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Mission Opportunities

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

For North American Missions
Church Goal: \$14,000
Amount to Date: \$2,395

WMU Associational World Crafts Fair

Saturday, March 28
5:00 p.m.
Caney Fork Baptist Church
There will be food, fellowship and shopping all for a great cause. If you would like to attend, please call Carolyn Jernigan at 526-5362 by Wednesday, March 25.

Crosspoint/Centri-Kid Counselors

Two male chaperones and one female chaperone are needed to go to Crosspoint/Centri-Kid Camp July 6-10 in Toccoa Falls, GA. If you are interested, please see Ann Hertzfeldt or Colleen Cox.

5th Sunday Food Drive

We're asking every family to be part of our 5th Sunday Food Drive by bringing a bag of groceries to church on Sunday, March 29. Please place your sack full of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

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, MARCH 22, 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	Todd Arnold
Gathering Song	"Let Everything that Has Breath"	Redman
Welcome and Fellowship		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Fellowship 425	"He Keeps Me Singing"	SWEETEST NAME
Message in Song (10:45)	"With a Voice of Singing"	Berry
	Sanctuary Choir	
*Responsive Reading	Psalms 119:33-36, 49-50	Todd Arnold
*Hymn of Invocation 247	"Come Thou Almighty King"	ITALIAN HYMN
*Song of Adoration 249	"Glorify Thy Name"	Adkins
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
Testimony in Song	"My Jesus I Love Thee"	GORDON
	Ginny Gaddy	
WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD		
Sermon	"God's Plan Your Purpose"	Dr. Adkisson
	1 Corinthians 12	
*Commitment Hymn 281	"Speak to My Heart"	HOLCOMB
WE RESPOND WITH GIVING TO THE LORD		
Offertory Prayer		Don Williams (8:15) Greg Streeves (10:45)



Pastor's Heart

I hope that you have had the sure sense that God was directing, clearly directing, something that you were a part of. This week I have had the joy of just such intuition. Seldom have I delighted more to see God work out His plan and direction. It has been a great week for mission and kingdom.

When I arrived to preach last Sunday in Berlin, after I gathered myself for the service, I entered the sanctuary at the International Baptist Church and was greeted by Lee Bryant's daughter and grandson. What a delight to have the daughter of a FBC Cookeville member meet me in Berlin. Thank you Lee for telling them to make sure and come hear Pastor Randy!

Along with the international crowd of worshippers there were four Georgia girls in the congregation and a Campus Crusade for Christ volunteer who works at a summer camp in McMinnville. So you can imagine I was feeling like whistling, "It's a Small World After All."

God began opening doors as I ate with the head of foreign missions for the Evangelical Free Church in Germany and shared of our teams working with local churches to share the Gospel. It was one of those "God moments" on Tuesday morning.

But God was only beginning. On Wednesday the Pastor of the International Church and I began to envision ways that FBC and IBC might share in reciprocal missions. Many of the Germans who are members of IBC, along with other nationalities, actually came to Christ while living with Baptist families as exchange students in America. When they returned to Germany they became involved with this English-speaking congregation to grow in their walk.

Now wouldn't it be great to send some of our people to Germany to help them grow their church and have them come to Cookeville to highlight and help us in reaching our town? I am excited by the prospect of us working with both the International Baptist Church and with the German Baptist Church with which they share a building.

There's more. I had worked out a meeting with our International Mission Board missionaries for Thursday at lunch. This couple is in Germany with a specific calling to reach the Turkish community. Unfortunately, they had not yet met the pastor of IBC. So I was able to bring these two ministries together.

Wow! When I finally met the missionaries and we began to talk, I found that they were a family that had served my former church in Monroeville, Alabama in youth ministry before coming on the mission field. They were at FBC Monroeville for three years after I had come to Cookeville. What's that tune again? "It's a Small World After All!"

OK, OK, this is getting too long, but suffice it to say that the two ministries in Berlin are now partnering in a specific missions outreach because God led me to go to Berlin. What is more, I believe God is leading us to partner with them.

Pray with me as we ask God what all of this should become in the months ahead. The IMB couple will be in the states in a few months on sabbatical and can share their mission at our church. The International Church would like to plan a partnership mission with us for sometime next year. What will God have you to do?

See you soon in worship.

