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## Pastor's Heart



Should a Pastor be proud of God's people? I think so, not in a boastful way but in a way of honor. So let me say that I am proud of the way you spoke, questioned, and presented yourselves at our quarterly business meeting on Wednesday evening.

I know that there are a lot of differing emotions that arise when a fellowship moves through ministerial transitions. Our church family is not only dealing with such a transition; we

have added to that a new church plant, as well. So the business of supporting that church start and of turning the page on a longtime relationship was one of tender emotion.

I am convinced that *the way* we conducted our business was honoring to God and in the end perhaps is *more important* than the business conducted. God honors us when we honor Him with obedience.

This transition time has already enabled several excellent meetings for discussion, vision, and future. Last week's Church Council meeting was embraced with excitement. There we laid out a vision for reaching every home in the Cookeville area with the Gospel over the next three years.

To do this, it will take everyone loving the Lord, loving each other, and loving our neighbors. So there is a place -- a vital place -- for your participation. It will take everyone striving to **Encounter** God in Worship, to **Encourage** one another in Discipleship, and to **Engage** in the mission and ministry of the Kingdom of God.

You will hear more of the vision in the coming days as we continue to work on reaching our Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the uttermost parts of the world. (Acts 1:8)

On another note, yet within the same tune: every week finds hurting families within our larger church family who are walking through extremely difficult trials. Though you may not be aware of it, this week was also full of such ministry.

I often say that Sunday mornings may give us a false sense of perfection as we present ourselves to each other with Sunday dress, Sunday smiles, and our Sunday best. Yet, there are always brothers and sisters hurting among us.

Several, this week, have pointed out the need for *all of us to minister to each of us, knowing that some of us are really struggling*. So let's redouble our efforts to be the arms of Jesus surrounding each hurt with His healing.

Perhaps you are one struggling and in need of prayer or ministry. Let your church family know. We want to embody Jesus' love to you. Beyond that, let your own struggle (present or past) remind you that others are struggling as well. The truth is that you will find more healing in your ministry to another than in their ministry to you.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction so *that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God*. For just as the sufferings of Christ are ours in abundance, so also our comfort is abundant through Christ." (2 Corinthians 1:3-5)

See you in Worship,  
Pastor Randy

### Mission Opportunities

#### 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 July 31. Please place your sack full of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

#### Opportunities for Service with Children

Consider being a faithful servant of God teaching our precious children. Teachers are needed in the following areas.

- 6th grade Sunday School (2)
- Girls in Action (1)
- Mission Friends Workers

See Ann Hertzfeldt to become a part of God's service to our children.

#### Women on Mission

All ladies are invited to a WOM informational meeting on Sunday, July 31. We will meet at 4:30 p.m. in room 175. Please join us as we begin to prepare for a new year of Bible study, missions and fellowship.

#### 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 & Collegiate*  
 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, JULY 24, 2011 10:00 A.M. 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*.

Prelude Instrumentalists

Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

\*Hymn of Invocation 15 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

\*Responsive Reading Psalm 34:1, 3; and Philippians 2:8-11 Jim and Judy Clay

\*Hymn of Praise 161 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" DIADENMATA

\*Chorus of Adoration 177 "There's Something About that Name" Gaither

\*Pastoral Prayer Dr. Adkisson

Hymn of Testimony 141 "The Old Rugged Cross" Bennard

Sermon "Extravagant Love" Dr. Adkisson  
Mark 14:3-9

\*Chorus of Invitation "Come Just As You Are" Sabolick

Offertory Prayer Greg Steeves

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

\*Presentation of Offering

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

\*Closing Prayer of Dedication for School Teachers Dr. Adkisson

\*Departing Chorus 657 "Go Out and Tell" PLANO

\*Postlude Instrumentalists

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in honor of James Seay and Virginia Lee Brown who are celebrating 70 years of marriage given by the Wallace Prescott family.*

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

Prelude Todd Arnold, pianist

Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

\*Song of Praise "Here I Am to Worship" Hughes

\*Song of Adoration "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever" Smith

Testimony of Missions Ken Brown and Par Chaney

Hymn of Testimony 572 "I Love to Tell the Story" HANKEY

Sermon Dr. Adkisson

\*Hymn of Commitment 294 "Have Thine Own Way" ADELAIDE

Offertory Prayer Richard Cashion

Musical Offering

\*Sharing Spiritual Decisions

Benediction Dr. Adkisson

\*Postlude Instrumentalists



## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Bob Lovell - Chief Deacon  
 Randall Ramsey  
 Vann Sliger  
 Ted Jernigan  
 10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Don Williams  
 7:00 p.m. Phone Duty: Richard Cashion

### Wednesday Dinner - 07/27

Taco salad bar, rice, beans, fruit

### Wednesday Volunteers - 07/27

**5:00 p.m.** - Fran & Charlie Hutchinson, Bob & Juanita Brown  
**5:45 p.m.** - Kreg Vaughn, Richard Cashion, Barbara Clouse

### Extended Session - 07/24

Babies 1 - Linda Chappell, Barbara Clouse

Babies 2 - Mike & Tiffany Gentry

2's - Tim & Beth McReynolds

3's - Andrew & Kristie Hetzel

### Budget

|                                       |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Budget Goal per Week                  | \$28,738.65    |
| Budget Gifts this Week                | \$27,298.01    |
| Difference from Goal                  | -\$1,440.64    |
| Total Designated Gifts                | \$8,184.00     |
| Total Gifts this Week                 | \$35,482.01    |
| Budget Goal to Date                   | \$86,215.96    |
| Budget Gifts to Date                  | \$87,362.42    |
| Difference from Goal                  | +\$1,146.46    |
| Budget Gifts to Date Last Year        | \$79,415.35    |
| Increase from Prior Year              | \$7,947.07     |
| HGT Year to Date                      | \$3,153.00     |
| Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts | \$2,813,314.58 |

### Sunday School Attendance

#### July 17, 2010

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| General Officers | 2          |
| Preschool        | 48         |
| Children         | 37         |
| Youth            | 37         |
| Adults           | 297        |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>421</b> |

# Children's choirs, missions start back August 10

Preschool and Children's Choirs will begin on Wednesday, August 10 at 5:00 pm. Children who are at least 3 years old by September 30 may enroll in choir. The children's mission groups will start on Wednesday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. with Mission Friends for four and five year olds, Royal Ambassadors for boys in 1st-6th grade and Girls in Action for girls in 1st-6th grade.

