



## Pastor's Heart



Today worship holds a special treat as we hear the testimonies of several from our church family who are finding and have found God faithful in difficult times. As emphasized, the times of trial within our lives are special times to prove our faith real and God's faith in us is warranted.

This morning you will hear from several who have walked with God in life's refining moments and have found Him faithful. You will be uplifted, challenged, and assured through these testimonies of God's grace.

I appreciate those who are sharing this morning. You will appreciate God's word to you through them. So come excitedly and expectantly to worship. You will be glad you did.

May is here and with it comes a bundle of special Sunday emphasis. Today is Senior Adult Day. Next week we celebrate Mother's Day. And the following week will be an emphasis upon our graduating seniors.

There is always some tendency to think that if a special emphasis is not centered upon you, or someone in your family, that the Sunday is not important or will not have impact upon you. But weekly worship is always important, because whatever may be a side emphasis, the real and important emphasis is upon God who calls us together as a weekly habit *to worship Him* in the midst of His people.

So whatever the emphasis, make it a special day for honoring God with your presence in worship. It will be meaningful to you and it is important to God.

See you in worship.

In His Love,  
Pastor Randy

## 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 communion

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 5-11
- Fun Friday every week
- Homebound ministry
- Luncheons: second Sunday of the month
- Rescue Mission: fourth Tuesday of the month

### Mission Opportunities

#### Builders for Christ Informational Meeting

Sunday, May 3  
12:15 p.m.  
Chapel

Information sheets are available in the Central Lobby or see Bob Weathholt or Dennis Matheny.

#### VBS Workers

Climb along the Boomerang Express June 22-26 for Vacation Bible School. There are needs in the following areas: one teacher for creeper/toddlers, a lead teacher for 4 year olds, two teachers for 1st grade, one teacher for 5th grade and one teacher for 6th grade. If you would like to be a part of this exciting week, contact Ann Hertzfeldt.

#### TeamKID

Volunteers are needed to serve as teachers, assistants and recreation leaders for TeamKID on Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:30 during the summer. If you would be interested, contact Ann Hertzfeldt or Colleen Cox.

#### Prayer

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)

#### 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, MAY 3, 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 PRAISE THE LORD

Greeting	Psalms 118:24	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Call to Worship	"His Eye Is on the Sparrow" Kaye Ryon, pianist	arr. Kartsonakis
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Chorus 359	"This Is the Day"	Garrett
*Hymn of Praise 15	"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"	NETTLETON
Anthem (10:45)	"Cross of Christ Medley" Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir Carol Tittle, director Grace Rennell and Kaye Ryon, pianists	arr. Shackley
Recognition of Lifetime Christian Service (10:45)		Rev. Hutchinson
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
*Assurance Hymn Medley		
333	"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"	SHOWALTER
334	"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"	ASSURANCE
335	"Standing on the Promises"	PROMISES
Testimony in Song	"He's Been Faithful" Donna Brown	arr. Cymbala

#### WE RECEIVE THE WORD OF THE LORD

Sermon "Celebrating the Faithfulness of God" Dr. Adkisson  
\*Commitment Hymn 54 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

#### WE RESPOND BY GIVING TO THE LORD

Offertory Prayer Harold Garrett (8:15)  
Joe Church (10:45)

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music "No One Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus" arr. Wyrzen/Mickelson  
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 Song 407 "Because He Lives" chorus only  
\*Postlude Instrumentalists

#### SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Please join us tonight for  
"A Walk Down Memory Lane"  
with the Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir  
directed by Carol Tittle  
This is a program of greatest hits  
from previous musicals that will include video highlights  
from the original performances of the musicals.



## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Greg Steeves - Chief Deacon  
Joe Church  
Ed Griggs  
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Jim Viar

### Wednesday Dinner - 05/06

Bar-B-Que and hot dogs, baked beans, chips, dessert

### Wednesday Volunteers - 05/06

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

### Extended Session - 05/03

**Bed Babies** - Fran Hutchinson

**Creepers** - Bryan & Michelle Sweet

**Toddlers** - George & Neisha Hibbs

**2's** - Shelley & Russell Fredley

**3's** - Tim & Tonya Hadlock

## Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$16,601.98
Difference from Goal	-\$13,185.67
Total Designated Gifts	\$791.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$17,392.98
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,280,869.05
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,155,728.94
Difference from Goal	-\$125,140.11
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,236,302.57
Decrease from Prior Year	\$80,573.63
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$50,498.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,710,894.48
Total Outstanding Debt	\$944,825.00

## Sunday School Attendance

### April 26, 2009

General Officers	3
Preschool	58
Children	62
Youth	58
Adults	321
<b>Total</b>	<b>502</b>

# Happy Tones sing a joyful song

The Happy Tones are singing in the morning and evening services today. This choir for senior adults was organized in February 2001. Carol Tittle founded the choir and has served as director since that time. Her vision of senior adults ministering to the church and community through music has continued to grow throughout the past eight years.



