



## "A Messed Up Ball of Yarn"

Think of a ball of yarn that a cat has played with for a couple of hours. Once it was neatly wound and ready to use. Now it is a tangled and twisted mess. Long double strands stretch out in all directions from a mass of knots and endless loops. Can you ever untangle it? Probably not. You might as well throw it away, or leave it for the cat.

Now imagine that ball of yarn is your life. Life roars through and leaves us in a tangled mess of worries and fears. We are unfocused and loop out this way and that way. We're just tied in knots, and try as hard as we might we cannot untangle our lives and make anything useful out of them again.

The situation is not hopeless. Take the whole ball of yarn that is your life, gather up all the loose strands, stop pulling and tugging trying to make it neater, and just put it in God's hands. That's exactly what He wants you to do. Then the miracle begins.

You first discover that God is not angry with you for the mess of your life. It did not surprise Him. He saw it all coming. He knew that one day

you would bring it to Him, and He is overjoyed that you have finally decided to bring Him your mess. You realize you should have brought Him the mess a long time ago.

Next, you see that God has a way of handling your mess. He's very good at taking care of problems, and, in fact, never expected you to handle everything on your own. Actually, He doesn't want you to even attempt to handle things on your own. That's how you got much of the mess in the first place! God will either give you what you need to handle your problems, or more likely He will take care of the problems for you. It's amazing how often He does exactly that.

So go ahead and place your life in His hands. Trust God to take care of the mess and make you useful again.

Grace,  
*Terry Ellis*

## ADULTS

### LLL Games & Potluck Friday, March 14 10:30 a.m.

Games led by Sydney Snyder and lunch at 11:30. Chuck Morgan will speak at noon on "Jefferson Davis and Father Abram Ryan: Tragic Figures of the Lost Cause." Bring a side dish or dessert to share.

### New First Place 4 Health Session Tuesdays, 6 p.m.

*First Place 4 Health* is a Christ-centered weight-loss and healthy-living program which has guided hundreds of thousands of people to a healthy lifestyle. Contact Laura Boord, 925-5264, for more information.

### LLL Cemetery Tour Thursday, April 10 8:00 a.m.

Join us for a tour of the St. Louis Number One Cemetery, the oldest in New Orleans. After the tour, we will eat lunch at Ralph's on the Park, near City Park. Cost of the tour is \$20 per person. Stop by the church to sign up and pay the tour fee.

### Deacon Banquet March 23, 6 p.m.

Deacons please RSVP to Beth O'Quin by March 14 if you will be attending.

### LLL New England/ Canadian Cruise

Join Broadmoor Baptist Church and friends as we cruise around New England and Canada, September 23-October 3. Cruise cost per person is \$851.38 inside cabin, \$1,767.38 ocean view, & \$1,876.38 balcony cabin. A reservation can be made through a \$450 deposit per person by Friday, March 14. Final payment is due July 9. All payments are refundable up until that time. Air is not included but can be arranged. Call or email Paul for more information.

### Writer's Workshop

The Writer's Workshop group is beginning an anthology project in anticipation of Broadmoor Baptist's 60th anniversary in 2016. Included will be a biography of our late pastor John Goodwin. Many of our church members have favorite stories involving John, whether in the church, on the golf course, Rotary Club or racket ball. Please contribute them to [labus@bellsouth.net](mailto:labus@bellsouth.net).

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### OLOL Lola Faust

**In Loving Memory**  
*Robert L. Harbour, a charter member since May 12, 1957, departed this life on March 8, 2014.*

### Dr. Ellis begins two new sermon series:

#### "The 7 Churches of Revelation" begins Wednesday, March 12

Revelation is not nearly as complicated as some people make it out to be. One of the clearest sections is the Letters to the Seven Churches. These ancient messages are timeless. Our church can learn how to be a more effective church through this study.

#### "Getting Church Right" begins Sunday, March 16

Church is important to us, yet so often it doesn't live up to our expectations. How can we "get church right?" Paul's letter to the Ephesians outlines some qualities of a truly wonderful church.

### Thank You!

A very special thank you to the ladies and gentlemen of the Adult 7 Sunday School department who dedicated several hours to cleaning the sanctuary, including vacuuming, mopping, polishing, and removal of candle wax from the pews.

To Reach an  
On Call Minister  
call  
328-3474

### Wednesday Night Dinner March 19

Beef Tips over Rice,  
Broccoli, Slaw, Rolls,  
Cookies

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, March 13

10:00 A BBQ

### Friday, March 14

10:30 A LLL Potluck & Games

### Saturday, March 15

8:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast  
Church Activities Hall

### Sunday, March 16

9:00 A Library Open

9:15 A Bible Study  
*Leading Your Child to Jesus, CCR*

10:30 A Worship, *Baptism*

### Extended Teaching Care

Faye Futch, Danielle Gremillion,  
Angie & Emily Miller, Kendall Beasley

4:15 P Teen Ringers

5:00 P Youth Choir

5:45 P Belles and Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

### Tuesday, March 18

9:30 A Yoga

1:30 P Writer's Workshop

6:00 P First Place, CCR

### Wednesday, March 19

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

5:00 P Library Opens

Chapel Bells

5:15 P Family Dinner

6:00 P Adult Prayer Time

Youth Bible Study

Children's Choirs

6:20 P Adult Bible Study

Handel's *Messiah* Study

6:40 P Children Mission Groups

7:00 P Sanctuary Choir

### Thursday, March 20

10:00 A BBQ

## Summer Kids/Youth Events

June 16-20 Youth Music Camp

June 17-27 Youth/Children  
Music Camp

June 29-July 4 Youth Passport

July 14-18 VBS

July 25-27 Youth Poverty  
Simulation

## CHILDREN

### Spring Picnic

Saturday, April 19

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

In lieu of the Easter egg hunt on Palm Sunday, the children's ministry committee would like to have a spring picnic at a BREC park. We will have the Easter egg hunt then. More details to follow.



## YOUTH

### Spring Rafting Trip

Ocoee, Tennessee

April 25-27, Cost: \$50

Please let Dave know by April 6 if you will be coming on the rafting trip.

### Poverty Simulation Mission Trip Sign-up

July 25-27, Waco, TX

Cost: \$25

Must have completed 8th grade. Call Dave for more details and interest.

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# Celebrating Baptism Sunday 10:30

## PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 15, 8 a.m.

Church Activities Hall

**Guest Speaker: Sgt. Darryl Honore**

## "How to Make Our Homes Safe"

**A special invitation is extended to the women of the church. Please call the church office if you plan to attend.**