The following are the choirs and their leaders for this upcoming year.



- Music Time (ages 3- Kdg) Room 252 - Director: Bedelia Russell
- Music Makers (Grades 1-3) Room 329 - Director: Sharon Cochran
- Young Musicians (Grades 4-6) Room 316 - Directors: Niesha Hibbs and John Apple

Before these activities start back up, we'll enjoy a Back to School Bash on Wednesday, August 3. Using the missions theme *Game On*,

this bash will feature sports activities, a bounce house and water games along with snacks set up in a tailgate party theme. Be sure to join us for this fun time!

There are still areas for you to be involved with our children this year. See the front page of the Chronicles for areas of service.

## 17 weeks until OCC Collection!

Just a quick note to remind you of all the school specials and end of summer sales that are going on right now! The Dollar Tree had flip-flops, totes, beach balls & floats for \$1. All of these are practically flat and go into your shoeboxes so easily. T-shirts, socks and even plastic cups filled with goodies are such a special treat for these little boys and girls...in every age group (4-14). Remember that the least amount of boxes collected are for older girls and boys.

Another idea is asking people at garage sales for any sports balls that they may have left over. I asked someone if I could come back at the end of the day and get the balls not sold and she GAVE me all of them right then and

even went to the back of her home and gave me more -- 10 in all, just for asking! Made my day! So, we'll put all of these in a big carton marked "toys in kind" and send them on to a country for all the children there. If you have balls that are not being used, let me know and I'll save them until November.

Please begin praying for the children that are going to receive your boxes right now. Most importantly, they are going to hear about Jesus Christ as they go through a 12-week study course to learn all they can about our Savior.

We are looking for more volunteers, please call Joyce Raines or me if you are interested!  
 God Bless you all,  
 Brenda Spain



## Bulletin Board



### MUSIC

#### Sanctuary Choir Information Meeting

Tonight @ 5:00 p.m.  
 Choir Room  
 Bro. Randy will lead this meeting with all Sanctuary Choir members.

### YOUTH

#### Y.A.C./Back to School Party

Tonight from 7:00-8:30 p.m.  
 Family Life Center  
 Enjoy fun, food and fellowship. We will have a time of prayer over all youth/teachers as they begin a new school year filled with opportunities.



### HAPPY TRAVLERS

#### Falls Mill Grist Mill

Monday, August 8  
 Join us for a tour of Falls Mill Grist Mill in Belvidere, TN and have lunch at Miss Mary Bobo's Boarding House and Restaurant in Lynchburg, TN. Cost is \$25 per person and money is due TODAY. We will leave First Baptist bus lot at 8:00 a.m. Call Connie Hawkins at 261-0861 to reserve your spot.



### CHILDREN

#### Terrific Tuesday

July 26 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Gilley Pool in McMinnville  
 Children 3rd grade and below must have an adult with them. Cost is \$4. Bring your lunch or bring money to buy lunch at the snack bar. Sign up TODAY.



### MUSIC

#### Chi Rho Youth Choir Info Meeting

Wednesday, July 27 from 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
 Choir Room  
 This meeting is for all Chi Rho Youth choir members and their parents to plan the upcoming year.



### SUPPORT GROUP

#### Griefshare

#### Your Journey from Mourning to Joy

Sessions for adults will begin Tuesday, August 2  
 9:00-11:00 a.m.  
 Room 177  
 Debbie Bates will facilitate. For more information call 526-7108 or email chutchinson@fbccookeville.org or debbiekent-bates58@hotmail.com.



### BIBLE STUDY

#### Bible Study - Revelation

Join us for a Bible study of the book of Revelation using Community Bible Study material. The first meeting is Monday, August 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 177. The study is 30 weeks and each weekly meeting is one hour. Call Jim Mitchell with any questions at 525-3980.



## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, July 24

8:45 A.M. Sunday School  
 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship  
 7:00 P.M. Yth Back to School Party - FLC

### Monday, July 25

1:00 P.M. Open Gym

### Tuesday, July 26

8:45 A.M. MDO  
 9:00 A.M. Children to Gilley's Pool-McMinnville  
 1:00 P.M. Open Gym

### Wednesday, July 27

3:00 P.M. Open Gym  
 5:00 P.M. Yth Choir Info Mtg.  
 6:00 P.M. Team Kid  
 6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting  
 Yth Worship/Bible Study  
 8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

### Thursday, July 28

### Friday, July 29

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

### Saturday, July 30

### Sunday, July 31

8:45 A.M. Sunday School  
 10:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
 4:30 P.M. WMU Mtg. #175  
 6:00 P.M. Reception for Nelms Family

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

## Facebook

Check us out on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/firstbaptistcookeville](http://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistcookeville). Like the page and keep up with all the upcoming activities as we get ready for a new school year. Plus you'll find pictures from Vacation Bible School, Centri-KID and other things from this summer.

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Please join us for a reception for  
**Jonathan & Glenda Nelms**  
 Sunday, July 31 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
 Please bring finger foods for the reception to the church by 5:45.  
 A basket will be available for cards and gifts.