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Chronicle the life of the First Baptist Family

Pastor's Heart



The next two months will provide some great opportunities for you to grow in grace as we walk together through one of God's great Epistles of Grace — Galatians.

There will be two places of focus. First, on Sunday evenings in January I will be teaching the Book of Galatians as an in-depth Bible study at 6:00 p.m. This *January Bible Study* will take place in the Chapel.

It will not be televised, so make plans to be in the service. Our focus will be Bible study, so we will begin with a song and prayer, then head straight into the word for an hour (at least) of study.

Why should you attend? Because you want to grow deep in God's word.

Second, we will focus on some of the pivotal passages of Galatians in our Sunday morning messages for a series we are titling *Radical Grace in Your life!*

These messages will be important to you and to God's church. Make every effort to be engaged in each service. I promise God will encounter you in His word.

If you miss a Sunday morning message, make it a priority to listen on-line or to get a copy from the office. Redouble your efforts to grow in the Lord. Use the daily devotions to solidify God's word to you. Focus on God's work in your life, with you, and through you today.

There is also plenty of opportunity for you to engage in mission and ministry in these winter months. One top priority is Upward Basketball. Be a prayer partner, a devotion leader, an encourager, and a volunteer. Pray that God will use this ministry this year to bring families to the Lord and into His church.

One other priority I ask of you as we begin this New Year. Pray for me.

Many of you make it a habit to pray for me each day and I am very thankful you do. Thank you, too, to each of you who have dropped me a note telling me that you will be praying for me at a specific time each day or each week. God will bless us all in this.

The role of pastor is a unique one in the church of our Lord. It is uniquely important and uniquely attacked. You will not, cannot, see everything your pastor is involved in. Often, I am involved with burdens the specifics of which even my family or closest friends may be unaware. Any day may bring crises, opportunity, temptation, and vital ministry. The rest, health, encouragement, and spiritual power of the pastor are pivotal to the life of the church and every member of the church family.

So, I do not hesitate to ask you to make me, in my role as your pastor, a top priority of your prayers, your encouragement, and your love. The scripture goes so far as to bluntly say, "Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you." (Heb. 13:17)

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Mission Opportunities

Upward-Devoted Service Opportunities

There are still many ways for you to be involved in Upward and Devoted. We can use folks to referee, keep score, give a devotion, work the concession stand and put together snack bags. If you would like to be involved, please contact Colleen Cox at 526-7108 or by email at ccox@fbccookeville.org.

St. Lucia Mission Team Mtg.

Today
11:30 a.m.
Conference Room

Stewardship Verse

When we give, we are to do so in secret.

"When you give alms do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you."

(Matthew 6:3-4)

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/Childcare: 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.

Please note that numbers are included for all hymns found in *The Baptist Hymnal*.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship Ruth 2:4: Isaiah 42:5-8 Dr. Jonathan Nelms

Leader: The Lord be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

Leader: Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

All: "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

Leader: I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

*Song of Praise "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Baloché

*Hymn of Adoration 2 "Holy, Holy, Holy" NICAEA

Welcome and Fellowship Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Hymn of Assurance 334 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine" Crosby/Knapp

*Hymn of Testimony "In Christ Alone" Townend/Getty

*Pastoral Prayer Dr. Adkisson

Song of Testimony "Waiting" Sanctuary Choir Choplin

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

"What God Can Do In Your Life" Dr. Adkisson

Galatians 1:23-24

Sermon "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)" arr. Tomlin/Giglio

WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer Jack Mattson

Offertory Music "You Raise Me Up" Groban

Dr. Yoomi Patck

*Presentation of Offering

*Doxology "Lord, We Bring Our Gifts to Praise Thee" HMMN TO JOY

Sharing of Spiritual Decisions

WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE OUR GOD

*Benediction Dr. Adkisson

*Departing Chorus 657 "Go Out and Tell" PLANO

*Postlude Instrumentalists

TELEVISION REPLAY OF THE SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE AT 7:00 P.M.

A Word from Dr. Adkisson

We are going to take a new tact toward Sunday evening worship beginning tonight. I will be teaching a Bible study on Sunday evenings in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m. This month's study is in Galatians. This will be a great time for you to really dig into the Word and grow in your understanding of your faith. So please plan to join me for a study of the book that highlights God's grace.
—Pastor Randy

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Ed Griggs - Chief Deacon
Greg Steeves
Joe Church
Chris Wilson

11 a.m. Phone Duty: Harold Garrett

7 p.m. Phone Duty: Joe Sharpe

Wednesday Dinner - 01/12

Chicken tenders, salad, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 01/12

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Newman, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Piela

5:45 p.m. - Donnie King, Stella Dukes, Richard Cashion, Linda Law

Extended Session - 01/09

Bed Babies - Becky Crosier, Carol Joyner

Creepers/Toddlers - Lily Qiu, Dana Griggs

2's - Mark & Lou Ann Herberman

3's - Wendy Apple, Rosa Aranda
Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$27,222.21
Difference from Goal	-\$1,516.44
Total Designated Gifts	\$3,053.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$30,275.21
Budget Goal to Date	\$775,943.65
Budget Gifts to Date	\$769,602.57
Difference from Goal	-\$6,341.08
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$790,475.63
Decrease from Prior Year	-\$20,873.06
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$28,305.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,793,599.23

Sunday School Attendance

January 2, 2010

General Officers	4
Preschool	38
Children	41
Youth	39
Adults	303
Total	425



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Upper Cumberland Women's Conference coming in March

