



# FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicing the life of the First Baptist Family

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## Welcome to Senior Adult Day

**By Charlie Hutchinson**  
**Associate Pastor of Family Life**  
 Welcome to Senior Adult Day!

Today we are recognizing those age 55+. We will recognize several members of this group during the 10:45 worship service. Lunch will be served at 12:15 in the Fellowship Hall.

The 55+ group offers many opportunities for outreach and fellowship. Some of those are:

- Happy Tones: singing, giving devotionals, and leading in com-

munion at health care facilities in Cookeville, Sparta, Gainesboro, and Monterey.

- Happy Travelers trips (see ad on page 3)
- Campground missions: ministry to Townsend, TN July 20-26
- Fun Friday every week
- Homebound ministry
- Luncheons: second Sunday of the month
- Rescue Mission: fourth Tuesday of the month

## Happy Tones minister through music at nursing, retirement homes

**By Jonathan Nelms**  
**Associate Pastor for Music**

The Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir began seven years ago. Under the capable leadership of Carol Tittle, this choir continues to grow musically, numerically, and spiritually. In regard to ministry, this year alone the Happy Tones have presented programs at NHC, Cedar Hills, Bethesda, Morningside, and Heritage Pointe in Cookeville, Mabry Health Care in Gainesboro, Standing Stone Nursing Home in Monterey, and NHC in Smithville.



"It's not just about singing," Carol comments, "although we love

**(See HAPPY TONES on Page 2)**

**Happy Tones (from left) Louise Judd, Betty Massa, Larry McNabb, Frank Tittle and Bill Daniel visit with Reva Rader at Life Care in Sparta.**

### Mission Opportunities

**Vacation Bible School**  
 Island Guides are needed for Out-rigger Island: Living God's Unshakable Truth. Teachers are needed for creeper/toddlers, 4-5 year olds, Kindergarten, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, 4th grade, 5th grade and one person is needed for preschool recreation.

**Study Hall**  
 Adults are needed to supervise a study hall on Wednesday from 3:15-5:00 p.m. in Room 177. The study hall is for students in 1st grade-high school and will meet for the next three Wednesday nights. If you can help on any of these dates, please contact Ann Hertzfeldt at 526-7108.

**Sunday School**  
 Explore the Bible  
 Room 142  
 Study begins TODAY

**Spiritual Gifts Study**  
 Room 143A  
 Facilitator: Chris Wilson  
 Begins TODAY

**Jail Ministry**  
 Anyone interested in being involved in the jail ministry please see Steve Farris or Dan Blakley.

**Church staff**  
 Randall L. Adkisson, Ph.D, *Senior Pastor*  
 Mike Head, *Associate Pastor of Administration*  
 Jonathan Nelms, DWS, *Associate Pastor for Music*  
 Charlie Hutchinson, *Associate Pastor of Family Life*  
 Bill Stone, *Associate Pastor of Youth & Collegiates*  
 Steve Farris, D.Min., *Assistant Pastor for Outreach, Adult Education and Missions*  
 Ann Hertzfeldt, *Director of Preschool & Children's Ministries*  
 Alain Edel, *Assistant Pastor for Hispanic Ministries*



### MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2008 8:15 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

*For your comfort and that of others, childcare is provided for children under the age of four. Children 4 years old thru kindergarten may attend children's church in room 252. An usher will be glad to direct you to the childcare ministry located on the second floor.*

\*If you are able, please stand as indicated.  
 Hymn numbers are provided for songs found in *The Baptist Hymnal*.

Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Prelude	"Shall We Gather at the River" Carol Tittle, organist	Jordan
Call to Worship (10:45)	"Only You, Lord" Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir	Baker
Welcome	Carol Tittle, director and Grace Rennell, pianist	Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Chorus 178	"He Is Lord"	chorus only
Musical Presentation (10:45)	"You Raise Me Up" Jay Craven	Graham/Lovland
*Hymn Medley	"When We All Get to Heaven" 514 515 516 "There's a Land that Is Fairer Than Day" "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"	HEAVEN SWEET BY AND BY ROLL CALL
Recognition of Lifetime Christian Service (10:45)	Rev. Charlie Hutchinson	Rev. Hutchinson
*Pastoral Prayer		
Testimony in Song	"Goodby, World, Goodby" (8:15) Donna Brown, Judy Clay, Judy Sweat, Al Berram, and Larry McNabb	Lister
Sermon	"Come Down, Lord" Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir	Pethel
	"Man Are We Blessed or What?" Exodus 10:7-11; Acts 2:17-18	Dr. Adkisson
*Hymn of Invitation 316	"Jesus Is Tenderly Calling" OFFERTORY PRAYER	CALLING TODAY
Offertory Prayer	Don Williams (8:15) Tim Hammons (10:45)	
Worship with Tithes and Offerings		

