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Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will deliver the message at First Baptist Church of Highland Park for their 9th Pastoral Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, September 6 at 7:45 am and 11:15 am. The Voices of Praise will accompany Dr. Ratliff. The church is located at 6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785 (301.773.6655). Dr. Henry P. Davis III, Pastor.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will attend the National Baptist Convention in Memphis, TN September 8 - 11.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be the guest preacher at First Baptist Church for their 10th Pastoral Anniversary on Sunday, September 13 at 10 am. The church is located at 236 Harrison Street, Petersburg, VA 23803 (804.732.2841). Dr. Jeremiah Tillman, Pastor.

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be guest preacher at The Worship Center Church, September 15 - 16 at 7 pm nightly for their Pastoral Anniversary Celebration. The church address is 9553 Parkway East, Birmingham, AL 35215 (205.451.1750). Dr. Vanable Moody III, Pastor.

Willa Scott will be recognized as a “Pioneer/Sister of Distinction” on Friday, September 18 at the WMU Texas - “Sisters Who Care” Women’s Leadership Conference at Fallbrook Baptist Church. The address is 12512 Walters Rd. Houston, TX 77014 (281.444.2733).

Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff will be a Facilitator at the Messiah Baptist Church Leadership Conference Saturday, September 26 from 9 am - 3 pm and as guest speaker on Sunday, September 27 at the 7:45 am & 10:45 am worship services. The church is located at 210 Congress Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604 (203.368.2405). Rev. Tyrone P. Jones IV, Pastor.

Dr. & Mrs. Joe Samuel Ratliff will attend the Pamper, Pray & Play Ministers & Wives Conference September 28 - 30 in Las Vegas, NV. They will be accompanied by Rev. Kevin W. Williams. Mrs. Ratliff will serve as a Co-Facilitator of this event.

Rev. C. Clay Pickens Congratulations for 15 years of service with the Brentwood Staff!
### Preaching Schedule

**Sunday**

7:45 AM & 10:45 AM

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| 6 | Rev. Albert A. Kemp (7:45am)  
   |            |              | Rev. Joseph G. Ford (10:45am)                                          |
|   |            |              | *Music By: Male Chorus*                                                  |
| 13| Rev. Mary A. Frazier (7:45am)  
   |            |              | Rev. Kevin W. Williams (10:45am)                                        |
|   |            |              | *Music By: Church Choir*                                                 |
| 20| 44th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY       
   |            |              | Dr. Joe Samuel Ratliff (7:45am & 10:45am)                               |
|   |            |              | *Music By: Voices of Praise*                                             |
| 27| Rev. Lillie M. Seals (7:45am)  
   |            |              | Rev. C. Clay Pickens (10:45am)                                          |
|   |            |              | *Music By: Women's Chorus*                                               |

**Wednesday**

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**Uncelebrated Saint**

Leroy Rogers
MEMBERS/ VISITORS

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Interpreters for the hearing impaired are available each Sunday during the 10:45 am worship service and for all other church sponsored events by request only. Please contact the Church Office at 713.852.1400.

MEMBERS

UPDATES
If you have moved or have a name change, please obtain and complete a Membership Update Form at the Receptionist Desk or contact Debra Jordan at 713.852.1486.

SICK & DEATH REPORTS
To report or give an update on a death or illness, please complete a Sick or Death Report form located at the Receptionist Desk, or contact Velekia Jordan at 713.852.1415 or via email at vjordan@brentwoodbaptist.org before Friday, noon.

CONTRIBUTIONS
Please use a contribution envelope to ensure that your tithes, offerings and designated donations are recorded. Contributions made to Brentwood Baptist Church are posted by your individual membership number. Therefore, it is important that you legibly record your complete name, address and amount on your envelope.

MEDIA
CD’s, DVD’s and audio cassettes are available in the Media Center. Please contact George Micheaux at 713.852.1426.

VISITORS
We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to join in as we give our highest praise to God our Father for giving us the opportunity to come together in worship. If you are looking for a church home please consider us in your spiritual journey. If you would like more information about us, please call 713.852.1400.

