



Volume 13 Issue 5 January 29, 2012

# FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicle the life of the First Baptist Family

## Pastor\$ Heart



We are four weeks into our study of Ecclesiastes and finding that God does indeed give meaning to life, answers to questions, and a purpose for our future. Perhaps more importantly, we are reminded that without Jesus there is no purpose, meaning, or answers.

Even believers fool themselves into believing there can be meaning apart from Jesus and meaningful answers inconsistent with His word.

When they do, they make terrible, even tragic, decisions. They find themselves looking back with regret and forward without hope. Maybe you have been 'off road' recently. I pray that our time in Ecclesiastes will help you find your way to the main road. It's narrow, but it is the only one that will get you where you want to go.

Over the next three weeks our topics will include meaningful worship, meaningful friendships, and meaningful decisions. Avail yourself of God's wisdom in worship. Come ready to hear the voice of God as He speaks to you.

Next week is our annual *Upward* Sunday. Some of our *Upward* children and volunteers will be greeting folks at the doors, you'll hear an *Upward* word of testimony. Your presence and friendliness will make a huge and important contribution to the morning. Others will feel welcome when you greet them and worship with them. Make sure you are a part of the day.

To make this big sports day in America special at First Baptist, the participants in *Upward* next Saturday will be asked to bring a can good or can of soup to donate to the care center. Those will be displayed in the sanctuary on Sunday.

I am asking you to do the same. Bring a can (or two or three) of soup for our Souper Bowl Sunday.

As we have done for several years, we are asking Sunday School classes to promote fellowships on Sunday evening next week. If you are not a football fan and care nothing about watching the Patriots and the Giants, why don't you get together for supper at a local restaurant, get together to watch *Ozzie and Harriet*, or simply find a place to join in fun and fellowship.

Salée and I will be hosting the College Ministry at our home for the game and fellowship. We're planning a bonfire (weather permitting). So if you hear the Pastor's home is on fire for the Lord—bring a fire truck.

"Thus says the LORD, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine! When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, Nor will the flame burn you." (Isaiah 43:1-2)

See you in Worship,  
Pastor Randy

### Mission Opportunities

#### 5th Sunday Food Drive

We are asking every family to be part of our 5th Sunday Food Drive for the Care Center by bringing a bag of groceries to church TODAY. Please place your sack full of groceries in one of the collection boxes around the church.

#### Souper Bowl Sunday

In an effort to make Super Bowl Sunday special at First Baptist Church, we are asking everyone to bring a can of soup for the Care Center on Sunday, February 5. These cans will be displayed in the sanctuary.

#### Treats for Backpacks

We need prepackaged snacks to put in backpacks for Parkview School. Bring prepackaged snacks to the church office or put them in one of the containers around the church.

#### Adult Grief Recovery

Have you lost a husband, wife, child, parents, grandparents, aunt, uncle, and/or friends? Grief Share meets in Room 177 at 9 a.m. You can join this continuing class at any point. For more info contact the church office at 526-7108.

#### 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*  
Todd Arnold, *Interim Minister of Music*  
Steve Farris, D.Min., *Assistant Pastor for Outreach, Adult Education and Missions*  
Ann Hertzfeldt, *Director of Preschool & Children*



Worship/Childcare: 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 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, JANUARY 29, 2012  
10:00 A.M.  
TELEVISION REPLAY AT 10:45 A.M.

- Greeting Ruth 2:4 Todd Arnold
- Hymn of Testimony 438 Peterson
- Ordinance of Believer Dr. Randall Adkisson
- Welcome and Fellowship CWM RHONDDA
- \*Hymn of Praise 56
- \*Responsive Reading from Isaiah 58 and Psalm 92 The Girls In Action (GA)
- \*Song of Praise Hughes
- \*Pastoral Prayer Dr. Adkisson
- Message in Song Sanctuary Choir arr. Kingsmore
- \*Hymn of Assurance 473 Doane
- Sermon Dr. Adkisson
- \*Hymn of Commitment 275 Ecclesiastes 5:1 -7 SURRENDER
- Offertory Prayer Jack Mattson

Offertory Music

Todd Arnold, piano

\*Presentation of Offering

\*Doxology 253

OLD 100th

Sharing of Spiritual Decisions

\*Benediction

Dr. Adkisson

\*Departing Chorus

Johnson

\*Postlude

Instrumentalists

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in memory of Jeninne Shirley given by Mike Shirley.

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

## Please join us for January Bible Study

On the Book of  
**ECCLESIASTES**  
TONIGHT @ 6:00 P.M.  
IN THE CHAPEL

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Preschool children will meet in room 244.  
Children grades K-6 will meet in the FLC  
and study Journey with Jesus.  
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Youth will meet on the 4th floor.