Offertory Music	"Jesus Is Lord of All" (8:15) Carol Tittle, organist and Kaye Ryon, pianist	Braman
	"It Is No Secret" with "He Touched Me" (10:45) Jay Craven	Craven
*Presentation of Offering		
*Doxology 253	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	OLD 100TH
Sharing Spiritual Decisions		
*Statements of Affirmation		
*Departing Song	"He Keeps Me Singing"	chorus only
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

Prelude		SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM	Grace Rennell, pianist
Welcome			Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Chorus	"Every Day with Jesus" Choir Anthem Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir, Carol Tittle, director		Loveless Boyd
*Number 3 on the Hit Parade of Hymns			
Testimony			Beth Prowse
Testimonies in Song	"No One Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus" Merlyn Overstreet, soloist		Weigle
	"Sweet Beulah Land" Happy Tones		arr. Kirkland
	"Just a Little Talk with Jesus" Donna Brown, Judy Clay, Judy Sweat, Al Berram, and Larry McNabb		arr. Derricks
*Number 2 on the Hit Parade of Hymns			
Testimonies in Song	"I've Got Peace Like a River" Happy Tones		Whipple
	"I'd Rather Have Jesus" Geneva Mahan		Shea
*Invitation			Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Invitation 312	"Softly and Tenderly"		THOMPSON
*Offertory Prayer			Robert Fuller
Offertory Music	"Put Your Hand in the Hand" Grace Rennell, pianist and Carol Tittle, organist		MacLellan
*Number 1 on the Hit Parade of Hymns			
Closing Song	"There's a Great Day Coming" Happy Tones		arr. Mayo
Benediction			Dr. Adkisson



## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Howard Stephenson - Chief Deacon  
Gordon Vasseur  
Tim Collins  
Ralph Mullins  
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Greg Steeves

### Wednesday Dinner - 05/07

Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls, dessert

### Wednesday Volunteers - 05/07

5:00 - Lynn & Cliff Taylor,  
Don Williams, Bonnie Rivera  
5:45 - Jenny Kinser, Melanie Hutcherson, Mike Shirley or C.W. Ramsay

### Extended Session - 05/04

Bed Babies - Fran Hutchinson,  
Sharon King

Creepers/Toddlers - Patricia Mabry,  
Salee Adkisson

2's - Tim & Tanya Hadlock

3's - Mark & Lou Ann Herberman

## Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,225.62
Budget Gifts this Week	\$20,672.98
Difference from Goal	-\$8,552.64
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,565.30
Total Gifts this Week	\$22,238.28
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,285,927.28
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,256,975.55
Difference from Goal	-\$28,951.73
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,265,722.35
Decrease from Prior Year	\$8,746.80
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$109,812.44
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,647,071.86
Total Outstanding Debt	\$1,021,610.62

## Sunday School Attendance

General Officers	4
Preschool	67
Children	74
Youth	52
Adults	345
<b>Total</b>	<b>542</b>



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## Pastor's Heart



I cannot think of a greater blessing for any church family than its senior adults. I certainly can't think of a greater blessing in my life than that which comes from the continual support and encouragement of our senior adults at First Baptist Church.

Through the years, the age bracket has changed. Once you were a senior when you turned 65. A few years later and you only had to be 60. Now it is 55+. (Of course they sent me my AARP card when I turned 50. And I still feel like I ought to be thought of as a young adult. Oh, well.)

I know this, senior adults once were defined by their limitations, but now God is defining seniors by their abilities and unlimited possibilities. At First Baptist seniors are involved in missions and ministries throughout our church and around the world. Whatever the age, seniors are acting younger all the time.

I am thankful for our church: a church where my children are able to interact with older adults who inspire, encourage, and challenge them. I am thankful that the children of our church see long-term marriages and long-term Christian commitments.

