



Pastor's Heart



Happy Mother's Day! As the matriarch of the family, I hope you will feel appreciated and cherished on this day. After all, we'd be nowhere without you — literally.

As a woman of God, you provide stability in our spiritual, emotional, and physical lives. As a woman who honors our dad, you give to us a sense of security and a model of integrity. As a woman who is kind, you teach us kindness. As a woman who is chaste, you teach us godliness. As a woman who speaks graciously of others, you teach us holy conversation.

There is no one on earth more important than a godly mother. Your example, instruction, and presence make a difference in this world and in this generation. Your guidance and faith are making a difference in the future and in eternity for your family and for others.

Today we rise up and call you "blessed." (Proverbs 31:28)
 Today we will dedicate children to the Lord. Remember, this is not a symbol of salvation for a child, but a ceremony of dedication for the parents and the church. We are dedicating our children to Jesus and in doing so we are dedicating ourselves to raise them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4)

In this topsy-turvy world, how do we maintain our faith? How do we walk successfully, even victoriously through difficult times? How do we inoculate our lives from the destructive viruses of a lost world? How do we protect our family, even our church family?

Let's explore that subject today as we look into God's word. He has answers, instructions, and promises for each of our needs.

See you in worship.

 In His Love,
 Pastor Randy

Missions Report

By Steve Farris



First Baptist will be working alongside the International Mission Board for the next three years with some great evangelism and teaching opportunities.

My first training in West Bengal was in Shiliguri, India with about 100 people present. Operation Andrew was intro-

duced and well received. Shilaguri seems open to the gospel as I led four people to the Lord at the hotel. Baptist churches in this area will receive a team and will work alongside IMB missionaries in February as well as a team in Darjiling.

The following day we met with six hand-picked pastors in Darjiling. This is a very steep and rugged area that not everyone can handle. I will work

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Mission Opportunities

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.

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 10, 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	Ruth 2:4; John 8:12	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Gathering Hymn 579	"Shine, Jesus, Shine"	SHINE
*Scripture Reading	1 Timothy 1:17	Dr. Nelms
*Praise Hymn 6	"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"	ST. DENIO
*Chorus of Praise	"Shine, Jesus, Shine"	chorus only
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Hymn 344	"Jesus Loves Me"	CHINA
Parent and Child Dedication (10:45)		Ann Hertzfeldt Director of Children's Ministries
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
*Hymn of Blessing 507	"Would You Bless Our Homes and Families"	NETTLETON
Anthem (10:45)	"May His Love Abide"	McDonald
(based on 1 Chronicles 16:10 and Ephesians 3:14-24)	Sanctuary Choir	
WE RECEIVE THE WORD OF THE LORD		
Sermon	"For Better Or Worse"	Dr. Adkisson
	1 Thessalonians 5:11	
*Commitment Song 457	"Lord, Be Glorified"	Kilpatrick
WE RESPOND BY GIVING TO THE LORD		
Offertory Prayer		Bronn Rayne (8:15) Jim Viar (10:45)
Worship with Tithes and Offerings		

Offertory Music

*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 657 "Go Out and Tell"

*Postlude

Instrumentalists

Todd Arnold, organist

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in honor of Martha Head given by her children and grandchildren.

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Greeting	Psaln 19:14	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Prelude	"Be Thou My Vision"	SLANE
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Praise	"O Worship the King"	arr. Tomlin
*The Phos Hilaron		Greek, tr. Keble
*Scripture Reading	2 Corinthians 4:5-6	Maicie Hammons
*Song of Praise	"Here I Am to Worship"	Hughes
Prayers for Ourselves and Others		Dr. Nelms
The Lord's Prayer ("trespasses")		Getty/Townend
*Hymn of Devotion	"Speak, O Lord"	Dr. Adkisson
Sermon		Dr. Adkisson
*Commitment Song	"Be the Centre"	Frye
*Offertory Prayer		Howard Stephenson
Musical Offering	"One Pure and Holy Passion"	Altrogge
*Sharing Spiritual Decisions	Remnant	
*Closing Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude		Remnant

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News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Tim Collins - Chief Deacon
Harold Garrett
Chris Vick
Chris Wilson
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Chris Vick

Wednesday Dinner - 05/13

Pinto beans, potatoes, cornbread, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 05/13

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Newman, Pam Vasseur, Richard Cashion
5:45 - Mr. & Mrs. Donnie King, Stella Dukes, Damen Andrews

Extended Session - 05/10

Bed Babies - Phyllis Stephens, Martha Powers

Creepers - Linda Wade

Toddlers - Linda Venturino, Megan Trotter

2's - Kent & Linda Frisbee

3's - Tim & Tonya Hadlock

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$54,168.75
Difference from Goal	+\$24,381.10
Total Designated Gifts	\$3,657.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$57,825.75
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,310,656.70
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,209,897.69
Difference from Goal	-\$100,759.01
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,256,975.55
Decrease from Prior Year	\$47,077.86
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$52,674.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,713,070.48
Total Outstanding Debt	\$942,649.00

Sunday School Attendance

May 3, 2009

General Officers	4
Preschool	59
Children	65
Youth	53
Adults	320
Total	501



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Missions

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alongside the IMB and handle the 10 volunteers in Darjling. The IMB and Life-way committed to a three-year partnership to continue working in this area. Praise the Lord!

