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Stoney Point Baptist hosting Community Day

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Stoney Point Baptist Church is launching a series of family events beginning with Community Day Sept. 20 for local residents.

Everything is free, but donations are welcome. The event will include hot dogs, hamburgers, Coca Cola products, a clothing give away, entertainment, health screenings and games. Door prizes will also be given away, but winners must be present.

"We want to be a fabric of the community," said the Reverend Edward L. Thrasher. "We want to tear down walls. At the Community Day we will honor firefighters and police officers in the Soddy-Daisy area."

Groups performing at Community Day include, 22 Vision, Nadell Coleman, Joyful Expression, Allen Brannum and Ken and Patty Hall.

Children can jump on inflatables and go to the face paint booth. Adults can play bingo.

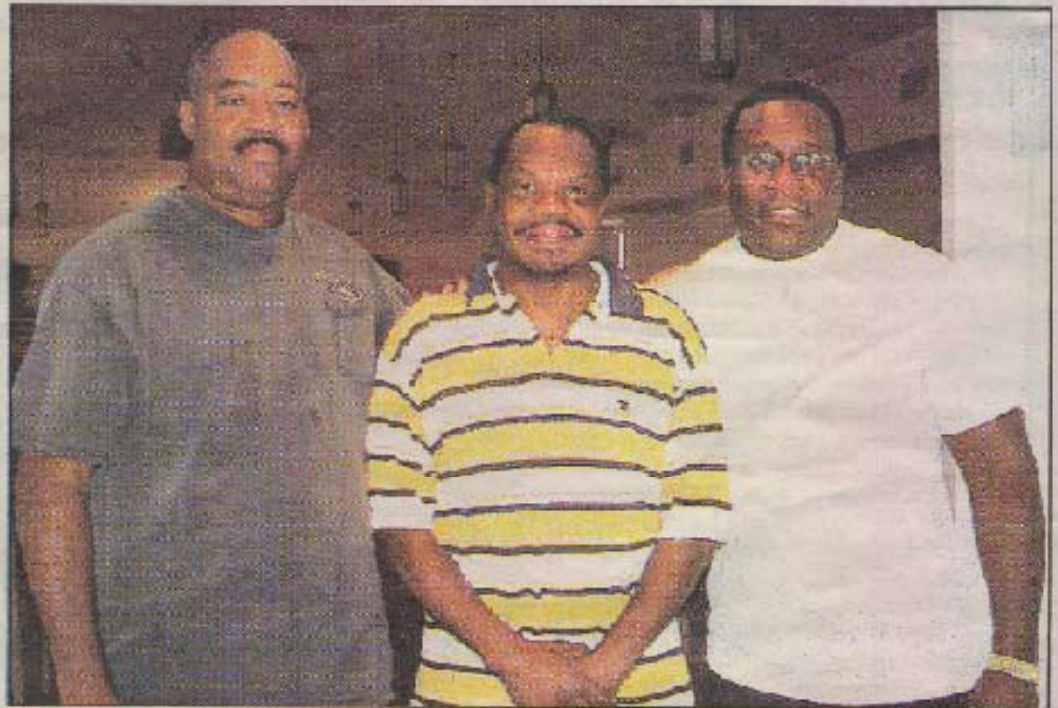
Health care screenings include blood pressure checks, cholesterol level readings, HIV testing and dental screenings.

Stoney Point Baptist plans to host a Family and Friends Day Sept. 21 at 10:45 a.m. Members will be encouraged to bring a friend.

The festivities will wrap up with a revival titled "Thanksgiving Week: Turning a City Upside Down" from Sept. 23-26 at 7 p.m. nightly.

"The Lord gave us the vision to bring local churches together for a revival," Mr. Thrasher said. "In Acts 17, Paul was accused of turning the city upside down."

Stoney Point Baptist, New Salem Baptist, Reehoboth Bap-



The Reverend Willie B. Ervin, a former member of Stoney Point Baptist, deacon Morris Beaty and the Reverend Edward L. Thrasher, from left, plan Stoney Point Baptist's Community Day.

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tist, Hawkinsville Baptist and Mile Straight Baptist will take part in the revival.

"My hope and my prayer is that people will see the movement God is doing here and want to be a part of it," Mr. Thrasher said. "Our focus is to develop more ministries for our church to meet the needs of the community."

Stoney Point Baptist's deacon Morris Beaty explained that the church is interested in bringing in community members without a church home.

"We are about building up God's kingdom," said Mr. Beaty, a Soddy-Daisy resident for 22 years. "Some of the nicest people live in Soddy-Daisy."

Mr. Thrasher explained that Stoney Point seeks to invite

people of every race to come to worship.

"We want to have a multi-cultural congregation," Mr. Thrasher said.

For more information, call

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