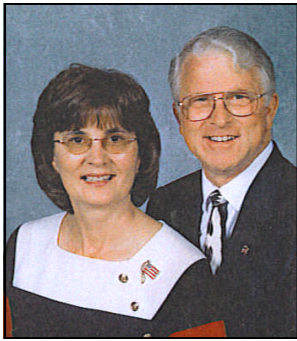


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59TH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



Pastor & Sister Dennis Riddick

I am happy to say that we are having with us again this year Pastor Dennis Riddick to preach for us in the afternoon service at First Baptist Church for our 59th Anniversary Celebration. Bro. Riddick is pastor of Twinbrook Hills Baptist Church in Hamilton, Ohio. He has been a friend for many

years, and we are looking forward to seeing him, his lovely wife, and some of the people from Twinbrook.

Morning services will be as usual, and we will have a nice lunch after the morning service. The afternoon service will begin at 1:30. There will be no evening service at First Baptist.

It is fascinating and glorious to look back over the nearly 25 years that I have been pastor of First Baptist Church and see what God has done for us. We have not grown to be an extremely large church, but God has consistently supplied people to replace those who have died and others who have left the

church for one reason or the other. We are all so grateful for the members of First Baptist. The spirit of the church is great, and God is blessing with some being saved and others interested in being baptized or otherwise becoming members of the church. We give all the glory to God.

Come and be a part of our Anniversary Celebration. We look forward to having a wonderful day in the Lord to his honor and glory. May He visit us in a marvelous way and manifest his presence with souls saved and believers coming closer to the Lord in their love and service.

-Pastor Ronnie Wolfe

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Log on to our web site and receive a free copy of Pastor Ronnie Wolfe's new book of his most recent poems..

While online, peruse our links and our many documents for study and reference.

Come by and visit us at First Baptist Church whenever you can. We will enjoy your visit, and so will you.

God bless!

Members

Consider joining our Choir

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WHERE IS JESUS?

One of the most important questions in the world is "Where is Jesus?" The question was asked in one way or another several times in the New Testament. See Matt. 2:2; John 7:11; John 9:12.

Sometimes we would

desire to look for him to know whether he is here or there. Notice Mark 13:21 *And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not:*

Some people would love to make us think they know where Jesus is, but we are

not to listen to them. We are only to listen to scripture and that which has been revealed by God Himself rather than listen to men as they conjecture of Jesus' whereabouts.

Let's notice, first of all,

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AREN'T YOU
GLAD THAT
JESUS IS NOT ON
THE CROSS?



Saved?

Is your soul lost, undone, unregenerated, untouched by God's amazing grace? Are you wandering around with no assurance of what will happen to you after this life is over? Are you all alone with your sins and do not know where to turn for their release?

Then repent (turn around). Turn away from your sins and put your complete faith and trust in Jesus Christ, believing he died on the cross, was buried and resurrected in your place, shedding his blood for you. That is all that is needed.

WHERE IS JESUS?

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where Jesus is not. This will help us to determine where Jesus is.

He Is Not In The World

Jesus was in the world, but he is no longer here. Remember what the man said at the tomb? He said, "He is not here, for he is risen." This is the first indication that Jesus is not in the world.

Jesus was seen of many after his resurrection (1 Cor. 15:6). Then on a hillside near Jerusalem Jesus ascended to heaven, Eph. 4:9 (*Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?*)

He Is Not In The Grave

Again, we know that Jesus is not in the grave, not because there is scientific proof that there is an empty tomb where Jesus lay, but because we believe what God said in

his Word, the Bible.

One of our favorite songs says, "He arose, He arose, Hallalujah, Christ arose!"

No one knows today just where the grave is where Jesus lay, but we are not listening to the rumor that was told in New Testament times that Jesus' body was stolen and taken away somewhere.

Now today some have said that they have found the body of Jesus in an ossuary, a sarcophagus, a bier, casket.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 / Christian Newswire/ -- A liberal website out of Jerusalem, Israel is reporting that a documentary film to be aired this week will prove the actual burial site for Jesus Christ and his family has been found. The filmmakers, including James Cameron of Titanic fame, claim they will display the coffins of Jesus and his mother Mary at a New York news

¹www.dakotavoice.com/200702/20070223_1.html

conference on Monday.¹

Now, don't worry about this movie. It will not persuade any Christian that Jesus' body is still here on earth.

