

# First Baptist Church of Knoxville Life of the Church

February 4, 2014



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

This week's reading calls us to Matthew 16. You can find the video and the discussion questions at <http://www.fbcknox.org/redemption/>. Let me encourage you to make the time to read along with us so that this great gospel might have the greatest opportunity to speak into your life.

This week Ben Winder will lead The Bridge and preach in both services. Scott Claybrook will be leading Wednesday night Bible Study. We are thankful for the valued voices each of these young men bring to the life of our church family. Ben's messages will emerge from Matthew 16:13-20. This is the story of Peter's declaration that Jesus is the "Messiah, the Son of the living God." Peter's confession can serve as a powerful testimony for us to find our own declaration - our own witness - of who Jesus is to us and what Jesus means for us.



## Church-wide Marriage Enrichment Event

February, 13-14, Carson Springs Conference Center in Newport  
There will be couples representing a wide diversity of age ranges (from their 20's to their 80's) participating in the February 13-14 Marriage Retreat at Carson Springs. We have to lock in our final room count tomorrow morning and a number of you have spoken to Tom about taking part. We will close registration for this event TONIGHT after Bible study. The cost is \$145 per couple, covering your lodging, food and all retreat materials. If you would like to be a part of this event, please see Pam Neal after tonight's bible study.



## FBC Concert Series The American Spiritual Ensemble

February 15, 6 pm  
American Spiritual Ensemble will be in concert in our Sanctuary at 6 pm on February 15. The American Spiritual Ensemble is a critically-acclaimed professional group composed of some of the finest vocalists in the classical music world. They are champions preserving and performing classical spirituals. This concert is a gift to our community so no tickets are required. Come and bring your friends for what will be a phenomenal night of music. Visit their website at <http://www.americanspiritualensemble.com/>.



## "Do Not Pass Go - Come Straight to Trentham Hall"

Thursday, February 26 at 12:30 pm  
The Senior Adult Council invites you to join us for a fun afternoon of board games and activities. We will enjoy popcorn and snacks while playing our favorite games with our favorite people. Come join us!

## "Finding Balance for Our Children in an Unbalanced World" with Dr. Ivy Beckwith

Sunday, March 1, 4:30 – 7 pm, Trentham Hall

Ivy has taught and shared with parents and children's ministry volunteers for more than 26 years. She has worked in the Christian publishing industry as a church consultant on volunteer ministries, children's volunteers training programs, and curriculum development. Ivy holds a BA in English, a Master's of Religious Education, and a PhD in Religious Education. She has served churches in both the Midwest and on the East Coast in various educational positions. Topics include:

- Balancing the spiritual formation with the "extras" of family life
- Leaving a "Spiritual Legacy": Passing faith on to our children

Parents, grandparents, children's ministry volunteers, and anyone with an investment in the life of a child are invited to come be a part of this time of listening, sharing, and growing together. Childcare will be available and a light snack will be served. For more information contact Susan Tatum at [statum@fbcknox.org](mailto:statum@fbcknox.org).



## Senior Adult Trip to Washington, D.C.

April 26 - May 1

The Golden Notes invite you to join them on a trip to Washington, D.C. for some fun. You don't have to sing with the group to enjoy the trip. Come enjoy the sights and the fellowship. See Steve Foster for more details.



## Please Pray for FBC's Deaf Ministry

There has been an invitation mailed to all involved in our congregation's deaf ministry inviting them to have a conversation with Tom and one another about their future. Participation in this ministry has continued to decline, and we have come to a moment where new steps must be taken to help stabilize and grow this valued ministry. At this point there is no longer a deaf Sunday school class, but instead, the group has blended Sunday School and worship into a single event that occurs in the Chapel on Sunday mornings. Attendance now runs fewer than 20. Please pray for everyone that will be a part of this meeting. Pray that God will provide calm hearts and a clear vision of where we go from here.

## 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.



**Attendance – February 1**

Sunday School	340
First Community	70
11:00 am	420
Deaf	23
Passage	13
Worship Total	526

**2015 Giving – February 1**

*Weekly Total	\$54,485.41
*MTD Total	\$54,485.41
Monthly Unified Budget	\$178,056.92
*YTD Total	\$182,251.89
YTD Expenses	\$209,157.00
YTD Unified Budget	\$205,450.29

\*This includes regular as well as designated giving



**Menus – February 11**

**Bridge**  
 Vanessa's Chicken Casserole,  
 Grilled Chicken Breast,  
 Steamed Cauliflower & Broccoli,  
 Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Desserts

**Wednesday Supper**  
 Beef Enchiladas, Grilled Chicken  
 Strips with Green Peppers, Onions &  
 Mushrooms, Roasted Potatoes,  
 Green Veggies, Salad, Rolls.

