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FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicing the life of the First Baptist Family

Pastor's Heart



It was exciting to be on mission in India. I met many new friends who are working hard to reach their neighbors and family with the Good News of God's grace. I am always humbled to meet the believers of India. They endure much to remain faithful to the Gospel and to build the Kingdom of God.

For instance, I met one young man who led worship at the church with which we labored. He worked in a small, very small store in the village. He came to believe in Jesus a couple of years back and was immediately forced out of his home by his Buddhist family.

He persevered. He left the area for a short time to receive some training in worship leadership. Returning to the same village, he was allowed to sleep on the couches of some in the church. His family saw his faithfulness and grace in his life and now has allowed him back in the home. Still, he is persevering to grow in Christ. Still, he is bearing witness of the grace of Christ to his unsaved family.

Or I could tell you about the two teenage daughters who were left alone when their mother passed away last fall. Their mother, crippled with disease, had come to Christ and been carried on the backs of church youth down the mountain for four miles in order to be baptized, then on their backs up the mountain for four miles.

Now left alone, after their mother's death, these two Christian teens desired one thing from us. When their non-Christian sister, who is married to a Buddhist monk, was coming to visit them, they asked that we come and share the gospel with her.

It will take a miracle for the wife of a monk to come to Jesus. Join me in praying for that miracle.

Speaking of miracles, another young Buddhist father was distraught as he passed us on the trail down the mountain. His toddler daughter had been taken to the hospital gravely ill that day. He lived next to one of the church members and we asked if we could come in and pray for his daughter. We made sure that he knew we were praying to Jesus and in the authority of Jesus to God the Father.

He agreed to allow us to enter his home and pray. The next day he told us his daughter was miraculously recovered. One day later, we watched as his mother, sister-in-law, and two adult brothers received Christ.

You've heard enough for now. I know you heard from members of our team last week. Thank you for loving the world God loves. Thanks for seeing the importance of missions. Thanks for letting me be on mission with and for you.

This morning we are beginning a series from the Gospel of Mark. There will be important truths for all of us as we head toward Easter.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy



Church goal:
\$14,000



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, APRIL 3, 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 ARE GATHERED AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

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| Call to Worship | Ruth 2:4 | Dr. Jonathan Nelms |
| Instrumental Prelude | | Pat Cater, organist |
| Ordinance of Believer's Baptism | | |
| Welcome and Fellowship | | Dr. Randall Adkisson |
| *Fellowship Song | "Everlasting God" | Brown/Riley |
| *Responsive Reading | Isaiah 40:28-31 | Dr. Nelms |
| *Hymn of Adoration 7 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" | | HYMN TO JOY |
| *Pastoral Prayer | | Dr. Adkisson |
| Missions Testimony | | Kreg Vaughn |

WE CELEBRATE THE LIVING WORD

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| Testimony in Song | "We All Bow Down"
Chi Rho Youth Choir
Christian Johnson, pianist | arr. Christopher |
| Sermon | "Authority and Grace"
Mark 1:22 | Dr. Adkisson |
| *Song of Confession | "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" | arr. Tomlin/Giglio |

WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

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| Offertory Prayer | | Ed Griggs |
| Offertory Music | "Let All the People Say 'Amen'"
Chi Rho with Staci Hunter, soloist | Choplin |
| *Presentation of Offering | | |
| *Doxology 253 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" | | OLD 100TH |
| Sharing of Spiritual Decisions | | |
| Outreach Sunday Information | | Dr. Steve Farris |
| Invitation to Music Ministry Special Events | | Dr. Nelms |
| WE DEPART TO SERVE IN JESUS' NAME | | |
| *Benediction | | Dr. Adkisson |
| *Departing Chorus | "My Chains Are Gone" | Tomlin/Giglio |
| *Postlude | | Instrumentalists |

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in loving memory of Allison Tittle given by Frank and Carol Tittle.



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

Please join us in welcoming The Tennessee Ladies Chorus (TLC) to First Baptist tonight. This dynamic choir of women are all music ministry leaders within their respective congregations including two women from our church, Glenda Nelms and Tammy Wilson. The concert will include powerful hymn settings, classic anthem literature, and driving arrangements of some of the latest contemporary worship songs. This is the first and perhaps the only time TLC will gather in Cookeville. Don't miss this unique worship opportunity. The choir is under the direction of Dr. Paul Clark and accompanied by Mrs. Dora Ann Purdy.

