

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Aug. 19

- 8:15 A.M. First Worship
- 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
Hispanic Worship-Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Second Worship
- 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
Chimes
Orchestra
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Monday, Aug. 20

- 6:00 P.M. WOM Night Group
- 6:30 P.M. Real Encounter-Sanctuary
- 7:00 P.M. CBS Night Bible Study

Tuesday, Aug. 21

- 8:45 A.M. MDO
- 6:30 P.M. Real Encounter-Sanctuary

Wednesday, Aug. 22

- 3:00 P.M. FLC open
- 5:00 P.M. Supper line opens
Pres. & Child. Choirs
- 6:00 P.M. Real Encounter @ CHS
- 6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting
Children's Missions
Sanctuary Choir
- 7:30 P.M. FLC open until 9:00

Thursday, Aug. 23

- 9:15 A.M. CBS
- 10:00 A.M. Happy Tones

Friday, Aug. 24

- 8:45 A.M. MDO
- 9:30 A.M. Fun Friday

Saturday, Aug. 25

- 10:30 A.M. TTU Church Fair

Sunday, Aug. 26

- 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. Student Rib Lunch
- 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
Chimes
Orchestra
- 4:30 P.M. Praise Ringers
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBER



Jennifer Foust
133 Locust Grove Road
Cookeville, TN 38501

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

BUDGET & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

Budget (08/12/07)

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,225.62
Budget Gifts this Week	\$19,394.73
Difference from Goal	-\$9,830.89
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,758.50
Total Gifts this Week	\$22,193.23
Budget Goal to Date	\$204,579.34
Budget Gifts to Date	\$175,622.94
Difference from Goal	-\$28,956.40
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$197,069.17
Decrease from Prior Year	\$21,446.23
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$11,528.80
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,548,788.22

Sunday School Attendance

<i>Attendance Reports (08/12/07)</i>	
General Officers	5
Preschool	59
Children	64
Youth	62
Adults	392
Total	582

We are to give to those who minister to us, with our church being a priority.

"So also the Lord directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel."

(1 Cor. 9:14)

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

John Shaffer - Chief Deacon
Richard Cashion
Nolan Goolsby
Joe Church
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Richard Cashion

WEDNESDAY DINNER - 8/22

Hoagies, salad, chips, dessert

WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS - 8/22

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Doug Winford,
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Boyington
5:45 - Bob Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Griggs, Ruth Ann Southerlan

EXTENDED SESSION - 08/19

Bed Babies - Shelia Rich, Viviane Davis
Creepers - Derek & Linda Wheeler
Toddlers - Chris & Sissy Vick
2's - Patricia Mabry, Salee Adkisson
3's - David & Michelle Price



First Chronicles

Chronicling the life of the First Baptist Family



Pastor's Heart

Wow! It's great to be back. Warm bed, good food, loving wife, great church: I am overwhelmingly blessed. Still, like everyone who travels on mission, I am deeply grateful for the opportunities and experiences of the last couple of weeks. To witness God moving in such powerful ways is an experience that is never forgotten.

Thank you for allowing this time away, as I represented you in missions. We will all be blessed by it; I am assured. I know that each time I return from these trips you report that I am a better preacher. I am sure that is true, for God graciously works in my soul while I work for His kingdom.

I am thankful that we are a mission centered church. I believe that we are more involved in missions than ever in our history. We are giving and going at an unprecedented pace. God will and has blessed that.

In fact, a recent certificate (above left) arrived from the Tennessee Baptist Convention. It showed that First Baptist Cookeville was one of the top twenty-five leading churches in our convention last year in baptisms and Sunday School growth. Congratulations!

Of course every year brings its challenges. This one has been no different. With transfers of members to other towns and losses to death, I think our statistics have taken a backwards step. Join me in working hard for the rest of this year and into the future to make sure that this is "one step back and two steps" forward.

I know this, as I looked at our membership report a couple of weeks ago during the quarterly congregational

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REAL ENCOUNTER

AUGUST 20-22
RALLY — MONDAY @ 6:30 P.M.,
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
EVANGELISM TRAINING FOR YOUTH
AND LEADERS —
TUESDAY @ 6:30 P.M. @ FBC
BIG EVENT — WEDNESDAY @ 6 P.M.,
COOKEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Worship Leader Commitment Sunday

This Sunday marks the official beginning of a new season for the Sanctuary Choir and orchestra at First Baptist. At the conclusion of the second worship service members of both ensembles will come forward for a time of dedication. As Bro. Randy prays for these musicians, they will be pledging their commitment to leading corporate worship until next July. In addition to Sunday morning worship, these men and women provide choral and instrumental music for evangelistic services, revivals, mission trips, and a host of other church events. To prepare for these special programs as well as weekly worship services, both of these ensembles hold regular weekly rehearsals.