There is no scientific evidence that can prove that the bodies they have found belong to anyone they say. As far as I know, no one collected Jesus' DNA while he was here on earth, so no scientific proof can be gathered from the DNA.

He Is Not On The Cross

Aren't you glad that Jesus is not on the cross? He went to the cross once and gave his life a ransom for many; that was enough.

He does not need to suffer any more, and we do not need relics of the cross or remembrances of the cross except what we read in God's Word.

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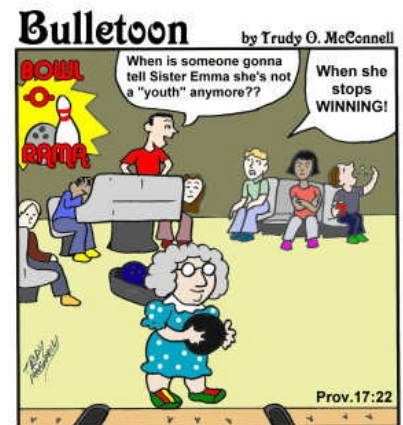
THREE BOOKS FOR CHURCH

You should always use three books when worshipping in church.

THE SONG BOOK. With this book we can bring joy to our hearts and praise to our Lord.

THE GOOD BOOK. With this book we can study about God and Jesus Christ and learn how we can better serve him.

THE POCKET BOOK. With this book we can help the church reach out into the community and support the work of our missionaries.



"Sister Emma...youth bowling champion for 65 years.."

GEAR UP FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 11-15, 2007

6:30 - 8:30 PM



WILD WEST WITNESS

RIDIN' IN THE SHADOW
OF THE CROSS

WHERE IS JESUS?

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Jesus is exactly where he is supposed to be. Let us notice where Jesus really is!

He Is In The Heavenlies

Eph 2:6 *And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:*

He Is In Us

1 John 3:24 *And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.*

He Is In The Church

Matt. 18:20 *For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

Are you afraid that someone is going to prove to you that Jesus is not actually in Heaven making intercession

for us, Heb. 7:24?

Are you afraid that God isn't really God and that Jesus is just another man? Could scientific evidence prove to you that Jesus did not exist as we know him in our religious beliefs? Then you do not have the Spirit of God living in you. You have not been born again and saved by Jesus Christ, or you have allowed science falsely so-called to creep into your life and take control.

Our faith cannot be proved or disproved by science. We are not logically saved; we are spiritually saved. We are challenged by God's Word to believe, and "faith is the victory."

Ro 1:17 *For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.*

So, let us live by faith and not by sight. All the scientists

and archeologists in the world cannot shake our faith or bring us to naught. God is greater than this world, and Jesus Christ is in Heaven with his Father making intercession for all believers.

One day, however, Jesus will return to this earth; and all of these soothsayers will be proven wrong when they say that they know and they do not.

Remember Heb 11:1 *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.*

Eph. 2:8 *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*

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Pastor Ronnie Wolfe

Teaching through the Book of Hebrews on Sunday evenings at 6:00 PM. Come for a rich study of this great book.

Preaching through the Gospel of John on Wednesday evenings. What a wonderful book for those who want to mature spiritually and know Jesus Christ in his Deity!

Come Join Us!

Please write us a letter this month and let us know that you are enjoying The Baptist Defence.

You can send us a letter through regular mail at the address on this page, or you can write directly to me at

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Elevator Fund

I want to take this time to thank everyone who has contributed to our Elevator Fund. Members and visitors alike have given over \$16,000.00 to purchase an elevator lift for our church. Those who will be installing the lift are working with the Zoning Board and the Architect to get things going. We must have drawings of the area of the building where the lift will be installed. This will take some time. I am hoping that the lift will be installed by the first of the summer. We have a lot of older people and some handicapped people who will benefit a great deal from this lift (including myself). Thanks again, and may God be glorified in what we do for him. *Pastor Ronnie Wolfe*

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