

MAY 6, 2009

Only a few short weeks remaining till...



<http://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/fbccrestview>  
just copy and paste the above address to your web browser.

---

FBC Annual Freedom Rally  
TONIGHT! May 6, 6:30 pm



"Well Done, Thy Good and Faithful Servant"

Everyone wear Red, White and Blue. All military (active and retired) are encouraged to wear their uniforms. This is a special time of honoring our military, our country, and our Father in Heaven.

---

**Florida Baptist Children's Home...** what began as a necessary ministry in 1904 has become vital ministry to numerous Florida children over the decades. YOU have an opportunity to help minister to these children on **May 10<sup>th</sup>**. The Acteens of First Baptist are sponsoring a "Food Pounding" for the Children's Home. Please bring a **non-perishable food item** to be gathered together with other needed items that will be taken to the Florida Children's Home the week after Mother's Day. This is a simple way every member can help a friend in need.

We'll have a few snapshots from recent special services next week. If you'd like to email one or two send them to [randall@fbccrestview.org](mailto:randall@fbccrestview.org).

Is freedom a reality in your life? Beginning Sunday, May 17, just for Ladies:

# Breaking Free

by Beth Moore

"I had no idea I was in captivity until God began to set me free. I received Christ as my Savior when I was a very small child. I never missed a church service or a church-related event. Yet I was a captive...the worst kind of captive, a prisoner unaware. Easiest prey there is."

"We can spend decades refusing to budge an inch with God because something happened that we couldn't reconcile with our assumptions. A heart can shatter in so many pieces that we don't think even God could put it back together again. If I may be so bold, sometimes we're so upset with Him we feel like we wouldn't let Him if He tried. Every inch of ground we refuse to take with God, we surrender to the enemy. Satan has no greater agenda than to talk you and me into believing that God is not good after all."

*From the pen of Beth Moore and the heart of Rina Childers*

This is an 11-week journey toward freedom in Christ. Although we will meet corporately for discussion, encouragement and a video with Beth, this is a personal journey. There will be interactive exercises in each lesson designed for **your** journey. **Your** full participation will enable **you** to make liberty in Christ a reality in **your** life.

***A Christian is held captive by anything that hinders the abundant and effective Spirit-filled life God planned for her!  
If you know of a dear one who needs to begin this journey of healing  
won't you encourage her by coming along on this journey also?***

We will meet each Sunday afternoon at 4:30 on the second floor.

Sessions begin Sunday, May 17 (with orientation first) and end Sunday, July 26.

Childcare will be provided. See Rina Childers for additional information or email her at: [jeffnrina@cox.net](mailto:jeffnrina@cox.net)

## SOFTBALL...

### Women:

May 7 6:30pm  
May 12 6:30pm  
May 21 6:30pm  
May 26 7:45pm  
May 28 6:30pm

### Men:

May 14 7:45 pm  
May 18 6:30 pm  
May 21 7:45 pm  
May 28 7:45 pm

Special Thanks to ALL of you who continue to help and support the ministries at First Baptist Church. There are several "behind-the-scenes" workers who help every event and ministry run smoothly. If everything we do as a church begins with a prayer focus and allowed to develop through the leadership of the Holy Spirit then we are able to present every event, activity, and ministry as an offering unto the Lord. If you've been wondering how to be involved, let us offer a simple three step process. First, pray. God wants you involved and obedient; He will guide you. Second, get up. When you say "amen" after your prayer, get up and boldly assume the Lord will give you wisdom to know and do His will. Third, express your passion. As the Lord empowers and leads you to do His work, He will bring others along with you who will either join you or encourage you to press on. Be involved. The Christian walk is not a spectator lifestyle, rather, it is a lifestyle of active loving and serving.