## **VBS 2009**

Under Construction: A Habitat for Humanity Vacation Bible School

Get ready to build for the future through missions and ministry with Under Construction: A Habitat for Humanity Vacation Bible School! A very special VBS experience, Under Construction welcomes preschoolers (3-4 year olds) through 6th graders (completed) to share Christian faith through service to the church and to the community beyond the church.

Location: Collinsville Baptist Church, Collinsville, Alabama

Dates: Sunday, June 14th - Wednesday, June 17th, 2009

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Under Construction is missions in action -- a VBS designed to share God's love and encourage children to grow in Christian service habits. In partnership with Habitat for Humanity International, the well-known and respected Christian housing ministry, your children will discover the joy of Christian faith made more relevant through service to others. The program is biblically based, uses a construction theme, and involves children in activities that teach the value of "building" Christian community and participating in outreach service missions. Program elements include Bible theme activities, worship, music, community stories, and special craft projects for the children.

A unique feature of Under Construction is how it involves children directly in service and ministry through Habitat for Humanity International, a well-known Christian housing ministry. While children do not participate in the construction of Habitat homes, they do discover the joy of serving by creating crafts that are given to Habitat partner families and volunteers. An offering taken by the children during Vacation Bible School will be dedicated to providing housing for people in need through the ministries of Habitat for Humanity. Collinsville Baptist is also directly supporting the building of additional Habitat homes, since a portion of the program purchase price goes to Habitat for Humanity.

We need some help getting some supplies and some skilled help in cutting out wood patterns. One of our service projects is entitled "Come on In!". This project allows crew members (children) to build and paint doorstops to be given to Habitat partner families. They remind the children that their response to the poor, hungry, and homeless should be "Come on in!" Materials needed: 1x6 # pine, wood glue, hammer, finishing nails, sandpaper, paints, paint brushes. There will be one 5 1/4" x 5 1/4" square and one 5 1/4" x 3 " rectangle. The one 5 1/4" x 5 1/4" square cut diagonally for two door stops. So if anyone has scrap lumber and woodworking supplies or would be willing to help cut out the patterns, please let Glenda Morgan or the church office know.

Also, we will be needing more refreshment donations and more volunteers to help work with the children and with the refreshments. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer your help to the exciting Vacation Bible School.