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Chronicle the life of the First Baptist Family

Pastor's Heart



For years Paul Harvey intoned on the radio, "Now, for the rest of the story." These moments always gave fresh insight and unknown background to some commonly known history or person.

Last Sunday's time of worship had such a moment. After Mathieu and Lynsey sang, I shook my son-in-law's hand and gave him a 'manly hug' (not too big or too long). Then it was only right that I should hug my daughter. But when I went to let go, she did not. She held on more tightly and tears began to flow.

Tears were flowing in the congregation too, so I am told. It was really over in a moment and I tried to compose myself and begin the sermon.

"Now, for the rest of the story."

Lynsey did not just hug; she began to speak wonderful words in my ear. They were precious, yet I do not think I violate them by sharing a few with you.

She told me how very much she loved me. These words were kind of expected in the emotions of that moment.

Then she hit me with perhaps the most precious words I had ever heard.

"I am so thankful to have had you...", she began.

I was ready for something like, "...to have had you as my dad." I was not ready for the one phrase that would rock me more deeply still, coming from one of the three people who know me better than any others, from one who knows my private life far from the public arena.

"I am so thankful," she cried, "to have had you as my pastor."

My eyes watered, my heart burst, my arms gripped more tightly. Later in prayer I reflected about how much it would mean to hear from the Lord, "Well done, my good and faithful servant." But on this side of heaven, I do not think any words will ever stir me more than hearing my precious daughter say, "I am so thankful to have had you as my pastor."

Perhaps, no other can understand how validating such words could be. But God has blessed me more richly than I could have imagined with the love and respect of my children.

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)

Don't forget to plan for and bring an unchurched guest with you to our September 4th Church Picnic at Echo Valley. This year, we will be meeting for lunch after church at the recreation area.

So, come to church that morning, then dash home, change clothes, grab your food dishes, and head out to Echo Valley for an afternoon at the pool. We will eat at 12:30.

We have had two great Sundays with Sunday School attendance rising and stewardship shining. Make every effort to be in Sunday School every Sunday. It is important to you, your church, and the Lord.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Mission Opportunities

Grief Share

GRIEF SHARE, a support group for adults to help with Your Journey from Mourning to Joy is on-going in Room # 177 on Tuesdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. You may join the class at any time. The class is open to the community. Debbie Bates is the facilitator.

Parables study

The couples co-ed class taught by Randall & Debbie Ramsey is beginning a study on the parables today. Join them in the Fellowship Hall at 8:45 a.m. for this study.

Jonah study

The Sisters in Grace Women's Class will begin Priscilla Shirer's study of *Jonah: Life Interrupted* on Sunday, September 4 at 8:45 a.m. in Room 143. For more information, contact Bethany Timmerman at 528-2891.

Church staff

Randall L. Adkisson, Ph.D, *Senior Pastor*
Mike Head, *Associate Pastor of Administration*
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*.

MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2011

10:00 A.M.

TELEVISION REPLAY AT 10:45 A.M.

Greeting Ruth 2:4 Todd Arnold
Gathering Hymn 140 "Down at the Cross" GLORY TO HIS NAME
Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Hymn of Praise 213 "We Will Glorify" Paris

*Responsive Reading Palm 69:30-34 Abby Collins,
A. J. Cochrane, Lindsay Mills, James David Hammons

*Hymn of Praise 3 "Worthy of Worship" JUDSON

*Pastoral Prayer Dr. Adkisson

Testimony Keith Emrich

Message in Song "Bow the Knee" Sanctuary Choir arr. Sterling

Sermon "A Call for Personal Persistent Prayer" Dr. Adkisson
Mark 1:35

*Hymn of Commitment 182 CONVERSE
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Offertory Prayer Van Slinger

Worship with Tribes and Offerings

Offertory Music "Inside Out" Hillsong

James David Hammons, Christian Johnson, Chris Mabry, Conner Piras

*Presentation of Offering

*Doxology 27

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Sharing of Spiritual Decisions

Benediction

*Departing Chorus 657 "Go Out and Tell"

*Postlude

Dr. Adkisson

PIANO

Instrumentalists

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

Greeting Ruth 2:4 Todd Arnold

Choral Call to Worship "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" arr. Scott
Chi Rho Youth Choir

Welcome Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Song of Praise "Your Grace is Enough" Maher

*Scripture Reading Hebrews 4:14-16 Christian Johnson

*Song of Assurance "In Christ Alone" Gety/Townend

Scripture Reading Psalm 95:1-6 James David Hammons

Message in Song "We All Bow Down" arr. Christopher
Chi Rho Youth Choir

Sermon "Life is Like a Box of Chocolates" Bro. Steve Farris
Philippians 2:5

*Song of Commitment "As the Deer" Nystrom

Offertory Prayer Bronn Rayne

Offertory Music "If We Are the Body" Casting Crowns

Luminesce Drama Team
Shannan Bradley and Krisy McCloud, co-directors

Musical Offering

*Sharing Spiritual Decisions

Benediction

*Postlude

Dr. Adkisson

Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Larry Taylor - Chief Deacon
Gordon Vasseur
Bronn Rayne
Farrell Cox
10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Tim Collins
7:00 p.m. Phone Duty: Ted Jernigan

Wednesday Dinner - 08/24

Chicken and dumplings, green beans, apples, slaw, cornbread, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 08/24

