

LAKE SHORELINES

April 15, 2009

mission **50**

the celebration of Lake Shore's fifty years
on mission with Christ and each other

the church in the world,
vigorous, spirited, fully alive

the season of moving beyond our doors
in response to our community's needs

May 2 — October 11

The fifty mission projects represent Lake Shore's grateful response to fifty years together. They reflect worship that moves us into action on behalf of God's children everywhere. They represent our ministries to children and families and the aging and through food and nutrition, community investment, health and wellness, and advocacy and education.

Next week you will receive a brochure listing the projects. Choose one that fits your gifts, concerns, and time. Your class, Care Group, church committee, or group of friends may want to "adopt" a Mission 50 project. Call the leader or sign up in the hall.

Lake Shore serves Waco and the world with the gospel of hope, wholeness, and peace. May the peace of Christ be with you as we remember the past and dream of the future of our church's calling.

Leader Meeting

Sunday, April 12, at 4:00 p.m. in the Blue Room

Mission 50 Intro for Everyone

Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Blue Room

Worship at Lake Shore
The Second Sunday of Easter

The Worship of God
April 19

"Christ Amid the Pots and Pans"
Sharlande Sledge

The Scripture
Luke 24.13-35

The Celebration of Communion

Kick off Mission 50 with ShareFest!

Saturday, May 2 at 8:00 a.m.

A day of service projects in Waco.

Think "11-on-11," but with several churches involved. Meet at the Waco ISD football stadium for donuts and a brief devotional. Then head out to work.

**Sign up in the hall for a Lake Shore
ShareFest project or call the leader.**

Starting the Mountainview Community Garden behind the church

leader: Emily Fau 296-4205

In cooperation with the Mountainview community and school, and in partnership with the World Hunger Relief Farm, start work on an urban garden on land behind the church to provide fresh foods for Lake Shore's food ministries.

Mowing lawns and painting for

Waco Community Development Corporation

leader: Jason Johnston (409)504-0850

Help mow yards and paint houses to help revitalize the inner-city community near Mission Waco and Habitat.

Washing cars to raise funds for Talitha Koum

leaders: Brianna Springer (714)642-1917 & Kristi SoRelle 776-7929

Help raise money for diapers, one of the biggest needs of Talitha Koum, a nurture center in the Kate Ross neighborhood. If you don't actually wash and rinse cars, come get your car washed!

*For more information about ShareFest,
contact Ashley Thornton 757-0586.*

Easter Prayer

Christ the First-born of all Creation,
the Image of the Invisible God,
Christ of the Resurrection Morning in the garden,
Christ of *this* Easter morning,
be as new as the rain that awakened us today
and as real as the dew on the grass was to Mary,
so that even through the salt of our tears we sense a
presence, a nearness of Life and Love,
a Hope so close that its fragrance, like the sweet rain,
carries us toward the garden.

The morning air is crisp with Creation,
yet thick with Mystery --
everywhere a sound we have never heard before,
everywhere a color we've never seen,
everywhere life, vibrancy, energy --
and, from a voice that is unmistakably yours,
the sound of our own name.

Awaken us, Christ of the Morning.
Give us a pure, fresh awareness
of a world scrubbed clean.

Let us stay here a while --long enough that our souls and
selves are wholly centered in your resurrected presence;
long enough that we can feel a door opening
from death to life, a door that lets all the holiness
that ever was and ever will be enter the world;
long enough that we remember the words
spoken to us at our baptism:
"Raised to walk in newness of life."

O Christ, we know we cannot stay in this garden forever.
The things that were heavy on our hearts yesterday
still concern us.

We cannot so quickly let go of all that brings us grief
and sadness..

The news of wind and fire, of war and disease still hold
sway in too many places on this earth.

People we love suffer, get hurt, struggle with daily life..

Because we live in this world, we ask you to
immerse us again today in the power of the resurrection
and center us in its truth.

We need the inner strength of your power
that brings life out of death.

Make this morning a touchstone to which we can
return when we need to remember that you love the
world, that we have not been forgotten,
and that you birthed us into a life
that is based on hope in the impossible.

Help us remember that Morning came, the third day,
pushing back the night - illuminating, revealing,
beginning - genesis again.

On this Easter Sunday we ask you to awaken
the part of us that believes in mystery,
the fragments of ourselves that believe in your power
to restore the world and heal our lives.
Remind us that because we are in Christ,
and when we hear our name,
we can rise faithfully like the morning to give thanks to
the Risen Lord,
who is our Wholeness and Healer,
who has the power to use even us
to do the impossible in the world.
Amen

—Sharlande Sledge

Soup Bowl Supper Success

Start with a handcrafted bowl made by Lake Shore member Barbara Francis, Glenda Ramsower, or another Waco potter. Fill it with chicken almond soup made by D's Mediterranean and donated by church members. Then go back for a re-fill, this time with lentil soup. Top off the meal with baklava made by Sandy Londos and Linda Davis. The 13th annual Soup Supper happened because of the gifts of all of these people and the Missions Committee.

Everyone who bought a bowl made a contribution that outlasts the Palm Sunday meal. The \$2000 we collected all goes to Christian Ministries to Gaza, directed by our Soup Supper guest Hanna Massad (pictured with David Tonghou). Some bowls are still left if you would like to purchase one or make a donation. Check out these websites from the BBC, *Christianity Today*, and the Santa Barbara, CA, paper about Hanna's ministry that helps Gaza Baptist Church feed the hungry in Gaza.

news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/4514822.stm
www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2005/july/9.44.html
www.independent.com/news/2009/apr/03/between-two-fires



Youth Spring Retreat

Be at the church at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24. We will return Sunday, April 26, at noon. Cost is \$65.

Lake Shore Baptist Church Beginnings



Tidbit No. 12:

One final tidbit on selecting a name for the church.

By Wednesday night prayer service on July 1, 1959 when the name of the church was decided, the choices had settled down to two: Lake Shore or Mountainview. Unfortunately we don't have a stenographic report of the discussion that night. Fifty years have blurred the memory even of those were "present at the creation."

Catherine Davenport, Barbara Johnston, and Jan Williams were among those in attendance when the decision was made. None of those present recalls much of the final discussion (arguments) in favor of one name or the other, but all remember the dramatic outcome. With excitement and a degree of apprehension the congregation voted and waited the tallying of the ballots: Lake Shore or Mountainview, which would it be?

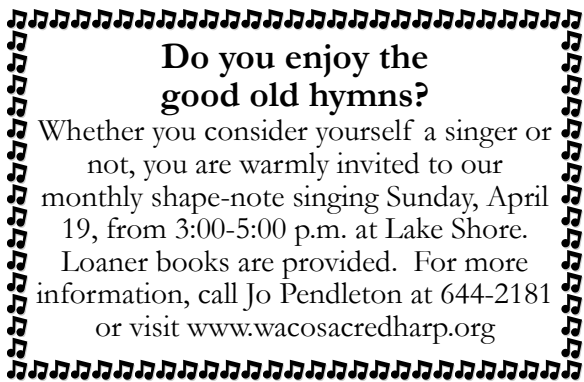
Incredibly, the vote was a tie. Perhaps appropriately, because he had given so much to the founding of the church, Moderator **James Mixon** cast the deciding vote in favor of **Lake Shore!**

So, there you have it; and we have been trying to explain it ever since!
—*Rufus Spain*

Do you enjoy the good old hymns?

Whether you consider yourself a singer or not, you are warmly invited to our monthly shape-note singing Sunday, April 19, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Lake Shore.

Loaner books are provided. For more information, call Jo Pendleton at 644-2181 or visit www.wacosacredharp.org



Week of the Young Child
April 19-25, 2009



Bring Communities Together for Children
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Week of the Young Child is an annual national event that celebrates young children and honors all those who make a difference in their lives, especially their teachers. This week we celebrate the teachers and children at Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center.

**LSBCC
Picnic
April 21
5:30-6:30**

Children's Corner

It's BIKE-A-THON time!

Sunday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m. followed by a cookout on the playground. Ride bikes and trikes, wagons and scooters around the back lot of the church to raise money for a special mission project – showing Christ's light and love in a tangible way.

"Playgrounds for Palestine"

Learn about it on **Wednesdays, April 22, 29**
A year and a half ago we were blessed with a beautiful new playground. This year's Bike-a-thon project is a spin-off from our Soup Supper project. Lake Shore Kids will help Palestinian Kids by raising money to build a playground in Palestine.

How can a child get involved?

Pick up a pledge envelope. There is a display in the hallway.
Learn about Playgrounds for Palestine.
Ask for pledges from friends and family.
Ride in the Bike-a-thon.
Collect pledges and turn them in to Rachel.

Children's Camp Registration

3rd-6th graders are invited to camp with the Southwest Baptist Children's Camping Association this July 27-31 in Denton, TX. The total cost is \$175. A \$50 deposit by May 1 will hold your spot. See Rachel for information.

Good News

Libby Bellinger reports that Glenace Edwall's treatment protocol was successful and no live lymphoma tissue was found in her brain.

Lesley Ratcliff, Interim Director for the Children's Center, is in the chorus in the upcoming performance of *Brigadoon* at the Waco Civic Theatre.

Gordon Lawrence has a new grandson, Elijah Ross. Elijah was born to Stacy and Matthew on April 2 in Mexia.

Prayers for . . .

Bob and Nancy Brown, upon the loss of Nancy's mother, Thelma Pollard. A private service will be held in Dallas.

Missy Davis, who has been suffering from severe stomach pain recently.

Thank You

If you've noticed that the area under the big oak tree by the front door is looking especially green, lush, and springy, it's because one of Lake Shore's own "master gardeners" has been spending lots of time watering and tending the Asian jasmine and planting begonias beside the pathway. Thanks to Catherine Davenport for the plants, her time, and the gift of the bench underneath the windows.

Our Church Staff

Charles Conkin, Minister to Youth
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
Daniel Farris, Minister of Music
Gordon Lawrence, Building Caretaker
Lesley Ratcliff, Interim Director
Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center
Melinda Reynolds, Office Manager
Rachel Sciretti, Minister to Children
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor
Brianna Springer, Social Work Intern



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, April 19

9:30—Sunday School
10:45—Worship
4:00—Mission 50 Leader Mtg

Monday, April 20

12:00—Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, April 21

9:00—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, April 22

Earth Day
5:30—Supper
6:15—Children's Activities
6:30—Seminar
7:30—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 23

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

Looking Ahead

April 14-26

Listening Prayer Retreat

April 26

Missions Committee Mtg
Picnic & Play

May 2

ShareFest

May 3

Young Adults Lunch
Bike-A-Thon

Begin saving your gently-used items for the Garage Sale this June. Proceeds will help send our youth to Passport camp.

Wednesday Night Supper April 22, 2009



Salad Bar
Dessert

Extended Care/Visitor Cards Sunday, April 19

Toddlers: Henrietta Addo

Younger Preschool:
Donna Casstevens

Older Preschool/K: Martin Addo

Visitor Cards: Conner Wright
Layton Coker

Staff Notes:

Dorisanne will be taking time off Friday, April 17, through Sunday, April 19.

Rachel will attend the Alliance of Baptist Convocation in Charlotte, North Carolina, April 17-19, and will be on vacation with her family Sunday, April 26.

Pick up a copy of the May - August *Reflections*, an Adult Devotional Guide, in the literature rack.

Youth News

Breakfast: Vardiman
Dinner: Salvesen

The **Spring Retreat** is April 24-26 at Three Mountain Retreat Ranch House. The cost of \$65 is due April 24.

A \$50 **Passport** deposit is due May 3.

The **YAC Pilgrimage** is going to be Aug. 2-8 in Philadelphia. Deposit of \$100 is due May 31.

YAC Silent Auction

April 29
through May 27

Holocaust Remembrance Day

A community observance entitled "Sound of Silence" will be held on Monday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Temple Rodef Sholom and will include testimonies, literature, and poetry of Holocaust survivors.

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 2009 budget of \$425,655 are \$8,185.67.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 122,785.10	\$ 117,507.50	\$(5,277.60)

Deacons On-Call

April
David Kopplin
Emily Fau