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Pastor's Heart



Over the last several years we have used the first Sunday in February as a Sports Outreach Day with a dual emphasis. First, the morning worship service has a special place of outreach for our *Upward Basketball and Cheerleading* families.

This year we are adding the families of our new *Devoted* junior high and high school league.

It's a big morning with special events during the morning worship and a dinner for the *Upward* and *Devoted* families immediately after the service.

This is a special time to invite un-churched families to come and meet our family at First Baptist. It's important that all of us be a part of this day. We need young families and seasoned saints all to be on hand greeting, meeting, and making others feel welcome in our fellowship. Come and make sure these new families experience a full church full of God's Spirit and grace.

Second, we continue to encourage our Sunday School departments and classes to use the Super Bowl as a fellowship and outreach event on Sunday Evening. We have done this for several years now and find that it gives classes an opportunity to invite friends and prospects into their homes for a relaxed time of fellowship and witness.

I hope that you will participate in this event. The Youth will be gathering together, as well as our college students. Many adult classes get together and bring the entire family (some even watch the big game).

You might consider having a neighborhood event and inviting some folks from your class and others from the 'hood'. Plan for it to be a time for Christian fun and a time of personal witness.

This morning we are looking at our vital connection to Christ. He is the vine, the source of our strength and our victory. Have your Bibles open and your hearts ready for God's word to you.

See you in worship.

In His Love,
Pastor Randy

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)



Mission Opportunities

Bay St. Louis Rebuild Information Meeting

Sunday, January 25 @ 12:00 p.m.
Old Chapel
Cost: \$50
Leader: Wade Raines (432-5318)

Townsend Mission Meeting

Wednesday, January 28
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room

St. Kitts Mission Meeting

Sunday, February 8 @ 12:00 p.m.
Old Chapel
\$100 deposit and application due by February 13. If you are interested, please contact Steve Farris.

Marriage Seminar

Five Love Languages
Facilitators: Steve & Pam Farris, Carl & Melinda Johnson
Sunday, February 15
12:45 p.m.
Cost: \$20 per couple which includes lunch and materials

Connect Class

Begins Sunday, February 8
9:30 a.m.
Family Life Center
This three-week class will give you the opportunity to meet the staff and other newcomers and discover mission, ministry and education opportunities.

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*



MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 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	Jonathan Nelms
Gathering Song 214	"Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"	STASSEN
Welcome and Fellowship		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Praise 231 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"		MADRID
Message in Song (10:45) "With a Voice of Singing"	Sanctuary Choir	Berry
*Hymn of Invocation 247		ITALIAN HYMN
"Come, Thou Almighty King"		
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
Testimony in Song (8:15) "I Shall Know Him"	Ginny Gaddy	
Scripture Reading (10:45)	Isaiah 55	Karen and Farrell Cox
Message in Song (10:45)	"This Is My Word"	Sanctuary Choir
Song of Illumination (10:45)	"Thy Word"	Smith
WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD		
Sermon	"Connected"	Dr. Adkisson
	John 15:1-8	
*Commitment Hymn	"Knowing You"	Kendrick
WE RESPOND WITH GIVING TO THE LORD		
Offertory Prayer		Ed Griggs (8:15) Ted Jernigan (10:45)

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" arr. Danner

Kaye Ryon, pianist and Carol Tittle, organist

*Presentation of Offering

*Doxology 253 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD 100th
Sharing Spiritual Decisions

WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Statements of Affirmation

*Departing Song 667 "As We Go" Johnson

*Postlude Instrumentalists

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Prelude "Worthy of Worship" arr. Butler
Heart Strings Harp Ensemble
Pat Butler, director

Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Hymn of Praise "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" DUKE STREET

*Responsive Reading Psalm 117 Dr. Jonathan Nelms

*Song of Praise "God of Wonders" Byrd/Hindalong

Ascriptions of Praise "Agnus Dei" Smith

Song of Adoration "There Is a Redeemer" GREEN

Hymn of Devotion

Sermon "Change My Heart, O God" Dr. Adkisson

*Commitment Song

*Offertory Prayer "Were You There" Robert Fuller

Musical Offering Heart Strings Harp Ensemble arr. Balderston

*Sharing Spiritual Decisions

*Benediction Dr. Adkisson

*Postlude Remnant

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Jim Viar - Chief Deacon
Mike Powers
Bob Weatherholt
7 p.m. Phone Duty: David Hutcherson

Wednesday Dinner - 01/28

Soup and salad, bread, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 01/28

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brown,
Fran Hutchinson, Arleda Hunter
5:45 - Mr. & Mrs. Ed Griggs, Ruth Ann
Southerlan, Jeanette Phillips

