

Mission Opportunities

Upward-Devoted Referees

Enjoy sports? Have a passion to see children and youth come to Christ? Then we need you in Upward and/or Devoted Basketball. Referees are needed for Friday night Devoted games and Saturday Upward games. Even if you're only available for an hour, we can use you. If you can help, call Colleen Cox at 526-7108 or Neal Marcum at 520-3458.

Children's Church

We need one God called leader to work with 4-5 year olds in children's church beginning in January. If you are interested, see Ann Hertzfeldt.

Upward-Devoted

People are needed to share a 3-5 minute testimony or devotion during halftime of Devoted Basketball games on Friday night and Upward Basketball® games on Saturday. Contact Bill Stone at 526-7108 if you can speak during Devoted and Doreen Cox at 858-1943 if you can give your testimony during Upward.

Stewardship Verse

The primary way we are to obtain money is to work for it.

"... make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands. . ."

(1 Thes. 4:11)



Pastor's Heart

I am reminded again of Jesus' statement about eyesight. He said, "The eye is the lamp of the body; so then if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!"

When we determine to look at life through the lens of the Bible, we see clearly and correctly. But if we try to view life or circumstances through our own unaided lens then our vision and therefore our lives will be confused and distorted.

This is true in any area of life. Selfishness, sinfulness, and foolishness will color our views and our values. The Scripture corrects our vision and gives us the ability to see life's true colors.

Today, more than ever, it is essential that we view our world and its problems through the lens of God's word. Unacceptable behavior has become acceptable. Erroneous, damaging, even demonic opinions have become commonplace.

We live in a blind society, sometimes within blind families, and often among blind colleagues.

Without the corrective lens of the Bible, we are foolish to believe that we can see rightly. We bumble and stumble like Mr. McGoo. (Remember him?) We bring heartache to ourselves and wreck lives around us.

By the way, it is never enough to believe the Bible. We must determine to read it, apply it, and obey it. Be careful, it is inherently easier to make application to others instead of oneself. Jesus had something to say about that, too (Luke 6:41-42).

Join me each week of the year as we bring the Scripture to bear upon our world, our lives, and our outlook.

See you in worship.

In His Love,
Pastor Randy

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 Pastoral Care & Senior Adults*
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*

Remember your commitment to pray daily for:

- 1) Strength and healing for our marriages
- 2) Our pastor and for power in the pulpit
- 3) Revival (humility, heart, health)



News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Ed Griggs - Chief Deacon

John Zhu

Donnie King

Robert Fuller

7 p.m. Phone Duty: Harold Garrett

Wednesday Dinner - 01/14

Breakfast for supper: Ham & sausage casseroles, biscuits and gravy, fruit

Wednesday Volunteers - 01/14

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Newman,

Pam Vasseur, Richard Cashion

5:45 - Mr. & Mrs. Donnie King,

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Joyner

Extended Session - 01/11

Bed Babies - Carol Joyner

Creepers/Toddlers - Andrew & Kristi Hetzel

2's - Tim & Beth McReynolds

3's - Neal & Melissa Marcum

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$24,474.50
Difference from Goal	-\$5,313.15
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,668.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$26,142.50
Budget Goal to Date	\$804,266.65
Budget Gifts to Date	\$745,049.35
Difference from Goal	-\$59,217.30
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$752,286.06
Decrease from Prior Year	\$7,236.71
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$40,453.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,700,849.48
Lottie Moon Offering	\$39,288.34

Sunday School Attendance

January 4, 2009

General Officers	3
Preschool	54
Children	67
Youth	54
Adults	355
Total	533

Upward® Kindergarten Clinic



Kindergarteners were introduced to Upward® with a basketball clinic on Saturday, January 3. Players moved through six stations — shooting, dribbling, passing, defense, scrimmage, and devotions and snacks — with their coaches and got their uniforms.



Lisa Reeves used coaches and other Upward leaders to demonstrate rules and game situations for players and parents. About 150 players, parents and leaders were in the Family Life Center for the clinic. Cheerleaders had their first practice in the Fellowship Hall.



How Can I Be Saved? As Simple As ABC!

ADMIT YOU ARE A SINNER IN REBELLION AGAINST GOD:

Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

Rom. 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE SAVIOR:

John 1:12 "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name."

CHOOSE TO GIVE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS & CONFESS YOUR FAITH:

Matt. 16:24 "Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me."

Josh. 24:15 "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Rom. 10:9-10 " if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.



