

## First Baptist Church of Knoxville Life of the Church

January 14, 2014



### REDEMPTION...A Journey through Matthew's Gospel

This week's reading calls us to Matthew 10 and 11. You can find the video and the discussion questions at <http://www.fbcknox.org/redemption/>. Let me encourage you to continue to make time to read along with us so that this great gospel might have the greatest opportunity to speak into your life.



This week's Wednesday Night Bible Study will look at the second half of the Beatitudes. These words of Jesus call us toward an upside-down way to look at life, faith and what it means to be successful.

### January Is National Mentoring Month

There are many more children who need a mentor at South Knoxville Elementary School. Will you consider giving one hour per week to dedicate it to a child in need? Mentors are positive, fun, faithful, encouraging, a listener, a helper, and a friend. Anyone who has the love of God in their heart can fulfill these attributes of a mentor. We have boys and girls on the list who need a mentor very soon. You may pick up an application from the literature rack by the water fountain on the 3rd floor crossover. All applications need to be in by March 16. We will have a training class in May for mentoring in the 2015-16 school year. Contact Carol Linger at 865-963-9993 or [rlinger185@aol.com](mailto:rlinger185@aol.com), to let her know that you would like to mentor a child.



### Youth Church-League Basketball

We have four youth church-league basketball teams playing in this year's West Knoxville Interdenominational Basketball League (WKIBL). WKIBL offers a fun, laid-back environment for fellowship for youth whose primary sport is not basketball. We have a boys and girls team for both middle school and high school. Our middle school boys play Tuesday evenings, the high school boys play Saturday mornings, and the girls play a mix of Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. You're always welcome to come cheer our teams on! For a full schedule of times and locations contact Ben Winder, Minister to Youth.



### Inclement Weather

The church closure policy for inclement weather has changed slightly. We will still cancel activities during the week if Knox County Schools are closed. Which includes all activities such as meetings. For Sundays there will be several ways to find out if there are changes in schedule. We will post closings on the local television stations, on the church website ([fbcknox.org](http://fbcknox.org)), and on the church Facebook page. As always, we will always hold the 11 am service on Sunday. Let us know if you have any questions.



### MERGE - Youth Disciple Now

January 16-18, 2015

Please be in prayer for our youth and leaders involved in our Disciple Now in-town retreat this weekend. During Disciple Now youth are hosted in church members' homes where they invest time in small-group discipleship groups led by college students. We'll also join with other youth from across the city for worship and mission projects. Youth will gather at the church Friday at 5 pm.



### Youth Week 2015 & Youth-Led Worship Service

January 19-25, Service January 25, 6:00 pm

A great tradition of First Baptist is our annual Youth Week. This week allows youth the opportunity to get an inside look at church leadership and explore how their gifts and the church's needs connect. Youth Week officers are selected by their peers to serve in leadership positions shadowing staff and lay leadership, attending staff meeting, and planning a worship service. Sunday, January 25 our youth will teach adult Sunday School classes, and that evening you're invited to join us at 6 pm for a worship service entirely planned and led by our youth. Thank you for your support of this wonderful experience for our youth!



### Grief Share

Tuesday, January 27th at 6:00 pm

Many in our church family are hurting and struggling with grief over the loss of a loved one - a spouse, a parent, a sibling, a child, or other loss. Often we feel like we are alone in our grief. There is help. Grief Share is a new tool in our church to help us deal with grief. The group meets weekly for 11 weeks for a video and discussion about all the different issues related to grief. The first group to complete Grief Share last Fall will tell you that Grief Share was tremendously helpful in their grief journey. Whether your loss is recent or has been some time ago, please consider being part of the next Grief Share that begins on Tuesday, January 27th at 6 pm. To reserve your spot, please call or email Pam at [pneal@fbcknox.org](mailto:pneal@fbcknox.org). Let Grief Share make your grief journey easier.



