

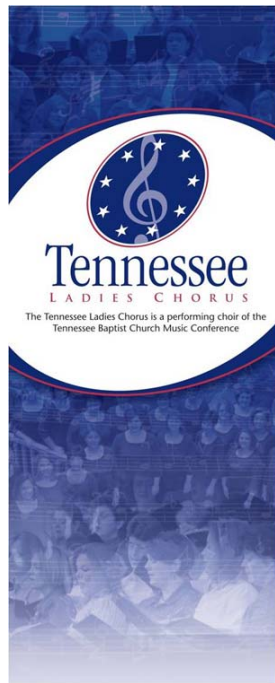


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Tennessee Ladies Chorus at First Baptist next Sunday

First Baptist Church Cookeville will host a concert of worship music by the Tennessee Ladies Chorus on Sunday, April 3, at 6:00pm in the church sanctuary.

The Tennessee Ladies Chorus (TLC) is a performing choir of the Tennessee Baptist Church Music Conference. The group was formed in 2001 and is open to women involved in music leadership in their Tennessee



Baptist Churches. Women who serve their churches as music ministers, pianists, organists, graded choir leaders, soloists, or leaders for some other music ministry group within their congregation are eligible for this unique chorus. Two music leaders from First Baptist Cookeville sing with the chorus, Glenda Nelms, wife of the church's Minister of Music, Dr. Jonathan Nelms, and Tammy Wilson, soprano soloist with the church choir and also a soloist for the Tennessee Ladies Chorus.

The TLC is an audible and visual demonstration of people from diverse environments and backgrounds, who come together to join heart and voice in ministry. Literature used by the choir accents their unique sound, and reflects the diversity of the group. At any given concert or presentation by the group listeners can expect to hear powerful hymn settings, classic anthem literature, and driving arrangements of some of the latest contemporary worship songs. Through skilled singing and playing this group and their accompaniment make music to praise and worship

God and proclaim the message of hope and salvation.

The TLC schedules projects each year where they will be involved in ministry unique to the group. Undertakings may range from a full concert, to an appearance that is part of a larger conference experience, to a musical mission tour. The most recent recording of this choir, *We Are Not Alone*, is available on compact disc. The popular CD was recorded live as a combined effort with their male counterpart, the Tennessee Mens Chorale. The music of that recording reflects something of the wide variety the groups sing in concert and worship settings.

Musical Director for the Tennessee Ladies Chorus is Dr. Paul Clark, Director of Worship & Music Ministries for the Tennessee Baptist Convention. The group's accompanist is Mrs. Dora Ann Purdy, Musical Director for St. Stephen's School, and Church Pianist for Forest Hills Baptist Church of Nashville.

Mission Opportunities

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The 2011 Annie Armstrong theme is *Start Here*. With an estimated 258 million people in North America who don't have a personal relationship with Jesus, it's hard to know how we start to impact the lostness.

Start Here focuses on Matthew 9:37-38 says, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest."

The starting point is prayer. Without prayer we can't maintain our relationship with God. The multitudes of unbelievers will never be fully cultivated and harvested without God first touching Christians' hearts to see the fields and realize their personal role in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Consider the North American mission field. Start with prayer, interceding for our missionaries. Give toward our church goal of \$14,000 to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Join in the work of Southern Baptist missionaries to do our part in sharing God's message of forgiveness and the offer of eternal life to all people. *Start Here*.

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, MARCH 27, 2011 10:00 A.M. TELEVISION REPLAY AT 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.

