

LAKE SHORELINES



July 2, 2008

Thank you, Sarah

This week Sarah Randles completes almost ten months of serving as our interim office manager. Lake Shore is grateful for her ministry to us this year. Here are a few of our words of gratitude:

Sarah answers the telephone with the voice of a person leading a guided meditation. Her voice is so calm and gentle. The copy machine can be running, the food pantry can be bustling, the ministers can be speaking loudly across the office at one another, and Sarah still answers the telephone in such a soothing way. Amazing. We'll miss you, Sarah. Thank you for ALL you have given to your church.
— *Rachel Sciretti*

Sarah, do you mean the time has come for me to “break-in” another person with all my interruptions when I need “things” and information? When I don't answer the phone in the kitchen because I fail to recognize that signal and you walk all the way to the kitchen to tell me I have a phone call? and you just smiled. Thanks Sarah, I'll miss your tolerance.
— *Barbara Hobbs*

Among the qualities I have appreciated in Sarah is her calm, warm, welcoming voice on the telephone. She has represented us well in these past interim months. Through her manner even the stranger who calls our church gets some sense of who we, as a church, try to be. Thank you, Sarah, for your positive caring nature that has shined through.
— *Judy Kelly Davies*

Sarah has been like a sister, always smiling and happy. I will miss her.
— *Gordon Lawrence*

“Lake Shore Baptist Church, this is Sarah.” No matter the reason that I call, and no matter how upset I may be those words had a calming effect on me. Should I be surprised? No. And I will miss those calls. Thank you, Sarah.
— *Bruce Neatherlin*

Sarah — thoughtful, responsible, sensitive, quiet, concerned for others.
— *Annette Brister*

Sarah's blue “office copy” of the church directory is a testament to the details she's kept up with on behalf of us all — constantly changing e-mail addresses, cell phone numbers, care group lists, new members. I do believe that God is in the details; from our new office key system to the birthday list on my computer to the magnificent sunflowers in the herb garden, I am grateful to Sarah's role in adding more organization and beauty to my days. From when I first met her in 1985 I knew how dedicated she was to Lake Shore. Now I have no doubt.
— *Sharlande Sledge*

Sarah, I appreciate your ever present sense of humor and your ability to bring perspective to any situation with a good story.
— *Beth Kilpatrick*

**Worship at Lake Shore
The Eleventh Sunday
of Ordinary Time**

The Worship of God
July 6, 2008

**The Celebration
of Communion**

The Gathering

The first Sunday of each month we collect food in the baskets at the front door, so we can help stock our food pantry and have food to give away on Thursdays. This month we can especially use tuna, cans of corn, boxes of Jello, and pudding.



Sarah is that rare combination of someone who is extremely organized and yet deeply compassionate. Sometimes having one of these qualities takes up the space of the other one in a person's time and personality, but Sarah balances both of these in one wonderful soul. She can be in the middle of setting up a system to organize the keys and yet look up and tend to whomever walks in the door. I'm grateful for that and will continue to admire that about Sarah. Blessings upon you!
— *Dorisanne Cooper*

A Prayer for Those on Mission

offered in worship, June 29

by Charles Conkin

God of service,
God of action,
God of this world,

You have called each one of us to participate in your mission to be the bearers of your love in this world. Today we want to acknowledge those who reach out to the thirsty. Those who forsake all to follow your love and Christ's example. Those who put words to action and share in the work of redemption.

On mission we may travel to other places where people are in need or we may begin to see our neighbors and serve them. Whether we are miles from home and loved ones, or in our communities, remind us that it is in giving a cup of water, clothing the naked, or feeding the hungry, that will spread your love. Wherever we are, O God, make your mission of justice our goal.

This task is difficult. It is unending. Person after person needs help and we become buried in the piles of

needs. There seems to be more and more who come than the amount of energy to relieve the burdens. Place your spirit upon those on mission. Inspire them with a passion of Christ-like love so they may join their lives to the weak and oppressed. Strengthen them so they may carry these burdens more easily.