## News Highlights

### Deacons of the Week

Gordon Vasseur - Chief Deacon  
Bronn Rayne, Farrell Cox, Chris Gaby

### Wednesday Dinner - 02/01

Beef tips on rice/noodles, salad, rolls, dessert

### Wednesday Volunteers - 02/01

5:00 p.m. - Steve & Carolyn Piela,  
Lois Weatherholt, Mike Shirley

5:45 p.m. - Melanie Hutcherson,  
Gloria Vick, Donnie King

### Extended Session - 01/29

Babies 1 - Fred & Amy Ray

Babies 2 - Shelia Hunter, Diana Gunter

2¢ - Lily Qiu, Wendy Apple

3¢ - Andrew & Kristie Hetzel

## Budget

### January 22, 2012

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$24,247.48
Difference from Goal	-\$4,491.17
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,464.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$25,711.48
Budget Goal to Date	\$862,159.62
Budget Gifts to Date	\$844,832.75
Difference from Goal	-\$17,326.87
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$833,883.65
Increase from Prior Year	\$10,949.10
HGT Year to Date	\$44,555.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,854,716.58

## Sunday School Attendance

### January 22, 2012

General Officers	3
Preschool	39
Children	48
Youth	47
Adults	302
<b>Total</b>	<b>439</b>



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# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE

First Baptist Church,

We just got in the final totals from Operation Christmas Child, and I wanted you to know how much EVERY shoebox meant to children around the world. As you know, with every box came the message of Jesus Christ and His love for each child in their language! Samaritan's Purse had a worldwide goal of 8.5 million shoeboxes



- Here are some impressive numbers:
- ◆ Upper Cumberland collected 17,190 shoeboxes, the most ever! We filled two 53' tractor trailers this year!
  - ◆ The Mid South region - 505,688 shoeboxes
  - ◆ United States - 6,051,799 shoeboxes
  - ◆ Worldwide - 8,630,568 shoeboxes - That's 130,568 boxes over their goal!

You all are such an encouragement for Joyce and me as we work and plan on getting more and more boxes every year. We need more volunteers to get involved with collections. Please contact us if you would like to be a part of this blessing. Also, if you get an email of your box's location, please email me so I can keep a record.

God Bless you all for sending your love to a child, but most of all for your prayers.

Brenda Spain



All Upward and Devoted coaches, volunteers, basketball players, cheerleaders and their families are invited to join us for this special time of worship.

## Upward Sports & Devoted Basketball Prayer Partners

We are looking for people to pray for each of our Upward Basketball and Cheerleading and Devoted Basketball teams this season. We have 18 more teams that need a prayer partner. Prayer partners will be given a roster and asked to pray for the coach(es) and players. If you would be willing to pray for a team please fill out this form and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Bulletin Board



### YOUTH

#### Centrifuge Camp

July 16-21

North Greenville University  
Greenville, SC

It's that time of year to reserve your place for Centrifuge 2012! The total cost is \$265. Secure your reservation with a \$50 deposit TODAY. See Bill Stone for details and to sign up.



### YOUTH/COLLEGIATES

#### Super Bowl Outreach

Sunday, February 5 @ 5:00 p.m.

Gray Forrester's (824 N Washington Ave.)

Youth and youth leaders are invited to meet for the game. Everybody is asked to bring something to eat and a 2 liter drink to share with friends. Use this as an opportunity to invite ~~last~~ friends.

### COLLEGIATES

#### Super Bowl Outreach

Sunday, February 5 @ 5:00 p.m.

Bro. Randy's home (5565 Keller Road)

College students and college leaders are invited to meet for the game. Use this as an opportunity to invite ~~last~~ friends.



### OUTREACH

#### Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 5

Sunday school classes are encouraged to have Super Bowl outreaches at a class member's home. Use this opportunity to invite non-churched friends to join you.

### CHILDREN

#### Centri-Kid Camp

July 9-13

Campbellsville University in Campbellsville, KY

It's time to reserve your place for Centri-KID Camp. Your 3rd-6th grader will experience the time of his/her life and learn more about the message of Jesus Christ. The cost is \$266. Secure your reservation with a \$50 deposit by February 8. See Colleen Cox for details and to sign up.

### STUDY

#### Financial Peace

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace will begin February 12 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. This 13-week class costs \$93/couple. Follow the link on the church website to sign up.



## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, Jan. 29

8:45 A.M.	Sunday School Yth & College 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast
10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
4:00 P.M.	Orchestra Super Soccer Sunday
5:00 P.M.	Bible Drill Bible Buddies
6:00 P.M.	January Bible Study - Chapel Youth - 4th floor Children - FLC

### Monday, Jan. 30

6:30 P.M.	Community Bible Study #177
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### Tuesday, Jan. 31

8:45 A.M.	MDO
9:00 A.M.	Grief Share
5:15 P.M.	Harps

### Wednesday, Feb. 1

3:00 P.M.	Open Gym
3:30 P.M.	Study Hall
4:00 P.M.	Luminesce
5:00 P.M.	Supper Line Opens Preschool/Children's Choirs

	Chi Rho Youth Choir Youth on Mission
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6:30 P.M.	Prayer Meeting Sanctuary Choir Yth Praise/Bible Study Children's Missions
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7:30 P.M.	Gym open til 8:00
7:45 P.M.	Collegiate Bible Study
8:00 P.M.	Men's Basketball

### Thursday, Feb. 2

9:30 A.M.	CBS
10:00 A.M.	Happy Tones
7:00 P.M.	Devoted Basketball @ Avery Trace

### Friday, Feb. 3

8:45 A.M.	MDO
9:30 A.M.	Fun Friday
6:00 P.M.	Devoted Basketball

### Saturday, Feb. 4

8:00 A.M.	Upward Basketball
7:00 P.M.	Devoted Basketball

### Sunday, Feb. 5

8:45 A.M.	Sunday School
10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship Yth Super Bowl Party @ Gray Forrester's College Super Bowl Party @ Bro. Randy's
5:00 P.M.	Family Night/Outreach No Evening Bible Study
6:00 P.M.	

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