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

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE LORD

Instrumental Prelude		Dr. John Wells, organist
Welcome and Fellowship		Rev. Mike Head
*Fellowship Song	"Because We Believe"	Gordon/Harvill
*Scripture Reading	Isaiah 6:1-3	George and Neisha Hibbs
*Song of Praise	"Holy Is the Lord"	Tomlin/Giglio
*Scripture Reading	Isaiah 6:4-5	
*Song of Confession	"I See the Lord"	Falson
*Hymn of Adoration 2	"Holy, Holy, Holy"	NICAIA
*Scripture Reading	Isaiah 6:6-7	
Testimony in Song	"Speechless"	arr. Rhodes
Sanctuary Choir with Jonathan Enix, soloist		
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 6:8	
*Hymn of Dedication 486	"Lord, Here Am I"	BECK

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Sermon		Bro. Steve Farris
*Song of Commitment	"Pass It On"	Kaiser

WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer		Larry Taylor
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Offertory Music

*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		Rev. Bill Stone
*Departing Chorus 657	"Go Out and Tell"	PLANO
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in honor of Sue Starnes given by friends.

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM TELEVISION REPLAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Greeting		Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Gathering Chorus	"Let It Rise"	DAVIS
*Hymn of Praise 44	"For the Beauty of the Earth"	CHRISTOPHER
Welcome and Fellowship		Rev. Mike Head
*Praise Chorus	"Step by Step"	Beaker
*Responsive Reading		from Isaiah 52:1-2, 7-9
*Hymn of Testimony 544	"Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It"	Crosby
Missions Testimonies		
Sermon		Bro. Steve Farris
*Song of Invitation 210	"My Jesus, I Love Thee"	GORDON
Offertory Prayer		Howard Stephenson
Musical Offering	"Here Am I, Lord"	Schurte
Benediction		Bro. Bill Stone
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Richard Cashion - Chief Deacon
 Carl Johnson
 Howard Stephenson
 Jack Mattson
10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Gordon Vasseur

7 p.m. Phone Duty: Tim Collins

Wednesday Dinner - 03/30

Lasagna, salad, bread, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 03/30

5:00 p.m. - Jackie & Lonnie Donaldson, Brenda & Jim Boyington

5:45 p.m. - Randall & Debbie Ramsey, Marlin & Rose Collins

Extended Session - 03/27

Bed Babies - Lily Qui, Barbara Robbins

Creepers/Toddlers - Karen Cox, Courtney Cox

2's - Tom & Bethany Timmerman

3's - Chris & Mylon Simpson

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$25,389.13
Difference from Goal	-\$3,349.52
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,960.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$28,349.13
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,063,330.19
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,039,145.19
Difference from Goal	-\$24,185.00
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,056,620.05
Decrease from Prior Year	\$17,474.86
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$36,067.35
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,801,361.58

Sunday School Attendance

March 20, 2010

General Officers	3
Preschool	40
Children	52
Youth	36
Adults	325
Total	456



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Easter Opportunities

For many months our church family has been focusing on praying for our neighbors. Sunday School classes have "Prayer Walls" with names of lost folks to be praying for each day.

Now, as Easter approaches, there are many opportunities for you to invite your neighbors to special events.

- ◆ On Sunday, April 10, the Sanctuary Choir, Young Musicians Older Children's Choir and Orchestra will present *Experiencing God the Musical*.
- ◆ Men's Prayer Breakfast – Men join us on April 13 at 7:00 a.m. for a Prayer Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Don Pierson will be our special guest speaker.
- ◆ On Saturday, April 16 everyone is encouraged to participate in



Neighborhood Outreach from 9:00–11:00 a.m. We will go out in teams with door hangers containing invitations to Easter service along with information about First Baptist Church and a gospel tract. This is an SBC nationwide event, and we need your help to cover 300 homes. Youth will go out Sunday afternoon, April 17.

- ◆ Preschool and Children's Egg Hunt – Children two years old through sixth grade will have an egg hunt at Dogwood Park on Saturday, April 23 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Bring a friend as we celebrate the real meaning of Easter. Church members please bring plastic eggs filled with candy or plastic eggs and candy to the church office. Volunteers are also needed to help hide eggs and help with refreshments.
- ◆ Youth Treasure Hunt – Youth will enjoy a treasure hunt on Saturday, April 23 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. starting and ending at the Fellowship Hall. Invite an unchurched friend to join you.
- ◆ Senior Adult (60+) Sunday School Fish Fry/Drama – This will take place on Friday, April 22 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity to invite UNCHURCHED friends and neighbors. Reservations are required.
- ◆ Young/Median Adult Sunday School classes will meet in Fellowship Hall for an Easter Drama on Sunday the 24th at 8:45 a.m.
- ◆ Churchwide Deacon Breakfast – Enjoy a free pancake breakfast between 7:30-8:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 24. Reservations are required by Wednesday, April 20.