Extended Session - 01/25

Bed Babies - Mary Ruth Winford, Diana
Gunter

Creepers/Toddlers - Mike & Tiffany
Gentry

2's - Jeff & Kathy Callahan

3's - Chris & Barbra Gaby

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$18,891.15
Difference from Goal	-\$10,896.50
Total Designated Gifts	\$909.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$19,800.15
Budget Goal to Date	\$863,841.95
Budget Gifts to Date	\$780,140.50
Difference from Goal	-\$83,701.45
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$807,035.36
Decrease from Prior Year	\$26,894.86
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$41,485.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,701,881.48
Lottie Moon Offering	\$39,488.34

Sunday School Attendance

January 18, 2009

General Officers	4
Preschool	57
Children	66
Youth	58
Adults	368
Total	553

Reach resumes Wednesday

By Steve Farris

Assistant Pastor for Outreach/Adult Education/Missions

Reach/outreach (formerly GROW) will resume the fourth Wednesday night of each month beginning Wednesday, January 28, but with some changes. We will not be writing letters but will be addressing cards to Newcomers and New Marriages. The addresses and materials will be ready at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall so that you can participate before or after supper.

During the first portion of prayer meeting we will have a time of prayer and send cards of encouragement. Materials for Sunday school ministry will also be ready at 5:00 p.m. in Room 177 as before. We will not have a group meeting following the outreach as we did in the past.

I hope these new flexible times will allow you to be apart of this ministry as we REACH out to our community and to those we love.

Gal 6:9 Let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we will reap if we continue.



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.

Called Business Meeting

Wednesday, January 28

6:30 p.m.

Sanctuary

Second vote on Constitution and Bylaws motion.

Bulletin Board

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Sports Outreach Day

Sunday, February 1

All Upward and Devoted coaches, volunteers, basketball players, cheerleaders and their families are invited to join us for this special time of worship. Lunch will be served after the service. Please RSVP by calling the church office at 526-7108 by Wednesday, January 28.



OUTREACH

Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 1

The youth will have their party at the Kinsers at 4:30 p.m. and the college department will get together at the Marcums at 4:30 p.m. Sunday school classes are encouraged to have Super Bowl outreaches.



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.



CHILDREN/YOUTH

Crosspoint/Centri-Kid Camp

July 6-10, 2009

Tocca Falls, Georgia

Crosspoint will teach campers in 4th-8th grade how to combine excellence in sports with a relationship with Jesus Christ. Centri-Kid offers 3rd-6th graders high-energy worship, age appropriate Bible study and tons of fun. The cost is \$257. Secure your reservation with a \$50 deposit on or before January 28. See Colleen Cox for more information.



Welcome New Members



Kevin, Sharon, Anna & Aaron Cochrane
Cookeville, TN



Richard & Natalie Bellamy
Cookeville, TN



George, Neisha, Jordan, Skeylar, Brayden & Logan Hibbs
Cookeville, TN

Weekly Activities

Sunday, Jan. 25

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
12:15 P.M. Bay St. Louis Meeting - Old Chapel

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
Evening Worship
YAC Fellowship

Monday, Jan. 26

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Tuesday, Jan. 27

8:45 A.M. MDO

Wednesday, Jan. 28

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens
3:30 P.M. Townsend Mission Trip Mtg. #175

5:00 P.M. Chi Rho Youth Choir
Children's Choirs Reh.
Youth on Mission

5:30 P.M. Supper Line Opens
6:30 P.M. Stewardship Meeting
Prayer Meeting - Chapel
Sanctuary Choir Reh.

Kid's Mission Groups
Yth Worship/Bible Study
FLC open until 8:00
Sanctuary Choir Fellow.

7:30 P.M.

Thursday, Jan. 29

9:30 A.M. Community Bible Study
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones

Friday, Jan. 30

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
12:30 P.M. Youth Choir loads buses
1:00 P.M. Youth Choir departs for Youth Project

5:15 P.M. Devoted Basketball

Saturday, Jan. 31

8:00 A.M. Upward Cheerleaders
Picture Day
Upward Basketball
Youth Choir Returns from Youth Project

8:00 P.M.

Sunday, Feb. 1

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship - Sports Outreach Day

4:00 P.M. Praise Ringers
Choirchimes
Orchestra

4:30 P.M. Beth Moore Study Esther - Room 177
Youth Super Bowl Party @ Kinser's

Colligates Super Bowl Party @ Marcum's
NO Youth Bible Drill #330
NO Children's Bible Drill
NO Kid's Bible Drill
NO Missions 101

5:00 P.M.

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