5:00 p.m. - Mary Ruth & Doug Winford, Bob & Juanita Brown
5:45 p.m. - Kreg Vaughn, Richard Cashion, Debbie Bates

Extended Session - 08/21

Babies 1 - Gloria Vick, Brenda Gaw
Babies 2 - Mike Wilson, Rose Collins
2's - Laura & Bobby Rich
3's - Lily Qiu, Joyce Raines

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$38,003.46
Difference from Goal	+\$9,264.81
Total Designated Gifts	\$662.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$38,665.46
Budget Goal to Date	\$201,170.58
Budget Gifts to Date	\$220,961.69
Difference from Goal	+\$19,791.11
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$189,846.38
Increase from Prior Year	\$31,115.31
HGT Year to Date	\$7,294.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,817,455.58

Sunday School Attendance

August 14, 2011

General Officers	2
Preschool	45
Children	62
Youth	35
Adults	322
Total	466



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Youth ministry spotlight

By Bill Stone

Associate Pastor of Youth/Collegiates

The Youth Ministry at First Baptist Church Cookeville is comprised of youth in grades 7-12, their parents and leaders. The main focus of this vital ministry is to introduce youth to Jesus Christ and to give them opportunities to grow in their personal relationship with Him, and to equip them to share Christ with others. Available to youth weekly are Bible studies, worship, music, missions, discipleship, outreach and evangelism, recreation and fellowship. The youth meet on the fourth floor of our building.



Luminesce

On Sundays youth meet for Sunday School. There are gender specific classes for 7th-8th graders, 9th-10th graders and 11th-12th graders. Following Sunday School is worship. In the afternoon youth are involved in the church orchestra and praise band. Once a month, youth gather for lunch followed by outreach to their peers. On Sunday nights youth enjoy worship and

once a month they enjoy Y.A.C. (Youth After Church) fellowships.

On Wednesdays we have CrossTraining for all youth. Some students are picked up from CHS and Avery Trace schools and brought to church. We have open gym from 3:00-5:00 p.m., a homework room from 3:00-5:00, Luminesce practice from 4:00-5:00, Chi Rho Youth Choir from 5:00-6:00, Youth on Mission from 5:00-6:00, supper from 6:00-6:30 and praise/worship/Bible study starting at 6:30.



Chi Rho Youth Choir

Our youth are not only the church of tomorrow; they are very much a vital part of the church today. I am thankful for our church family that provides resources and opportunities for our youth to learn about, grow in and serve the Lord. I am also very thankful for the church family's prayer support, words of encouragement and Christlike examples given to our youth.

SPECIAL CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

**Wednesday, August 24
6:30 P.M. in the Chapel**

Agenda: Report from the Nominating Committee to elect teachers and officers; Deacon Manual revision.

Bulletin Board



HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE

Super Sunday Soccer

Sunday, August 21
3:00-5:00 p.m.
Family Life Center
High school and college guys are invited to participate in pickup indoor soccer games. Bring a change of clothes and join us for worship at 6:00 p.m.

YOUTH

Youth After Church

Sunday, August 21
7:00-9:00 p.m.
Come to worship at 6:00 and then we'll go to the Masters' home (4200 Deerfield Lane) for Y.A.C. fellowship, fun, food and swimming.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Training

Monday, August 22
6:30-8:45 p.m.
First Baptist Crossville
All preschool, children, youth and adult Sunday school leaders, pastors and Sunday school directors should participate in this training offered by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Contact the church office at 526-7108 if you plan to participate.



SPORTS/RECREATION

Volleyball Signups

Tuesday, August 23
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Family Life Center
Rosters and \$110 team fee are due. Rosters will not be accepted before or after this time. Games are played on Tuesday, Thursday and possibly Monday nights with divisions for women, youth, beginning, experienced and more experienced players. There will be a mandatory rules/scorekeeper clinic following registration in the Family Life Center.



CHURCHWIDE

Church Picnic

Sunday, September 4
12:30-5:00 p.m.
Echo Valley Pool
Enjoy fun, food and fellowship with things like volleyball, horseshoes and swimming. Please bring covered dishes enough for your family plus two. **We will eat at 12:30.**



Weekly Activities

Sunday, August 21

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
Connect Class - Sanctuary
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
11:30 A.M. Townsend Team Lunch
3:00 P.M. Sr. High/College Pickup Soccer
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
5:00 P.M. Bible Drill
Bible Buddies
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
7:00 P.M. YAC at Master's Home

Monday, Aug. 22

6:30 P.M. CBS Bible Study #177

Tuesday, Aug. 23

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:00 A.M. Grief Share #177
6:30 P.M. Volleyball Reg/Rules Mtg.

Wednesday, Aug. 24

3:00 P.M. Open Gym
3:30 P.M. Study Hall
4:00 P.M. Luminesce
5:00 P.M. Children's Choirs Youth Choir
Youth on Mission
6:30 P.M. Called Business Mtg.
Children's Missions Youth Worship/Bible Study
Sanctuary Choir
8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

Thursday, Aug. 25

9:00 A.M. CBS

Friday, Aug. 26

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

Saturday, Aug. 27

10:00 A.M. OCC Training
11:00 A.M. TTU Church Fair

Sunday, Aug. 28

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
11:30 A.M. College Lunch
3:00 P.M. Sr. High/College Pickup Soccer
4:00 P.M. Orchestra
5:00 P.M. Bible Buddies
Children's Bible Drill
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship