

FROM OUR PASTOR

SALEMBAPTISTCHURCH October 2011

October
NEWSLETTER

AGENTS OF CHANGE

by Brett Mask

*“As a prisoner for the Lord,
then I urge you to live a life worthy
of the calling you have received.”
Ephesians 4:1*

During the month of October, we are going to examine a series of messages entitled, “Changed from the Inside Out.” Most people, whether young or old, dislike change. When our family moved back to Georgia, we switched satellite television providers, and I can remember how much I wished that we hadn’t switched because I had to learn all new channels. I can also remember the disgust on Tanner’s face when he realized that we didn’t live 30 minutes from Riverbanks Zoo anymore.

Change isn’t easy for anyone, but that doesn’t mean it isn’t good for everyone. As a matter of fact, the Christian life should be a series of changes. For when we stop changing, then we stop growing and maturing in the faith. And when that happens, then we cease to be what we were made to be by God.

All change is not necessary or helpful, but the change that we are encouraged to undergo throughout our faith journey is a

call to be like Jesus Christ. The Bible teaches us that while on this earth, we will never reach the ultimate goal of being holy and perfect like Christ, but we are supposed to “march” in that direction all of our earthly lives.

During this month, we are going to really just hold up a “mirror” to our lives and ask God to give us an assessment of “where we are” in this journey of faith that He has called us to and we have embarked upon. I hope that you will willingly take this journey with me, and it is my deepest hope and desire that we can not only allow God to change us for the better, but also be agents of change in the community that we live.

In Christ,
Pastor Brett

secret  church

November 4th
7pm until 1am

"Family, Marriage, Sex, and the Gospel"

A night of Bible Study with David Platt
via Simulcast at Salem Baptist Church.

Tickets: \$5

Broken & Renewed

By Brody Bearden



When we bought a house, I learned very quickly that just because it was nice and new when I got it, doesn't mean it stays that way forever. I've had more renovations, restorations, and repairs in the past 2 years than I've been a part of in my entire life.

But that's okay...because it reminds me of scripture and the state that each and everyone of us are in.

We are broken. Romans 3:9-18 tells us so. We are messed up. I probably don't have to tell you that. You probably see that everyday...in others lives, in your own life. We are broken people.

We can't fix ourselves. The rich young man shows us that in Mark 10:17-22. No amount of good that we do or try to do

can fix our brokenness. Nope. We just can't.

Jesus CAN and WANTS to remake us. 2 Corinthians 5:16-17 says, "So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"

We are broken. We can't fix ourselves. Jesus can. That's incredible news, if you ask me. Not only CAN he remake us, He WANTS to! Now that's true love.

Be made new today.

Peace, Love, Christ
Brody



Deadline to turn in your box is Sunday, November 13th. Info sheets are in the foyer.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Sign Up in the Foyer to help with dinner, run games, and enter the Trunk or Treat Contest!

HARVEST CARNIVAL

SUNDAY OCTOBER 30TH



INFLATABLES PRIZES GAMES FOOD

4PM - CARNIVAL BEGINS
6PM - SUPPER
7PM - TRUNK OR TREAT

Children's Church
Schedule for October

- October 2 - Maggie Faz
- October 9 - Kelli Smith
- October 16 - Brody & Trisha Bearden
- October 23 - Sharon & Shannon Peterman
- October 30 - Laray Mask



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Schedule for October

- October 2 - Tina Nation & Sydney Forrester
- October 9 - Maisie Sanders & Leigh Anne Bridges
- October 16 - Lisa & Sarah Power
- October 23 - Amy Forrester/Angel & Faith Terry
- October 30 - Alan & Melissa Bridges



Choir

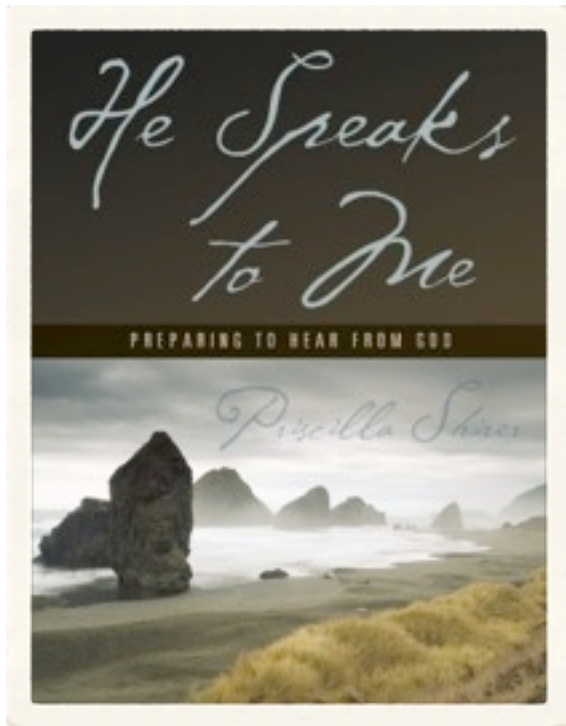
The CHOIR is practicing for our Christmas Cantata in December.
Please come join us on Sunday nights at 6:30!



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Phillip Bridges - 10/1
- Sydney Forrester - 10/2
- Lourdes Tompkins - 10/2
- Debbie Hansford - 10/9
- Jeff & Tina Nation - 10/9
- Bert Buckman, Jr. - 10/10
- Angel Terry - 10/12
- Trisha Bearden - 10/13
- Andy Paradise - 10/20
- Martha Paradise - 10/21
- Allison Hayes - 10/21
- Kayla Stevens - 10/23

- Hunter Boring - 10/24
- Tanner Mask - 10/24
- Karen Sanders - 10/24
- Marvin & Kelley Howard - 10/24
- Lewis & Harriet Sanders - 10/25
- Brody Bearden - 10/25
- Fay Fuller - 10/26
- Sharon Peterman - 10/27
- Rob Postin - 10/28
- Beckie Bridges - 10/30
- Rachel Adkins - 10/30



Women's Bible Study
He Speaks to Me
by Pricilla Shirer

Begins October 16 th at 5pm
This is a 6-week study

Sign ups in the foyer



Firefly  **FESTIVAL**

We need volunteers to help pass out cookies and info about Salem.
See Melanie Sanders for details.

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