



## Pastor's Heart



Last week's Town Hall meeting was informative and important. I personally appreciate all of the hard and prayerful work of our Stewardship, Personnel, and Missions Committees. Like churches (and homes) all over the country, we are faced with determining what's best to trim from our budget in the coming

year. That is neither fun nor desired. Yet God is not surprised by these economic times, neither is He distressed. He has a plan. Our task is simply and as best we can to find His will in our planning.

Your participation in the smaller meetings of the last few weeks and in the larger Town Hall meeting was important and appreciated. Continue to pray for these committees and your church as they lead us through the final steps of the budgeting process.

Over the last several weeks we have plumbed God's word for hope, instruction, and challenge. One out of work visiting mom wrote,

"I wanted to thank you for your study and message on Mother's Day. I just wanted to take a minute and tell you how much I needed to be there that day. I've been layed off since February. I'm thankful for your message confirming what God has been doing in my life at this time: God is in perfect control, He has a plan for us, and the importance of being in His presence."

It is great to know that in these days of real need, God has a real plan. Often His plan includes a special message just for you as you enter into worship. Make sure that you are carefully listening for God's word for your life and searching God's plan for His direction.

Twenty-one years ago today I stood beside Salee as she gave birth to our first born, a daughter named Kathryn Lynsey. (She did not actually have that name for a few more days, but that is another story.)

Whoa, life goes by quickly doesn't it? But on this very special day, I am so thankful for the blessing of these 21 years and the beautiful young Christian woman that God has allowed us to nurture and cherish. Happy Birthday Lynsey! You have and continue to bring great joy to your dad's life.

May the rest of your days be filled with the joy and blessings of walking closely in obedience to our Lord.

See you in worship.  
In His Love,  
Pastor Randy

### 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."

### Mission Opportunities

#### 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, May 31. Please place your sack full of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

#### VBS Workers

Climb along the Boomerang Express June 22-26 for Vacation Bible School. Youth and adult helpers are still needed in several areas. If you would like to be a part of this exciting week, contact Ann Hertzfeldt.

#### VBS Supplies

Burlap sacks and/or old pillowcases are needed for recreation. Please bring to the church office or FLC.

#### 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 24, 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

Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Prelude	"Victory in Jesus" Heart Strings Harp Ensemble Pat Butler, director	arr. Butler
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Song of Praise 22	"Bless His Holy Name"	Crouch
*Responsive Reading	Psalms 90:1-2	Dr. Nelms
*Hymn of Assurance 74	"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"	ST. ANNE
*Pastoral and Memorial Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
Scripture Reading		Hebrews 10:15-18
Testimony in Song (10:45)	"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" Sanctuary Choir with Larry McNabb, soloist	arr. Rouse
*Hymn of Testimony 132	"There is Power in the Blood"	Jones
<b>WE PROCLAIM THE WORD</b>		
Sermon	"The Silence of Christ" Isaiah 53:7 and Romans 8:16-17	Jason Fincher
*Song of Commitment	"Knowing You"	Kendrick

### WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer		Bronn Rayne (8:15) Jack Mattson (10:45)
Worship with Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Music	"Alleluia" Heart Strings Harp Ensemble	arr. Pack
*Presentation of Offering		
*Doxology 253 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"		OLD 100th
Sharing Spiritual Decisions		

### WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Statements of Affirmation		
*Departing Song	"Go Out and Tell"	PLANO
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

### SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Although there are no activities at First Baptist Church this evening, Please enjoy this time in worship with your family and friends.

We encourage you to watch the broadcast of the children's musical "Kings, Dreams, and Schemes" on Cable Channel 7 at 7:00 p.m.

This broadcast will also include presentations by the preschool choirs and the children's Choirtime ensemble.



News Highlights

**Deacons of the Week**

Richard Newman - Chief Deacon  
 Jerry Joyner  
 John Zhu  
 Jim Viar  
 7 p.m. Phone Duty: Don Williams

**Wednesday Dinner - 05/27**

Spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert

**Wednesday Volunteers – 05/27**

5:00 - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brown,  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Joyner  
 5:45 – Mr. & Mrs. Ed Griggs, Ruth Ann  
 Southerlan, Kreg Vaughn

**Extended Session - 05/24**

**Bed Babies** - Ralph & Paige Mills

**Creepers** - Beth Johnson

**Toddlers** - VOLUNTEERS

**2's** - Mark & Lou Ann Herberman

**3's** - Laura & Bobby Rich

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$29,787.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$35,573.37
Difference from Goal	+\$5,785.72
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,004.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$37,577.37
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,370,232.00
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,266,947.87
Difference from Goal	-\$103,284.13
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,309,324.99
Decrease from Prior Year	\$42,377.12
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$53,926.62
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,714,322.48
Total Outstanding Debt	\$941,397.00

Sunday School Attendance

May 17, 2009

General Officers	4
Preschool	66
Children	67
Youth	56
Adults	320
<b>Total</b>	<b>513</b>



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# Homebound Ministry team has a place for you

By Charlie Hutchinson  
 Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care and Senior Adults

The Homebound Ministry is a vital ministry at First Baptist Church. Last month we had a luncheon for this ministry team that was well attended.



