

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 16

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 Chimes
 Orchestra
 4:30 P.M. Praise Ringers
 5:00 P.M. Kid's Bible Drill #324
 Yth. Bible Drill #330
 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Monday, Sept. 17

6:00 P.M. WOM Night Group
 7:00 P.M. CBS Night Bible Study

Tuesday, Sept. 18

8:45 A.M. MDO

Wednesday, Sept. 19

3:00 P.M. FLC open
 5:00 P.M. Supper line opens
 Pres. & Child. Choirs
 Chi Rho Yth. Choir
 Youth on Mission
 5:30 P.M. Stewardship Com. Mtg.
 6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting
 Children's Missions
 Youth Bible Study
 7:30 P.M. FLC open until 9:00

Thursday, Sept. 20

9:15 A.M. CBS
 10:00 A.M. Happy Tones
 6:00 P.M. Women's Conf. Mtg.

Friday, Sept. 21

8:45 A.M. MDO
 9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
 5:00 P.M. Women's Conference

Saturday, Sept. 22

8:00 A.M. Women's Conference

Sunday, Sept. 23

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 Chimes
 Orchestra
 4:30 P.M. Praise Ringers
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 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
 7:00 P.M. Adopt a Student
 Fellowship FH

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

Mothers Day Out

We are excited to announce that Mothers-Day-Out has enrolled in the Tyson Project A+ Label Collection Program. We would like to encourage you to clip Project A+ labels (right) from specially marked packages of Tyson products and place them in our collection box center. We are also collecting Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Soup labels. These may also be put in our collection center. Thank you for your participation in these programs. If you have any questions, please see Patricia Mabry or Linda Huddleston.



BUDGET & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

Budget (09/09/07)

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,225.62
Budget Gifts this Week	\$23,290.41
Difference from Goal	-\$5,935.21
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,190.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$25,480.41
Budget Goal to Date	\$321,481.82
Budget Gifts to Date	\$279,353.36
Difference from Goal	-\$42,128.46
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$302,079.82
Decrease from Prior Year	-\$22,726.46
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$23,013.80
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,560,273.22

Sunday School Attendance

<i>Attendance Reports (09/09/07)</i>	
General Officers	5
Preschool	66
Children	62
Youth	48
Adults	412
Total	593

In evaluating our giving, we should plan for a short life.

"So teach us to number our days, that we may present to Thee a heart of wisdom."

(Psalm 90:12)

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Harold Garrett - Chief Deacon
 Ron Kinser
 Wayne Leimer
 Pete Helton
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Hoyt Maberry

WEDNESDAY DINNER - 9/19

BBQ, hotdogs, baked beans, coleslaw, fries

WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS - 9/19

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Gus Rich,
 Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Ramsay
5:45 - Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Matheny,
 Mr. & Mrs. Donnie King

EXTENDED SESSION - 09/16

Bed Babies - Lois Weatherholt,
 Debbie Ramsey
Creepers - Russell & Shelley Fredley
Toddlers - Paul & Anya Bruner
2's - Lily Qiu, Kim Groves
3's - Chris & Sissy Vick



First Chronicles

Chronicling the life of the First Baptist Family

**UPPER CUMBERLAND
 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**



**Conference Benefits
 Crisis Pregnancy Center**

SEPT. 21-22

FIRST BAPTIST

COST: \$35

SPEAKER: LISA HARPER

SIGN UP IN THE CENTRAL LOBBY.

Pastor's Heart

Wednesday night we heard of the wonderful things that God is doing in India specifically because First Baptist, Stevens Street, and Washington Avenue Baptist Churches have come together to support outreach there. Literally, hundreds of thousands of new believers have been born into the kingdom through our joint revival and its offerings. This week alone the report is of thousands, maybe more than 10,000 coming to Christ through the supported National to National outreach effort.

In August of this year and in October of last year, we were there training the pastors. Now they are going out to reap the harvest. And what a harvest God is giving!

If you are unaware, you will be interested to know that the offerings taken over the last several years in our joint revivals have supplied the funds for materials, transportation, and training the pastors and churches in India. Hundreds of new congregations have been started in this effort.

Even now there are efforts going on. Steve Farris and Dan Blakley, along with a team from Lifeway Christian Resources, will be traveling to the region again in October to work with a tribal people who have only recently even heard the name of Jesus. These are exciting efforts and are worthy of our support in funds and prayers.

First Baptist — in all the Southern Baptist Convention, you are leading the way to reaching the vast multibillion nation of India with the Gospel of Jesus.

Now let's pray that God will do through us in Cookeville what He seems so eager to do in India. Pray diligently with me for the salvation and discipleship of your family, your friends, and those you know in Cookeville. Pray for me as I preach, prepare, and lead our congregation. Pray for our church family that we would continue growing in grace, strength, and power for the Lord.

See you in worship!

