom, but not to excess: we'll have major snacks to celebrate.

Stephanie is pastor of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, 117 Gerald Lane, Elm Mott, Texas (76640). She is a graduate of Truett Seminary at Baylor.

Prayer Concerns

Devin Seibel, son of Graeme & Suzie and brother of Cameron, was stepped on by a colt last week. He received several bruises on his chest and head. Graeme says that Devin is bruised but better.

Sharon Wynn awaits further medical test results.

Vern Sauter's mother is adjusting to her move to a nursing home. Vern's brother is doing well after a bone marrow transplant.

Lee Chapman, long-time Sunday school member in Jacque Neatherlin's Sunday school class who lived with Jacque, died Thursday in Dallas.

July Office Schedule

While Caryl is out much of July completing her teaching certification course work, Leslie Rosenscrans and Jeff SoRelle will staff the office. **Please note the special office hours for this month:**

- ✦ *Monday-Thursday:* 9-12 and 1-5
- ✦ *Friday 9-1:* Caryl will be in the office on Fridays (and Saturdays) to take care of the church finances.

Leslie will be here Monday-Thursday mornings and on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Jeff will be here Monday and Wednesday afternoons. **Please note that the office will be closed from 12-1.** We appreciate your patience and good humor!

Children's Corner

Lil' Helping Hands

July 5: Memory Boxes

Wednesday Nights for School-Age Children 6-7:30 p.m.

July 5: Choir practice & scrapbooks with Jerri Love

July 12: Choir practice & news on Channa Gray's upcoming mission trip to Kenya

July 19: Car Wash to raise money for Channa's trip

July 26: Choir practice & Mountainview Splash Park!

Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
Aaron Garcia, Organist
Pattie Herbert, Custodian
Caryl Miller-Reynolds, Administrative Secretary
Heather Robards, Director, Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center
Mike Sciretti, Minister to Youth
Rachel Sciretti, Minister to Children
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor



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MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, July 2

9:30-Sunday School
10:45-Worship
12:00-Missions Committee

Monday, July 3

5:30-Beginner Yoga

Tuesday, July 4

Office Closed

Wednesday, July 5

8:30-Staff Meeting
5:30-Supper
6:30-Adult, Youth, Children Activities
7:30-Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday Night Supper

July 5

BBQ Sandwiches
Potato Salad
Dessert



Dinner brought to you by the Wrens, Doves, & Chickadees

Extended Care

Sunday, July 2

Infants: Don SoRelle
Louise Clark
Toddlers: Gin Courtney
Preschool: The Davis Family

Drivers & Counselors!

Urgent! The youth and children ministries of Lake Shore need drivers/counselors for camp. The youth group needs a *female* adult to drive and be a counselor at Passport New Orleans. The children need a *male* adult to drive and be a counselor at Southwest Baptist Children's Camp in Denton. Call Mike (744-7869) or Rachel (744-6822) if you can fill these needs.

Youth News

Sunday Morning:

Breakfast: Thomas Miller
Sunday School: Craig Thornton

Sunday Night:

Project PRIME 2: After a brief prayer experience, we'll have our first lesson on the AIDS crisis in Africa and then begin painting what will become our new dining room. We'll start at 5:00; plan on staying a little longer if you can.

Dinner: Laura Smajstrla

Wednesday Night:

Project PRIME 2: We'll continue working on the Teen House, learning about AIDS in Africa, and experimenting with different types of prayer.

Coming Up:

TBA - Dinner for 5 Amigo nights!

July 14 - Church-wide movie night on the lawn

July 17-22 - Passport Youth Camp to New Orleans

New CBF Publication

Mike Sciretti was instrumental in organizing and contributed to the new CBF publication *Light for the Path: A Guide to Spiritual Formation Resources*, a project of the Spiritual Formation Network Discerning Community, of which he is a member. Mike wrote the introduction to the publication. He and Rachel developed the section on children and family spirituality resources. A copy of the publication is available in the office.

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for 2006 are \$7,865.17. Receipts last week were \$ 2,571.00.

Year to date needs
\$ 204,494.50

Year to date received
\$ 172,877.75

Difference
(\$ 31,616.75)