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## Pastor's Heart



It was great to have a bit more 'normal' weather last week and to see that even in the midst of a rain storm our Sunday School and worship were more in line with 'normal' attendance for this time of year. I want to continue to encourage you to make both Sunday School and Worship a priority in your life.

As we focus on God's word concerning God's church we cannot neglect the direct application of Hebrews 10:25: *"not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near."*

We continue this week looking at the wonderful plan of God for His church. Focusing upon what it means to be a healthy fellowship filled with growing, maturing believers. Church is not something we attend or something we do. The church is the body of Christ, believers joined together by grace for the purpose of becoming like Jesus. Church is not a place of worship, but a worshipping people.

The emphasis upon personal faith and individual salvation must not become an excuse for selfish individualism. Jesus' death opened the way for reconciliation of man with God — and for reconciliation between man and man. Such reconciliation is expressed in the local church.

God's word emphasizes Jesus' love for His church, His coming for the church, His indwelling of the church, and His gifting of the church. The word does not know of believers apart from their connection to the church.

It is the local church that is emphasized in scripture and scripture takes for granted that each believer will be a part of such a local gathering. The world, indeed, will know we are believers by our love demonstrated for others in the local church.

We are blessed to have such a local gathering. We are blessed with one another. We are blessed in First Baptist. Celebrate that blessing. Build that blessing. Announce that blessing to others. In so doing God will be blessed and honored.

See you in worship,  
Pastor Randy

## Sanctuary Choir Gospel Roundup Tonight 6:00 p.m.

The choir will be singing "Hallelujah, By and By," "The Lighthouse," and "Goodby, World, Goodby."

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

#### Annual Evangelism Conference

Monday, January 25  
9:30-11:30 a.m.; 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Stevens Street Baptist Church  
Breakout sessions will be offered from 9:30-10:15 a.m. and 10:30-11:15 a.m.

#### Prayer

Remember 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*



*Worship/Children: For your comfort and that of others, children 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.*

### MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2010 10:00 A.M.

#### WE GATHER IN HIS PRESENCE

*Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Prelude	"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"	arr. Cranfill
	FBC Orchestra	
Welcome and Fellowship		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Song of Praise	"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"	Foundas
*Responsive Reading	Philippians 2:5-11	Dr. Nelms
*Hymn of Adoration 202	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"	CORONATION
Focus on the Cookeville Pregnancy Center		Nancy Knowlton, director
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
*Prayer Response 473 "More Love to Thee, O Christ"		Prentiss/Doane
<b>WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD</b>		
Sermon	"A Double Standard Is the Standard"	Dr. Adkisson
	Mark 12:28-34	
*Song of Commitment 423		GIFT OF LOVE
	"Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire"	

#### WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer		Wade Raines
Worship with Tribes and Offerings		
Offertory Music	"Hallelujah! By and By"	arr. McDonald
	Sanctuary Choir	

#### WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Presentation of Offering		
*Doxology 253 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	OLD 100TH	
Sharing of Spiritual Decisions		
*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Departing Chorus 657 "Go Out and Tell"		PLANO
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

#### SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Gathering Hymn 333 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"	SHOWALTER	
Ordinance of Believer's Baptism		
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Assurance 426 "Victory in Jesus"		HARTFORD
Testimony in Song	"Hallelujah! By and By"	arr. McDonald
	Sanctuary Choir	
Hymn of Assurance 189 "The Lily of the Valley"		SALVATIONIST
Testimony in Song	"The Lighthouse"	arr. Hamby
	Sanctuary Choir with Lisa Hammons, soloist	
Sermon		Dr. Adkisson

*Commitment Song 340 "He Hideth My Soul"		KIRKPATRICK
*Offertory Prayer		Joe Church
Musical Offering	"Goodby, World, Goodby"	arr. Kirkland
	Sanctuary Choir	
*Sharing Spiritual Decisions		
*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude		Instrumentalists



## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Jim Viar - Chief Deacon  
Richard Newman  
Wade Raines  
John Zhu  
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Randall Ramsey

### Wednesday Dinner - 01/27

Chili & hot dogs, crackers, salad, dessert

### Wednesday Volunteers - 01/27

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Brown, Arleda Hunter, Grace Renell

5:45 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Ed Griggs, Ruth Ann Southerlan, Kreg Vaughn

### Extended Session - 01/24

Bed Babies - Linda Chappell, Mary Ruth Winford

Creepers/Toddlers - Mike & Tiffany Gentry

2's - Deborah Austin-Ervin, Amanda Keeton

3's - Tim & Beth McReynolds

## Budget

### January 17, 2010

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$33,157.57
Difference from Goal	+\$4,418.92
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,217.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$34,374.57
Budget Goal to Date	\$833,420.96
Budget Gifts to Date	\$836,964.70
Difference from Goal	+\$3,543.74
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$780,140.50
Increase from Prior Year	\$56,824.20
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$27,931.50
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,747,966.98

## Sunday School Attendance

### January 17, 2010

General Officers	4
Preschool	56
Children	60
Youth	49
Adults	354
<b>Total</b>	<b>523</b>



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# How you can help hurting people in Haiti

The destruction from the earthquake in Haiti has caused great concern from everyone.

