

FIRST NEWS



San Saba

First United Methodist Church

MAY 2010

**San Saba
First United Methodist
Church**

**204 W. Brown
325-372-3120**

[http://www.gbgn-umc.org/
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Robin Percy, Pastor

**We bid you welcome
In the name of
Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Pray with us,
Sing with us, rejoice
with us**

**Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
First Worship 10:00 a.m.**



Ministers:

Entire Congregation

Worship Leader:

**Tracey Thomas
Pianist**

Ashley Stewart

Organist:

Nettie Oma Carpenter

Choir Director:

Tracey Thomas

Church Secretary:

Debbie Uli

Custodian:

Mario Mendiola

Greetings In Christ!

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I shall be moving to Eagle Lake, Texas, during the first week in June. I have been blessed to serve San Saba First United Methodist Church for the past four years, as your Pastor. Truly, I feel that this Congregation has been like a Family to me, as I have had the wonderful opportunity to minister to people who live in one of the most beautiful parts of the State of Texas. I shall miss every one of you, as each member and visitor in this Congregation has been receptive to my pastoral duties. The 'Faith - Weaver' children have been a shining light in my life. There is nothing like seeing the light of Christ in the eyes of children, as they study Holy Scripture, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and engage in games of Godly 'play'. I know this Church has a very bright future, as I have witnessed the growth of this Congregation over the last four years. The United Methodist Men have been an inspiration to me; many men of this Church studied the New Testament every Sunday morning, after eating breakfast together with wonderful fellowship. The United Methodist Women have been very welcoming and supportive of my ministry. I have enjoyed the UMW meetings, which I have been able to attend with joy in my heart. The various ministries this Church is engaged in, including 'meals on wheels', San Saba nursing home song-fests, support for the San Saba County Ministerial Alliance, and many others, have all been transformative in my life. I have personally witnessed many of you grow in faith and discipleship. The Church Choir has been a dedicated group of disciplined singers, during our Worship Services, and I believe have enhanced the spread of the Word of God in this Church and throughout San Saba County. There is, and will always be, a place in my heart for each and every person I have met and come to know, as I have served as your Pastor. I shall always keep this Church, and all of you in my prayers, each day and night for the rest of my life!



Grace and Peace, Pastor Robin



**Prayer
Concerns**

Klela Waldie and Family
 Sue, Elizabeth and J.T. Moody
 and Family
 Family of Midge Love
 Stephanie Mills
 Wahnee Stallings
 Jantzen Bell
 James Reavis
 Betty Wilson
 F.L. and Linda Kalmus
 Dixie Hewitt
 Doris Bryant (Nursing Home)
 Margaret Seiders (Celia Bell's
 Mom)
 John Bannister
 Avilio Gonzales
 John Hickey
 Doug and Kaye Clancey and Fam.
 Riley Rutledge (premature)
 Sam Jones (Lewis Jones Brother)
 Carl and Jane Carter and Family
 (loss of Grandson)
 Landon Yarbrough (Justin his
 brother in handling this situation
 with Landon)
 Peter Hald
 Daniel Smith
 Connie Raesner Perry
 Michael Pullen and Family
 Jeannette Toole
 Pete and Sue Hemenway (friends
 of Trish Warren)
 Mark Owens (safety)
 Elaine and John Lansford
 (Nancy and John Bannister's friends)
 James and Pat Reavis
 Nick Stripling (Pat Reavis Grand-
 son)
 Mitchell, Johna, Madison and
 Matthew Moss
 (John and Nancy Bannister's nephew)



**Ready to Set Sail?
 VBS is Coming!!
 June 28th-July 2nd
 9am-12noon**

Dear Church Family,

Thank you to the many volunteers who have signed up and already started planning snacks, games, journaling, crafts, and preschool activities!! The VBS planning process is well underway!!! We still need your help! Please contact Monica at 372-4668 to volunteer your time, gifts, and special skills. We need crew leaders, publicity volunteers to address postcards & put out a few flyers, volunteers to help with registration on Monday & Tuesday of VBS, and decoration helpers to help create the fun High Seas atmosphere!! Don't miss the blessing of Vacation Bible School!

We are still in need of Crew Leaders. The crew leader is an important part of each crew. Anyone in our church who loves the Lord and loves children can be a Crew Leader! We need one Crew Leader for each group of five children. You won't need to prepare anything; just come each day, guide the crew through activities, help facilitate discussions, and generally join in the High Seas Expedition fun!

A Crew Leader is:

- A friend and helper
- Responsible for drawing kids into discussions as much as possible
- Someone who offers kids choices
- Someone who asks questions
- Someone who encourages kids
- Someone who helps and encourages Station Leaders

This month, keep an eye out for potential decorations that we could borrow for VBS. We need items such as: fishing nets, ship's wheels, blue tarps, wooden barrels, lanterns, crates, and nautical knick-knacks. Make sure your name is clearly labeled on each item. Please leave your items on the stage downstairs or drop them by Monica's house.

Finally, let's pray. Ask God to prepare the hearts of church members, workers, and children that will be reached through this program.

Exciting times are coming! Get on board!

Monica

Be Still and Know that I am God"

Psalm 46:10

HeartSpa Women's Retreat

May 22, 2010

9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

San Saba's First Baptist Church

EASTER 2010 SCENES

The day will include hand and nail treatments, a facial, neck, and shoulder massage, a catered lunch, and guest speaker Paula Wood (missionary to the United Arab Emirates). You will also enjoy fellowship with other ladies and many more special treats during the day.

Register before April 30th - \$45.00

\$50.00 after the 30th

\$40.00 for ladies 60 and over

Please bring your makeup and a mirror

Call 325-372-5761 for more information or to register.



J.T. MOODY PRACTICING FOR BUFFALO
BILL'S WILD WEST SHOW



**You Are Invited to the
Mother's Day Breakfast**

**Honoring All Women in the Church
Prepared by the Men of the Church**

Sunday May 9th

9 a.m. (No Sunday School)

Church Parlor





Join us in
Saying
Good bye
&
Good Luck
To

Pastor Robin

Sunday, June
6th

Covered Dish
Luncheon

Immediately
Following
10 a.m.
Worship Service

First Ladies News

First United Methodist Women met **April 12** for a Quiet Day Service—A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. After a short business meeting led by President Nettie Oma Carpenter, Bettye McLaughlin led a touching program that reminded us all of the need to pray for and give to those around the world less fortunate. After some leading and discussion, a special offering was taken by the ladies to help those in need. A light supper was prepared and served by Pat Belk and Amanda Jackson as many of the ladies stayed and enjoyed fellowship with one another.

On **April 17th**, Nettie Oma Carpenter and Bettye McLaughlin went to Fredericksburg to attend “A Day Apart” for all United Methodist Women from the Kerrville District. We are grateful to these ladies for taking the time to go, and surely they received a blessing!

May 10th will be our next meeting. Melissa Mims, director of the Dove Project, will be visiting to speak to our group. Hostesses will be Millie Burnham and Nelda Weatherby. As always, all ladies are invited to come! **Time: 4:30 Place: church parlor (basement)**

Looking ahead: For the summer months, there are a couple of changes. Tracey Thomas will be leading the program on **June 14th** on spiritual growth and missions. Suzanne has agreed to move her program on “Building and Experiencing Community In New Ways” to **August 9th**. Hostesses will remain as scheduled in the program book. There is no meeting in July.

Alzheimer’s Disease Basics

Please join us for a free educational event for family caregivers and anyone interested in learning the basics of Alzheimer’s disease. Lunch is complimentary. Topics that will be covered include:

- What is AD?
- Stages
- Diagnosis
- Things to Know & Do

Interested persons need to register for Lunch N’ Learn by calling (800) 367-2132 or by emailing

CWells@TXAlz.org

(800) 367-2132

www.alz.org/texascapital

Location:

Pepperbelly’s Restaurant
517 E. Wallace
San Saba, TX 76877

Time/Date:

Friday, May 21st
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

[Alzheimer’s Association - Capital of Texas Chapter](#)
3429 Executive Center Dr., Ste 100

Austin, TX 78731

(512) 241-0420

alz.org | [alzheimer's association](http://alzheimer'sassociation.org)



LET'S BLANKET THE WORLD WITH GOD'S LOVE!

As part of High Seas Expedition VBS, our church will join Operation Kid-to-Kid™ in an international mission project that allows hundreds of thousands of kids to help children in Africa.

During High Seas Expedition, kids at our church will create special "God Loves Me" blankets—thick, cuddly, colorful blankets. World Vision will distribute these along with special backpacks filled with school supplies and health and hygiene items for orphans and vulnerable children. The blankets will offer hope and comfort to children who are in need of a special touch. Plus, kids at our church will personalize special Bible coloring books that share God's Word in a kid-friendly way.

If you'd like to contribute to this exciting program,

contact MONICA SHAHAN
VBS Director
at 325-372-4668 for more information.
Phone



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Richard Waldie



Richard Waldie was born in Liberty Hill, Texas on October 2, 1935 to Richard Lambert Waldie and Alma Exie Bell. He grew up in El Paso and was attending UTEP when he met a chiropractor who inspired him to change career paths. He transferred to Logan chiropractic College in St. Louis, Missouri. After graduation in 1965 he spent the next 40 years helping people of all ages. He truly believed in his calling and had the rare opportunity to do something he loved. And he knew he was helping people every day. His kindness, gentleness, and an unflagging sense of humor brought comfort to many. Richard was a man of endless curiosity and had a variety of hobbies. He loved the water but he just didn't learn to sail. ...he built a sailboat with his own two hands. He enjoyed any activity on water including canoeing, windsurfing, and fishing. Archery was another favorite past time and again He just didn't learn to shoot. . He built his own bows. He was a skilled wood worker and loved the challenge of making beautiful items. He gave most of his works away. He moved to San Saba Texas with his wife Klela in June 2005. He felt an immediate connection with the small community and was moved by how welcoming everyone was. He continued his life long journey of faith at San Saba United Methodist Church. Richard was preceded in death by his parents. The family request that memorials be made to Imagine No Malaria c/o First United Methodist Church of San Saba.

Come One, Come All
Covered Dish Luncheon
Honoring

San Saba High School Senior
Nicole Sears

Sunday May 23rd
Immediately Following
The 11 a.m. Worship Service