



**Spreading The Light**  
**June 1, 2016**

**First Southern Baptist Church**  
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Purpose Statement: **Magnifying The Word of God** By fulfilling The Great Commandment. To Love The Lord Our God and Our Neighbor, **Mobilizing The People of God** By Fulfilling The Great Commission to Go make Disciples, Baptize and Teach.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 am - Noon**

## Pastor's Paragraphs

All of my pastor's paragraphs this year have been about who we are as a church and what we ought to be. An on going need in the church today is to redefine what it means to be the church and that question has continually been raised here at our church. That's a good thing!

The church today is so diverse that we have people coming here from numerous backgrounds and various traditions. On top of that most of us have preferences about what “our church” ought to look like. One of the concerns raised in recent days has been for us to communicate what we're about as a church and that is what I've been doing in my paragraphs and the current sermon series. I know that not everybody reads the paragraphs and often Sundays are missed so we are going to put this year's paragraphs together in a document that we can hand out to those who want it and if you are not able to come to our church site we will send a copy to you upon request by e-mail or snail mail. Also the current sermon series, “Looks Like Jesus” has been recorded and you can get a CD or listen online at our church website [chinofsb.org](http://chinofsb.org).

The “Looks Like Jesus” series is about how Jesus grew as a boy (Luke 2:52) and how the infant church (Acts 2:42-47; 4:31-35) grew just like Jesus did as a boy.

We've looked at how “the New Covenant” that Jesus established (Luke 22:20) along with the New Commandment (John 13:34) equips us to **do** the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) in the power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). So we are witnesses to what the gospel has done in our lives and can do in others lives, and **our faith** (not religion!!) is us following Jesus and “*the only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love*” (Galatians 5:6 NIV). These paragraphs are a way to briefly define all of what that looks like but I will continue to spell it out in the messages and paragraphs each month. So, if these are things that interest you (and they should), listen and read. Or – just ask – I would love to sit down with you or a group of you and discuss these important matters!!

We've talked about how the church has become what it is today, and Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> (May) we will start to look at the necessary course correction that the church needs to make. That starts with clear Biblical understanding of a few “characteristics” of the contemporary church' Like **1 – Structure**: Biblically we are to be a body – not a kingdom. (1 Corinthians 12:27) So not just leaders and followers but all functioning members of a body. In relationship not in a religion. **2 – Authority**: In Matthew 20:20-28 Jesus spells out what authority would look like in His followers. Verse 27: “*whoever would be first among you must be your slave.*” John records how Jesus illustrated that (John 13:15-16). **3 – Spirituality**: Jesus showed spirituality was not about what you know but how you love (Galatians 5:6). The church today really needs work on redefining this!! Look at **Galatians 5:13-16**, that's the real definition. **4 – Holiness**: Give our adversary credit here – we have made holiness the opposite of what it really is, would you say Jesus was/is Holy? Ok – He was the most!! And rather than “separate himself from” people, he touches lepers, hugged children, hung out with sinners, helped prostitutes, and called a bunch of guys and women from every social strata to be His original followers. Then He died like a criminal with blood and spit and the sins of all mankind all over Him on a cross. That's HOLY! That's what saved us and we are to “Look Like Jesus”.

Please read the paragraphs and listen to the message so that together we can determine all of what that looks like!

*Pastor Mark*

ADULT CHOIR – Thank you – each and every one – for contributing to a wonderful season of music. Choir is on break for the Summer – we will re-start in September. Watch the newsletter for exact date.

SAY 'Y.E.S.' to 'V.B.S.' !! Our dive 'beneath the surface' will be June 20 thru 24. Please PRE-REGISTER your children if you can -- FORMS are available in the church lobby AND on the church's website: < [www.chinofsbc.org](http://www.chinofsbc.org) > under VBS. If you can join the VBS prayer team, please contact Bob Dickey (928-273-8141). QUESTIONS about VBS?: Contact Steve or Sandy Bishop (928-515-4814 him; 480-213-6716 her) as the Holy Spirit prompts you to help.