Membership in the choir and orchestra is open to all youth and adults. There is no audition and Jonathan Nelms, Associate Pastor/Music, will assist individuals in determining which music ministry ensemble is right for them. At this time, the Sanctuary Choir specifically needs more men singers and the orchestra is looking for more brass players.

Anyone interested in singing with the Sanctuary Choir should simply come to a rehearsal. These are held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room. A designated choir member will greet guests and guide them through the evening. Rehearsals typically last 60 minutes. They are filled with singing, worship, prayer, and some music education. Choir members regularly comment on how motivating and edifying choir rehearsals are.

Likewise, the church orchestra holds weekly rehearsals to prepare for worship leadership. Orchestra rehearsals are held on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals last about 75 minutes and include warm-ups, rehearsal, worship education, and prayer. Parts are available for all band and orchestral instruments. Current schedules for both the choir and orchestra are posted on the bulletin board near the choir room.

Worship is a necessary expression of our relationship with the Lord. Worship flows out of our love for Him and the desire to glorify His name. The music ministry of First Baptist encourages all believers to consider how they can support the corporate worship services of the church. The Sanctuary Choir and First Baptist Orchestra are a great place to serve.

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business meeting, I was delighted to see that we were again on a record pace in baptisms and new members. April through June witnessed 22 baptisms and 12 other additions to our church family.

You may not be aware that we have also started several new Sunday School classes in the last few months. They are reaching and

teaching even more people. Now pray with me about this: we need more Bible Study facilitators/leaders and more space. We seem to be out of both.

Our call is to make disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Let's make sure we are keeping the main things out front and foremost.

See you in worship!

In His Love,
Pastor Randy

Children need you!

Teachers are still needed for pre-school and children. Teachers are needed in creepers (12-18 months), toddlers (18-24 months), Kindergarten and 3rd grade. Mission Friends is also in need of help. If you would like to help children grow to know the Lord, contact Ann Hertzfeldt

**Children's
Bible Drill**
4th-6th grade
Sundays beginning
August 19
5:00-5:45 p.m.
Room 324

RA's

Royal Ambassadors registration is continuing through August. A parent needs to come with their child to sign him up.

**WMU Night Bible
Study Group**
will have a planning
meeting on Monday,
August 20 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Café.

Men's softball team wins B League title for second time in three seasons

By Mike Turbeville
Manager

The men's softball team won the 2007 "B" League title for the second time in three seasons by virtue of a tiebreaker rule.

Three teams — Cookeville First Baptist, Sparta First Baptist, and Willow Avenue Church of Christ — finished in a three-way tie for first place with 16-5 records. Cookeville FBC had the best overall record (4-2) against the other two first place finishers and was awarded the No. 1 ranking for the season. The league crown has also put the men's team in position to possibly move up to the "A" League for the 2008 season.

This year's team had a good mixture of young and experienced players who showed good sportsmanship and a Christian attitude in every game played. Our deacon players — Chris Vick, Dimas Aranda, or Donnie King — always ended each victory with prayer to thank our Lord and Savior for a safe and fun evening.

By far the highlight of the season was a walk-off grand slam 12-10 win over Sparta FBC provided by Mark Herberman, his second four-run homer of the night! The men's team would like to thank our church leaders for giving us the opportunity to come together for fellowship twice a week and also to our loyal fans who came out to root us on.

Gatherings

Join all ages of the First Baptist family for a special time of fellowship. The Gatherings will include three church families and one prospect family for a time to meet new friends and renew old friendships. These families can fellowship together informally over dinner or dessert.

The Gatherings will be selected at random from the names of those who sign up to take part. You will be able to meet three times over a period of three months, and then new Gatherings will be formed. That way, we will be able to meet young adults, collegiates, single adults, middle aged adults, and senior adults as well as reach out to our prospect families.

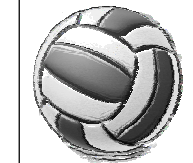
The intent of the Gatherings is to meet families and individuals you do not normally visit with or to spend time with those you always wished you had time to visit. The entire family may be included.

The Gatherings will meet in September, October, and November. Sign-Up during the month of August in the Central Lobby or by calling the church office!



Church-League Volleyball

Team rosters and fees are due Tuesday, August 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the



FLC. **No rosters accepted before or after this time.**

Leagues are available for youth, beginning, intermediate, and more experienced players. *Join the fun!*

Memorial service

"A time to remember Becky Anderson & Laura Knieling"

Sunday, August 19

3:00-4:00 p.m.

**Cookeville High
School Auditorium**

The community is invited.

**PRISCILLA
SHIRER STUDY
HE SPEAKS**

TO ME

STARTING

SUNDAY, SEPT. 9

4:30 P.M.

ROOM 177

Leader: Lisa Hammons