In His Love,
 Pastor Randy

Kids Korner

By Ann Hertzfeldt

Director of Preschool and Children's Ministries



Would you like to help your children love the Bible? Bible Drill offers the perfect opportunity to do just that. Bible Drill develops Bible skills in the lives of children as they learn books of the Bible, verses, Key Passages, and divisions; Bible book content; Bible people; and life application.

Grades 1-3

Two leaders are needed for 1st-3rd grade Bible Drill. They meet in Room 323 on Sunday night from 5:00-6:00. This Bible Drill group will begin when leadership is found.

Grades 4-6

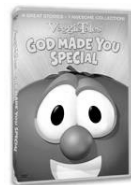
Kim Thompson is leading Children's Bible Drill for grades 4-6. They meet in room 324 on Sunday night from 5:00-6:00.



Sandy Ramsaur is leading the 6th grade Sunday School class. They meet on the 3rd floor in room 326.

Family Fun Night

Friday, September 28
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Family Life Center
FREE



Veggie Tales movie *God Made You Special*
Call the church office at 526-7108 to register.

Scripture Memory

Delight yourself in the Lord; and He will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord. Trust also in Him, and He will do it. And He will bring forth your righteousness as the light. And your judgment as the noonday.

Psalms 37:4-6

Please join us for Bible study and fellowship at the Women on Mission Night Bible Study Group
Monday, September 17
6:00 P.M.

Bring your favorite salad and meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Christmas in August

The GAs will continue collecting items for Christmas in August until the end of September. Printed supply lists for each missionary are available outside the Family



Life Center. Place items in Christmas in August boxes throughout the church.

Nelms on mission to Wales

Jonathan and Glenda Nelms will travel to the United Kingdom tomorrow for a two-week mission trip with the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. As president of the Tennessee Baptist Church Music Conference, Jonathan will be leading the Tennessee Men's Chorale on a music mission tour of northern Wales.

The 66 members of the conference who are participating in this endeavor will be working in ministry and evangelism specifically to the Welsh. The choir will be performing three commercial concerts with three established Welsh male choirs. Nelms observes, "The point of these concerts is personal evangelism. We will be singing great Christian songs and sharing testimonies during the concerts. We expect that the words to these songs and testimonies will open the door for us to share the gospel with these Welshmen as we rehearse and eat meals with them."

In addition to the professional concerts, the chorale will also be singing in numerous chapels, hospitals, nursing homes, and public venues such as markets and squares. God has also made it possible for the Tennessee men to sing and teach in two primary schools. Because Wales has mandatory religion classes, members of the chorale will be able to teach about Jesus and share the plan of salvation in the schools.

Paul Clark directs the Tennessee Men's Chorale. He observes, "In 1995 less than eight percent of the people living in Wales attended any church and less than one percent were born again. This is a culture steeped in Christian religion, yet spiritually dark."

Indeed, Welsh Pastor Howell Davies reminds the choir, "It is important to engage the people with honesty. They need to know not just how you came to faith, but what difference that faith has made since then."

IMB Missionary John Robinson, who visited First Baptist in 2006, directs all Southern Baptist missions to the Celtic language groups. John says, "It is easy for the evangelical pastors of Wales to become very discouraged by the difficulty of outreach here. We expect that this mission endeavor will open the door for our pastors and missionary staff to reach people that would never hear the gospel in any other way. Thank you for coming."

As the Nelms embark on this new approach to missions, they ask you to pray for them and the chorale to have a safe and effective trip. Glenda comments, "We learned a lot about music missions through our work in Dominica last spring. We are going to put those concepts into practice as we refine what it means to be on mission as musicians."



Paul Clark and Jonathan Nelms in Wales in 2006

Cost of Fellowship Meals to increase

Over the last number of years, as we all know, the cost of food has risen at a gradual, yet continuous rate. We have tried over these years to keep the price of our Wednesday evening meal to a bare minimum in order to promote fellowship and provide a service to our families attending our various programs on Wednesday night.

The price of meals has remained at the current level of \$3 for adults, \$2 for a children's tray, and a maximum of \$10 per family for at least 10 years and possibly longer. Regrettably, we find that the current charge does not pay for the excellent meals provided by our kitchen staff. The Stewardship Committee voted reluctantly to increase the price for Wednesday night meals to \$4 for adults, \$2 for children's tray, and a maximum of \$12 per family in order to cover the increased cost. This increase will become effective October 3, 2007. As always, if this increase creates a financial hardship please contact Mike Head or any of the ministerial staff. Thanks for your understanding in this matter.

5th Sunday Food Drive

On September 30 we're asking every family to be a part of our 5th Sunday Food Drive for Helping Hands of Putnam

County by bringing a bag of groceries to church. These foods will go a long way to help those who are disadvantaged, discouraged, and distressed and need to know the love of Christ and other Christians. Please place your sackful of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

