



FIRST CHRONICLES

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Pastor's Heart

This week might remind you of George Young's hymn *God Leads Us Along*, with its chorus:
 Some through the waters, some through the flood,
 Some through the fire, but all through the blood;
 Some through great sorrow, but God gives a song,
 In the night season and all the day long.

At the Adkisson house on Wednesday access was blocked by flood and fallen limbs. As I ventured on the roads around the church in the center of town during the storm, there were places where water was deep enough to flood cars. That was true even at the corner of Spring and Walnut. I am thankful that Cookeville damage was not worse and pray that you and your family made it through the storms dry and safe.

Last week not only held the days of flood for us but also wonderful days of God's covering with 'blood'. We celebrated Easter, Resurrection Sunday, with great worship and joy at First Baptist Church. The sanctuary was full, as were our hearts.

We saw how God's love for us was magnified upon the cross. We recognized that even the depth of our sin reveals the extent of God's love. I pray that you are still relishing God's love for you and that you are finding ways of sharing that love with others.

This week we will focus on God's place and plan for healing hurting people. We will see that it is totally appropriate to come to church with your

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Welcome to Senior Adult Day

**By Charlie Hutchinson
 Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care
 & Senior Adults**

Welcome to Senior Adult Day! Today we are recognizing senior adults. We will recognize several members of this group during the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

In the evening worship service, there will be presentations by several senior adults who will be talking about ministry and mission opportunities in which they are involved. These will include the Rescue Mission, Homebound Ministry, Happy Tones and others.

This group offers many opportu-

nities for outreach and fellowship. Some of those are:

- ◆ Happy Tones: singing, giving devotionals, and leading in communion at health care facilities in Cookeville, Sparta, Gainesboro, Monterey and Smithville.
- ◆ Happy Travelers trips (see page 3)
- ◆ Campground missions: ministry in Townsend, TN
- ◆ Fun Friday every week
- ◆ Homebound ministry
- ◆ Luncheons: second Sunday of the month
- ◆ Rescue Mission: fourth Tuesday of the month

Mission Opportunities

National Day of Prayer Services
 Thursday, May 5
 12:00-1:00 p.m.
 Courthouse South Lawn
 This year's theme is **A Mighty Fortress is Our God** and is based on Psalm 91:2. Jonathan and Glenda Nelms will be leading music beginning at 11:30 a.m. At 12:30 p.m. the Heavenly Host Lutheran School will present music.

VBS Workers
 Grab a Cab for Vacation Bible School in the Big Apple June 20-24. There are needs in several areas. Find your place of service and contact Lou Ann Herberman, Jodi Evans and Ann Hertzfeldt.

5th Sunday Food Drive
 We're asking every family to be part of our 5th Sunday Food Drive for the Care Center by bringing a bag of groceries to church on Sunday, May 29. These foods will go a long way to help those who are disadvantaged, discouraged, and distressed and need to know the love of Christ and other Christians. Please place your sack full of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

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.

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

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE RISEN LORD

Prelude	Instrumentalists
Call to Worship	Ruth 2:4 Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Hymn of Praise 4	"To God Be the Glory" Crosby/Doane
Welcome	Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Hymn 426	"Victory in Jesus" HARTFORD
Testimony in Song	"How Big Is God" Geneva Mahan Hamblin
Recognition of Lifetime Christian Service	Rev. Charlie Hutchinson
*Pastoral Prayer	Dr. Adkisson
Message in Song	"Cross of Christ Medley" art. Shackley
	Happy Tones Senior Adult Choir
	Carol Tittle, director

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST

Sermon	"The Withered Hand" Dr. Adkisson
	Mark 3:1-35
*Invitation Hymn 447	"Trust and Obey" Sammis/Towner

WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer	Joe Church
Worship with Tithes and Offerings	
Offertory Music	"We Shall Behold Him" art. Mickelson/Wyrtzen
	Carol Tittle, organist and Kaye Ryon, pianist

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

WE DEPART TO LIVE IN THE VICTORY OF JESUS

*Benediction	Dr. Adkisson
*Departing Chorus 4	"To God Be the Glory" chorus only
*Postlude	Instrumentalists

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

Prelude	Instrumentalists
Welcome	Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Hymn	"Share His Love" SULLIVAN
Upward and Devoted Ministry	Doreen Cox
Homebound Ministry	Peggy Martson
Testimony	Betty Morrison
*Hymn of Testimony 425	"He Keeps Me Singing" SWEETEST NAME
Rescue Mission Ministry	James Seay Brown
Testimony in Song	"The Lighthouse" art. Hamby
	The Happy Tones, Carol Tittle, director
	Donna Brown, soloist and Grace Rennell, accompanist
Townsend Ministry	Donna Brown
Invitation	Dr. Adkisson
*Hymn of Commitment 275	"I Surrender All" SURRENDER
Offertory Prayer	Howard Stephenson
Musical Offering	"Because I Have Been Given Much" Lyon
	Carol Tittle, organist and Kaye Ryon, pianist
Benediction	Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude	Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Bob Lovell - Chief Deacon
Randall Ramsey
Van Sliger
Ted Jernigan

10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Greg Steeves
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Wade Raines

Wednesday Dinner - 05/04

Bar-B-Q chicken, mashed potatoes, peas, slaw, rolls, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 05/04

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

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

Extended Session - 05/01

Babies 1 & 2 - Bobbie Gist, Fran Hutchinson

2's - Jennifer Riddick, Debbie Ramsey

3's - Joel & Erin Roberston

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$15,710.80
Difference from Goal	-\$13,027.85
Total Designated Gifts	\$2,439.45
Total Gifts this Week	\$18,150.25
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,235,762.12
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,209,154.11
Difference from Goal	-\$26,608.01
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,205,161.00
Increase from Prior Year	\$3,993.11
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$39,792.35
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,805,086.58
Annie Armstrong YTD	\$11,239.00

Stewardship Verse

We should give as God has prospered us.