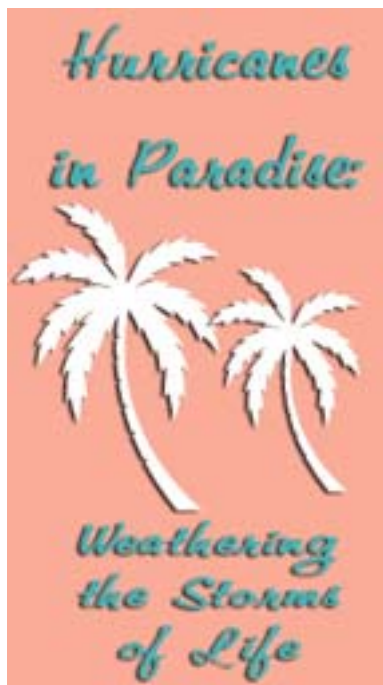
By Melinda Johnson
Women's Conference Team Member

The 2011 Upper Cumberland Women's Conference is just around the corner. This annual event will be held on March 5th at Avery Trace Middle School. The doors will open at 8:00 a.m. and the event runs from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The Upper Cumberland Women's Conference is a nondenominational event with the goal to unite the believers in the community and to point others to the one true God. I am especially excited about this year's conference because the featured speaker is one of my favorite authors. Denise Hildreth Jones (www.denisehildreth.com) has written multiple Christian fiction books. Her first was *Savannah from Savannah* a delightful story of a young lady that returns home after college to find her own place in the city that she grew up in. It and the two books that follow will keep you laughing for hours. While I have read every book that Denise has written, I think my favorite has to be her latest book, *Hurricanes in Paradise: Weathering the Storms of Life*. It is not only a wonderful story that entertains, but it is also a story about finding God's grace during the trials of life. It is a beautiful picture of how much God really does love us!

If you have lived very long at all, you know that life is full of trials and that is why we picked *Hurricanes in Paradise: Weathering the Storms of Life* as our theme for the 2011 conference. We want very much to have this conference offer practical guidance on how to live day by day through the storms of life while serving a loving and compassionate God.

Along with our featured speaker, we will have a chance for a couple of breakout sessions on topics that will include prayer, finances, diet and nutrition, meal planning and many more. Also, there will be a marketplace where vendors will offer the attendees a chance to shop! If you are interested in finding out more about the conference check out our updated website at www.uppercumberlandwomensconference.com or email us at ucwomen-conference@gmail.com.



Devoted Basketball Prayer Partners

We are looking for people to pray for each of our Devoted Basketball teams this season. We have 14 more teams that need a prayer partner. Prayer partners will be given a roster and asked to pray for the coach(es) and players. If you would be willing to pray for a team please fill out this form and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

Name _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

Bulletin Board

COUPLES

Five Love Languages Marriage Retreat

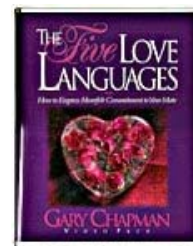
February 18-19

Pigeon Forge

Cost: \$95 per couple

Facilitators: Pam and Steve Farris

Limited to the first 12 couples that pay their deposit. Reserve your spot by turning in a \$45 deposit ASAP. Cost includes room with balcony overlooking the river and a fireplace, breakfast, book, workbooks, snacks and lunch on Saturday at the Ole Mill. Make checks payable to UBA and turn in to Pam or Steve Farris. Balance is due on Jan. 16.



CHILDREN

Bowling and lunch

Monday, January 17

9:00-12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$4 plus money for lunch

For K-6th grade

Spend this holiday from school with bowling and lunch at Chick-Fil-A. Sign up and pay by Sunday, January 16.



YOUTH

Youth Boredom Buster

Monday, January 17

12:30-3:00 p.m.

4th floor

Come enjoy fun and fellowship on this holiday from school. We'll have pizza for lunch, a movie and Wii games in the youth room. It's all free!



YOUTH

Centrifuge Camp

July 11-16

Union University in Jackson, TN

It's time to make your reservation/deposit for Fuge Camp 2011! Camp cost \$293 minus a \$50 deposit that is due on Sunday, January 30. The balance of \$243 will be due in early July. Centrifuge Camp is an awesome camp comprised of exciting Bible studies, worship, team building recreation, track times, fun fellowships and "hangtime" with old and new friends.



Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, January 26 @ 6:30 p.m.

Chapel

If you have anything for the agenda, please bring it to the church office by Thursday, January 20.

Weekly Activities

Sunday, January 9

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
11:30 A.M. 55+ Everybody Birthday Party

4:00 P.M. Handbells
5:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill Bible Buddies

6:00 P.M. January Bible Study -- Chapel

Monday, January 10

5:45 P.M. Deacon's Meeting

Tuesday, January 11

8:45 A.M. MDO

Wednesday, January 12

3:00 P.M. Open Gym

3:30 P.M. Study Hall

4:00 P.M. Luminesce

4:15 P.M. Children's Choir Chimes

5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens Children's Choirs Chi Rho Yth Choir Youth on Mission

6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting Sanctuary Choir Yth. Worship/Bible Study Children's Missions Parents Bible Study

7:30 P.M. Gym open until 8:00
8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

Thursday, January 13

9:30 A.M. CBS

Friday, January 14

8:45 A.M. MDO

9:30 A.M. Fun Friday

5:30 P.M. Devoted Basketball

Saturday, January 15

8:00 A.M. Upward Basketball & Cheerleading

Sunday, January 16

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
4:00 P.M. Handbells
5:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill Bible Buddies

6:00 P.M. January Bible Study -- Chapel

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