



# beulah baptist church

believe, belong, become

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**un·leash** *verb*

[uhn-leesh] transitive verb

1: to free from or as if from a leash : let loose

2: to throw, shoot, or set in motion

*"Remember not the former things,  
nor consider the things of old.  
Behold, I am doing a new thing;  
now it springs forth,  
do you not perceive it?"*

*Isaiah 43:18-19*

## Brad's Blog Unleashed

UNLEASHED!!!! Webster's dictionary defines "unleash" as "to release from". So what would it look like to see God's Church Unleashed in our world today? What if we took the lids off the "mental boxes" that we have stuffed God into? What if the Kingdom of God was to be unleashed on a community? What if the Gospel was truly unleashed?

Maybe, just maybe, it is about Unleashing the Church. The church is the "Body of Christ." When Jesus was here physically, he moved about in a body just like us and he did what he did confined to one space in time at a time. But Jesus said, *"The works that I do, will you do, and even greater works than these will you do, because I go to my Father"* (John 14:12). Going to the Father, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to empower His "body", the church to do His work.

Church Unleashed @ Beulah is all about releasing the Body of Jesus Christ to do the work of Christ in our world. It is all about helping every member of the Body discover their giftedness in Christ and how they are to use it as part of the work of the Body in reaching the world around us with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Already some of you have "unleashed" your God-given dreams and visions by calling or emailing to share them with me this week. One person has envisioned "Prayer Walking" through the community and discovering real felt needs to pray for and minister to. Another has envisioned outreach to the Hispanic community. One has shared a dream of meeting hunger and clothing needs in this community as an avenue to share the Gospel. Some have shared dreams of reaching Senior Adults. Others have shared vision of reaching the High School. This is incredible.

Imagine the energy of God's people all channeled and focused together on truly being the "Body of Christ", the means by which Jesus Christ does the works of the Kingdom in this community. It is truly a new day at Beulah. It is truly about Unleashing the People of God to serve the Lord. The book of Acts ends with one word, "Unhindered." The scripture tells us the Gospel went out unhindered. Let's unleash the powerful message of the Word of God.

As always, I love you.

*Pastor Brad*



Imagine you were Noah.

### THOUGHTS FROM KEN

You were called to do something incredibly foreign and huge for God. You didn't understand it. You'd never seen rain or a boat anywhere near the size of what was being asked of you to build. But you were a person who "walked with God (Genesis 6:9)," so you obeyed. For 120 years, you obeyed. With obvious passion. You were faithful, not to anything you imagined or instituted, but to the design and plan of God. I would dare

say that nothing Noah could have imagined could be quite as amazing, large, effective, or secure as the design that God gave him to build.

Fast forward to that time when the flood waters started to rise and he started seeing people dying. Drowning. Having not walked with God, it was too late for them to repent of their wickedness and sin. But I wonder if Noah hurt for them. Agonized over them. Closed his ears and eyes so as not to face the struggle they were going through because it hurt too much. Fast forward a little farther. I wonder, if there were moments when he was alone on the boat as it floated for that year, and just pondered the awesome fact that he was saved. Given grace. Alive. And if that overwhelmed him.



There are so many lessons to be learned from this story. Lessons like "Be faithful to God no matter what" or "God despises sin, so should we." Lessons like "Let's be the church God designed and not one we design...it's better that way." Or a lesson like "Pray to have a heart that is burdened for the lost." What amazing lessons to learn.



But one of the biggest lessons I learn from this story is to be in awe. To stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene. And wonder how He could love me, taking my sin and my sorrow and making it His very own. And being crucified on a cross, so that I may have a way of salvation. An ark. A way to escape the wrath and judgment of God for my sin through faith in what He did for me. Wow. Why me? How marvelous. What a plan. What grace. Infinitely amazing, large, effective, and secure. Overwhelming.

When's the last time you just sat back and pondered the wonder of the grace of His salvation?

 **TRUNK OR TREAT**  
 October 31 6-8 PM  
 If you are interested in helping, contact Ken, 776-2188

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 @ 8AM**



#### First Steps Class

Our First Steps Classes are open to everyone at Beulah. Join Pastor Brad for these informative classes beginning October 2nd at **5:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary.



