

GREAT DAY

In The Morning

JOIN US
EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 4

Celebrate Our Risen Lord!

7:15AM 8:15AM
9:30AM 10:55AM

Dear First Family,
Find Us Faithful Still



All of our church family received a letter recently encouraging us to pray and give as the Lord leads to **retire the remaining debt** on the new building which houses our Children's, High School, Middle School ministries as well as the new, beautiful Laida Fellowship Hall and Sunday School space. This letter was signed by our Deacon Chair, Finance Committee Chair, Administrator, and Pastor. Let us review a brief history of the giving in **Find Us Faithful** and **Find Us Faithful Still** ministries.

- ♦ In 1999 we broke ground on the \$12.5M Grace Worship Center and burned the note in Fall 2005.
- ♦ We purchased \$1.5M land for parking on the Howell School lot and the Children's Building on the Perkins & Miller lot.
- ♦ In May 2007 we entered the new Children's Building and the renovated Faith Worship Center and Laida Fellowship Hall at a cost of \$9.5M.
- ♦ Our current balance of the debt is \$4.2M.
- ♦ Our last giving/pledging emphasis to Find Us Faithful Still was in 2005.

The Lord has blessed and you have continued to give. We are now asking our church to help us **retire this remaining debt**. You are a faithful, giving people. The Lord will be with us in this challenge.

We do not plan a campaign but rather a prayerful, gentle challenge to our church family to join in prayer and giving to pay this remaining building debt. Your gifts to **Find Us Faithful Still** go directly to the principal.

Every local church is missions at work. Everything we do as a church in the name of Christ is missions. When this debt is retired, we will be enabled to

give and do more for missions in Clarksville and to the ends of the earth through international missions.

Thank You! The Lord is still good. all the time. One more time, please accept Priscilla's and my sincere gratitude for your care, love, prayers, meals, cards, and greetings during the time of heart surgery and recuperation. Thank you to deacon officers, Ken Spiceland, Mike Rainey, and John Hansen, entire deacon body, and our faithful, dedicated and talented church staff. By God's grace, I am doing wonderfully and enjoying so much being back to working in the calling of preaching and pastoring. This month I am able to resume Wednesday night and Sunday night preaching and will continue to partner with our talented staff in ministry.

Habitat House Groundbreaking

On Sunday, April 11, we will break ground on our 2010 Habitat for Humanity house. Our vision is to provide a physical home and spiritual foundation for Christ for families in Clarksville. "Let your light so shine . . . that they may glorify your father which is in Heaven." Matthew 5:16

Congratulations to Ben and Pauline Edmondson upon their 70th wedding anniversary and for being a great example of Christian marriage for us all.

Congratulations to Katie Kennedy for her verbal Christian witness for the Lord at the Miss High School America Pageant this month. As Miss Tennessee High, she finished in the final fifteen and witnessed for her faith in God and the Bible in the public competitions. Congratulations, Katie for loving and serving your Lord and Saviour!

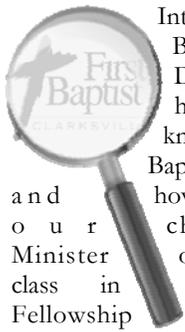
See you Sunday to worship our Risen Saviour! Don't forget to be in Sunday School on Easter Sunday, April 4 our Sunday School High Attendance Day.

I am glad and honored to be your Pastor.

Gratefully, in Christ,

Roger P. Freeman

FIRST DISCOVERY



Interested in joining First Baptist? Come to First Discovery! This is a one-hour class to help you know more about First Baptist, our many ministries and how to become a member of our church. Ron Moore, Minister of Education, will lead this class in Room 2222 in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, April 11, 2010, from 9:30–10:30 am. You don't have to make reservations, just come on by. Refreshments will be served.

PULPIT FLOWERS

Would you like to remember a loved one or honor a special person in your life and help the church at the same time? Consider providing the pulpit flowers one Sunday in our church. For \$25, you can place flowers in memory or honor of someone in your life. At the end of the evening worship, you can take these flowers home or to the one you honored. If you leave them, the flowers will go to one of our area nursing homes or retirement homes for the residents to enjoy. To find out more or to reserve a Sunday, contact Annette Shrader at 552-2356 or as_fromthegarden@charter.net.