Tuesday, September 15
6:30 pm Girl Scouts LLC
7 pm Women’s Chorus Worship Center LLC
Creative Artists for Christ LLC
Men’s Bible Study Choir Room

Wednesday, September 16
6 pm Challengers LLC
6:30 pm Corporate Prayer Worship Center LLC
Scholarship Committee LLC
7 pm Midweek Worship Worship Center

Thursday, September 17
12 pm Noon Day Bible Study LLC
6 pm Sunday School Workers LLC
6:30 pm Tutoring LLC
New Members Committee LLC
7 pm Tiny Tots Choir LLC
Children’s Choir LLC
Praise Dancers (Pre-K – 5th Grade) LLC
Youth Praise Dancers LLC
Voices of Praise Worship Center
Young & Restless Bible Study Conference Room
Youth Ministry Parent Leaders LLC

Friday, September 18
6:30 pm Senior Adult Ministry LLC

Sunday, September 20
9:30 am Common Ground Bridal Suite
10 am Youth Council Conference Room

Monday, September 21
6:30 pm Alzheimer Ministry LLC
Youth Choir Choir Room
6:45 pm Deacon Training LLC
Cheerleaders for Christ LLC
7 pm Church Choir Worship Center

Tuesday, September 22
6:30 pm Business Development Ministry LLC
Deacon Wives LLC
7 pm Male Chorus Choir Room
Women’s Chorus Worship Center
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**INFANTS/CHILDREN/YOUTH**

**CHILD CARE**

The Doris Gardner Ratliff Center for Child Development offers childcare for ages 0 to 4, Sundays during worship services and Monday - Friday from 6 am to 6 pm. After school care also available! Contact Cheryl Kimbrel at 713.852.1470.

**WE ARE BACK!!**

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

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Healthy Lifestyle Living  Are you trying to optimize your health while managing diabetes, heart disease or other illnesses? Join us for “What Choice Do I Have? How Healthy Lifestyle Choices Can Impact My Health” on Thursday, September 10 at 7 pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. Baylor College of Medicine’s, Dr. Jacqueline Minter will be the speaker.

Your Contribution Matters  During the month of September, you may donate to the Brentwood Community Foundation through your workplace contribution to the 2009 State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC) and the 2009 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). For more information, call the Brentwood Community Foundation at 713.852.1451.

Brentwood Federal Credit Union New Service  What better way to show your love than to give the gift of SAVING! Make a deposit into the account of your child, grandchild, niece or nephew, and the Credit Union will send them a GIFT DEPOSIT CERTIFICATE saying that a deposit has been made into their account.

Jewels of Brentwood Bible Application  Ladies come see what’s happening in our community and search the Bible for guidance and instruction on Tuesday, September 22, at 6:30 pm in the Lifelong Learning Center.

THE BOOK CLUB PRESENTS…
“The Shack”
By: William P. Young
Saturday, September 12 • 11am
Join us for an engaging discussion!

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
Formed by the Usher Board Task Force

The purpose is to develop procedures for medical emergencies that may arise among parishioners while attending worship and other church-related events. If you are an active or retired medical personnel, please send your name and contact info to Clara Pruitt at clarap25@aol.com or you may register at the table in the foyer on Sunday, September 6 and 13.

Tuesday, September 1
6:30 pm  Girl Scouts  LLC
6:45 pm  Singles Bible Study  LLC
7 pm  Creative Artists for Christ
Women’s Chorus  Choir Room
Male Chorus  Worship Center

Wednesday, September 2
6 pm  Challengers  LLC
6:30 pm  Corporate Prayer  Worship Center
7 pm  Midweek Worship  Worship Center

Thursday, September 3
12 pm  Noon Day Bible Study  LLC
6 pm  Sunday School Workers  LLC
6:30 pm  Tiny Tots Choir  LLC
Associate Ministers  LLC
7 pm  Usher Board  Worship Center
Voices of Praise  Choir Room
Praise Dancers (Pre K–5th Grade)  LLC
Children’s Choir  LLC
Young & Restless Bible Study  Conference Room
Youth Praise Dancers  LLC

Saturday, September 5
9 am  Criminal Justice Ministry  LLC
12 pm  Adult Praise Dancers  LLC

