

WMU CORNER

Judy Cherry,
Director

"Be the light that helps others see."



We were privileged to have Bro. William Gray as our guest speaker at the March WMU meeting.

Bro. Gray shared his experiences with the "Land Between the Lakes" campground area ministry. He has participated in this ministry each Easter for the past 30+ years. During this time, he has seen several persons

accept Christ as their personal Savior, and others getting into a church family and becoming active in the church.

There are different pastors that serve as chaplain each week who visit and minister to all campers and personnel. The pastor of the week has the option to stay in the chaplain camper, and he and his family can minister there while enjoying a vacation in this beautiful area.

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, May 29th at 12:00pm at FBC. Our special guest speaker will be Shawna Perrin-Cook, who will be sharing about her mission trip to Ecuador. As always, we hope each of our ladies will join us for this special time.



The Visitation/Outreach Team, pictured above, made a second visit to the residents of the Dover Care Center. Manicures and hand care was provided for the ladies and the men were treated to a time of fun activities and snacks for all. Many thanks to all participants.



Pictured at left are Leah Kennedy and Heather Franks, members of the Austin Peay State University Baptist Collegiate Ministry, with items donated by our church, which included chips, snacks, drinks, plates, napkins, and cups. These items will be used to welcome new students to the APSU campus and other sponsored activities.



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
2024 GOAL: \$3,000.00.
Received to date: \$2,339.00

North American missions are funded through this annual offering, which was emphasized through March.

The "COMPLETELY ONE" monthly ministry supplies bags of paper goods and cleaning products to needy families in our community. The cost of one bag is \$12.00. If you would like to assist in this ministry, please see Janey Marshall.

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY NEEDS for MAY:
Canned fruit & fruit juice



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Thought for MAY

Make this month count.
Accomplish your goals.
You can do it!

FIRST FACTS

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Congratulations!

CLASS OF 2024

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| <i>Tucker James Bickford</i> | <i>Chloe Grace Lafata</i> |
| <i>Phoenix Skye Davis</i> | <i>Jacob Lara</i> |
| <i>Annabella Gurney</i> | <i>Fiona Noleene Nelson</i> |
| <i>Elizabeth Irene Gwynn</i> | <i>Gwenyth Noelle Nelson</i> |
| <i>Ian Gabriel Honholt</i> | <i>Lillian Stanton-Tompkins</i> |
| <i>Karee Isabelle Jobe</i> | <i>Ethan Scott Reade Tanner</i> |

John Robert Walsh II

Our Graduates will be recognized Sunday, May 19th, during the morning service.

Weekly Schedule

- SUNDAY**
- Sunday School — 9:30AM
 - Worship Service — 10:30AM
 - Worship Choir Practice — 5:00PM
 - Discipleship Training — 5:00PM
 - Evening Service — 6:00PM
- WEDNESDAY**
- Prayer Time — 6:00PM
 - Youth Services — 6:00PM
 - Adult Bible Study — 6:00PM
 - Children's Missions — 6:00PM

Meet our staff!

- Pastor — Steven Head
- Minister of Music — Mark Harris
- Youth Director — J.P. Hart
- Church Secretary — Rhonda Peveto
- Custodians — R & D Feltner
- Treasurer — Charles Parks
- Nursery/Children's Dir. — Riwa Tanner
- Nursery Coordinator — Sydney Braselton

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100 Years ~ Celebrating God's Faithfulness

Former Pastors of First Baptist Church, Dover



Herbert McFadden
1971-1981



J. Mark Wilson
1982-1990



Terry Kirby
1994-1999



Chris Sparkman
2001-2005

Reminder: Last year (2023) Pastor Steven used his space in our monthly newsletter to unpack our church's statement of faith, the *Baptist Faith & Message 2000*. He will continue to do so this year in his articles.

The Lord's Day

The Friday before taking the ACT, I stayed up late putting on a concert with my high school rock-in-roll band for my co-workers at the *Cattfish House* in Springfield. The next morning during the math portion of the test I fell asleep until I was tapped on the shoulder by one of the test administrators and told, "Sir, you may want to wake up...this test is fairly important to your future."