SENIOR ADULT EVENTS

Spring Fling Hawaiian Style Thursday, April 29

Our special guest, **Keith Longbotham** will entertain us this year. He is a singer, songwriter, humorist and instrumentalist. He combines his show of great songs and inspiration with lots of clean humor and comedy. The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. Complimentary for First Baptist members 55+, guests \$10.00. Come dressed in your casual Hawaiian-style clothes. Call 572-1527 to make your reservations by April 16.

Our next **Legacy Friday Fellowship** will be April 9. Come join us for a delicious lunch at 11:30, devotions by Irby, entertainment, and birthday celebrations. No reservations required. Invite a friend.



BETH MOORE SIMULCAST



BETH MOORE
So Long,
Insecurity
April 24, 2010

Beth Moore Simulcast on April 24

Our church is partnering with Hilldale Baptist Church to host the Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday, April 24. Tickets are only \$10 per person and are available in the church office. Child care will be provided at First Baptist Church for ladies who are attending from our church. A box lunch will also be provided for First Baptist Church ladies at the tailgate party in the parking lot during the lunch break at the simulcast. For more information contact the Adult Ministry office at 645-2431.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

THE PASTOR AND CONGREGATION EXTEND CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO...

...**Helen Chalmers (Bill)** in the death of her mother, Helen Robin, and to Brian Chalmers in the death of his grandmother.

...**Richard (Rick) Morford** in the death of his mother, Beverly Morford, also to Atlas Langford in the death of his sister.

...**Brett (Lori) Wyatt** in the death of his grandmother, Gladys O'Brien, who passed away March 10, 2010.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

March 14, 2010

Profession of Faith:

Samuel Clay Kathryn Gillespie
Leland Sandfer

Letter/Statement:

Bruce Kennedy Robin Kennedy
Lauren Kennedy Leah Kennedy
Bryce Sanders Jody Sanders

March 21, 2010

Profession of Faith: Mitch Hartlage

Letter/Statement:

Johnny Breeden Reba Walker
Ryan Williams

By Baptism:

Gabrielle DeCrisi

FIRST REPORTS

ATTENDANCE

March 14, 2010

Total Sunday School	1293
Midweek Bible Study	836
Total Bible Study	2129
Korean Church	19
Hispanic Church	43
Missions	0
Total Worship	1764
Exit One Church Sunday School	150
Exit One Church Worship	236

March 21, 2010

Total Sunday School	1290
Midweek Bible Study	597
Total Bible Study	1887
Korean Church	NA
Hispanic Church	48
Missions	7
Total Worship	1595
Exit One Church Sunday School	142
Exit One Church Worship	265

STEWARDSHIP RECEIPTS

March 14, 2010

Operating Receipts	\$76,297.63
Operating Budget	\$80,769.23
World Missions Receipts	\$4,538.33
World Missions Budget	\$6,319.23
FUFS Receipts	\$9,873.33
FUFS Budget	\$10,338.81

March 21, 2010

Operating Receipts	\$52,159.76
Operating Budget	\$80,769.23
World Missions Receipts	\$6,779.20
World Missions Budget	\$6,319.23
FUFS Receipts	\$6,045.66
FUFS Budget	\$10,338.81

Year To Date

Budget Received YTD	\$895,478.66
Budget Required YTD	\$969,230.76
World Missions Received YTD	\$54,678.00
World Missions Required YTD	\$75,830.77
FUFS Received YTD	\$92,036.29
FUFS Required YTD	\$124,065.67

CONGRATULATIONS

AND THANK YOU TO...

...**Irby Stanley** on his 7th anniversary serving the Lord as Senior Administrative Pastor.

...**Mike Williams** on his 2nd anniversary serving the Lord as Music Associate.