The choir rehearses each Thursday at 10:00 a.m. and regularly ministers through music in health care facilities throughout the Upper Cumberland. In fact, the Happy Tones have performed at 18 nursing homes and retirement centers since last September. The choir periodically leads in worship at First Baptist and has presented several musical dramas. Tonight's presentation of *A Walk Down Memory Lane* is a compilation of songs and video taped vignettes from previous musical performances.

For more information about participating in the Happy Tones, please contact Director Carol Tittle or Minister of Music Jonathan Nelms.

Jonathan observes, "I don't know of a choir in any church that serves in the community with greater frequency than the Happy Tones. I love to hear them singing on Thursday mornings and I know that they are a great blessing to the residents of the many nursing homes and convalescent centers that they visit. First Baptist is indeed fortunate to have such an active senior adult choir ministry."

## Welcome New Members



**Susan Johnson**  
Cookeville, TN



**Jessica Smith**  
Paris, TN



**Krystle Harris**  
Middleburg, FL



**Scott Smith**  
Drummonds, TN

# Media Ministry Crew

The Media Ministry crew is looking for new members to serve as director, television sound operator, sanctuary sound operator, camera operators, sanctuary lighting operator, projectionist, and television graphics operator. Training is provided. For more information speak with Jonathan Nelms or Mike Casey.



# Bulletin Board



## MEETINGS

### WMU Daytime Bible Study Group

Tuesday, May 5

9:30 a.m.

Room 143A

Larry Cunningham from Crossroads Baptist Church will be the guest speaker. Everyone is welcome!

## PRAYER

### Putnam County National Day of Prayer Service

Thursday, May 7

12:00-1:00 p.m.

Putnam County Courthouse South Lawn

The theme for this year's National Day of Prayer is *Prayer...America's Hope* and is based on Psalm 33:22. Individuals from our county will voice prayers for our nation, military, businesses, schools, churches, families and helping services.

## VBS

### Important Meetings

Wednesday, May 13 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Conference Room (175)

Let's get our VBS off to a great start! Please join us to meet your group and kick off the fun.



## HAPPY TRAVELERS

### Cheekwood in Nashville

Tuesday, June 30

We will eat in the Pineapple Room. The cost for the museum and lunch is \$25. Reservation and payment due at the June luncheon.

### Granville, TN

August

We will be included in a taping of the Saturday night WHUB radio show. Cost will be for your dinner, which will be especially prepared for the group. Get your name on the list to go!



## Parent-Child Dedication

First Baptist will have a time of Parent/Child Dedication during the 8:15 and/or 10:45 a.m. service on May 10. 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 or return this form to register your family. The registration deadline is May 6.

Parent/Child Dedication Form
Child's Name _____
Parent's Name _____
Worship Service _____
Birthdate _____

## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, May 3

8:15 A.M. First Worship  
9:30 A.M. Sunday School  
10:45 A.M. Second Worship  
12:00 P.M. Senior Adult Luncheon  
2:00 P.M. St. Kitt's Mtg.  
4:00 P.M. Orchestra  
4:00 P.M. Choir Chimes  
Stewardship/Budget Mtg.  
Fireproof Bible Study  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship  
7:00 P.M. Personnel Townhall Mtg.- Old Chapel

### Monday, May 4

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble  
6:15 P.M. Sanct Choir Officers Mtg.  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Mtg.

### Tuesday, May 5

8:45 A.M. MDO  
9:45 A.M. WOM Day Group  
3:45 P.M. Child. Choir Bonus Reh.  
6:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Green  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Mtg.

### Wednesday, May 6

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens  
4:00 P.M. Children's Choir Bonus Reh.

5:00 P.M. Luminesce Creative Arts  
Supper Line Opens  
Chi Rho Youth Choir  
Youth on Mission  
Preschool & Children's Choirs

5:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Mtg.  
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting  
Sanctuary Choir Reh  
Mission Groups  
Yth Worship/Bible Study  
FLC open until 8:00

### Thursday, May 7

9:30 A.M. CBS  
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones  
6:30 P.M. Stewardship/Budget Mtg.  
6:15 P.M. Volleyball - Yth FBC Blue

### Friday, May 8

8:45 A.M. MDO  
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday

### Saturday, May 9

**Sunday, May 10**  
8:15 A.M. First Worship  
9:30 A.M. Sunday School  
10:45 A.M. Second Worship  
4:00 P.M. Orchestra  
4:00 P.M. Choir Chimes  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

## Stewardship Verse

**God uses money to confirm direction.**  
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."  
(Prov. 3:5-6)

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