

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 8

- 8:15 A.M. First Worship
- 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
Hispanic Worship-Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Second Worship
- 12:00 P.M. 55+ Adult Luncheon
- 12:15 P.M. Missions Comm. Meeting - 175
- 6:00 PM. Evening Worship

Monday, July 9

- 8:00 A.M. Youth leave for Centrifuge
- 1:00 P.M. FLC open

Tuesday, July 10

- 8:45 A.M. MDO
- 1:00 P.M. FLC open

Wednesday, July 11

- 3:00 P.M. FLC open
- 5:00 P.M. Supper line opens
- 6:00 P.M. TeamKID
4-K Room 247
1st-3rd floor
4th-6th FLC
- 7:30 P.M. FLC open until 9:00

Thursday, July 12

- 1:00 P.M. FLC open

Friday, July 13

- 8:45 A.M. MDO
- 9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
- 1:00 P.M. FLC open

Saturday, July 14

Sunday, July 15

- 8:15 A.M. First Worship
- 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
Hispanic Worship-Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Second Worship
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Scripture Memory

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Highland 50+ Dinner Club

July 13

6:00 p.m.

Gourmet Café & Bake House

(formerly Bagels & More; 1555 Interstate Dr.)

The Highland 50+ Dinner Club, a faith-based group, meets on the second Friday of every month for fun, food, and fellowship. The meals are Dutch treat and open to the community. Call Bobby Moser at 432-0455 for reservations by noon July 13.

BUDGET & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

Budget (07/01/07)

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,919.00
Budget Gifts this Week	\$26,731.21
Difference from Goal	-\$2,494.41
Total Designated Gifts	\$4,273.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$31,004.21
Budget Goal to Date	\$29,225.62
Budget Gifts to Date	\$26,731.21
Difference from Goal	-\$2,494.41
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$33,940.82
Increase from Prior Year	\$7,209.61
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$1,321.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,538,350.42

Sunday School Attendance

<i>Attendance Reports (07/01/07)</i>	
General Officers	5
Preschool	75
Children	57
Youth	41
Adults	349
Total	527

We should always be prepared to give to the needs of others, especially as prompted by the Holy Spirit. "But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?" (1 John 3:17)

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Van Slinger - Chief Deacon
Jerry Joyner
Gordon Vasseur
Mike Powers
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Larry Taylor

WEDNESDAY DINNER - 7/11

Salad bar

WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS - 7/11

5:00 – Mr. & Mrs. Richard Newman, Mr. & Mrs. Gus Rich, Barbara Clouse
5:45 – Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Matheny, Mr. & Mrs. Donnie King, Mike Shirley

EXTENDED SESSION - 07/08

Bed Babies - Jackie Donaldson, Becky Crosier, Connie Taylor

Creepers - Kenny & Shawna Delon

Toddlers - Lily Qiu, Peggy Semmes

2's - Allan & Margaret Atkins

3's - Patricia Fuller, Barbara Clouse

To add prayer requests please call the church or visit our web page at www.fbccookeville.org.

First Chronicles

Chronicling the life of the First Baptist Family

Special worship music planned for July

By Jonathan Nelms

Associate Pastor for Music

Each Sunday morning in July will feature special music ministry leadership. Last Sunday, July 1, the FBC Orchestra and Sanctuary Choir presented stirring arrangements celebrating God and country. These special presentations marked the end of the previous choir and orchestra seasons. Nevertheless, more great music is coming this month.

Today First Baptist welcomes the Cumberland Trio. Featuring FBC's own Allen Atkins, this trio has performed at venues throughout the Upper Cumberland. Allen is joined by Ed Cagle of Crossville and Jim Mangus of Lee County, Virginia. In addition to two trio selections, Allen's daughter Tammy Wilson will be joining Ed to sing "Broken and Spilled Out" this morning as well. Music Ministry Intern Todd Arnold will be leading the congregational music this morning in the absence of Jonathan Nelms, who is on vacation.

Next Sunday, July 15, First Baptist will be blessed by the instrumental music ministry of Christy Huddleston. A member of First United Methodist in Cookeville, Christy is a renowned solo handbell ringer. She will be playing special arrangements for the prelude, instrumental meditation, and offertory. Todd Arnold will once again be leading the congregational singing.

On Sunday, July 22, the Hammons Trio will bring the rich blend of harmony to worship as they sing a favorite song of faith. Accompanied by Kaye Ryon, this mother/daughter trio consists of Lisa, Maicie, and Megan Hammons. Also on the 22nd, Dr. John Wells will be presenting a wonderful organ masterwork by George Phillip Telemann.

The final Sunday of July will center on the Lord's Supper in the morning and feature the music ministry of Kyle Fuller that evening. Kyle has recently graduated from TTU and will begin his studies at the Regent University Law School next month. Consequently, July 29 will be Kyle's last Sunday at First Baptist as music ministry assistant. He has held this position for more than six years. A special reception honoring Kyle's work here will be held following the evening worship service.



The Sunday evening service on July 29 will feature the music ministry of Kyle Fuller (above), who has served as music ministry assistant for more than six years.

Pastor's Heart

This week my heart is to share with you the heart of a dear friend. Tommy Lee is president of Pilots for Christ, a ministry based in Monroeville, AL. Tommy was one of my deacons there at First Baptist. His recent article in the ministry's newsletter, *Airwaves*, blessed me and I believe it will bless you. It follows below.