David Acres from Tennessee Baptist Disaster Relief says they will be involved in relief efforts as they are needed. Tennessee Baptist Disaster Relief is in contact with Baptist Global Response, the North American Mission Board and the Florida Baptist Convention. The Florida Baptist Convention has a full-time presence in Haiti and has been designated as the lead state in relief efforts.



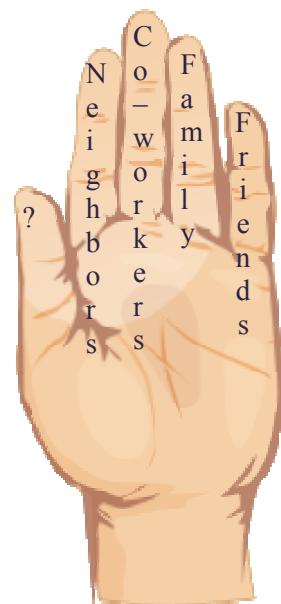
Obviously Haiti will need long-term help. As specific opportunities arise, Tennessee Baptist Disaster Relief will communicate those through the Tennessee Baptist website ([www.tnbaptist.org](http://www.tnbaptist.org)).

Samaritan's Purse already has a presence in Haiti as they have airlifted 17 medical personnel and many hospital supplies into the affected area. Samaritan's Purse is providing families with clean water, emergency shelter, blankets and other essentials.

You can give financially to either of these relief efforts by visiting their websites. Most importantly, continue to pray for the people impacted by this earthquake and for teams who are working to provide relief in Haiti.



# Your High 5



Are you praying and asking God who you need to pray for this year? More information to come on this evangelism effort in the next few weeks.

# Bulletin Board

## YOUTH



### Centrifuge/M-Fuge Combo Camp

July 12-17  
North Greenville University, Greenville, South Carolina  
Youth in 7th-12th grade may choose M-Fuge or Centrifuge. You will enjoy awesome worship, team building recreation, dynamic Bible studies, church group times and ministry. The cost is \$265. A \$50 deposit by January 27 will secure your reservation. See Bill Stone for details.

## CHILDREN



### Centri-Kid

July 5-9  
Georgetown College in Georgetown, KY  
Centri-Kid offers 3rd-6th graders high-energy worship, age appropriate Bible study and tons of fun. The cost is \$254. A \$50 deposit by January 27 will secure your reservation. See Colleen Cox for more information.

## YOUTH



### Super Bowl Outreach

Sunday, February 7  
Fellowship Hall  
Meet for the game, fellowship and food. Everybody is asked to bring something to eat and a 2 liter drink to share with friends. Use this as an opportunity to invite "lost" friends.

## OUTREACH



### Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 1  
Sunday school classes are encouraged to have Super Bowl outreaches at a class members home. Use this opportunity to invite non-churched friends to join you.

## CHILDREN/YOUTH



### Upward Day

Sunday, February 7  
All Upward and Devoted coaches, volunteers, basketball players, cheerleaders and their families are invited to join us for this special time of worship. Lunch will be served after the service. Please RSVP by calling the church office at 526-7108 by Wednesday, February 3.

## MUSIC



### For the Love of Brass

Sunday, February 14 @ 3:00 p.m.  
First Baptist Church  
Southern Stars Symphonic Brass will present this special musical. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students. Dr. Donald Ryder, Director; Mr. Rick Woods, Announcer.

## Weekly Activities

<b>Sunday, Jan. 24</b>	
8:45 A.M.	Sunday School Youth Breakfast Now That I'm a Christian Class #252
10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
4:00 P.M.	Orchestra Handbells Deacon Training
4:30 P.M.	Outreach
5:00 P.M.	Bible Buddies Children's Bible Drill
5:30 P.M.	Sanctuary Choir Reh.
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship (Gospel Roundup)
<b>Monday, Jan. 25</b>	
4:00 P.M.	Upward & Devoted Practices
<b>Tuesday, Jan. 26</b>	
8:45 A.M.	MDO
4:00 P.M.	Upward & Devoted Practices
<b>Wednesday, Jan. 27</b>	
3:00 P.M.	Open Gym
3:30 P.M.	Study Hall
4:00 P.M.	Happy Tones Mtg.
4:15 P.M.	Children's Choir Chimes
5:00 P.M.	Supper Line Opens Children's Choirs Chi Rho Youth Choir Youth on Mission
6:30 P.M.	Prayer Meeting Sanctuary Choir College Bible Study Yth Worship/Bible Study Children's Missions Bringing up Boys Study FLC open until 8:00
7:30 P.M.	
<b>Thursday, Jan. 28</b>	
9:30 A.M.	CBS
10:00 A.M.	Happy Tones
4:00 P.M.	Upward & Devoted practices Church Council #175
<b>Friday, Jan. 29</b>	
8:45 A.M.	MDO
9:30 A.M.	Fun Friday
3:00 P.M.	Yth Choir Project-Carson Newman Devoted games
<b>Saturday, Jan. 30</b>	
8:00 A.M.	Upward & Devoted games
<b>Sunday, Jan. 31</b>	
8:45 A.M.	Sunday School Now That I'm a Christian #252
10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
4:00 P.M.	Orchestra Handbells
4:30 P.M.	Yth. Girls Bible Study
5:00 P.M.	Bible Buddies Children's Bible Drill
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship