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# FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicing the life of the First Baptist Family

## Pastor's Heart



It is *Upward Sunday* again at First Baptist Church and we want to welcome everyone attending as part of this wonderful emphasis on our children. Today's service will be a bit different than normal. I mean, we don't usually have cheerleaders cheering us on and basketball players lining our worship benches.

Yet, worship will be very similar to every Sunday here at First Baptist as well. Each Sunday, you will find the pews filled with children, youth, parents, and grandparents. You will also find a weekly worship packed full of music, praise, prayer, and the preaching of God's word.

All kinds of people from all kinds of places call First Baptist family. Our commonality is found in our love for Jesus and our love for one another. If you love Jesus, we'd love to have you come serve and worship Him with us.

*Upward Basketball*, along with *Upward Cheerleading* and the new *Devoted Basketball* for youth, is one of the ways that we seek to bring our faith in Jesus into the real world. Through this sporting activity volunteers from First Baptist and other churches in our community seek to help parents 'train up' their children in the habits of sportsmanship and the knowledge of God and His love.

Each week children are learning how to get along with each other, as well as hearing the truths of God's grace straight from God's word, the Bible. This year the teams have been joined by *prayer partners* who are taking the time to pray for the children, their families, and the coaches each week.

Of course *Upward*, like all the ministries of First Baptist Church, is successful and possible because of hundreds (literally hundreds) of volunteers. This year Chris and Tara Masters are the directors of *Upward Basketball* and *Upward Cheerleading*. Neal and Melissa Marcum are the directors of the *Devoted* league. Along with our Recreation Coordinator Colleen Cox, these make up our leadership team.

But the dedicated volunteers do not stop with these. Anjie Collins is our *Upward* referee commissioner. Doreen Cox is our *Upward/Devoted* devotions commissioner and helps coordinate the concessions. Deborah Baranowski volunteered to be the *Upward/Devoted* prayer commissioner. Lisa Bernstein is the *Upward/Devoted* advertising commissioner.

Margaret Garrett directs the concessions. John Cox is the concession's shopper. Melanie Hutcherson coordinates the *Upward* scorekeepers.

Thing is, this is only the surface of the volunteers. The pool runs deep with adults and youth volunteering to coach, referee, give devotions, set up rooms, work concessions, prepare snack bags and lend support.

What a team! And I pray God's great blessing upon every one of them, and especially upon the children who come to play. May God reveal Himself mightily to them with gracious salvation.

See you in Worship,  
Pastor Randy

### Mission Opportunities

#### Builders for Christ Trip

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Mid June

If you are interested in going on this trip, please contact Dennis Matheney at 520-7178 or Steve Farris at 526-7108.

#### Super Bowl Outreach

Youth and youth leaders will meet on the 4th floor at 5:00 p.m. today. Other Sunday School classes are encouraged to have Super Bowl outreaches.

#### UC Women's Conference

Saturday, March 5

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

ATMS Auditorium

Featuring author Denise Hildreth Jones, the theme for this years conference is *Hurricanes in Paradise: Weathering the Storms of Life*. The conference will offer practical guidance on how to live day by day through the storms of life while serving a loving and compassionate God. The cost is \$25 before February 10. Register online at [www.uppercumberlandwomensconference.com](http://www.uppercumberlandwomensconference.com).

#### 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, FEBRUARY 6, 2011 TELEVISION REPLAY AT 10:45 A.M.

*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.

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

#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE LORD

Call to Worship	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Song of Praise	"Everlasting God"	Brown/Riley
Ordinance of Believers' Baptism		
Welcome and Fellowship		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Chorus	"What a Mighty God We Serve"	arr. Barker

	"This Is the Day"	Garrett
Message in Song	"Goliath"	Williams/Martin
	Young Musicians Older Children's Choir	
	and the Chi Rho Youth Choir	

Upward Cheer		
Overview of Upward and Devoted Sports Ministries		Colleen Cox
Upward Testimony		Chris Vick
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
*Upward Hymn 484	"Higher Ground"	HIGHER GROUND

#### WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Sermon	"In Training"	Dr. Adkisson
	Proverbs 22:6	

\*Hymn of Commitment 507  
"Would You Bless Our Homes and Families"

#### WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer		John Zhu
Offertory Music	"How Firm a Foundation"	arr. Payne
	FBC Orchestra	

\*Presentation of Offering  
\*Doxology 253 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD 100th  
Sharing of Spiritual Decisions

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

*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Departing Chorus 484	"Higher Ground"	refrain only
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

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

### NO SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

A SCHEDULE OF EVENING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, AND OUTREACH CAN BE FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THIS PUBLICATION.