Peggy Mattson was recognized for her faithful leadership with the ministry for some 10 years. Testimonies and information were shared. Connie and Diana, as always, provided a wonderful meal.

More people are always needed for this ministry. As you pray about your involvement in ministry for our Lord Jesus through First Baptist,

you may feel led to participate. Let me know and we will share the needs with you.

The following are currently involved in Homebound Ministry: Peggy & Jack Mattson, Faye McCaleb, Dorothy Hawkins, Wanda Peterson, Marjorie Bonner, Rose Fields, Wilma Cannon, Barbara Fields, Jane Goodman, Carol Joyner, Shirley Mullins, Joyce & Wade Raines, Faye & Ed Griggs, Gerry & Joe Sharpe, Linda Chappell, Diane Hutcherson, Carolyn Piela, Carol & Frank Tittle, Becky Crosier, Marilyn Holland, Louise Judd, Ruth Ann Southerlan, Arleda Hunter, and Dave & Cheryl Carlson.

## TeamKID in need of volunteers

Summer is fast approaching and that means it's time for TeamKID! TeamKID is a recreation-based discipleship program that teaches children ages three through sixth grade life lessons through Bible stories, scripture memory, life application, missions and recreation.

This effective preschool and children's ministry is set to begin on Wednesday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m. with preschoolers meeting on the second floor and children getting together in the Fam-

ily Life Center. Last summer we averaged 20 children and seven preschoolers and had as many as 26 children.

In order to do TeamKID again this summer, we need several volunteers to teach, assist teachers and work in recreation. We are desperately in need of volunteers to make this summer another great summer of TeamKID. If you would like to serve through this ministry, contact Ann Hertzfeldt at 526-7108.



Kids enjoy recreation during TeamKID last summer.

# Bulletin Board



## FAMILIES

### RA Sponsored Family Campout

June 12-14  
 Fall Creek Falls State Park  
 Cost: \$25 per night  
 Come and enjoy a wonderful time of hiking, swimming, fishing, and fellowship. We will be leading the worship service on Sunday morning. For more information and to make a reservation, call Ted Jernigan at 252-0030 before June 10.

## 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.

## VBS



### Important Meeting

Tuesday, June 16  
 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
 Conference Room (175)  
 Let's get together to finalize a wonderful week of VBS! Meet with your team to finish plans for the week.



### Boomerang Express

June 22-26  
 9:00 a.m. - noon  
 Take a thrilling train ride across the Land Down Under. Children in K-6th grade will wind their way through Australia, discovering the vastness of God's love and learning that no matter where they go or what they do in life, it all comes back to Jesus. Register your child for this exciting week of VBS. Registration forms are in the Central Lobby.

### Pick up materials

VBS teachers if you haven't picked up your materials yet, you can get them in the nursery area today.

## Welcome New Members



Carol Cooper  
 Cookeville



Trish Page  
 Cookeville



Beverly Nivens  
 Cookeville



Tim & Vicki Smith  
 Cookeville

Weekly Activities

**Sunday, May 24**

8:15 A.M. First Worship  
 9:30 A.M. Sunday School  
 10:45 A.M. Second Worship  
 6:00 P.M. NO Evening Worship

**Monday, May 25**

Church Office & FLC Closed

**Tuesday, May 26**

8:45 A.M. MDO  
 6:00 P.M. MDO Graduation

**Wednesday, May 27**

3:00 P.M. FLC Opens  
 5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens  
 Chi Rho Youth Choir  
 Youth on Mission  
 5:30 P.M. RA Racers  
 6:30 P.M. Sanctuary Choir  
 Prayer Meeting  
 7:30 P.M. FLC open until 8:00  
 Sanctuary Choir  
 Fellowship

**Thursday, May 28**

**Friday, May 29**

9:30 A.M. Fun Friday

**Saturday, May 30**

**Sunday, May 31 -- Pentecost**

8:15 A.M. First Worship  
 9:30 A.M. Sunday School  
 Yth 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
 Breakfast  
 10:45 A.M. Second Worship  
 4:00 P.M. Orchestra  
 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)