CRAZY LOVE

Date: April 7-June 16
Location: Middle School Area
Workbook Cost: \$12.00
Facilitator: Josh Phillips

Does something deep inside your heart long to break free from the status quo? Are you hungry for an authentic faith that addresses the problems of our world with tangible, even radical, solutions? God is calling you to a passionate love relationship with Himself.

FIRST CONNECTION

Date: April 7- April 21
Location: Room 2325
Workbook Cost: Free!
Facilitator: Ron Moore

This three-week class is designed for new members, but it is open to any member that would like to know more about our church and how to be involved in the ministries of our church. This class will explore the mission of First Baptist Church and what Baptists believe. You will also discover your spiritual gifts, your passions, and how you can use those to benefit the church. A tour of our church facilities will be included.

NEW CLASSES BEGIN IN APRIL!
WEDNESDAY CLASSES AT 6:00 PM



BETH MOORE: HERE AND NOW

Date: April 7-June 23
Location: Room 2317-19 and 2305-07
Workbook Cost: \$9.00
Facilitators: Betty Barnard & Debbie Farrell

Here and Now...There and Then is an 11-session series on the book of Revelation. Beth presents many points of view, allowing women to decide for themselves when the interpretation varies among scholars. She teaches that God is as specific about what He does reveal as He is about what He does not reveal.

NO GREATER LOVE

Date: April 7-May 19
Location: Room 2322
Workbook Cost: Free!
Facilitators: Freddy and Giselle Valcarcel

This 7-session study is based on the movie which is an emotional, romantic drama about reuniting of two separated "soul mates" and the obstacles they must overcome in order to be together again. The study guide was created for the purpose of providing a framework for prompting group discussion. The study is created so that the rich Biblical truths contained within are clearly and accurately presented for what they truly are: The living Word of our loving God.
Date: April 28-May 19

BASIC DISCIPLESHIP

Location: Room 2325
Workbook Cost: Free!
Facilitator: Ron Moore

This four-week class will explore the basics for any disciple of Jesus Christ. Learn how to have an effective prayer life, how to study your Bible, and the importance of fellowship with other believers.

WEDNESDAY MENUS

March 31, 2010:

Garden salad, salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, honey wheat rolls, dessert table

Heart Healthy Choice:

Grilled chicken tenders, broccoli with lemon butter, dessert

Children's Menu:

Individual pizza, chips, chocolate or vanilla cupcake

April 7, 2010:

Turkey and dressing, squash casserole, green beans, rolls, dessert table

Heart Healthy Choice:

Pasta salad with turkey, pita chips, fresh berries and cream (low fat)

Children's Menu:

Pigs in a blanket, plain pigs, chili, potato puffs, chocolate chip cookie

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

Adults \$5 • Children \$4

Heart Healthy \$5 • Family Maximum \$15

Serving from 4:30-5:45 pm

*Menu is subject to change without notice.

GRADUATE NIGHT

2010 GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Believe it or not, it's that time of year again when the Student Ministry gears up to celebrate the graduation of another class of seniors! This year's Graduate Celebration is scheduled for **Sunday, May 16**. Although we are still 2 months out, there's much work to be done to make sure that this day is a special one for our graduating seniors and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We know that in a church our size there may be Seniors we need to honor, but they are not on our mailing lists. If you know of a Senior who is connected with our church, but might not be on our mailing list, would you please contact us with that name? You can send these names to jessica.stewart@fbct.org or call the Student Ministry Office at 572-1507.

UPCOMING DEADLINES:

April 5-DEADLINE to submit Senior Book Questionnaires and Pictures

May 9-DEADLINE to purchase Graduate Banquet Tickets

RIVERS & SPIRES



We need your help! Rivers & Spires is an award winning festival that takes place on April 15 - 17. Last year there were 35,000 that attended this downtown festival in Clarksville. Several of the events will be taking place on our church property. This is a great opportunity for us to reach our community with the love of Jesus. We need volunteers to help staff our First Baptist Church booth and our Evangelism booth on April 16 - 17. Please contact Greg Moore at 572-1521 or email at greg.moore@fbct.org, if you can help. Be watching for more information in the weeks to come.