Today's morning worship service will be rebroadcast at 7:00 PM tonight on Cable Channel 7.

## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Bob Lovell - Chief Deacon  
Randall Ramsey  
Van Sliger  
Ted Jernigan

**11 a.m. Phone Duty:** Richard Newman

**7 p.m. Phone Duty:** Van Sliger

### Wednesday Dinner - 02/09

Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, rolls, dessert

### Wednesday Volunteers - 02/09

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

**5:45 p.m.** - Donnie King, Richard Cashion, Linda Law, Arleda Hunter

### Extended Session - 02/06

Bed Babies - Linda Wade, Fran Hutchinson

Creepers/Toddlers - Marta Sliger, Debbie Bates

2's - Kent & Linda Frisbee

3's - Bryan & Michelle Sweet

## Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$24,201.67
Difference from Goal	-\$4,536.98
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,962.35
Total Gifts this Week	\$26,164.02
Budget Goal to Date	\$890,898.27
Budget Gifts to Date	\$858,085.32
Difference from Goal	-\$32,812.95
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$872,326.01
Decrease from Prior Year	-\$14,240.69
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$30,748.35
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,796,042.58

## Sunday School Attendance

### January 30, 2010

General Officers	4
Preschool	38
Children	56
Youth	37
Adults	325
<b>Total</b>	<b>460</b>



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## Kids Korner: Welcome Upward players and families

Welcome Upward Basketball & Cheerleading™ Teams & Families:

It is great to have you in worship with us today! I have enjoyed getting to know many of you at Upward ballgames on Saturdays, and I look forward to meeting those I've yet to meet.

There are many opportunities for children here at First Baptist Church. Please join us for any or all of them.

- ◆ Centri-KID: This five-day, four-night camp gives children in 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade the opportunity to experience the time of their life while learning more about Jesus. Every child gets to participate in activities of their choice and will take part in Bible study, recreation, track times and worship. We will attend Centri-KID at Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina July 11-15. The cost is \$250. Reserve your spot with a \$50 deposit by February 14.
- ◆ Wednesday, Summer Break Team KID – This recreation based discipleship club for 3 year olds–6<sup>th</sup> grade will meet in the Family Life Center from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Noncompetitive games, Bible story, and a memory verse all contribute to help children understand and apply God's word to their lives.
- ◆ June 20-24: Vacation Bible School from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Grab a cab and get ready for fun around every corner at Big Apple Adventure. As children explore the big city, they'll learn how to step out in faith and connect with Jesus – sharing the message of Christ with their world. Children will enjoy a jam-packed day of worship, Bible lessons, crafts, music, recreation, missions and snacks. Children grades K- 6<sup>th</sup> are invited to attend.

Children meet regularly on Sundays for Sunday school at 8:45 a.m. and worship at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays for choir at 5:00 p.m. and missions at 6:30 p.m. Bible Drill is also offered on Sunday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. More specific information about each of these activities can be found in your treat bag or in the Central Lobby.

Be sure to check out our website at [www.fbccookeville.org](http://www.fbccookeville.org) and our blog at [www.fbccchildrensrec.blogspot.com](http://www.fbccchildrensrec.blogspot.com).

Thank you for joining us today.

In Christian love,

Ann Hertzfeldt, Director of Children and Preschool Ministries

## Choir Room Piano Recital

A special piano recital will be presented at First Baptist on Sunday, February 20, at 2:30 p.m. A dozen pianists will be playing in the program which will be held in the choir room. Admission is free, but reservations are necessary because only 65 seats are available for the program. Pianists will include children, youth, adults, and senior adults. Each musician will play one piece of music and the styles will vary from classical to jazz.



Associate Pastor/Music Jonathan Nelms comments, "I'm a pianist and I love playing and hearing others play. First Baptist has a wealth of great pianists and this is an opportunity for us to encourage one another." Refreshments will be served. To make reservations, please contact Music Ministry Secretary Bobbie Gist by calling 526-7108 or emailing her at [bgist@fbccookeville.org](mailto:bgist@fbccookeville.org).