In His Love,
Pastor Randy

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music "We Shall Behold Him" arr. Mickelson/Wyrtzen
Carol Tittle, organist and Kaye Ryon, pianist

*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 Chorus 667 "As We Go" Johnson

*Postlude Instrumentalists

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Prelude		Remnant
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Gathering Hymn 16	"O Worship the King"	Tomlin/Reeves
Scripture Reading		
*Song of Praise	"Better Is One Day"	Redman
*Hymn of Praise 224	"Holy Ground"	Davis
Song of Testimony	"Before the Throne of God Above"	Cook
Sermon		Dr. Adkisson
*Commitment Song	"We Fall Down"	Tomlin
*Offertory Prayer		Dimas Aranda
Musical Offering		Remnant
*Sharing Spiritual Decisions		
*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Jack Mattson - Chief Deacon
Chris Wilson
Richard Newman
Robert Fuller
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Randall Ramsey

Wednesday Dinner - 03/25

Hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, chips, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 03/25

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

Extended Session - 03/22

Bed Babies - Fred & Amy Ray

Creepers/Toddlers - Lily Qiu, Jayne Larsen

2's - Dan & Christine Blakley

3's - Jodi & Neal Evans

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$24,420.25
Difference from Goal	-\$5,367.40
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,028.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$26,448.25
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,102,143.15
Budget Gifts to Date	\$995,871.44
Difference from Goal	-\$106,271.71
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,048,186.50
Decrease from Prior Year	\$52,315.06
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$46,688.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,707,084.48
Total Outstanding Debt	\$946,786.00

Sunday School Attendance

March 15, 2009

General Officers	3
Preschool	59
Children	68
Youth	48
Adults	336
Total	514

34 youth and leaders attend Youth Evangelism Conference

Thirty-four First Baptist youth and youth leaders were part of 10,128 youth that attended the Youth Evangelism Conference March 6-7 at the Municipal Auditorium in Nashville.



Friday night's session

Our group attended the Friday night session where Dove Award winning band Sanctus Real kicked things off. Living Illusions used their skills to accentuate the YEC theme *Going God: Redeemed, Restored, and Renewed*. Dave Hunt led high energy worship before Clayton King, the founder of Crossroads World-wide Ministry, challenged youth to claim Jesus as Lord.

Two First Baptist youth made professions of faith and a total of 757 gave their heart to the Lord on Friday night.

On Saturday, the FBC group prayer walked around the state capitol and downtown Nashville. Our group also received the book *The Fear Killer* by Kevin Shrum as part of a promotion for the first 5,000 to register for the conference.



Praying in Nashville

Bulletin Board

CHILDREN

TeamKID

For Kindergarten-6th grade
Wednesday, March 25
6:00-7:30 p.m.

Family Life Center

Come enjoy this fun, high-energy ministry. Kids will learn life lessons through Bible stories, scripture memory, life application, missions and recreation.



CHURCHWIDE

Maundy Thursday Services

Thursday, April 9

The annual family footwashing service will begin at 6:00 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a towel. Fresh water scented with myrrh will be available for this quiet, casual family service. The Maundy Thursday Lord's Supper service begins at 7:00 p.m. This quiet and contemplative service commemorates Jesus' last supper with his disciples.



YOUTH

Youth Week

April 19-26

We need 50+ youth to participate in leadership throughout the church. Youth are needed to teach preschoolers, children, youth and adults in Sunday school classes. Also we need youth to lead in worship Sunday, April 26 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. by sharing testimonies, special music and drama. Sign up by April 12.



STUDENTS

Scholarship

College scholarship forms are available in the church office. Pick up your form and return it to the church office by April 30.

Weekly Activities

Sunday, Mar. 22

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
5:00 P.M. Youth Bible Drill #330

Children's Bible Drill
Kid's Bible Drill
Fireproof #175
Evening Worship

Monday, Mar. 23

9:00 A.M. Baseball/Softball Camp
12:00 P.M. Yth Mystery trip
1:00 P.M. FLC Open
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Tuesday, Mar. 24

9:00 A.M. Baseball/Softball Camp
1:00 P.M. FLC Open
9:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Green

Wednesday, Mar. 25

9:00 A.M. Baseball/Softball Camp
3:00 P.M. FLC Opens
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens
5:30 P.M. Stewardship Mtg. #175
6:00 P.M. Team Kid FLC
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting -- Chapel
Sanctuary Choir Reh
Yth Worship/Bible Study
7:30 P.M. FLC open until 8:00

Thursday, Mar. 26

9:00 A.M. Baseball/Softball Camp
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones to Cedar Hills
1:00 P.M. FLC Open
6:00 P.M. Early Bird VBS Clinic-Stevens St.

6:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Navy @ FUMC
7:00 P.M. Volleyball - Yth FBC Blue
8:30 P.M. Volleyball - Yth FBC Blue

Friday, Mar. 27

9:00 A.M. Baseball/Softball Camp
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
1:00 P.M. FLC Open

Saturday, Mar. 28

Sunday, Mar. 29

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
Yth 5th Sun. Breakfast
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
Choir Chimes
Handbells

5:00 P.M. Youth Bible Drill #330
Children's Bible Drill
Kid's Bible Drill
Fireproof #175

6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

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."

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.

Easter Lilies to Decorate the Sanctuary

It is time to order lilies to place in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. The deadline to order is **Monday, April 6**. The cost is \$8.50. To place your order, please fill out this form and place in the offering plate.

Name _____

Number of lilies ordered: _____

In memory of _____

OR

In honor of _____



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