God, we ask your blessing over those on mission across this world. They have accepted the call to take the gospel to the ends of the earth. Comfort them. They are far from their homes. We ask that you bring peace and rest for their travels.

God, we ask your blessing over those on mission in their local communities. They have accepted your call to live daily an incarnate gospel to their neighbors. When they go in through the streets of their cities, open their eyes to see those who are thirsty.

And God as we leave this room today, remind us of our calling to also be on mission.

We are thankful for this task that is given to us, to be a people called out to carry your love.

In the name of Jesus Christ,
Amen.

Prayer concerns

Nancy Chinn continues to receive chemotherapy at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas. Nancy's address is 3500 Gaston Ave., Attn: 4 Collins, Room 429, Dallas, TX 75246.

Tom McPeak had surgery Tuesday at Scott & White Hospital after suffering a fall while he was at the coast last week.

Patty Field is having knee replacement surgery on Monday, July 7.

Grant Writing Workshop

Susan Duecy of the Grants Resource Center spent two hours with 14 Lake Shore members and friends, giving her insights on grant writing and non-profit fund raising. As someone who spends the entire workday working in the for-profit world, where fund raising for not-for profit groups is very foreign, Susan helped bring a clarity to the process and emphasized that good grant proposals are those that present a clear, concise explanation of the purpose of the request that meets with the goals of the granting entity. Lake Shore could use this guidance in seeking funding for the Children's Center, in assisting others in funding for mission project that we concurrently support, and seeking more permanent sources of funding for those causes we help initiate. Our thanks to Susan for taking her time on a Monday evening to share her knowledge and experience with Lake Shore. — Gary Miller

I've been curious about grant-writing for a long time, and I could have had no better introduction than what we got Monday night. Just four days before her retirement, Susan Duecy brought the breadth and depth of her professional experience, lots of practical knowledge, and basic common sense, and she just handed it to us for free. I learned a lot, but the main thing I learned was this: grant writing involves a great deal more than just writing. — Judy Prather



Elizabeth Dell Celebrates a Successful Garage Sale

Thank you, Elizabeth, for all your hard work and late nights. We raised more than \$4000 with the organization and leadership of Elizabeth. Your work is much appreciated.

The Youth Group

LSBC-TV — The Travel Channel

Wednesday, July 9 — 6:30 p.m.

Tune in every Wednesday this summer.
Here's a preview of our program next week,
focusing on the mission trip to Kansas City.
Look for a more extensive report by David Miller
next week and on our website.

One of the experiences that stuck with me the most was working at Cherith Brook at the showers. Before, I had viewed homeless people as "homeless," all of them grouped together under one title. Because I had never really known/talked to a homeless person, I viewed them more as their label, not as individuals like you and me. But being with them and just talking with them made me understand that these aren't just blank faces you see on street corners, these are real people with real stories like anyone else. I think being in a community where people are treated like people, everyone the same, is very beneficial for homeless. For the homeless of Kansas City, the hot showers, smiles, and cups of coffee received at Cherith Brook help not only physically, but also provide an important sense of community that I'm thankful to have been a part of last week.

— *Laura Smajstrla*

One thing about the mission trip that impacted me the most was working with the refugee children, and in particular the stories that Sarah told us about them. Some of the things that these children had to go through as small children I would never ever want to have to suffer through. The power that they have to continue to strive to be better in this sometimes unforgiving world is one of the most remarkable things I have ever seen. — *Brad SoRelle*

Children's Corner

"Oh, Jonah!" Summer Music Camp

@ **Seventh & James Baptist Church**

Monday – Friday, July 7-11, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Bring your lunch and a drink.