**Did you know that:**  
 Over 23,000 people die of hunger-related causes every day?  
 Half of the world's people live on less than \$2 per day?  
 Feeding the hungry is a Christian duty?  
 Our "small sacrifices" pay "big dividends" for world hunger?  
**100 percent** of every dollar you give to SCBC's World Hunger Relief goes to feed a hungry person?  
**October 9th is World Hunger Relief Day**  
 You can make a donation by using our regular offering envelopes and mark it "World Hunger".

## October 2011 Child Care Volunteers



### October 2

**Sign-in (N):** Faye Shehan  
**Nursery:** Dot Massingill/Nancy Rose

**Sign-in (C):** Courtney Waldrup  
**2's & 3's:** Linda Tice/Lauren Miller  
**Children's Church:** Susan O'Neal/Bobbie Dawkins

**Children's Church (Youth):**  
 Carson Floyd/Mikey Norris

### October 9

**Sign-in (N):** Tammy Dix  
**Nursery:** Ann Wilkes/Tammy Brown  
**Sign-in (C):** Courtney Waldrup  
**2's & 3's:** Heidi Lytle/Barbara Bratcher  
**Children's Church:** Jessica Norris/Lauren Miller  
**Children's Church (Youth):** Julie Coffey/Colleen Snyder

### October 16

**Sign-in (N):** Amy McGill  
**Nursery:** Joyce Fralix/Terri Brinson  
**Sign-in (C):** Sherry Coffey  
**2's & 3's:** Kim McLemore/Martha Motley  
**Children's Church:** Heather/Jason Carroll  
**Children's Church (Youth):** Grace Carroll/Mackenzie Polson

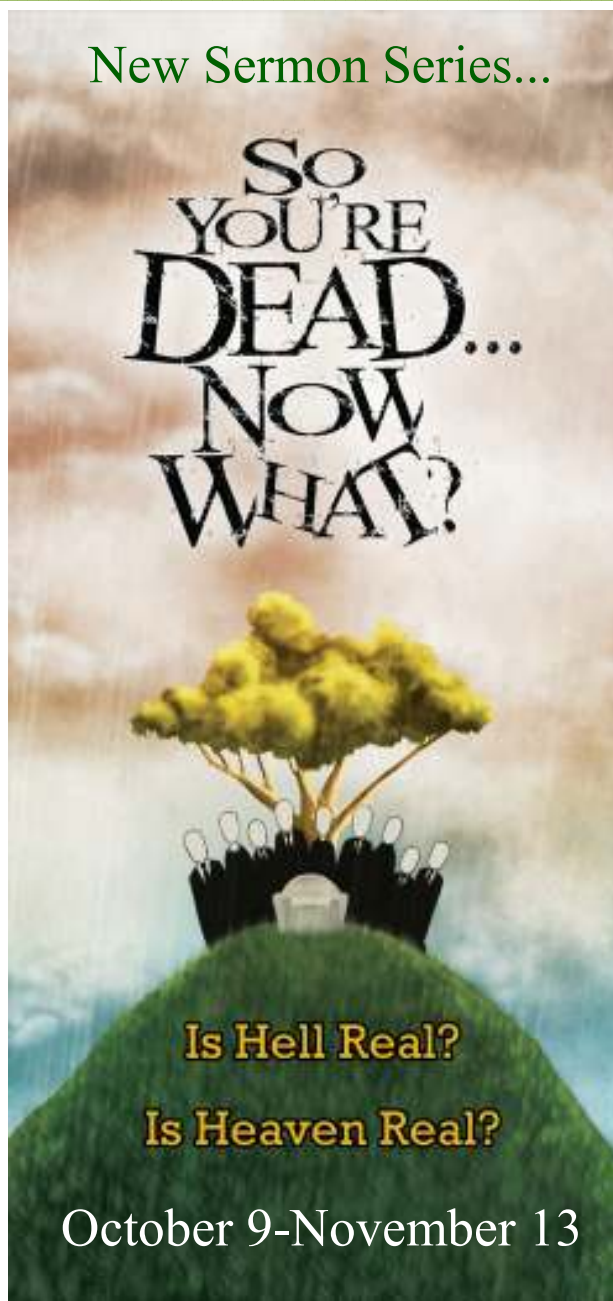
### October 23

**Sign-in (N):** David Waldrup  
**Nursery:** Marlene Steiner/Ann Harmon  
**Sign-in (C):** Roni Tatton  
**2's & 3's:** Mitzi Bessent/Lisa Rose  
**Children's Church:** Rick/Sam Reed  
**Children's Church (Youth):** Julie Coffey/Nalani Jones