Monday, September 7
LABOR DAY – ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED

Tuesday, September 8
10 am  Baptist Women III  LLC
6:30 pm  Wellness Ministry  LLC
6:45 pm  Deacon Training  LLC
7 pm  Intercessory Prayerline  LLC
Women’s Chorus  Choir Room
Male Chorus  Worship Center
Creative Artists for Christ  LLC
Cancer Support Ministry  LLC
Brentwood Baptist Church &
The Houston Foreclosure Task Force Presents…

Foreclosure Prevention Seminar & Housing Fair

Saturday, September 26 • 9am
Lifelong Learning Center

If you or someone you know is facing Foreclosure please make time to attend this seminar. Housing Counseling Agencies and Lenders will be in attendance to help you through the maze of preventing foreclosures.

Agencies scheduled to attend are:
- Houston Area Urban League
- Credit Coalition
- Money Management, Inc
- NID-Housing Counseling Agency
- Tejano Center
- Gulf Coast Community Services

Lenders that will be in attendance:
- Wells Fargo Bank
- Fannie Mae
- Federal Reserve Bank
- Countrywide Home Loans/Bank of America

Come and receive helpful information!

Prayer & Praise Breakfast
“A Concert of Prayer”

Saturday, October 3, 2009 • 9:00 am
Intercontinental Hotel
2222 West Loop South
Houston, Texas 77027

Guest Speaker...
Rev. Arthur Jackson, III
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church of Carol City
Miami, FL

Guest Psalmists...
Shawn & Rhonda McLemore

Tickets: $40  Table: $450 - $1,000

To purchase your ticket or table, contact the Music Department at 713.852.1426.

LABOR DAY
Monday, September 7
Campus Closed & All Activities Cancelled!
“A Concert of Prayer”
40-Day Prayer Journey
August 25 - October 3, 2009

Weekly Focus

Repentance (August 25 - 28)
Turn away, both individually and corporately from all that might hinder fulfillment of that hope. Acts 3:19

Resistance (August 29 - September 4)
Intercede at every point where the enemy is seeking to prevent the unfolding of what God has promised to His church and to its mission in the world. James 4:7

Restoration (September 5 - 11)
Pray for God to fill the church with the fullness of the life of Christ. Psalm 51:12

Releasing (September 12 - 18)
Ask God to release many new works of His kingdom, both locally and world-wide. Romans 7:6

Receiving (September 19 - 25)
Listen to hear and confirm whatever the new words of promise and mission God may be speaking to us. John 16:24

Recommitment (September 26 - October 2)
Offer ourselves back to the Lord, in view of the great hopes towards which we’ve prayed. Psalm 37:5

Rejoicing (October 3)
Praise and celebration of the hope that God has set before us in Christ. 1 Samuel 2:1

Why Do We Fast?
True prayer and fasting are attitudes of the heart and cries of the soul. Fasting is not an end of itself. It is a means by which we can worship the Lord and submit ourselves in humility to Him. It is a time for us to relax, relate and release from all of our problems and situations and put all of our focus on Him who can fix all things.

Fasting allows the flesh to practice self-denial or abstinence from the comforts and pleasures that distract Christians from concentrating and meditating on God. It teaches us self-discipline, reminds us that we can live with a lot less and deepens our relationship with the Lord. Fasting may involve spiritual agony and intercession. It does not change or impress God but it will change us.

Please ask God for wisdom and strength during your fast.

Schedule of Fast
As a result of fasting and praying, God will perform some phenomenal things in our midst. Please join us in a weekly corporate fast. Pray and seek God’s leading for the appropriate choice of fasting options. Skipping meals alone will not result in a meaningful fast. During this time of fasting, set aside time with God in prayer, studying, reflecting and journaling while seeking spiritual insight.

Instructions for All Levels
- Refrain from eating red meat and sweets
- No caffeine, carbonated beverages, or alcoholic beverages
- Drink only water, juice (fruit/vegetable), or decaffeinated beverages
- No eating after 10pm
- Choose one (1) fast free day weekly

Please study and meditate each day on the focus of the week.