**Kid Hut Cafe**  
 Pizza, Corn, Green Veggie,  
 Fruit, Salad

**Sanctuary Flowers for February 8**

Flowers are given in loving memory of **Mr. and Mrs. M. Mahan Siler** and **Mr. Robert E. Hill, Sr.**, by the family.

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

**In Service - Week of February 8**

**First Community Hospitality**  
Dickie & Fred Kaserman

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

**Welcome Center Greeters**  
Beth Nagel, Mary Nelle Robbins

**Preschool Extended Care**  
Lauren Stewart, Betty Mulkey  
**Monitor:** Kevin Stewart

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

**Hospital Ministry Team**  
Richard & Karen Smith

**New Member Ministry**  
Spencer Hudson, Greg Reed

**Outreach Deacon**  
Bill Higdon

**TeleCare Ministry**  
Becky Earle

**Mug Ministry**  
Front Door (front porch)  
8:45 Windie Wilson  
11:00 Pam Shirley

**Welcome Center**  
8:45 Mark Palmer  
11:00 Cliff Shirley

**PRAYER LIST for Wednesday - 2/4/2015**

CHURCH FAMILY

HOSPITAL

Charles Cavalaris, UT 509  
Jo Cochran, UT 501  
Ann Nester, Blount Memorial 504  
William "Bill" Davis, Ft Sanders 406N  
Edith Jennings, Phys Reg 072  
Mary "Missy" Burkhart, Ft Sanders 565

DISCHARGED

Maureen Pickle  
Harry Cowan

REHAB

Virginia "Penny" d'Armand, Elmcroft West 253  
Nancy Bracken, NHC Ft. Sanders 139

OTHER REQUESTS

Carolyn Nelson Ruthie Johnson  
Jon Burnett Bob Breazeale  
Lib & Bob Neff Bill Brewer, chemotherapy  
Pam Henry, shoulder repl

NURSING HOME / RETIREMENT HOME OF THE WEEK

Parkview – Fountain City 5405 Colonial Cir (37918)  
Evelyn Roach Apt 111

OUR CHURCH FAMILY EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO

The family of Ramona Gregory, upon the death of her mother,  
Betty Ashley of La Place, LA. on January 29.  
The family of Barbara Frei, upon the death of her mother, Betty  
Hedley of Knoxville on January 29.  
The family of Alice Crook, upon the death of her step-father, David  
Carr of Knoxville on January 29.

FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

HOSPITAL

Ed Humphreys, brain surgery today (CA) – Frances Rio's son  
Patti Nilsen, Allegiance Hospital, Jackson, MI - Wanda Edmondson's sister  
Wendy Wiggins, former attender – PASTORS ONLY

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

Jama Reischling's mother – cancer diagnosis and decisions  
Matthew Stephens, Houston, TX, cancer treatments – friend of  
Diane Robinette  
Jim Boswell, cancer – Wade Boswell's brother  
Friend of Bill and Bobbie Christenberry battling cancer  
Jimmy Williams, cancer – Beth Ogburn's brother  
Daryl Reagan, surgery recovery/ radiation/chemo– friend of  
Rhonda Ward

J. E. Keaton, hip surgery recovery – Reggie Keaton's father  
Scott Long, cancer treatment – son of Raymond & Patsy Long/  
friend of Joe and Betty Chandler  
Patsy Long, heart issues – friends 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

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  
Mary Anna Rhodes, kidney failure – Ed Souther's sister (NC)  
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, our Minister of Missions search process, 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

Pray for Amy, a community outreach worker in North Raleigh. Amy lives with her husband in one of the three main apartment complexes in the area in which many refugees have been resettled. We are collaborating with her and students from Meredith College in an after school homework club.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM MISSY WARD IN UGANDA

The most pressing prayer request that I have this week is for God's provision of wisdom and discernment as we do interviews for a new refugee women's ministry social worker this week and next.

**Children's Ministry SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday, March 29**

Eggstravaganza, Family Event, 12:00 - 2:00 pm

**Friday, April 10 – Saturday, April 11**

Sleep with the Sharks, Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies, Grades 1-5

**Wednesday, May 6**

Children's Choirs Spring Concert (all choirs), 6:00 pm

**Wednesday, May 13**

Children's Missions Recognition, 6:00 pm

**Wednesday, June 10 – Saturday, June 13**

Kids Camp, Grades 3-5

**Monday, June 22 – Friday, June 26**

VBS, ages 3 years – 5th grade