

Pastor's Heart



Whoa! What an active and exciting week at First Baptist Cookeville. God was doing significant stuff among us and all around us. I have to admit, at times I was flat worn out.

Our worship focusing upon the Minor Prophets has been more meaningful than I imagined, and last week's time of worship touched the lives of many. Thank you for your continued encouragement in this series and in the planning of the services that are surrounding it.

On an international note: It was such a joy and blessing to have the opportunity to baptize Zhen Hu on Sunday as he came to make his profession of faith and then to perform the Christian marriage ceremony on Wednesday for Zhen and his bride Qingying Meng. God continues to allow us to reach the world in Cookeville.

On Wednesday as well, we were blessed by the testimony of Andy Kathireson from Chennai, India. Andy's testimony of God's salvation, of his time at Tech and beyond, kept us enthralled. The providence of God that connected Andy to us was evident and now we are praying for Andy and his family as they return to India after about 15 years in the states, because God has called this Mechanical Engineer back home to share the gospel.

On Thursday FBC swept into the TTU BCM and it was great to watch Andy return to the campus to share his testimony with about 150 students. Our WMU provided the lunch as students heard of God's grace and call to missions.

I continue to count the blessing of the nations at First Baptist Church. On Wednesday night and Sunday to look out and see people worshipping together with differing skin colors, original languages, and family histories reminds me of the glory of heaven's worship as people from every tribe give praise to Jesus. Thanks for letting me be a part of that. This week in worship I know we had believers from China, Canada, Taiwan, Vietnam, Ukraine, India, Mexico, as well as from all across the USA praising God together. Whoa!

Today is a special celebration of our Deacon Ministry. Active Deacons for the 2009-2010 year will be sharing in a dedication to ministry before you. We have two new men who will be ordained and Tom Little will be honored as Deacon Emeritus. These men serve with your staff as ministers to the church.

In your bulletin you will find a copy of the deacon qualifications to which each man is committed. I am thankful for them and love them. Pray for them as they together serve our congregation this year.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Mission Opportunities

Operation Christmas Child
This is the time to get some special gifts like beach balls, flip flops, washcloths and school supplies for your little boy or girl. Folks are also needed to make tote bags to put in the boxes. If you would like to be a volunteer, call Brenda Spain at 265-0645.

Upward & Devoted Basketball
Do you have a passion for sports, children and/or youth? If so we need you for Upward Basketball and Cheerleading™ and Devoted Basketball. We are currently looking for people to fill leadership roles such as Devotions Commissioner, Coaches Commissioner, Referee Commissioner, coaches and referees. To find out more about these positions, call Colleen Cox at 526-7108.

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*



MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2009 8:15 & 10:45 A.M.

Worship Children: 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.*

Greeting	Ruth 2:4; Psalm 95:6	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Prelude	"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" FBC Orchestra	HOLY MANNA
Words of Welcome	Dr. Randall Adkisson	
*Gathering Hymn 604 "Come, All Christians, Be Committed"	BEACH SPRING	
Comments on Deacon Ministry	Acts 6:1-7	Dr. Adkisson
Deacon Emeritus Recognition	Greg Steeves, Deacon Chairman	
Scripture Reading	Micah 6:8 ESV	Dr. Nelms
*Hymn 400 (8:15)	"Rise Up, O Men of God"	ST. THOMAS
Message in Song (10:45)	"Rise Up, O Men of God" Sanctuary Choir	arr. Landgrave
Report of Deacon Nominating Committee (10:45)	Greg Steeves	
Presentation of New Deacons and Wives (10:45)	Greg Steeves	
*Laying on of Hands and Ordination Prayer (10:45)	Dr. Adkisson	
*Responsive Reading	Dr. Adkisson	
*Prayer of Dedication for Active Deacons	Dr. Adkisson	
*Hymn of Service 390 "We Are Called to Be God's People"	AUSTRIAN HYMN	
Sermon	"Where are God's People?" "Who Are God's Servants?" Micah 7:2a and 4:5	Dr. Adkisson
*Commitment Song	"The Heart of Worship"	Redman
Offertory Prayer	Don Williams (8:15) Greg Steeves (10:45)	

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music	"Flight of Valor" FBC Orchestra	Swearingen
*Presentation of Offering		
*Doxology 253	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	OLD 100TH
*Statements of Affirmation		
*Departing Chorus 657	"Go Out and Tell"	PLANO
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in memory of Elisabeth Maynard given by Connie Haukens and Family.

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM		
Prelude	"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Remnant	arr. Cottrell
Welcome and Fellowship		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Responsive Reading from Psalm 136		Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Song of Praise	"Forever"	Tomlin
Story of Hymnlist: Horatio Spafford		
*Hymn of Testimony 447 "It Is Well with My Soul"		VILLE DU HAVRE
Story of Songwriter: Matt Redman		
*Song of Testimony	"Blessed Be Your Name" "Babylon is a Blessing" Micah 4:10	Matt and Beth Redman Dr. Adkisson
Sermon		
*Commitment Song	"Come, Just As You Are"	Sablick
*Offertory Prayer		Howard Stephenson
Musical Offering	"O (Our) God, Our Help in Ages Past" Remnant	ST. ANNE
*Sharing Spiritual Decisions		
*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

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News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Bob Lovell - Chief Deacon
Van Slinger
Randall Ramsey
Ted Jernigan
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Richard Newman