Kidz Summer Camp is still going to be July 18 to 22 at Emmanuel Pines Mission Camp (same place as last year). Need your Pre-registration form NOW if your child plans to attend – don't delay go to the Church website << [www.chinofsbc.org](http://www.chinofsbc.org) >>, download the form, fill it out, and get it to the church office! The FINAL registration form and \$50 non-refundable registration fee is due by Father's Day, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Youth Summer Camp -- Youth Camp at Prescott Pines July 17 to 22. Mark your calendars – if your youth plans to attend. The Pre-registration form AND \$50 non-refundable registration fee is due by Mother's Day, May 8<sup>th</sup>. *{Yes, I know that was last month, but that's when it was due so get it in NOW if you want to go to camp.}* Pre-registration FORM is available at the church web site: << [www.chinofsbc.org](http://www.chinofsbc.org) >> Final registration and balance of camp cost is due FATHER'S day, June 19<sup>th</sup>.

CAR WASH-- Our youth will have a car wash on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 1:00pm, at the Farmer's Insurance building (next to the church). Proceeds will help send our youth to camp. So don't wash your car/truck until then! Mark your calendars NOW and come on out!!!

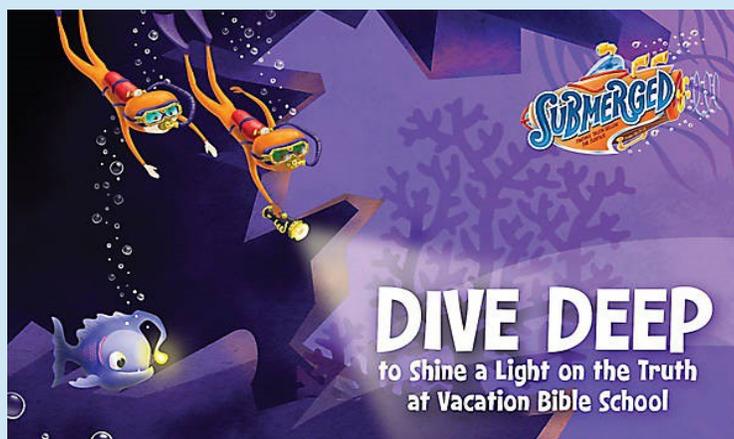
**Parents...** Promotion Sunday for all grades will be August 7, 2016, until then your children will stay in their current grades. No exceptions.

## Vacation Bible School

June 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am. - 12:00pm (Noon)

**BRING A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR!**



## Senior Ministry

Hope this finds everyone doing well. God has blessed the Senior Adults with a wonderful trip and good fellowship, if you were unable to attend, we missed seeing you.

We have had a busy time, the last 2 months. In April, we went to Canyon Lake for the nature cruise. Then we followed the Apache Trail, to Roosevelt Lake, and came back to Chino through Payson, and the Verde Valley. In May, we were visited by the Bum Steer Restaurant, which was a lot of fun, and then we enjoyed a Italian themed potluck covered dish.

In June, **There will not be a Senior Ministry Luncheon!**  
**Vacation Bible School is the week of June 20th through June 24, 2016.** some of our team members are doing double duty.

I was asked about our regularly scheduled May, picnic at the Lynx Lake. Since we went to Canyon Lake, in April, we could forego the picnic, or do it in August, Please let me know your thoughts.

As ever in Christ Jesus,  
Carlene Gillo



## From the Corner by A. Little Churchmouse

Well folks, another month beginning. Last month was quite busy to say the least! I'd give a big thank you to all of the wonderful cooks round about, but I'm sure they don't even want to know I'm there! There were all of the receptions in the Family Life Center. Then if you really wanted to see some fun, it was the Sr. lunch in the Fireside room. People had to order items from a tricky menu, including a fork, spoon, etc., which they couldn't keep from one course to the next. It was funny to see a plate served with a knife, pickles, lettuce and straw. There was a lot of laughter all around.

WMU ladies had their last regular meeting and will be meeting once a month until September. The June meeting is a pot luck at Shirley Buckner's house on the 2nd. Wish I could hitch a ride there, but she surely wouldn't appreciate my presence! The ladies are all invited though. Their July meeting will be a baby shower for the Community Pregnancy Center.

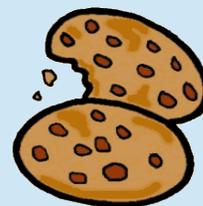
They're collecting any unneeded regular size shoeboxes you may have on hand for OCC.

It was a beautiful season closing performance by the choir. Their talent is greatly appreciated, and also the direction and ministry of Steve and Sandy Bishop.

Don't forget there are Bible study classes going on all summer, for ages 9 days to 99 years. Hope to see you at one, but hopefully you won't see me!

A great big thank you from Sis Crabb and the whole kitchen team for all of the folks who stepped up to help provide food for the many meals needed last month! **And** a great big hug to everyone on the kitchen team! They all pitched in, in a big way to meet the need!

A. Little



## **Men's Ministry**

*“According to what I have seen, those who plow iniquity and those who sow trouble harvest it.”*  
Job 4:8 NASB

Tis the season of planting and sunshine. Opening our doors and letting old man winter finally air himself out of our homes. It's the time of year when we spring clean our homes and start planting gardens. Oh those pesky weeds in our lawns and gardens. Trouble with weeds is that if left unattended, they will take over our gardens and begin to kill the good stuff we got growin'. So what do we do? Many try weed killer sprays and other store bought aid. The best cure for weed removal is old fashioned elbow grease. What I mean is to physically spend hours of our time removing weeds by hand nurturing our gardens.

This same work we do in our gardens and lawns, also needs to be done in our hearts. There is no quick fix, 5 easy step plan to cleaning out the weeds that somehow find a foothold in our lives. Some weeds also look beautiful with pretty flowers. But, a weed is a weed.

Don't be misled: No one makes a fool of God. What a person plants, he will harvest. The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others – ignoring God! - harvests a crop of weeds. All he'll have to show for his life is weeds! But the one who plants in response to God, letting God's Spirit do the growth work in him, harvests a crop of real life, eternal life. Galatians 6:7-8 MSG.

If we wish for a thriving garden that produces a great crop, then you must put in the work. The same is for our spiritual life as well. If we long for a closer walk with God then we must put in the time praying and reading God's word, allowing God to be the farmer of what grows in our spiritual garden. The weeds of this world want to destroy and take over your life. God wants to give us life and in abundance.

If you want to know more on how to grow a strong spiritual garden, come join me Thursday nights at 7 PM at Men's Bible study.

*God Bless*  
*Ken Miller*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>June 2016</h1>					Building A- Worship Center B- White Building C- Family Life Center (GYM)	
			1  7:00 pm Bible Study	2  10:00 am WMU 6:30 -8:00 pm Youth 6:30 pm. Wm's Study 7:00 -8:00 pm CIA's	3 Pastor Off	4 Pastor Off
5 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am. Worship 12:00 pm PCLT VBS Mtg. 6:00 pm. Eve. Worship	6 1-4 pm. Sew-n-Sowers Pastor's Prayer & Study  7:00 pm 4-H/Bldg C	7	8  7:00 pm Bible Study	9  6:30 -8:00 pm Youth 6:30 pm. Wm's Study 7:00 -8:00 pm CIA's	10 Pastor Off	11  11:00 am. Memorial Service for Marge Tucker
12 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am. Worship 12:00 pm Leadership 6:00 pm. Eve. Worship	13 1-4 pm. Sew-n-Sowers Pastor's Prayer & Study	14 9:00 am Chino Valley Quilters/ Bldg C	15  7:00 pm Bible Study	16  6:30 -8:00 pm Youth 6:30 pm. Wm's Study 7:00 -8:00 pm CIA's	17 Pastor Off	18 Pastor Off
19 Father's Day  9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am. Worship 6:00 pm. No Service	20  VBS 8:30 am- Noon	21  VBS 8:30 am - Noon	22  VBS 8:30 am - Noon	23  VBS 8:30 am - Noon	24 Pastor Off  VBS 8:30 am - Noon	25 Pastor Off  9am - 1 pm Youth Car Wash  12:30 - 4:30 pm Oathkeepers / Bldg C
26 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am. Worship 6:00 pm. Eve. Worship	27 1-4 pm. Sew-n-Sowers Pastor's Prayer & Study	28	29	30		