

NEWSLETTER  
**American Baptist Women's Ministries**  
 May 2010

**ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION**

Friday, May 7 ~ 6:30 PM ~ FLC

Hostesses: *Creative Arts Circle*  
 Devotional Message: *Faye Aliff*



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