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FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicing the life of the First Baptist Family

Pastor's Heart



I appreciate so much the hard work of our Vacation Bible School teachers and leaders. This year we saw 'engagement' of new members, not yet members, and long time members who jumped in and encouraged our children toward a life long pursuit of God.

As a result, we had at least 10 children who came forward to profess Christ as their Savior.

Thank you for all you did to make VBS a great success. Now let me remind you to continue your summer of engaging in missions by being active in giving and going for the Kingdom.

Speaking of giving. Last week as we focused upon the command of Mark 9 to "listen to Him," we noted that there are two clear commands in God's word that believers simply tend to ignore. They ignore them to the loss of their blessings, their family's well being, and their nation's prosperity. These commands are found in Malachi 3 and Matthew 28:19.

Malachi 3:7-10 tells us that if we fail to be good stewards of the tithe (10%) of the Lord, then we are robbers and thieves of the Kingdom. These are not my words. I would not dare, of my own initiative, designate you or another as a thief, but these are God's words to you.

We were reminded of the oft quoted passage in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

When I see those two passage brought together, I cannot help but connect the dots of our nation's recession with the disobedience of God's people. According to statistics, 76% of all evangelical Christians **do not tithe**. Of self-designated "born again Christians" only 9% give a tithe of their income.

Those "called by My name" may be praying for revival, but there is not power in their prayers because they are not turning (repenting) and humbly obeying the word of the Lord.

God desires to bless those who "listen to Him!" Is your family, your church, your nation, and God's Kingdom suffering because you are not listening? Believing? Obeying?

Could it be that we are hearing the resounding thunder of God's voice, "You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing Me, the whole nation of you!"(Malachi 3:8)

On another note: the question most posed of me on returning from the SBC in Phoenix has been about the resolution on immigration. I had to catch a plane and was not in the meeting for the presentation and vote on this resolution, but you can find the resolution and information on the SBC stance at these two web sites:

<http://www.sbc.net/resolutions/amResolution.asp?ID=1213>
<http://erlc.com/topics/C55/>

I encourage you to take the time to read the information and reflect upon it.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Mission Opportunities

Opportunities for Service with Children

Consider being a faithful servant of God teaching our precious children. Teachers are needed for Sunday School and leaders are needed for mission groups and choirs. See Ann Hertzfeldt to become a part of God's service to our children.

Stewardship Verse

We should always be prepared to give to the needs of others, especially as prompted by the Holy Spirit.

"But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him."

(1 John 3:17)

Exercise Bike

If you have an extra exercise bike or one in good condition you would like to donate to the FLC, please contact the church office.

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, JUNE 26, 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*.

Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
*Hymn of Praise 4	"To God Be the Glory"	Crosby/Doane
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Hymn of Testimony	"In Christ Alone"	Getty/Townend
Personal Testimony		Dr. Nelms
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
Anthem of Praise	"Our God Is God"	Williams/Martin
	Text from Isaiah 40:21, 25-26	
	Sanctuary Choir and FBC Orchestra	
*Song of Preparation	"Thy Word"	Smith
	Text from Psalm 119:105 and 56:3-4	
Sermon	"The Cost of Discipleship"	Dr. Adkisson
	Mark 10	
*Commitment Song	"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"	Rodgers/Wyse
Offertory Prayer		Van Slinger
Worship with Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Music	"How Firm a Foundation"	arr. Payne
	FBC Orchestra	
*Presentation of Offering		

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

TELEVISION REPLAY AT 7:00 P.M.

*Doxology	"Lord, We Bring Our Gifts to Praise Thee"	ODE TO JOY
Sharing of Spiritual Decisions		
*Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Departing Chorus 657	"Go Out and Tell"	PLANO
*Postlude		Instrumentalists
Prelude	Kaye Ryon, piano, Todd Arnold, organ	
Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Fellowship Hymn 334	"Blessed Assurance"	ASSURANCE
Favorite Hymn Sing		
	<i>Please select your favorite hymns from the hymnal and we will sing as many as time permits.</i>	
Sermon		Dr. Adkisson
*Hymn of Commitment 456	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	PRECIOUS LORD
Offertory Prayer		Bronn Rayne
Musical Offering	"Walking with Jesus Medley"	arr. Stringer
	Nathan Nelms, harmonica and Kaye Stringer, piano	
*Sharing Spiritual Decisions		
Benediction		Dr. Adkisson
*Postlude		Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Ed Griggs - Chief Deacon
Greg Steeves
Joe Church
Chris Wilson

10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Ted Jernigan
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Richard Newman