## Welcome Devoted teams

Welcome Devoted Basketball Teams & Families:

It is a joy to welcome you here today! I have enjoyed getting to meet many of you at Devoted ballgames. I also look forward to meeting those whom I have yet to meet.

There are many opportunities for youth through First Baptist Church. I welcome you to any and all of them. Check out the ones in February and early March.

- ◆ Sunday, February 6: Youth Super Bowl Fellowship from 5:00-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Department on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor.
- ◆ Wednesday, February 2nd & 9th: True Love Waits – lessons and information for teens about purity and abstinence from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Youth Department (4th floor).
- ◆ Sunday, February 13: Special True Love Waits Commitment service and fellowship from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- ◆ Friday & Saturday, March 11-12: Youth Evangelism Conference in Nashville. The cost is \$50.

Youth also meet regularly on Sundays for Bible study at 8:45 a.m. and worship at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays we meet for praise, worship, choir, missions and fellowship from 5:00-7:30 p.m.

Be sure to check out our website at [www.fbccookeville.org](http://www.fbccookeville.org) and our blog at [www.fbccyd.blogspot.com](http://www.fbccyd.blogspot.com).

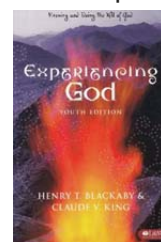
Thank you for being here today. God bless you and your family!

In Christian love,

Bill Stone, Associate Pastor to Youth/Collegiates

## Experiencing God

Do you want to know God's will? Are you ready to follow God's will? These probing questions are at the heart of the popular Bible study *Experiencing God*. Written by Henry Blackaby this study helps people understand that God loves them, is speaking to them, and calls them to be obedient to His will.



The Sanctuary Choir and FBC Orchestra will present a musical entitled *Experiencing God* on Sunday morning, April 10, during the morning worship service. The musical is a meaningful presentation of the truths presented in the study.

In addition to musical preparation for the program, the choir and orchestra will be studying an overview of *Experiencing God* in each weekly rehearsal during the next two months. Associate Pastor/Music Jonathan Nelms observes, "I hope that this will be more than an exciting musical. I am praying that we will seek God's voice and be willing to respond with faithful obedience."

All youth and adult singers are welcome to join the choir for this special project.

Each singer will be assigned a musical book and given both a rehearsal CD of the musical and the booklet *Seven Truths from Experiencing God*. Rehearsals for the musical will be held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room.

The FBC Orchestra will also be preparing musically and spiritually for the presentation. Youth and adult instrumentalists are invited to join them for the project. Parts are available for all band and orchestra instruments and players will also be given a copy of the *Seven Truths* booklet.

In addition to rehearsals, several studies of *Experiencing God* will be held this spring. Bill Stone is offering a nine-week youth study on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. This 50 minute weekly study will be held on the fourth floor beginning Sunday, February 12. Jonathan will be leading a 12-week study for students and adults on Thursdays at noon beginning February 10. The cost of the book will be \$12 for youth and \$15 for adults. Other study groups may also be organized; anyone interested in participating in one of these studies should call the church office.

## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, February 6

8:45 A.M.	UPWARD SUNDAY Sunday School
10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
3:00 P.M.	Handbells Orchestra
5:00 P.M.	Yth/Collegiate Super Bowl Parties – 4 <sup>th</sup> floor
5:30 P.M.	Sunday School Super Bowl Fellowships
6:00 P.M.	No Evening Worship

### Monday, February 7

5:45 P.M. Deacon's Meeting

### Tuesday, February 8

8:45 A.M. MDO  
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

### Wednesday, February 9

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, February 10

9:30 A.M. CBS  
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones  
6:30 P.M. UC Women's Conf. Mtg. - Cafe

### Friday, February 11

8:45 A.M. MDO  
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday  
5:30 P.M. Devoted Basketball

### Saturday, February 12

8:00 A.M. Upward Basketball & Cheerleading

### Sunday, February 13

8:45 A.M. Sunday School  
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
11:30 A.M. Senior Adult Lunch  
4:00 P.M. Orchestra Handbells  
5:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill Bible Buddies  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship (True Love Waits)  
7:00 P.M. Parent/Youth TLW Fellowship

To add prayer requests please call the church or visit our web page at [www.fbccookeville.org](http://www.fbccookeville.org).