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EASTER @ FIRST BAPTIST

Easter Baptisms

The season of Easter is a great time to observe your baptism. If you have accepted Christ and have not yet followed Him in believer's baptism, consider being baptized in our Easter week worship on Thursday, April 1, at 6 pm or on Easter Sunday, April 4 in one of our four morning worship times. Contact Irby Stanley at irby@fbct.org or Roger Freeman through rosina@fbct.org or call them at 645-2431 to set up a time of baptism.

First Easter

Our Adult Choir, Orchestra and DOXA Praise Team present "Lift Up Your Voice," a worship celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Sunday morning, March 28 in the 9:30 and 10:55 worships. Abbreviated portions will be shared in the 8:15 worship. You will hear stories from Biblical personalities and contemporary Christians of how God has brought victory in their lives. Come worship with us.



Come celebrate the Risen Lord on Easter Sunday, April 4! Come to Sunday School and worship. Invite your friends, relatives, associates and neighbors to come with you. It is going to be a Great Day in the Morning as we strive for a great number in Sunday School and worship.



Easter Sunday Worship Schedule

To allow for our increased attendance on Easter Sunday morning, we are adding a 7:15 am worship. We are encouraging any who will that normally attend 9:30 worship to come at 7:15. This will allow you to still attend your 8:15 Sunday School class and will help provide room for others at the 9:30 hour. Thank you for considering this option to help others. There will be no activities at church that night to allow time for families to spend Easter together.



Holy Week Lord's Supper

On Thursday night, April 1 at 6:00 pm in the Grace Worship Center, we will observe the Lord's Supper. This time of worship just before Good Friday and the Easter Sunday Celebration will be a time that you and your family can prepare your hearts to rejoice over the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Make this the start of a family tradition to spiritually encourage your witness for Christ. Childcare is available for those ages birth through kindergarten.

EASTER OUTREACH

Cards promoting our Easter Sunday worship services will be available in the foyer of the Grace Worship Center. These cards are a tool for promoting our Easter worship services and for promoting our High Attendance Sunday the same day. Our theme for Easter High Attendance is "Great Day in the Morning." Please take as many cards as you will pass out. You can pass them out in your neighborhood, give them to friends and co-workers, etc.

READ THE VOICE ONLINE

The Voice is available online days before you receive it in the mail. Visit www.fbct.org and click *Publications* under *Resources*. You can also sign up to receive *The Voice* in your email inbox by registering at www.fbct.org.

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 am Deacon Prayer Time
Laida Fellowship Hall (2230)

Worship

8:15 am,
9:30 am Grace Worship Center
& 10:55 am

Bible Study/Sunday School

8:15 am & Bible Study Classes for all ages
9:30 am

10:55 am Adult Bible Study Classes

Sunday Evening

6:00 pm Disciplined and Delight
(Youth Area)
6:00 pm Worship (Grace Building)
6:00 pm Preschool Mission Friends
(Grace Preschool Area)

Wednesday

4:30 – 7:30 Wednesday 2/Wednesday
Outreach
4:30 – 6:00 Fellowship Meal
6:00 – 7:15 Prayer Meeting/Bible
Study in Grace Worship Center
6:00 – 7:15 Discipleship Training
Institute Classes
6:00 – 7:15 Children's Backyard
6:00 – 7:15 Preschool TeamKid
6:00 – 7:15 Middle School and High
School Worship
6:00 – 7:15 Adult Choir and Orchestra
7:00 The Gathering

Lillian Bradley Library Hours

Sundays 9:00 am - 12 pm & 5:00 - 6:00 pm
Wednesdays 4:00 - 6:00 pm
The Library is located in Room 2326 on the third floor of the Hope Building.

T.V. Ministry

Charter channel 9 or Broadcast channel 49.
Sundays at 9:00 am
Mondays at 8:00 pm
Wednesdays at 8:30 am

LIVE WEBCAST

On those Sundays when you are not able to be at church, you can still view our worship live on your PC at www.fbct.org/live. We broadcast our 9:30, 10:55 am and 6:00 pm worships. You can share this with friends and relatives who might want to watch our worship. This is a Windows Media based stream, not available on Macs.