Association Prayer Walk/Inspiration Night with Don Pierson



Eat a spaghetti supper at 5:45 p.m. Reservations are required and can be

Tennessee Baptist Convention Prayer Strategies Specialist Don Pierson will teach about prayer walking on Thursday, March 31 in the Fellowship Hall. This is association wide training.

made by calling the Stone Association at 526-4655. Don will begin speaking at 6:30 p.m.

Don is a great teacher with lots of experience in different prayer strategies. He will offer inspiration as well as great help as we seek to prayer walk our neighborhoods. We are encouraging everyone to prayer walk their neighborhoods, and Don will teach us to be effective.

Bulletin Board

VBS

Associational VBS Clinic

Monday, March 28

6:30-8:30 P.M. @ First Baptist Church

All VBS workers are encouraged to attend. Pick up fresh ideas and get excited about our upcoming VBS.



Please Pray For:

PRAYER

Noon Day Prayer begins

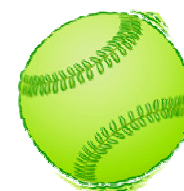
Beginning Monday, April 4 Monday through Friday at noon, prayer walls will be set up in the Chapel. People are encouraged to come and pray for our neighbors and loved ones.

SPORTS/RECREATION

TTU Baseball Faith Days

Sun., April 3; Sat., April 9; Sun., April 10 @ 1:00 p.m.

The first 300 fans to each game with a church bulletin will receive a free hot dog from the TTU baseball concession stand. There is NO charge to get into the baseball games at TTU.



Men's softball

Jere Whitson

Games begin in April

The cost is \$10 per player. Sign up in the Family Life Center by Wednesday, April 13.

YOUTH

Youth Day Trip to Dollywood

Saturday, April 16

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Any active FBC youth/collegiate is encouraged to come enjoy a trip to Dollywood with awesome rides, great entertainment, and the special "Festival of Nations." The cost is \$40 plus money for theme park food. Deadline to sign up with your \$40 fee is April 13.



Easter Lilies to Decorate the Sanctuary

It is time to order lilies to place in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. The deadline to order is **Monday, April 18**. The cost is \$8.50. To place your order, please fill out this form and place in the offering plate.

Name _____

Number of lilies ordered: _____

In memory of _____

OR

In honor of _____



Weekly Activities

Sunday, March 27

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
 4:00 P.M. Sanctuary Choir/
 Orchestra Rehearsal
 5:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill
 Bible Buddies
 5:15 P.M. Yth. Exper. God Study
 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
 7:00 P.M. YAC

Monday, March 28

6:00 P.M. Collegiate Exper. God Study
 Assoc. VBS Training
 6:15 P.M. Volleyball – FBC Navy

Tuesday, March 29

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

Wednesday, March 30

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
 Gym open until 8:00

8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

Thursday, March 31

9:30 A.M. CBS
 10:00 A.M. Happy Tones
 6:15 P.M. Volleyball – FBC
 Orange
 7:00 P.M. Volleyball – FBC
 Green

Friday, April 1

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

Saturday, April 2

7:30 A.M. Sr. High Boys Hike

Sunday, April 3

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
 11:30 A.M. College Lunch
 2:00 P.M. Church Bible Drill
 4:00 P.M. Handbells
 Orchestra
 5:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill
 Bible Buddies
 5:15 P.M. Yth. Exper. God Study
 6:00 P.M. TN Ladies Chorus
 7:00 P.M. Youth Leaders Mtg.