

# LAKE SHORELINES

July 25, 2007

## Celebrating Mike After-Church Picnic *(Indoors)*

Sunday, July 29  
after worship

Join us as we celebrate Mike Sciretti's six years as Minister to Youth at Lake Shore. Mike is leaving his position here to pursue his doctoral work full-time.

The church will order fried chicken and provide drinks. Bring picnic dish of food to share. If you can, leave your food in a cooler in your car until after church.

Please sign the list in the hallway or e-mail Catherine (cadavenport@hotmail.com) by Friday, so we'll know how much chicken to order.

*Cost for the chicken will be \$1 per person.*

## Celebrating Caryl Happy & Sad Hour

Monday, July 30  
4:30-5:30

*This is the time of day that the staff needs a bit of dark chocolate to keep us going.*

*We'll have chocolate, cheese, and more of the tastes that Caryl loves*

*Join us to say good-bye and good luck to Caryl Miller-Compton.*

*She has resigned her position as Administrative Secretary to take a teaching position at Lake Air Middle School.*



*Imagine . . . worship*



—Photos courtesy Ashley Thornton



*Imagine . . . work*



*Imagine . . . rest*



*Imagine . . . play*

## *Thank you, Caryl*

It's been nice talking to you all these days after school. I will sorely miss our conversations, as well as our bickering over how much money we owe each other from my work at the church. By the way, I need my \$20 by next Monday. Good luck! — *Thomas Miller*

Blessings to you as you move on to your new calling. Teaching our middle schoolers is a mission. Sam and I will miss hearing your voice when we call or seeing you go about the busyness of our church, always with a seemingly effortless efficiency and graciousness. You have been a blessing to us. — *Helen Hastings*

I can't truly express my gratitude for all of your help and assistance you have given during your tenure as Financial Secretary. I think we can both agree that the behind-the-scenes acts of kindness and grace give added meaning to the list of numbers each month. When the contributions have a face attached to the sack of food or formula for a child, then we truly see the work of God among us. Thanks greatly and best wishes. — *Don Sorelle*

Thank you for always helping me and being so nice. I'm going to miss you at LSBC. — *Rolanda Brooks, LSBC*

You have been a wonderful blessing to the office on Sunday mornings for the money tellers. We are going to miss your notes, phone calls, and your smile. Automating the contributions with spreadsheets helps us keep track of all the funds. — *Fred and Burl*

Is it Monday already? Get ready for the week, Bruce! Oh, may gosh how will anything get done? I drag myself to Lake Shore for Meals on Wheels. I usually stop in the office first. I have to duck as this hummingbird called Caryl is zipping around the office, fanning the breeze and giving nectar out to all instead of taking it. My Lord, I will miss that! — *Bruce Neatherlin*

I'm reminded of a quote from an old priest looking back on his life who said, "I have always been complaining that my work was constantly interrupted, until I slowly discovered that the interruptions were my work." Interruptions and multitasking were the context of Caryl's time at Lake Shore. Somehow she managed to balance the phone, the finances, the newsletter, the constant traffic in the office, etc., with efficiency, grace and compassion. Our loss is Lake Air's gain. — *Annette Brister*

## *Thank you, Mike*

Mike Sciretti, you have been like a father to me. No one can replace you. I'll never forget what you taught me. Remember that I support your decision . . . but you better pass. Love you and God Bless. — *Capucine Morin*

Mike brought a wonderful blend of aesthetic and activity to the youth program, all wrapped up in God's grace. He was a pleasure to work with. — *Karen Matkin*

Mike, a blessed soul who shares his blessedness.  
Mike, a questioning spirit who shares his questions.  
Mike, a joyful son of God who shares his smiles.  
— *Jeffrey Sorelle*

He was always there for me whenever I needed him. I'll miss his life lessons and lectures when I get mad, especially the times when he said no one can make you mad and that you shouldn't let anyone take over your emotions. Or the one where you have the choice to take the bad things people say about you or not. I'll also miss his Star Wars and Harry Potter moments. He was the best of the best, I've got to say. So Mike, let God guide you in your life and your choices. — *Love, Louise-Marie Morin*

"A Quasi-Haiku for Mikey Spaghetti:"  
Tall Yoda, he is.

Wise, calm, yet fun and funky.

Long may you spiritually formate!

— *Craig Thornton*

Mike, You have touched my life and my spirit in the few months that I have worked beside you. In the conversations that we have had it was your insight that opened my eyes to new ways of experiencing God. Thank you for mentoring and guiding me as I begin to understand how to minister to youth. May God bless you wherever you may go. — *Charles Conkin*

Mike is one who offers the gift of listening and seeing deeply. His tempo and openness bring peace, healing, and joy. — *Chris Brennan Homiak*

When I first heard Mike had resigned, I was shocked. Then I heard he was doing this to write his dissertation, and I completely understood. Writing can be derailed so easily. However, I want to say that this group of youth he has nurtured have a responsibility to pass on things he taught them. Most of all, he has shared the gifts of meditation and quiet spirituality. It's hard to slow down and be open to God's presence, but heaven knows, Mike has tried to encourage us in that direction. — *Kathy Gardner*

## A Letter from Aaron Garcia

Lake Shore,

As I come to my third year at Lake Shore Baptist, it is with sweet sadness that I announce my resignation as church organist. I'll be moving on to Austin, Texas, where I'll be Organist Choirmaster at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings, Texas, and working on graduate work at the University of Texas.