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Bulletin Board



DEACONS

Deacons Meeting

Monday, January 12
5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
A light supper will be served.

CHILDREN

Bowling and lunch



Monday, January 19
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Cost: \$10
For K-6th grade
Spend this holiday from school with bowling, lunch at Chick-Fil-A and time in the Family Life Center. Sign up and pay by Sunday, January 18.



Crosspoint/Centri-Kid Info Meeting

Wednesday, January 21
7:30 p.m.
Room 177
Come find out more about these exciting camp experiences for children in 3rd-8th grade.

YOUTH

Centrifuge Camp



July 13-18, 2009
Union University in Jackson, TN
The theme this year is *Move...the Faith Journey*. Youth in 7th-12th grade will enjoy awesome worship, team building recreation, dynamic Bible studies and church group times. The cost is \$287. Secure your reservation with a \$50 deposit on or before January 28. See Bill Stone for more information.

MEETING

Quarterly Business Meeting



Wednesday, January 21
6:30 p.m.
Sanctuary
Agenda: Constitution and Bylaws motion, Media Center update, Committee on Committee recommendations.

Scripture Memory

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

Hebrews 12:1

Weekly Activities

Sunday, Jan. 11

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
12:00 P.M. 55+ Everybody Birthday Lunch
4:00 P.M. Praise Ringers
Choir Chimes
Orchestra
4:30 P.M. Beth Moore Study
Esther – Room 177
5:00 P.M. Youth Bible Drill #330
Children's Bible Drill
Kid's Bible Drill
Missions 101 – Rm 175
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
7:00 P.M. Youth Leader Meeting – Youth II Dept.

Monday, Jan. 12

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble
5:30 P.M. Deacon's Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 13

8:45 A.M. MDO

Wednesday, Jan. 14

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens
5:00 P.M. Chi Rho Youth Choir
Children's Choirs Reh.
Youth on Mission
Supper Line Opens
6:30 P.M. Prayer Mtg. – Chapel
Sanctuary Choir Reh
Kid's Mission Groups
Yth Praise/Worship/
Bible Study
7:30 P.M. FLC open until 8:00

Thursday, Jan. 15

9:30 A.M. Community Bible Study

Friday, Jan. 16

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
10:00 A.M. Collegiate Ski Retreat
5:15 P.M. Devoted Basketball

Saturday, Jan. 17

8:00 A.M. Upward Basketball and Cheerleading

Sunday, Jan. 18

8:15 A.M. First Worship – Lord's Supper
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship – Lord's Supper
4:00 P.M. Praise Ringers
Choirchimes
Orchestra
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6:00 P.M. Evening Worship – Sanctity of Human Life Emphasis



MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2009
8:15 & 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.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE LORD

- Greeting Ruth 2:4; 1 Chronicles 16:23-25 Dr. Jonathan Nelms
- *Gathering Song "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" Doerksen
- Welcome and Fellowship Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Hymn of Praise 15 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

*Responsive Psalm 1 Chronicles 16:38-39 Dr. Nelms

*Song of Praise "I Exalt Thee" Sanchez

*Pastoral Prayer Dr. Adkisson

Message in Song "What the Lord Has Done in Me" arr. Rhodes
Sanctuary Choir

*Hymn of Testimony "In Christ Alone (My Hope is Found)" Gety/Townend

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Sermon "God is Doing Significant Stuff" Dr. Adkisson
Luke 5:1-5

*Commitment Song "Come Just as You Are" Sabolick

WE RESPOND WITH GIVING TO THE LORD

Offerory Prayer Harold Garrett (8:15)
Milke Powers (10:45)

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offerory Music "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" arr. Coates
Todd Arnold (8:15)
Remnant (10:45)

*Presentation of Offering

*Doxology 27 LASST UNS EFFREUEN
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Sharing Spiritual Decisions

WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

- *Statements of Affirmation
- *Departing Chorus 657 "Go Out and Tell" PLANO
- *Postlude Instrumentalists

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Prelude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" FOREST GREEN

Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

Ordinance of Believer's Baptism

*Hymn of Praise 39 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" MARION

*Song of Praise "Indescribable" Story/Reeves

Sermon Dr. Adkisson

*Commitment Song "Hungry (Falling on My Knees)" Scott

*Offerory Prayer Greg Steeves

Musical Offering "Enough" Tomlin/Giglio
Remnant

*Sharing Spiritual Decisions

*Benediction Dr. Adkisson

*Postlude Instrumentalists