

# The Southwest Spirit

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## The Pastor's Pen

NOW IS THE TIME

"Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country." That was the sentence I typed over and over again in my first typing class. Supposedly it had something to do with developing typing speed and accuracy. Every once in a while I type the sentence just to see if I can still type it without errors. I'm good for it about 60% of the time.

Here's another sentence for you. "Now is the time for all good men and women to come to the aid of their church and Lord." The sentence has little to do with our typing skills but everything in the world to do with what we as a church will do in the coming year for our Lord and for others. Let me explain. During the month of September and most of October we will be inviting you to consider where in the life of our church you will serve in 2008. Listed in the bulletin are the church's committees, ministries and organizations. Somewhere on that list is a place where you can serve. What's important is not as much your experience as it is your enthusiasm. Review the list. Pray about where you believe God would have you serve and then sign up because "now is the time for all good men and women to come to the aid of their church and Lord."

Pastor Pulido

## Choir Dedication Sunday, September 30

Join us for worship on Sunday morning, September 30, as we celebrate the ministry and service of our Chancel Choir. The choir will share two anthems and we will dedicate their important service in the coming year.

### Special Sunday Evening Prayer and Worship

Also on September 30, in the evening, we will be gathering together as a church family for a special service of prayer and communion as we celebrate the first of our "fifth Sunday" Sunday evenings. We will share the bread and cup as we gather together. For more information, contact a member of the ministerial staff.



TeamKID has come to our Wednesday nights! This new program promises to build on our already successful Wednesday evening AWANA program. We are really excited about this new opportunity! Come see what it is all about, or better yet invite a child and help him or her find a way to Fellowship Hall on Wednesday nights! See Ramona Davis for more information.

## The Acts of the Church

In a special called business meeting on September 9 the church took the following actions:

It approved that the Spanish speaking Seventh Day Adventist mission could use our facility in accordance with principles of agreement that were developed by leaders of the church and mission. Southwest learned after taking this action that the mission had decided not to use our facility because it was too large and because some of their senior members had problems dealing with the number of steps found in our building.

Southwest also approved the amendment to its by-laws that removed the requirement that a candidate for the diaconate not be a divorced man.

The church tabled a motion until September 30 on what course of action it should take concerning repairing the tower.

Contact the church office for more information.



Don't forget our regular business meeting, on Sunday evening, September 30, at 6:30 pm in Memorial Hall. Contact the church office for more information.

## Chancel Choir and Hand Bells Have Returned!

Are you ready to be a part of one or both of these important worship leadership groups? A willing spirit is the only prerequisite. Join our Chancel Choir as they resume practicing on Wednesday evenings, at 7:00 pm. Prefer to lead with your hands rather than your voice? Join our Hand Bell Choir as they practice on Monday evenings.

Mission  
House  
For  
Sale



Southwest is selling its mission residence at 6301 Scanlan. The two bedroom house is being sold with all its furnishing. Sale price of the house is \$149,900. For more information and to see the house please contact Dan Tumminello at 314 280-8800.

## We welcome into the church family...

Terry and Betty McCoy. Terry and Betty join Southwest by transfer of letter from a sister church in our area. Terry and Betty return to the St. Louis community following Terry's job transfer to Cleveland, Ohio. We welcome the McCoy's! Terry and Betty are Tara Hill's parents (and they even claim Pastor James sometimes, too!)

## Southwest Baptist Church

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- Rev. James Hill, Jr., Associate Pastor
- Ramona Davis, Director of Children's Ministries
- Paula Bittle, Interim Minister of Music
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