### Women On Mission (WOM)

Welcome to 2015 and Women on Mission. Our schedule for 2015 begins on Tuesday, February 3, when our speaker will be Mrs. Ruth Bradfute Heizer, retired missionary to Russia. Ruth grew up at FBC Knoxville. Please continue to be in prayer for our missionaries at home and around the world. We hope you will join us.



### Church-wide Marriage Enrichment Event

February, 13-14, Carson Springs Conference Center in Newport

Tom & Beth will join together and offer couples of all ages an opportunity to engage with "The Seven Issues that Impact Every Couple." We have reserved the Carson Springs Conference Center in Newport, TN, and have room for 36 couples to participate. The retreat will begin at 6:00 pm on Friday, February 13 and wrap up after lunch on Saturday, February 14. The cost for each couple will be \$145 and is inclusive of a your room, three meals, and all retreat materials. Transportation is not provided. This will be a fun experience that will create comfortable opportunities for conversations with your spouse on issues that can either strengthen or stress your marriage. This will be a great event that will help kick-off a marriage initiative in the life of our church family. If you would like to sign up you can either email Rhonda Ward at [rward@fbcknox.org](mailto:rward@fbcknox.org) or call the church office and have your call directed to extension 115.

## Attendance – January 11

Sunday School	355
First Community	90
11:00 am	370
Deaf	14
Passage	15
Worship Total	489

## 2015 Giving – January 11

*Weekly Total	\$45, 537.84
*MTD Total	\$80, 758.33
Monthly Unified Budget	\$178, 056.92
*YTD Total	\$ 80, 758.33
YTD Expenses	\$47, 352.56
YTD Unified Budget	\$82,180.12

\*This includes regular as well as designated giving

## Menus – January 21

**Bridge**  
Pot Roast, Potatoes & Carrots,  
Green Veggie, Salad

**Wednesday Supper**  
Stuffed Cabbage, Peppers,  
Mac & Cheese, Green Veggie,  
Salad

**Kid Hut Cafe**  
Sloppy Joes, Fries,  
Green Veggie

**Sanctuary Flowers for January 18**  
Flowers are given in loving memory  
of **Elmer "Doll" Thompson**  
by Virginia Thompson and family.

**Minister On Call**  
**(865) 546-9661**  
**Press 9**

## In Service - Week of January 18

**First Community Hospitality**  
Dianne & Don Rairdon

**First Community Greeters**  
Nancy Roberts, Betty Chandler

**Welcome Center Greeters**  
Barbara Frei, Dent Young

**Preschool Extended Care**  
Anne Winsauer, Brannon Hulsey,  
Erin Frost  
**Monitor:** Wade Hulsey

**TV Ministry Team**  
Steve Bowman, Cliff Shirley,  
Betty Vawter, Vince Vawter,  
Peyton Johnson, John Shope,  
Seva Ball

**Hospital Ministry Team**  
Fred Kaserman, Paul Ivie

**New Member Ministry**  
Scott Moore, Reggie Keaton

**Outreach Deacon**  
Jim Plemmons

**TeleCare Ministry**  
Ethel Powell

## PRAYER LIST for Wednesday - 1/16/2015

### CHURCH FAMILY

#### HOSPITAL

Charles Cavalaris, UT 517

#### REHAB

Virginia "Penny" d'Armand, Elmcroft West 253  
Harry Cowan, Morningview Transitional Care 128  
Mary Anne Wallace, NHC Farragut 413  
Nancy Bracken, NHC Ft. Sanders 139

#### OTHER REQUESTS

Patsy Long, pacemaker replacement at Vanderbilt 1/26  
Carolyn Nelson, fractured vertebra Ruthie Johnson  
Jon Burnett Mary Alice Balch

#### NURSING HOME / RETIREMENT HOME OF THE WEEK

**NHC Farragut** 122 Cavett Hill Ln (37934)  
Olive Akin Room 131 Lafairish "Dixie" Rowland Room 142

#### IN MEMORIAM

Dr. H. Gerald Ballard August 1, 1931 – January 5, 2015  
Date Joined: April 27, 1955

**CONGRATULATIONS TO** Larry and Patsy Belle upon the birth of their grandson, Gavin John Lyon on January 8. Proud parents are Eric & Lauren Lyon of Knoxville.

### FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

#### OUT OF TOWN HOSPITAL

Esther Rohr, Cookeville Medical Center ICU (lung surgery) – Mary Alice Balch's sister  
Paul White, Roanoke Medical Center ICU (pneumonia) – Mary Alice Balch's brother

#### OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

Grace Thurmond, scoliosis surgery recovery (NM) – Steve Underwood's great niece  
Scott Long, cancer diagnosis – son of Raymond & Patsy Long/friend of Joe and Betty Chandler  
Mary Sue Huffaker, cancer diagnosis – friend of Mary Ann Dent  
Jesse Phillips – grandson of Barbara & Rusty Phillips and Sylvia Williams  
Harold Kemp - dementia; Anne Kemp, Dianna Mercier & Kenny Kemp, caregivers – Dianna Mercier's parents  
Lyn Kells, aggressive breast cancer/salvation (NH) – Sallie Keaton's friend  
Cassie Cooper, UVA Hospital (VA), skin graft – Dianne Forry's niece  
Jennifer Strevel, cancer throughout body – friend of Virginia Griffin  
Marilou, cancer – Patsy Belle's sister  
Kristi Sebring, kidney failure – Wayne and Ellie Smith's daughter

Carlton Cooper (VA), hospice – Dianne Forry's brother-in-law  
Jim, final stages of ALS and his wife Jonnie – friends of Becky Frye  
Ann Rader, cancer – friend of Sandy Hope  
David Pice, multiple myeloma – friend of Barbara & Rusty Phillips  
Phoebe Jaeger, skin cancer - Virginia Griffin's friend  
Mary Anna Rhodes, kidney failure – Ed Souther's sister (NC)  
Salvation for Ramona Gregory's mother who is terminally ill  
Ida Mae Huff, recurring cancer, chemotherapy - Sylvia Williams' daughter / Tina Wright's niece  
Clark Turner (KY), multiple health issues – Sandy Hope's brother

#### SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Paul Kirby, US Navy – Donna Kirby's son

#### MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

The Leaders of our Country, our City and our Church, The Un-churched & Missing, and our Music Minister Search Committee:  
Bill Brewer, Chair Jaynie Moore  
Patrick Carmichael Steve King  
Emily Plemmons Ruth Fuson  
Chris Brock Laura Beth Winder  
Joe Easterly Mary Ann Dent, Personnel Chair  
Tom Ogburn, Staff

### MISSIONS PRAYER REQUESTS

**PRAYER REQUEST FROM MARC & KIM WYATT, CBF Advocates for Internationals, Research Triangle, NC**

On Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup> we will be meeting with area pastors and Heather Scavone, Director of the Elon University Humanitarian Law Clinic in Greensboro. Heather leads a team of young lawyers who are helping asylum seekers with their immigration to the US. The goal of this consultation is to seek ways the church might partner with the clinic to provide food, housing and community resources. Linda Jones, CBF NC Mission Coordinator, will co-facilitate this meeting. Please pray for us as we meet (1-3 PM).

**PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MISSY WARD IN UGANDA**

Families & women in crisis: Please pray for women and families who are in crisis currently within our refugee community. These situations are quite complex and the difficulties and crises they are experiencing are on many fronts. Please pray for God's provision in the midst of these situations. Please also pray that these families would come to have a greater understanding of God's hope, love and grace even in the midst of these crises. Please also pray for our women's ministry and social work team as we minister in the midst of these situations.  
Peace in East Africa: There are still several countries with ongoing conflicts within East Africa. Please pray for peace in these countries. The majority of refugees within our community still have family members within these countries. Please pray for safety of their relatives and comfort for the refugees living in Kampala.