Many people find Lake Shore, but in my case Lake Shore found me. I remember receiving an email from Dr. Joyce Jones telling me that there was a Baptist church that had an opening. I grew up in a Lutheran/Catholic home, so my immediate response was one of caution. I thought I needed to stay away from those "strange Baptists." Dr. Jones responded by saying, "This isn't THAT kind of church."

At Lake Shore Baptist I have had more than a weekly gig on an organ bench. Here I found a spiritual home. From hanging church banners, and helping Sharlande move pots in the front, to working with the Youth, I'm thankful that I was sent here and able to be part of something wonderful. I thank you for your constant encouragement and future support as I embark on the next chapter in church music. I also promise to take a piece of Lake Shore with me to whatever congregation I serve in the future.

Aaron M. Garcia

## Koinonia Class News

The Koinonia Sunday school class is watching a DVD series called "Jesus and the Gospels." The lecturer is Luke Timothy Johnson, Professor of New Testament and Christian Origins at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University.

All are invited. The series begins promptly at 9:45 on Sunday mornings.

## Children's Corner

The Car Wash for Children's Camp raised \$277.14. Thank you for your participation

## Southwest Baptist Children's Camp

11 children and 5 sponsors left Monday morning for Camp Copass in Denton. They will return Friday afternoon.

## Rachel's Birthday Party

Wednesday, August 1,  
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  
5418 Chaparral

(Karyn & Molly Miller's home)

Come for swimming, cake, & ice cream.

## Thrilling Thursday

Thursday, August 2  
6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

Movie Night at Rachel's  
Create your own popcorn!  
Bring your pillow!

## Children's Ministry Year-in-Review & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sending

Wednesday, August 15  
6:00-7:30 p.m.

## Good-bye 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Trip

Thursday, August 16  
More info to come

## Worship at Lake Shore The Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 29, 2007

The Sermon  
"When You Pray"  
Dorisanne Cooper

The Scripture  
Luke 11.1-13

*The Baptism of David Clifton Miller*

## Shawl Ministry

Saturday, August 4, 10 a.m.  
2700 Glendale  
—Judy Prather's Home

We discovered this beautiful ministry at the WomenSpeak Conference in February, and it seemed a perfect way to combine our love of knitting and crocheting, compassion and service, and meeting with new friends. Blessings are prayed into every shawl, which are given to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as celebration. For more information, go to [www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com).

If you have questions, please contact Patty Field (254-876-2817) or Judy Prather (723-8358).



## Prayers for ...

Hazel Henderson, who is moving to Quality Care for a short time

Thaddeus Denton and his parents, Robert and Jeannette, while Thaddeus recovers from a broken femur

Jo Pendleton, who is recovering at home following surgery last week

June & Harold Osborne, who learned recently that June's cancer has returned

The family of Vickie Cowell, who died in Hyattsville, Maryland; Vickie was a close friend of Libby Bellinger's since seminary

Connie and Jerry Westerfeld, upon the death of his mother

John Scott Hargrove, nephew of Helen Hastings and cousin of Anne Smajstrla. He is hospitalized in critical condition in Phoenix, Arizona, because of complications of diabetes, staph infection, and kidney failure

## Our Church Staff

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



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## MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

### *Sunday, July 29*

9:30 – Sunday school

10:45 – Worship

### *Tuesday, July 31*

Mike's last day

### *Wednesday, August 1*

Caryl's last day

5:30 – No Supper

6:00 – Children's Swim at  
Karyn & Molly's house

### *Thursday, August 2*

10:00 – Food Pantry Open

### Looking Ahead

August 12 – Deacons' Meeting

## Wednesday

### Night Supper Sabbatical

*August 1*

*until the last*

*Wednesday*

*night in August (29th)*

## Extended Care Visitor Cards/Offering *Sunday, July 29*

Infants: *Judy Prather*  
Toddlers: *Barb Franics*  
Preschool/K: *Terri & Mikhayla  
Evans; Jerri & Mackenzie Love*

Visitor Cards: *Travis Burt  
Steven Burt*

Offering: *Tom Charlton,  
Becca Sharpless, David Mosley  
Deb Vardiman*

## Youth News

### Sunday Morning:

Breakfast – Morin

Sunday School – Charles Conkin

### Sunday Evening:

Remembering Our Story. For this last Sunday night with Mike, we will tell unique youth-group stories and affirm unique characteristics of our group. Come with your favorite story and with an idea of what makes our youth group special. We'll also make something that symbolizes our group, something that can be passed to the next youth minister. Dinner by Davies/Kelly/Mosley.

### Coming Up:

8/1-3 – Mission trip to Austin

8/26 – Back-to-School Party

## Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2007 budget of \$435,456 are \$8,374.15. This week we received \$2,636.00

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 242,850.46	\$ 194,429.85	\$ (48,420.61)

Last week, we wishfully, but erroneously, reported that we had received a substantial (\$800,000) windfall. Unfortunately, we did not. We would welcome such a gift, should you be so inclined.

*Mark Your Calendars*

*Women's Retreat*

*September 28-30*

*Cedarbrake Renewal Center*

*Belton, Texas*