

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Dec. 23

- 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. FAMILY NIGHT
No Evening Worship

Monday, Dec. 24

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
6:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, Dec. 25

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, Dec. 26

- 3:00 P.M. FLC Opens
- 6:00 P.M. Children FLC
- 6:00 P.M. Prayer Mtg. in FH

Thursday, Dec. 27

- 1:00 P.M. FLC Opens

Friday, Dec. 28

- 1:00 P.M. FLC Opens

Saturday, Dec. 29

Sunday, Dec. 30

- 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

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

Scripture Memory

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

(2 Peter 3:9)

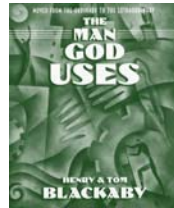
5th Sunday Food Drive

On December 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.



Thank you for being a part of this wonderful ministry.

The Man God Uses



Study begins
Sunday, January 6
Room 114
9:30 a.m.
Facilitator: Chris Vick

BUDGET & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

Budget (12/16/07)

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,225.62
Budget Gifts this Week	\$22,996.22
Difference from Goal	-\$6,229.40
Total Designated Gifts	\$31,396.28
Total Gifts this Week	\$54,392.50
Budget Goal to Date	\$730,640.50
Budget Gifts to Date	\$667,237.86
Difference from Goal	-\$63,402.64
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$700,247.74
Decrease from Prior Year	\$33,009.88
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$85,021.44
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,622,280.86

Sunday School Attendance

Attendance Reports (12/16/07)	
General Officers	5
Preschool	64
Children	58
Youth	52
Adults	354
Total	533

We are managers and stewards of what has been entrusted to us by God.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it."

(Psalm 24:1)

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Pete Helton - Chief Deacon
Ed Griggs
Richard Newman
Jim Viar
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Joe Church

WEDNESDAY DINNER - 12/26
NO MEAL

EXTENDED SESSION - 12/23

Bed Babies - Jenny Kinser, Fred & Amy Ray

Creepers/Toddlers - Russell & Shelley Fredley

2's - Melissa Hill, Lily Qiu

3's - Chris & Sissy Vick

First Chronicles

Chronicling the life of the First Baptist Family

Merry Christmas!

Jonathan

Dill

Charlie

Kandy

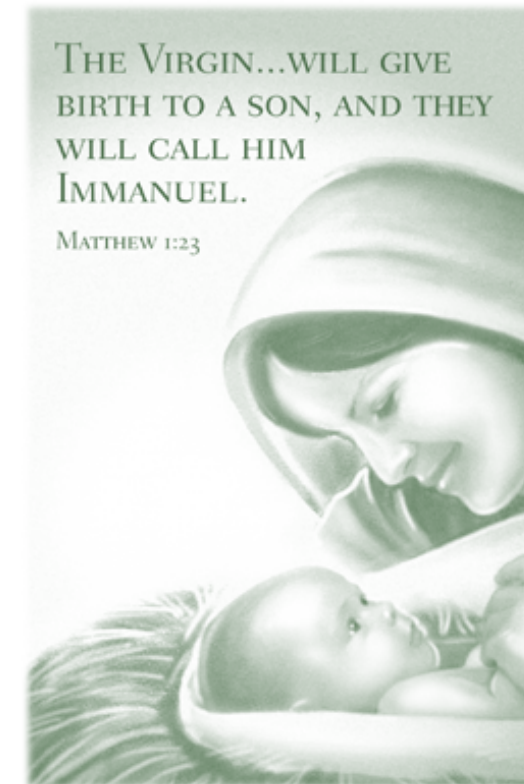
Bobbie

Todd

James

Alan

Ann



Patricia

Steve

Linda

Colleen

Barbara

Mike

Kids Korner

As we come to end of the year I would like to thank all the volunteers that have helped in the extended care this year. Your ministry makes a lasting difference in the lives of our children. At this time I would also like to plead for help. If you have previously served and took some time off, I would love for you to consider helping again. If you have never served before, we could use you. It



would only take one hour of your time every three months. The only skill needed is to love children. Please prayerfully consider serving in this ministry of our church in the New Year. You can contact me at the church office by phone or email or see me after church.

Ann

First Baptist Youth Choir Reunion



Have you or someone in your family ever been a member of the First Baptist Youth Choir? Do you wish that you could see some of the people that you were in choir with? Do you have some good memories that you would like to share? Well now is the time to start thinking about it! We have set a tentative time of fall 2008 for a FBC Youth Choir reunion. We are in need of names and addresses to get in contact with anyone that has been involved with the youth choir. If you have any contact information, please contact the music department, Jenny Holmes, or Marcie Manzano.

Nelms

Notes

Christmas Music Broadcast Tonight: Many, many people have commented on how much they appreciated the Christmas program presented on December 9. It was a great evening and we have had more requests for DVDs of this program than any other in recent years. We will rebroadcast that program tonight at 7:00 p.m. on Cable Channel 7.

Youth Choir Update: The Chi Rho Youth Choir went caroling in Hillsdale last Wednesday night. More than 60 people participated in the event. It was a great evening of singing and fellowship. Chi Rho will return to regular weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, January 9, at 5:00 p.m. This is a great time for youth to join choir. We will be heading to the Youth Project at Carson-Newman College on January 25-26.

Children's Choirs Visit Walnut Village: The children's choirs went caroling at Walnut Village last Wednesday. The weather was chilly, but the kids found a warm reception. Thanks to everyone who participated. Preschool and children's choirs will resume on January 9.

Christmas Eve Lord's Supper Service: Our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service will be held tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. This is a very special service of worship centering on the Lord's Supper. My wife, Glenda, will be singing "O Holy Night" and Janna Leigh Ryon will be playing oboe. The attendance at this service continues to grow each year. The service usually lasts about 45 minutes and it is very family friendly. Plan now to join us for a memorable time of worship.

Christmas is upon us. Remember to celebrate the Gift of gifts. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! - Jonathan Nelms

Homebound Ministry



The homebound ministry team delivered 24 meals at Thanksgiving. In addition to visiting our homebound folks on a regular basis the team delivers meals several times a year. Over 20 men and women visit and more are always needed. Peggy Mattson gives leadership to this ministry. The ones doing the visiting are more often blessed and encouraged more than those being visited. Those who delivered the Thanksgiving meals are Marjorie and William Bonner, Wanda Peterson, Faye McCaleb, Marilyn Holland, Faye and John Shaffer, Joyce and Wade Raines, Barbara Fields, and Peggy and Jack Mattson.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Ann Weser
3214 April Lane
Cookeville, TN 38506



Hunter & Micah Vick
2772 Hidden Cove Road
Cookeville, TN 38506

TELL ME!

the story of Jesus

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

For International Missions

National Goal:

\$165 million

Church Goal:

\$36,000



\$36,000

\$30,000

\$24,000

\$18,000

\$12,000

\$6,000

Financial Workshop
3 week class begins
January 6
Conference Room
4:30 p.m.
Facilitator: Larry Spain