"On the first day of the week let each one of you put aside and save, as he may prosper..."

1 Cor. 16:2

55+ Opportunities



55+ Annual Picnic

Saturday, June 11 @ 11:30 a.m.
Mullins Farm
Call the church office (526-7108) for reservations.



Townsend Mission Meeting

Wednesday, May 4 @ 5:30 p.m.
Conference Room
A \$50 deposit is due. Anyone interested in going who cannot attend the meeting, please contact Brenda Boyington.



Trip to Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill

June 27-28
This overnight trip to Kentucky cost \$120 per person (two to a room). We'll leave the church parking lot at 7:00 a.m. A guided tour of the village, riverboat ride on the scenic Kentucky river, dinner and breakfast and lodging at the Inn at Shaker Village are included in the cost.



Trip to Falls Mill Grist Mill

August 8
Belvidere, TN
Tour Falls Mill Grist Mill and have lunch out.

Mystery Trip

October 3-4

Celebrators Conference

October 24-27
Sevierville, TN



Trip to Belle Meade Plantation

November 8
We'll tour the Belle Meade Plantation in Nashville and eat lunch.

Journey of Christmas

December
We will travel to Central Baptist in Crossville for their presentation of *Journey of Christmas*.

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hurts.

If you are hurting and in need of a Savior, don't let Satan convince you that God's sanctuary is somehow off limits to you. Or that God's people do not care. If there is anytime that we should be in the sanctuary, it is when we are in the midst of pain.

The month of May marks a time of special emphasis. Today we mark the importance of our Senior Adults among us. There will be a time of recognition during our morning wor-

ship and this evening's worship will be orchestrated by our Happy Tones Choir. Next week is Mother's Day and the week after, we honor our graduating high school seniors.

God seeks to use you at the place and age that you find yourself. Whether you are an aged Abraham or a young Samuel, God's plan includes you. I am especially thankful that we are a church that celebrates all stages of God's plan for our lives. Today I am particularly mindful of God's gift to His Church in the face of our seasoned saints.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Bulletin Board



CHILDREN

Fisher's of Men Tournament

May 1-June 12
For 1st-6th graders. Earn points for Sunday School attendance, attending RAs or GAs, bringing a guest to Sunday School and/or RAs or GAs, catching fish during June 11 fishing tournament, and memorizing scripture verses. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Register in your Sunday School class.

YOUTH

Youth Lock-in

Friday, May 13 from 10:30 p.m.-8:00 a.m.
Family Life Center/4th floor
Come enjoy the fun, fellowship and games. Sign up by Wednesday, May 11 to attend. Space is limited so sign up early.



GRADUATES

Senior Recognition Day

Sunday, May 15
High school graduates will be recognized and presented a gift from the church family during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. A special luncheon will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Each graduate's meal is complimentary. Family and friends meals are \$5 each. Call the church office at 526-7108 by May 11 to make your reservation.



VBS

Teacher/Leadership Meeting

Thursday, May 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Chapel
Childcare available upon request. Please make sure you attend. This will give you a chance to meet with everyone that is helping in your age group. More workers are still needed.



MUSIC

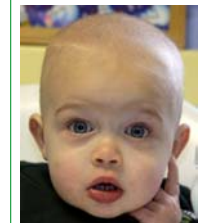
Children's Musical

Wednesday, May 18 @ 6:00 p.m. in Sanctuary
The Kids "R" O.K. Chorale a.k.a the Music Makers and Young Musicians Choirs will present *Hit the Trail! Live Radio Show*. Come tune in for a great time!



Parent-Child Dedication

First Baptist will have a time of Parent/Child Dedication during the 10:00 a.m.



service on May 8. Families need to be registered in order to participate in this special time of worship. During the Parent/Child Dedication parents commit to raise their families under the authority and protection of the Lord. This is a special time for the church family also as it makes a commitment to help in the vital area of raising children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Please return this form to register your family by May 4.

Parent/Child Dedication Form
Child's Name _____
Parent's Name _____
Birthdate _____

Weekly Activities

Sunday, May 1

SENIOR ADULT DAY
8:45 A.M. Sunday School
Connect Class in Sanctuary
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
Handbells
5:15 P.M. Yth Experiencing God
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Monday, May 2

5:45 P.M. Deacon's Mtg.
6:00 P.M. Collegiate Exper. God Study
Tuesday, May 3
8:45 A.M. MDO
9:45 A.M. WOM Day group
11:30 A.M. Happy Travelers to Nashville
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Wednesday, May 4

3:00 P.M. Open Gym
3:30 P.M. Study Hall
4:00 P.M. Luminesce
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, May 5

9:30 A.M. CBS
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones
12:00 P.M. Nat'l Day of Prayer-Courthouse
8:15 P.M. FBC Yth Volleyball

Friday, May 6

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

Saturday, May 7

Sunday, May 8
8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

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

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