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Ed Griggs - Chief Deacon
Greg Steeves
Joe Church
Chris Wilson

10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: John Zhu
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Van Sliger

Wednesday Dinner - 04/06

Breakfast casseroles, biscuits and gravy, fruit, muffins

Wednesday Volunteers - 04/06

5:00 p.m. - Mike Shirley, Lynn & Cliff Taylor

5:45 p.m. - Melinda & Carl Johnson, Marta Sliger, Melanie Hutcherson

Extended Session - 04/03

Bed Babies - Peggy Semmes, Mary Ruth Winford

Creepers/Toddlers - Beverly Nivens, Tammy Glass

2's - Lisa Barrett, Amanda Caudle

3's - David & Pat Mullinax

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$32,098.97
Difference from Goal	+\$3,360.32
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,941.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$34,039.97
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,120,807.50
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,087,958.47
Difference from Goal	-\$32,849.03
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,097,598.35
Decrease from Prior Year	\$9,639.88
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$36,967.35
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,802,261.58

Sunday School Attendance

March 27, 2010

General Officers	1
Preschool	55
Children	49
Youth	40
Adults	313
Total	458



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EXPERIENCING GOD

THE MUSICAL

Sunday, April 10 @ 10:00 a.m.

Experiencing God is being performed by our Sanctuary Choir, Young Musician Older Children's Choir, and Orchestra. Experiencing God helps believers explore seven biblical truths. Recognizing that God is always at work around us, loves us, and invites us to join Him on mission has changed lives all over the world. The result has been that as individuals have formed deeper relationships with God they also desire to share these truths with others.

Easter Outreach Opportunities

Friday, April 22 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

60+ Sunday School Fish Fry/Drama

This will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Invite unchurched friends and neighbors. Reservations are required.

Saturday, April 23 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Preschool & Children's Egg Hunt @ Dogwood Park
Children two years old through sixth grade are invited to this special egg hunt where we'll celebrate the real meaning of Easter. Bring a friend. Church members please bring plastic eggs filled with candy or plastic eggs and candy to the church office.

Saturday, April 23 from 1-3 p.m.

Youth Treasure Hunt

Youth will begin an exciting treasure hunt in the Fellowship Hall and go throughout the community. Prizes will be awarded. Invite an unchurched friend to join you. At the end of the hunt, the Gospel will be presented. Enjoy fun, food and fellowship!



Egg Hunt for Kids



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 _____



Bulletin Board



Please Pray For:

PRAYER

Noon Day Prayer begins

Monday, April 4 through Friday, April 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the chapel will be open. Prayer walls will be set up and people are encouraged to come and pray for our neighbors and loved ones.

WOMEN

WMU Day Group Meeting

Tuesday, April 5 @ 9:45 a.m.
Room 143A

55+

55+ Luncheon

Sunday, April 10 after the church service
This is a covered dish luncheon. All 55+ visitors are invited. The program for the luncheon will be presented by Shelia Rich. She will be playing some of her favorite musical numbers.



MEN

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, April 13 @ 7:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Don Pierson will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$5 for you and a guest.

YOUTH

Youth Day Trip to Dollywood

Saturday, April 16 from 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.



OUTREACH

Neighborhood Outreach

Saturday, April 16 from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Love your neighbors by being a part of going out in teams with door hangers containing invitations to Easter service along with information about First Baptist Church and a gospel tract. We need **everyone** to help cover 300 homes. Youth will go out Sunday afternoon, April 17.



Free Deacon Sponsored Church wide Breakfast

Easter Sunday, April 24

7:30-8:30 a.m.

For reservations, place this form in the offering plate or call the church office at 526-7108. Deadline for reservations is April 20.

Name _____

Number of adults: _____ Number of children: _____

Weekly Activities

Sunday, April 3

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
9:45 A.M. Yth Choir Reh
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
11:30 A.M. College Lunch
4:00 P.M. Church Bible Drill
Orchestra
Handbells
5:15 P.M. Yth. Exper. God Study
6:00 P.M. Ladies Chorus Concert
7:00 P.M. Youth Leaders Mtg.

Monday, April 4

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
5:45 P.M. Deacons Mtg.
6:00 P.M. Collegiate Exp. God
6:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Navy
7:00 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Navy

Tuesday, April 5

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
9:45 A.M. WOM Day Group
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Wednesday, April 6

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
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
Sanctuary Choir
6:30 P.M. Yth. Worship/Bible Study
Children's Missions
Parents Bible Study
Gym open until 8:00
Men's Basketball

Thursday, April 7

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
9:30 A.M. CBS
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones
6:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Orange
Volleyball - FBC Green

Friday, April 8

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
6:30 P.M. Exp. God Musical Reh.

Saturday, April 9

2:00 P.M. Exp. God Musical Reh.

Sunday, April 10

YOUTH SUNDAY
8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Musical Presentation of Experiencing God
Senior Adult Lunch
2:00 P.M. Assoc. Bible Drill - Sanct.
4:00 P.M. Handbells
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. Y.A.C. Fellowship