The other day God used one of my dogs to clearly show me how I was missing His many blessings. I have two 9-year-old female dogs, Splash and Tigger. Splash is a black Lab that is overweight, lazy, and won't even walk around the yard with me. Basically Splash sleeps and eats. Tigger is a Boxer that is alert, full of life, energetic, and always follows me around. She always stays close to me, so she gets the last Ritz cracker or a bite of my ice cream sandwich. Occasionally, she even gets a personal ride around the block in the golf cart. So, now my goal in life is to be as good a person as my dog thinks I am.

Anyway, God allowed me to see how much more Tigger receives than Splash simply because she hangs around her master. It was a very convicting analogy, because I know that lately my walk with the Lord has been more like Splash – basically lazy in my prayer life and my time alone each day with the Lord in His word. I was not following Him closely. Just after Jesus told Peter he would deny Him three times, the Bible states, "Peter was following at a distance," and that resulted in no blessings and eventually much weeping. (Luke 22:54)

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A Legacy of Giving

By Mike Head

Associate Pastor of Administration

Farris and Helen Smith, faithful members of First Baptist Church, knew that you gain riches by giving to God's work. During their lives they gave generously, not only through their church but also to California Baptist University, a Christian university that they were affiliated with while living and working in California.



Bo Childs

Most of you would never forget to bring your tithe each week to First Baptist. Your faithful support of His work sends the Good News to people here and throughout the world. What about after you die? Have you considered supporting Kingdom causes even in your death?

Bo Childs of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation will be speaking today at the 55+ luncheon about these matters. He will be available after the luncheon to talk with you further about planned giving.

The Tennessee Baptist Foundation is equipped and ready to assist Tennessee Baptists with these important issues! Why don't you call the Foundation and invite them to assist you in reviewing your existing estate plan or in preparing your own Christian Will? The toll free number at the Foundation is 1-800-552-4644. They will be happy to meet with you in your home or in the Foundation's Brentwood office. Their consultation service is provided at no cost to Tennessee Baptists. They are anxious to help you develop a personal estate plan that will both distribute your estate to your heirs as you desire and create a legacy to your love of Christ.

PASTOR'S HEART

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Since every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father (James 1:17), I have decided to make it my heart's desire to stay closer to Him in the days ahead. Truly this is our battle, because the blessings of today and also of eternity are at stake!

Please allow me to leave you with one incredible verse of HOPE, "No eye has seen, no

ear has heard, no mind conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him" (1 Corinthians 2:9). The good Lord will bless us in many ways as we simply walk with Him and enjoy His presence!

In His Service, Tommy Lee

That is a powerful word of truth gleaned from the application of God's word through God's creation. Blessings to all who learn it!

See you in worship.

In His Love,

Pastor Randy

Kid's Korner

By Ann Hertzfeldt
Director of Preschool & Children's Ministries

Looking for an exciting way to end your summer? We've got two opportunities for children to enjoy their final few days before going back to school.

The Last Days of Summer Fun will feature a trip to the Nashville Zoo on Thursday, July 19. We plan to leave at 9:00 a.m. and get back by 4:00 p.m. The Last Days of Summer Fun is open to children in 1st-6th grade. Children three years old through Kindergarten must be accompanied by a parent. The cost is \$8 for children (ages 3-18) and \$13 for adults and includes lunch. You must register and pay by Sunday, July 15

The Last Splash will be at Echo Valley Pool on Thursday, July 26. This is open to children in 1st-6th grade. Children three years old through Kindergarten must be accompanied by a parent. Children can be dropped off at Echo Valley at 9:00 a.m. and will need to be picked up from the pool by 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$3 for pool admission. Bring your lunch and drinks will be provided. Sign up by Sunday, July 22. You must sign a release form.

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PRESCHOOL AREA

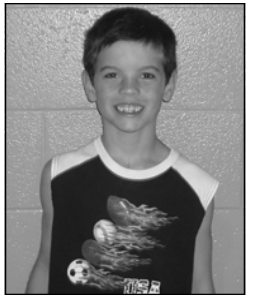


Preschoolers (above) play in the newly revamped kitchen. Mike Shirley helped give the Preschool kitchen a makeover. The Preschool Department would like to thank Mike for all of his hard work.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



James Cunningham
34 N Ferguson
Cookeville, TN
38501



Cody Hutcherson
1616 Edgefield Ct.
Cookeville, TN
38506



Gary & Kay Curto
2781 New London Drive
Cookeville, TN 38501



Maddie Ramsaur
1760 B Shipley Rd.
Cookeville, TN
38501



Alesha Palentyn
1602 Biltmore
Cookeville, TN
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FBC to help Habitat as part of Apostle Build

By Gordon R. Vasseur

Couldn't get to the Gulf Coast?

Now is your opportunity to help here in our own community!

First Baptist church is helping Habitat for Humanity build a home.



This is an Apostle Build, meaning First Baptist will share the cost and build dates with 11 other churches. On our build date, September 8, the home should be ready to have doors, windows, and blue-board installed.

You may help with the building part of this project or support the project financially by a designated gift through our church offering. If you have questions, please see or call me (931) 265-8784.

Other important dates are Home Blessing Day on September 15 and Home Dedication in November 2007.

Open Positions

Applications are now being accepted for music ministry assistant, student ministry assistant and outreach assistant. For more information about these part-time positions, please contact Mike Head.