### October 30

**Sign-in (N):** Lolly Graham  
**Nursery:** Elaine Perrine/Jean Waldrup  
**Sign-in (C):** Sherri Coffey  
**2's & 3's:** Star Graham/Lolly Graham  
**Children's Church:** Amy McGill/Rachel Flemming  
**Children's Church (Youth):**  
 Samantha Sharpe/Kim Boswell

## New Sermon Series...



October 9-November 13

Welcome New Member

9/11 Susan Hux ~ L



**Celebrate Recovery at Beulah**  
**struggling with forgiveness?**  
**financial problems? marital troubles?**  
 God wants to heal your heart. Find HEALING  
 and HOPE from your hurts and pain on  
**Monday Nights 6:30 pm (rear entrance)**

## November 2011 Events

- 6~ Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 7~ Deacons 6PM
- 8~ Ruth Motley 6:30PM  
 Vara Caswell 6:30PM  
 Mary Magdalene 7PM
- 10~ XYZ Club Luncheon 12PM
- 12~ Men's Prayer Breakfast 8AM
- 22~ "Tuesday is Wednesday"  
 All wed. Night Activities Will Be Tonight
- 24~ Happy Thanksgiving  
 Church Office Closed

**The Good Neighbor Committee is compiling recipes for a church-wide keepsake cookbook that will be ready before Christmas!**



Please take a Recipe Collection Sheet and return it by October 16, OR

we have an account at the cookbook publisher that will let you go on-line and submit your recipes. This would be fabulous if you could do this!

If you choose to submit your recipes on-line, follow these easy steps:

1. Go to [www.typensave.com](http://www.typensave.com)
2. Login
3. Contributor: Your name as you want it to appear in the cookbook.
4. Group Login: beulahfruit
5. Password: cay7j
6. Submit
7. On left side of page, left click on Add Recipe
8. Complete the Recipe Title
9. Make your Category Selection
10. Type your ingredients & your recipe
11. Left click on Check Spelling
12. Left click on Preview Recipe (you must do this)
13. Submit

Recipes can be submitted on-line 24/7. October 16, 2011 is the deadline to submit all recipes.

**Thank you!**

Questions? Contact Linda Tice, 776-3537, Jewel Lewis, 776-7225, Cheryl Phelps, 776-6895, Ann Wilkes, 783-0205 or Lois Hinds, 776-1534

My way  
 is the highway.  
 - God

**WMU** **WMU Groups Meet Tuesdays, October 4th and 11th**

Ruth Motley Group (Oct. 4) going to Baptist Campus Ministry Center - meet @ location TBD & carpool


Vara Caswell Group meets @ at the Prudential Midlands Bldg., 7011 Garners Ferry Rd. @ 6:30PM

Mary Magdalene Group meets in the Library @ 7:00PM

The Records Speak	Sep. 4-26 11
Average Sunday School Attendance	190
Average Worship Attendance	147
Budget Offering	\$26,154.24
Budget Offering YTD	\$285,128.55
Advancing The Kingdom	\$6,277.00
Advancing The Kingdom YTD	\$87,338.08
ATK-TJC Commitments (monthly)	\$8,830.33


**XYZ Club Luncheon**  
**Thursday, October 13th @ 12PM**

Mr. Kelvin Wymbs, principal of Lower Richland High School will be our guest speaker. Bring a favorite dish to share and some friends, and join us for some great fellowship!



*There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:4-6*

Fall Schedule			
<u>Sundays</u>			<u>Wednesdays</u>
Sunday School/ <b>KIDZLINK</b>	9:00 AM	Kidz 4 Christ	6:15~7:30PM
Worship	10:30 AM	The Gathering (youth)	6:00~7:30 PM
First Steps ~ Adults	5:30~7 PM	Worship/Prayer Service	6:15~7:30PM
Youth Small Groups	5:30~7 PM	Celebration Choir	6:30~7:30PM
Children's Choir	5:30~7 PM		



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