Saturday, July 12, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. – Important dress rehearsal

Sunday, July 13, 5:15 p.m. cast call and 6 p.m. worship/performance

Children's Camp Camper and Parent Meetings

Sunday, July 6 or Sunday, July 13 following the worship service. This is a *required* meeting for every camper and a parent. Receive important information and forms regarding camp. You only need to attend *one* meeting. The campers will be commissioned in worship on July 20.

LSBC Kids TV - Wednesday, July 9.

Car Wash for Children's Camp

Wednesday, July 16 at 5:30 p.m. This annual event is a whole lot of fun and raises good money for children's camp. Whether your child is attending camp or not, bring your family to help. We will need towels, sponges, brushes, and buckets.

Staff news

Dorisanne will be preaching this Sunday July 6, at University Baptist Church in Austin as part of the church's 100th Anniversary Festival of Preaching.

"Oh, Jonah!"

A children's musical

Sunday, July 13

6:00 p.m.

Seventh & James Baptist Church

Next week the children of Lake Shore and Seventh & James will work hard learning and rehearsing, "Oh, Jonah!" a musical about the life and times of Jonah, of big fish fame. Please join us on July 13 for an evening of worship, storytelling, music, and laughter.

Shawl Ministry

Lake Shore's Prayer Shawl Ministry is taking a summer vacation, with plans to begin the new year in September. This group, which gathers each first Saturday of the month, recently celebrated one year of ministry. Since its beginning in May 2007, more than a dozen Lake Shore members have made and given away about a hundred shawls and lap robes, with many more in the making. Everyone is welcome, and instruction is provided. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please ask Patty Field or Judy Prather.

Thank you

For God's unconditional and everlasting love I'm truly blessed. He has sent his Lake Shore Dove Angels to watch over me, and kept a continual hot line of cards and phone calls coming.

You can't imagine how uplifting it is to be loved and feel that love permeating in my life at this time.

In His care,
Catharine Campbell

Our Church Staff

Charles Conkin, Minister to Youth
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
Daniel Farris, Minister of Music
Emily Gist, Director, Lake Shore
Baptist Children's Center
Gordon Lawrence, Custodian
Sarah Randles, Interim Office Manager
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MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, July 6

9:30—Sunday School
10:45—Worship
The Gathering
12:00 — Children's Camp
parents' meeting

Monday, July 7

12:00—Newsletter Deadline
Children's Music Camp
begins

Tuesday, July 8

9:00—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 9

5:30—Supper
6:15—Children's Activities
6:30—Seminar—Kansas City
Mission Trip Report
7:30—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 10

8:30—Food Pantry Breakfast
9:00—Food Pantry Opens

Friday, July 11

6:00 — "Oh, Jonah!"

The Survival Project: One Child at a Time

Sunday, July 6
7:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.
on CNN
sponsored by UNICEF

Wednesday Night Supper July 9, 2008



Chicken & Rice Salad
Fruit
Dessert

Hosted by Church Staff

Extended Care Visitor Cards/Offering Sunday, July 6

Infants: Kay Neugebauer
Toddler: Robert or Jeanette Denton
Preschool/K: The Seibel Family

Visitor Cards: Travis Burt
Steven Burt

Offering: Judy Davies
Jeff Davies

David Tonghou
Prudencia Tonghou

Ushers: Ellen Brown

Youth News

Breakfast: Miller-Compton
Supper: Miller

Thanks to all the youth and parents who helped in preparation and on the days of the **garage sale**. It was a huge success because of your help.

An additional \$100 is due for **Passport** if you have not already paid.

Passport is arriving fast, be on the look out for more information.

Coming Up:
July 13-18: Passport



Daniel Farris and Linda Haskett invite you to enjoy this summer's production of the Waco Children's Theatre.

July 9-12—7:30 p.m.
July 13—2:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door. Call 715-5401 to reserve your tickets today.

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 2008 budget of \$451,972 are \$8,691.77.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$225,986	\$163,363	\$(62,622)

Deacons On-Call

July

Gin Courtney
Mike Raymond
Craig Thornton