Wednesday Dinner - 09/16

Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 09/09

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Doug Winford

5:45 p.m. - Jessica Young, Mike Shirley, Fran Hutchinson, Damen Andrews

Extended Session - 09/13

Bed Babies - Anielka Artola, Judy Miller

Creepers/Toddlers - Lily Qiu, Becky Holbrook

2's - Chris & Tara Masters

3's - Tom & Bethany Timmerman

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$30,364.00
Difference from Goal	+\$1,625.35
Total Designated Gifts	\$999.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$31,363.00
Budget Goal to Date	\$287,386.54
Budget Gifts to Date	\$298,759.01
Difference from Goal	+\$11,372.47
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$265,264.90
Increase from Prior Year	\$33,494.11
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$7,090.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,727,125.48

Sunday School Attendance

September 6, 2009

General Officers	4
Preschool	52
Children	55
Youth	48
Adults	339
Total	498

DEACON EMERITUS

Tom Little

Thank you for your many years of faithful service as a Deacon and in other positions of Christian service inside and outside the church.



You are appreciated!

Your 2009-2010 Active Deacons

Greg Steeves, Deacon Chairman

If you study the qualifications for deacons in Acts 6 and in I Timothy 3, they deal primarily with character and commitment. Therefore, 'Deacon' is not an office to be gained or a distinction to be achieved: it is a service to be rendered and a life to be committed.

This morning your active deacons for the 2009-2010 deacon year come before you for a time of commitment. Please pray with and for us as we endeavor to serve and minister with godly commitment in the coming year.

Kids Korner: Bible Drill starts today; new Christian class begins next Sunday

It's time for Children's Bible Drill again! Beginning tonight at 5:00 p.m. children have the opportunity to become more familiar with their Bible. Bible Buddies teaches 1st-3rd graders the books of the Bible, Bible verses, information about Key Passages and information about each book of the Bible. Children learn these skills in a fun, non-competitive format.

Bible Buddies meets in Room 329.

Children's Bible Drill helps 4th-6th graders increase their knowledge of the Bible and develop skills in effectively using the Bible. Each participant must learn the names of the books of the Bible in proper order and be able to locate them. They also learn to locate selected verses and how to apply them to their lives. Children's Bible Drill meets in Room 324.

Has your child recently accepted Christ? We're offering a class to help them grow in their new walk with the Lord. *I'm a Christian Now* is a four-week class that will help children understand what it means to be a Christian, the importance of baptism and the Lord's Supper, their role as church members, and getting started in daily Bible study and prayer. This class will meet on Sunday, September 20 & 27 and October 4 & 18 in Rooms 326 & 327 at 6:00 p.m.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Nathan & Connor Holmes



Bessie, Adrienne & Sam Shock

Bulletin Board

DEACONS

Deacons Meeting

Monday, September 14
5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



HAPPY TRAVELERS Goodlettsville, TN Trip

Monday, October 12
Cost: \$16

This trip will be for lunch and music. We will leave the church at 10:00 a.m. Reservations and payment are due at the September luncheon. Call Notie Moser for reservations at 432-0455 or 267-9822.



Mystery Trip

November 9-10
Cost: \$90

Step back in time going north, south, east and west traveling within two hours of Cookeville. Look for the itinerary when you cross a couple of county lines! This nostalgic, overnight tour will bring back memories and make new ones. Sign up at the September luncheon. Money is due at the October luncheon. Call Notie Moser for reservations at 432-0455 or 267-9822.



WOMEN

WMU Night Bible Study

Tuesday, August 15
5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



SPORTS/RECREATION

Upward Basketball & Cheerleading-

SIGN UP NOW!
Kindergarten-6th grade
Cost: \$50

Upward provides equal playing time for all players and recognizes that Every Child Is A Winner™. After October 30 the cost goes up \$10. Cost includes a t-shirt and reversible jersey for basketball or for cheerleading, a cheerleading uniform and poms along with car magnet, music CD and end-of-season award. Deadline for registration is Nov. 9.



Devoted Basketball

SIGN UP NOW!
7th-12th grade
Cost: \$25

Each player receives equal playing time. The league uses USSSA rules. Cost includes a t-shirt. Deadline for registration is November 9.



Weekly Activities

Sunday, Sept. 13

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
BCM Breakfast
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
12:00 P.M. Senior Adult Lunch
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
Handbells
4:30 P.M. Anointed, Transf, Redeemed #177
5:00 P.M. Bible Buddies
Children's Bible Drill
Evening Worship

Monday, Sept. 14

5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble
5:30 P.M. Deacon's Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 15

8:45 A.M. MDO
5:30 P.M. WOM Night Group
7:00 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Green

Wednesday, Sept. 16

3:00 P.M. FLC Open
3:30 P.M. Study Hall
4:00 P.M. Youth Choir Council Meeting
4:15 P.M. Choir Chimes
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens
Children's Choir
Chi Rho Yth Choir
Youth on Mission

6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting
Sanctuary Choir
Missions Groups
Collegiate Bible Study
Youth Worship/
Bible Study
Parent Study-
Old Chapel

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

Thursday, Sept. 17

9:30 A.M. CBS
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones Reh
7:00 P.M. Youth Volleyball - FBC Green
7:00 P.M. Youth Volleyball - FBC Orange

Friday, Sept. 18

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

Saturday, Sept. 19

10:00 A.M. College Lake Day

Sunday, Sept. 20

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
12:00 P.M. Youth Lunch/Outreach
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
Handbells
4:30 P.M. Anointed, Transf, Redeemed #177
5:00 P.M. Bible Buddies
Children's Bible Drill
5:30 P.M. Youth Choir - Sanctuary
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
7:00 P.M. Yth Choir Parent Meeting

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