*Some churches seem to thrive on uniformity of age. Too many congregations are populated either by all young people or all older adults. First Baptist is uniquely blessed with godly men and women of all ages. I believe that pleases our Lord. I know it brings spiritual blessings to me.*

In His Love,  
Pastor Randy

## Happy Tones: Present *An Evening of "Oldie Goldies" with the Happy Tones tonight*

that part of it and the fellowship we have; but about the blessings of ministering to, and being ministered to, as we visit nursing homes, assisted living homes, and retirement homes. It is especially true in nursing homes as many of the people have lost their mobility and are not able to participate in as many activities as they once were. You can see faces light up when we have personal contact with them. Simple pleasures are often treasures."

What a lovely testimony of how God lavishes His love upon us as we love others in His name. First Baptist salutes Carol Tittle and the Happy Tones for such a vital and faithful ministry. Reflecting on their ministry this year, Carol concludes by saying, "It has truly been a 'Joy in the Journey.'" The Happy Tones will be presenting more songs in worship this evening, May 4.



**Happy Tones Marilyn Overstreet, Brenda Boyington and Judy Clay along with Cathy Brown visit with Violet Cate, Bea Peterson, and Doris Ramsey at Cedar Hills.**

## Bulletin Board

55+

### 55+ Picnic

Mullins' Farm

Saturday, May 17 @ Noon

Please call Frank Tittle at 526-5629 or Margaret Garrett at 528-5740 today for reservations. You will need to bring a lawn chair.



## HAPPY TRAVELERS

### Biltmore House

May 12-13

The cost is \$100 which includes lodging, two meals, entrance to the Biltmore Estates, travel and an ice cream stop on the way back to Cookeville. Call Notie Jenkins at 520-7051 or 267-9822 to reserve your spot today.



## CHILDREN

### Crosspoint Meeting

Wednesday, May 7

6:00 p.m.

Cafe

All camp participants and their parents are asked to attend this brief informational meeting.



## YOUTH

### Graduate luncheon

Sunday, May 18

12:00-1:15 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Each graduate's meal is complimentary; family and friend's meals are \$5 each. Call the church office at 526-7108 for reservations by May 14. We would like to borrow 8-10 pictures of graduates from birth to graduation to use in a video presentation during the 10:45 a.m. worship service and at the luncheon. Please turn your pictures in to Bill by Sunday, May 11.



## Parent-Child Dedication

First Baptist will have a time of Parent/Child Dedication during the 8:15 or 10:45 service on May 11. Families need to be registered in order to participate in this special time of worship.



During the Parent/Child Dedication parents commit to raise their families under the authority and protection of the Lord. This is a special time for the church family also as it makes a commitment to help in the vital area of raising children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Please call the church office to register your family. The registration deadline is May 7.

Parent/Child Dedication Form
Child's Name _____
Parent's Name _____
Worship Service _____
Birth Date _____

## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, May 4

Senior Adult Day  
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+ Luncheon  
4:00 P.M. Orchestra  
Choirchimes  
Stewardship/Budget  
Adult Handbells  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship  
7:00 P.M. Yth Leader's Mtg.

### Monday, May 5

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble  
6:00 P.M. Men's Basketball  
Co-ed softball @ Cane Creek  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Planning  
7:00 P.M. CBS Night Bible Study  
Co-ed softball @ Cane Creek

### Tuesday, May 6

8:45 A.M. MDO  
9:45 A.M. WOM Day Group  
3:30 P.M. Child Choir  
Bonus Reh.  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Planning

### Wednesday, May 7

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens  
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens  
Youth on Mission  
Chi Rho Youth Choir  
Children's Choirs  
New Member Com. #177  
5:30 P.M. Stewardship Budget Planning  
5:45 P.M. Missions Com. #145  
6:00 P.M. Crosspoint Mtg. Cafe  
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting  
Children's Missions  
Yth Bible Study  
Sanctuary Choir  
7:30 P.M. FLC Open until 9:00

### Thursday, May 8

9:30 A.M. CBS  
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Planning

### Friday, May 9

8:45 A.M. MDO  
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday  
5:30 P.M. RA Laser Tag

### Saturday, May 10

Sunday, May 11  
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. Orchestra  
Choirchimes  
4:30 P.M. Adult Handbells  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship - Handbell Mini-Concert