Wednesday Dinner - 06/29

Potato bar, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 06/29

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Lonnie Donaldson, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Boyington
5:45 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Marlin Collins, Mr. & Mrs. Randall Ramsey

Extended Session - 06/12

Babies 1 - Beverly Nivens, Barbara Robbins

Babies 2 - Karen & Krissie Cox

2's - Tom & Bethany Timmerman

3's - Chris & Mylon Simpson

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$31,067.22
Difference from Goal	+\$2,328.57
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,432.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$32,499.22
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,465,671.35
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,426,548.10
Difference from Goal	-\$39,123.25
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,424,672.58
Decrease from Prior Year	\$1,875.52
HGT Year to Date	\$43,737.35
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,809,031.58
HGT Remaining Debt	\$744,768.00

Sunday School Attendance

June 19, 2011

General Officers	3
Preschool	41
Children	42
Youth	37
Adults	287
Total	410

Two meetings scheduled for new mission church

The new mission church is beginning to take shape. A small core group of believers have committed themselves and their families to being a part of this new adventure.

In an effort to better clarify the vision for the Covenant Church, two more meetings will take place to discuss our plans. The first one will be a cookout tomorrow night, June 27, at the home of Chris and Tammy Wilson, 1633 Shipley Church Road. The second one will be held at the home of Lonnie and Jackie Donaldson on Thursday night, June 30. The Donaldson's live at 1563 Randy Drive, and they are inviting guests to swim in their pool on Thursday evening as well.

Both events will take place rain or shine, a meal will be provided, and we ask that you bring a lawn chair. People from the community will be attending these meetings as well as folks from First Baptist. If you would like to attend, then please let me know or contact one of the hosts. Everyone is invited, but we want to plan accordingly.

More information about the new mission church is available online by visiting www.tools4worship.com or our Facebook group for the Covenant Church of Cookeville. Thank you for your prayerful support. - Jonathan Nelms

Fishers of Men Tournament



Jonathan Jernigan was the winner of the Fishers of Men Tournament. The tournament was held from the beginning of May through June 12. Children in 1st-6th grade earned points for Sunday School and missions group attendance, inviting a friend to these groups, memorizing certain verses and for the number of fish they caught during a fishing tournament at Ragland Bottom on April 11. Children in those grades then enjoyed a special worship service on June 12 where prizes were awarded to the top three people. Timothy Jernigan finished second while Keren Aranda came in third.

Bulletin Board

CHILDREN

Terrific Tuesday

June 28

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Chuckles Family Fun Center in Crossville

Enjoy miniature golf, laser tag, go-karts and/or arcade. The cost ranges from \$11-20 and includes two slices of pizza, unlimited drink and a \$5 arcade card. Sign up today.

YOUTH

Movie Day

Thursday, June 30

Matinee at Carmike

Movie and time will be announced on Wednesday night. Cost is \$6.50.

CHURCHWIDE

Service & Picnic at Dogwood Park

Sunday, July 3 @ 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School at regular time.

We'll have a great service and time of fellowship at Dogwood Park. Enjoy special music during this patriotic service. Lunch will be served after the service. Bring your favorite dessert and a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

CHILDREN

Terrific Tuesday

Tuesday, July 5

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Gilley Pool in McMinnville

Children 3rd grade and below must have a parent with them. Cost is \$4. Bring your lunch or bring money to buy lunch at the snack bar. Sign up by Sunday, July 3.

YOUTH

Fast Lane Fun Park

Thursday, July 7

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Youth meet there. Come enjoy your choice(s) of go-karts, climbing structures, miniature golf, water cages and more. The cost ranges from \$6-\$20 depending on activities.



Weekly Activities

Sunday, June 26

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Monday, June 27

8:00 A.M. Happy Travelers to KY
1:00 P.M. Open Gym
6:00 P.M. Co-ed softball @ Cane Creek
7:00 P.M. Co-ed softball @ Cane Creek

Tuesday, June 28

8:45 A.M. MDO
10:00 A.M. Children Trip to Crossville
1:00 P.M. Open Gym

Wednesday, June 29

3:00 P.M. Open Gym
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens
6:00 P.M. TeamKID
6:30 P.M. Called Business Mtg.-Chapel
7:30 P.M. Gym open until 8:00
8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

Thursday, June 30

1:00 P.M. Open Gym
Yth. Movie

Friday, July 1

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday
1:00 P.M. Open Gym

Saturday, July 2

Sunday, July 3

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Worship @ Dogwood Park
6:00 P.M. NO Evening Worship

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



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SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, June 29

6:30 P.M. in the Chapel

This meeting is to consider extending the current budget through Sept. 30 to give all committees time to work out all details of the new church plant.