Few things are more important to a Christian's Spiritual health than our regular participation in the Lord's Day. The Puritans used to call the Lord's Day "*the market day of the soul*", referencing the day most folks back then used to go into town to get the provisions they needed for the coming week. The *BFM 2000* says this about the Lord's Day:

The first day of the week (Sunday) is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should include exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private. Activities on the Lord's Day should be commensurate with the Christian's conscience under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Exodus 20:8-11; Matthew 12:1-12; 28:1ff; Mark 2:27-28; 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3:33-36; John 4:21-24; 20:1,19-28; Acts 20:7; Romans 14:5-10; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Colossians 2:16; 3:16; Revelation 1:10

Much more could be said about the Lord's Day but the *BFM 2000* is relatively minimalistic. In part, this is because there is a great deal of disagreement amongst Christians concerning the extent to which the Old Testament *Sabbath* regulations apply to the New Testament's Lord's Day. *Can I eat out on Sunday? Can I watch TV? What about mowing the lawn? Can I throw a football with my kids after church?* Faithful Christians disagree over these types of particulars. What the *BFM 2000* majors on when it comes to the Lord's Day, is what the New Testament majors on, not so much things that **must not** be done, but the things that **should** be done. It says that activities on the Lord's Day "should include exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private." By "public and private" the *BFM 2000* means that those things should happen every Sunday as believers gather together in their local churches and also in their homes.

Although, as previously stated, the *BFM 2000* is slow to tell us what must not be done on the Lord's Day, thoughtful Christians will necessarily forgo a great many good things so that they might observe the Lord's Day well. Just as a high schooler about to take the ACT should think twice before staying up late the night before, skipping breakfast, or trying to squeeze in activities before the test that could jeopardize their arrival or ability to give themselves fully to the test, Christians should give even greater attention to how they prepare and participate in the "*market day of the soul*."



Sunday, May 26th at Dyers Creek Recreational Area following the morning service. Meat and drinks will be provided; bring sides and desserts. Don't miss the fun!



Greetings! Lots of things happening in May! However, let me go back and say how much I appreciate the choir's efforts for Easter! They did an outstanding job for both pieces of music. This surely added to our worship on Easter morning!

I also want to say that our revival services were awesome! I appreciate the church allowing me to bring other musicians in to lead for our music services! I pray that each one of us received a "charge up" from the services!

Hey, next time Ms. Judy schedules at the nursing home, please come and join us for a few songs. You will be blessed.

See if this verse reminds you of a song...
 "There will, as God wills, be 'seasons of refreshing' until 'the times of the restitution of all things'" (Acts 3:19-21).



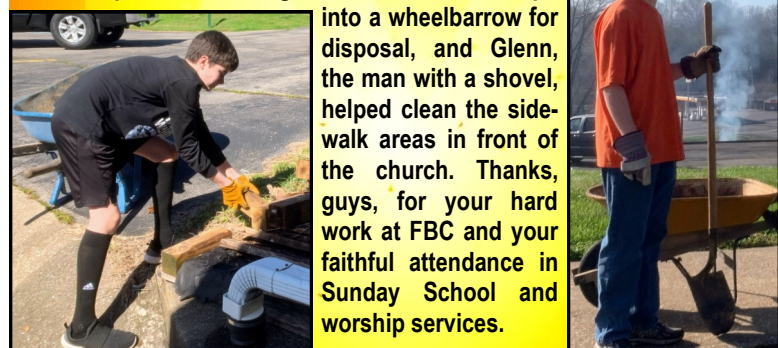
In the month of April, we enjoyed the Youth Revival Emphasis Night, which included music from Union University and preaching from Mark Ayers, who came to us all the way from Indiana.

Graduation Sunday is May 19th when our graduates will be recognized during the morning service. We are so excited to see these seniors on the next steps of their journey. If you have a graduating senior, please see JP Hart ASAP.

We are in the planning stage of an "End of School Year Bash". Stay tuned!!

In the Volunteer Spotlight! Liam & Glenn

Shining bright in our May Spotlight are Church Work Day helpers Liam Head and Glenn Tanner. Each year, during mid-spring or early summer, a work day is held for general clean up in and around the properties of the church. This year, our Church Work Day was held Saturday, March 16th, with many volunteers showing up to clean up, tear out, clean out, and organize the grounds and facilities of the church. Noted helpers are Liam, who helped with loading debris and wood scraps



into a wheelbarrow for disposal, and Glenn, the man with a shovel, helped clean the sidewalk areas in front of the church. Thanks, guys, for your hard work at FBC and your faithful attendance in Sunday School and worship services.

Nursery News Sydney Braselton, Director



Are you ready to celebrate MOMS? Our mothers will be recognized during the morning service on Sunday, May 12th. As most of you know, I'm not a mom yet, but thrilled that I will be joining those ranks in mid-summer. Thank you ever so much for your thoughts and prayers as Eric and I look forward to this very special time of blessing.

Many thanks to our moms (and dads) who entrust your precious little ones into our care each Sunday and Wednesday during our scheduled service times. Our nursery is open to children to the age of three. Please feel free to use our nursery so that you can enjoy the services knowing your child's well being is important to us.

Not a nursery volunteer? See me and I'll get you signed up! Trust me, you'll love it!

Kid Zone News Riwa Tanner, Director

"Be kind to one another." Ephesians 4:32



SUNDAYS
 Sunday School ~ 9:30am
 Children's Worship ~ 10:45am
Kid Zone: WEDNESDAYS
 Meal & Missions at 6:00pm

"Revival always starts with a remnant." - Dr. Roger Freeman
 Revival Guest Preacher
 Revival was great preaching, great music, great food, & great fellowship.
 May God continue to bless FBC.

MARCH 31, 2024

Budget Receipts	\$ 8,539.50
AA Easter Offering	745.00
100th Anniv. Funds	140.00
FLC Donation	200.00
Logan Wright MYF	10.00
Total Receipts	\$ 9,634.50

Needs to Date	\$ 111,880.84
Receipts to Date	115,765.42
Weekly Needs	\$ 8,606.23

Sunday School	105
Morning Worship	202

APRIL 07, 2023

Budget Receipts	\$ 9,820.91
AA Easter Offering	140.00
100th Anniv. Funds	171.00
Golden State Offering	51.50
FLC Donation	10.00
Logan Wright MYF	10.00
Total Receipts	\$ 10,203.41

Needs to Date	\$ 120,487.07
Receipts to Date	125,586.33
Weekly Needs	\$ 8,606.23

Sunday School	72
Morning Worship	113

OUR RECORD SPEAKS

APRIL 14, 2024

Budget Receipts	\$ 8,488.00
AA Easter Offering	64.00
100th Anniv. Funds	310.00
Hope House Fund	400.00
Logan Wright MYF	10.00
Total Receipts	\$ 9,272.00

Needs to Date	\$ 129,093.30
Receipts to Date	134,074.33
Weekly Needs	\$ 8,606.23

Sunday School	108
Morning Worship	146

APRIL 21, 2024

Budget Receipts	\$ 6,888.19
AA Easter Offering	25.00
FLC Deposit	200.00
100th Anniv. Items	377.00
Children's Savings	125.00
In memory: Robbie Jackson	100.00
Logan Wright MYF	10.00
Total Receipts	\$ 7,725.19

Needs to Date	\$ 137,699.53
Receipts to Date	140,962.52
Weekly Needs	\$ 8,606.23

Sunday School	105
Morning Worship	157

- God's Top Ten**
1. Put God First
 2. Worship Him Only
 3. No Bad Words
 4. Work & Rest 1
 5. Obey Your Parents
 6. Harm No One
 7. Don't Cheat
 8. If It's Not Yours, Don't Take It
 9. Tell the Truth
 10. Don't Be Jealous of Other People's Stuff

The church has left the building.

Visitation & Outreach
 Sunday, May 19th
 Meet at 2:00pm
 at First Baptist Church.
 (Note Date Change)
 See Judy Cherry if you know of someone who would like a visit.
 Staff Meeting; 4:00pm
 Choir Practice; 5:00pm
 No evening Services

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Baby Shower

HONORING
Sydney Braselton

Sunday, May 5th at 2:00pm in the FLC

Sydney is registered at Babylist.com