The next training meeting was with leaders in Bhutan. The IMB has a new person (Jared) there. They are reaching people through Nationals reaching Nationals. We are working directly with the IMB national leader there and receiving monthly reports.

We have raised enough funds to begin printing the first New Testament ever in the Bhutanese language. Wycliff did the translation, and the IMB is overseeing the printing and distribution. Some volunteer teams will eventually be used to help with distribution. We have an invitation to work with an India pastor near the border of Bhutan next year. Then the Indian nationals will assist in evangelizing Bhutan.



Steve Farris, the national leader in Bhutan, Himalaya regional leader for the IMB and Dr. Mark Clapp from Jamestown First Baptist stand at the border of Bhutan.

cards distributed. We selected six churches in Pokhara to do the first project and the others will do Nationals reaching Nationals. I committed to send teams to John for the next three years.

I also met five more families and several journeymen we will be working within Nepal and built a report with the president of the convention. We had to change the date of the Nepal trip to October 24 – November 2 due to a festival. We will take a team of 12 to Pokhara, and I already have half the team enlisted.

While there I also received an invitation from the Nagaland Baptist Convention President. There are 56 Baptist churches in Nagaland, located in the far Northeast of India.

Back in Delhi I met with Robert Watson, who will be over all IMB volunteer projects in South Asia starting in July. Robert connected me with their leader in Sri Lanka, and I have been invited to Sri Lanka. Robert will be coming to Tennessee in October/November for a South Asia Summit, which FBC is a part of.

On the other side of the world in St. Kitts, we will be working with six churches from May 22-30. We have 13 people from the U.S. going, one from Dominica, two from St. Vincent and two from Trinidad will be joining us. A project is planned for Trinidad next March led by Bill Stone and made up mostly of college students.

Upcoming trips: Nepal: Oct 24 – Nov 2; West Bengal: Feb 18 – Mar 2; Trinidad: March 2010; West Bengal: March/April 2011; West Bengal: March/April 2012

How Can I Be Saved? As Simple As ABC!

ADMIT YOU ARE A SINNER IN REBELLION AGAINST GOD

BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE SAVIOR

CHOOSE TO GIVE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS & CONFESS YOUR FAITH

Bulletin Board

VBS



Important Meeting

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

BUDGET

Town Hall Budget Meeting

Sunday, May 17 @ 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary

Please see the bulletin insert if you have budget questions.

GRADUATES

Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 17

High school graduates will be recognized and presented a gift from the church family during the 10:45 a.m. worship service. A special luncheon will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Family and friends meals are \$5 each. Call the church office at 526-7108 by May 13 to make your reservation.



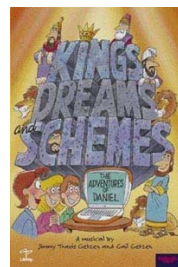
CHILDREN

Children's Choir Musical

Wednesday, May 20
6:30 p.m.

Sanctuary

The older children's choirs will present *Kings, Dreams, and Schemes*, which tells the story of Daniel in a memorable way that helps children understand how they can live a life committed to God. The preschool choirs will be participating in the program as well.



Deacon nominations

Dearest church family;

The Vision Statement in the Deacons' Manual states, "We the Deacons of First Baptist Church feel led of the Lord to express our Deacon ministry by serving as ministers who seek to meet specific needs in the congregation according to our individual gifts and abilities." This vision of service is chiefly carried out through our Deacon of the Week visitation and our ministry to widows.

The Deacon Nominating Committee is seeking your nominations for additional men to serve as Deacons at First Baptist Church. Please pick up a copy of the Deacon Qualifications from the central lobby – read it carefully – and prayerfully seek God about whom He would have serve this church as a Deacon.

Nominating forms will be provided in your Chronicles and will also be available in the central lobby. After careful and prayerful consideration, please use the provided forms to nominate eligible men by placing the form in the offering plate or turning it into the church office. Of course, it is not appropriate to nominate oneself. Nominees will be received until Sunday, May 24.

In Christ,
Greg Steeves
Deacon Chairman

Weekly Activities

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

Monday, May 11

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Tuesday, May 12

8:45 A.M. MDO
3:45 P.M. Child. Choir Bonus Reh.
6:15 P.M. Volleyball Tournaments

Wednesday, May 13

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens
4:00 P.M. Children's Choir Bonus Reh. Luminesce
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens
Chi Rho Youth Choir
Youth on Mission
Preschool & Children's Choirs

5:30 P.M. Missions Town Hall Mtg.

6:00 P.M. VBS Faculty Mtg. #175
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting
Sanctuary Choir Reh
Mission Groups
Yth Worship/Bible Study

7:30 P.M. FLC open until 8:00

Thursday, May 14

6:15 P.M. Youth Volleyball Tourn
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Friday, May 5

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

Saturday, May 16

Sunday, May 17

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
12:00 P.M. Senior Graduate Lunch
3:00 P.M. Choir Chimes meet at Cedar Hills Senior Living Community

5:00 P.M. Handbells
6:00 P.M. Town Hall Budget Mtg.

To add prayer requests please call the church or visit our web page at www.fbccookeville.org.

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)