

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

ILLUMINATOR

"Ye are the LIGHT of the world." Matthew 5:14

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"ARE YOU READY?"

Drama Presentation

Sunday, August 14, 6:00 P.M.

Directed by Sheila Cornett



AWANA KICK-OFF

Wednesday, August 17

6:30-8:00 P.M.

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

A balanced life. Do you have one? What is a balanced life? Well, it is like tires on your car. If one tire is flat, under-flated, over-flated, or even missing altogether, your car will be out of balance. You would have a difficult time getting anywhere. What do your tires look like today?

A news magazine covering the opening ceremonies of the Rio Olympics stated that the ceremonies were both fun and serious. They had dancing and celebrating, but they also included a message on the dangers of misusing our planet's natural resources. I call that balance.

Some of us drive vehicles with many tires: personal health, family, social life, spiritual life, career, church activities, ministry, recreation, education and – you see the picture. My life often seems like an eighteen wheeler. That's a lot of pressure checks.

When these tires get out of balance, our lives get into trouble. We tend to spend more time on one tire than the others; and that's normal. We focus on the things that we enjoy doing the most or that requires the most attention. But lack of balance in your life can cause a serious crash.

Perhaps that's why Jesus looked upon the crowd, observing people who were stressed out about what to eat, what to wear, and even how the Roman government made their lives harder; yet calmly spoke to them, "*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added to unto you.*" -- Matthew 6:33.

Maybe your "low tire" warning light has come on. The Holy Spirit may be saying, "*rotate and balance your tires today*". When God is first and foremost in each tire of your life, they will run smoothly and get you safely to your destination, which ... God's perfect will for your life. Check your tires today!

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MEMORIAL GIFTS

UNIFIED BUDGET

TOM & BILLIE STANSBERRY
In Honor Of Their
47th Wedding Anniversary



DEACONS MEETING

SAT., AUGUST 20, 7:30 A.M.

The FBC staff and church family extends love and sympathy to MELINDA COMBS, ALLISON WARRIX and families in the death of their mother, JUDY KAY WILSON COLLINS.

FAITH AND THE FAMILY

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

AWANA is back! Each Wednesday night, starting at 6:30 P.M. for nursery-high school and 7:00 P.M. for adults, every person in our families has an opportunity to come to church and draw nearer to God through Bible study and fellowship. I don't know about you, but I need to study God's Word with others and have discussions about the application of it.

In 2 Timothy 3:14-17, Paul wrote:

"But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

The Bible contains all the answers that we need to navigate this life in a way that honors God and makes a difference in the lives of others. If we are to handle God's Word with integrity, and if we are to be well equipped to do what He desires of us, we must place an emphasis on studying scripture. I hope that each of us makes corporate Bible study a priority. Join us on Wednesday nights and invite others to come as well.

With my eyes on Him,

Jeremy

2 Timothy 1:6-7

PS: Thank you to each of the persons helping with Awana, Ignite, youth and adult studies! We do need people to serve in the following roles: Awana Recreation Leader and bus/van monitors for Wednesday nights (2 needed). We would also like to offer transportation for children and youth on Sunday nights beginning in September – in order to do so we need volunteer drivers and monitors. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out.

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY ACTIVITIES

August 17 – AWANA KICK-OFF – 6:30-8:00 P.M.

AWANA LEADER MEETING

It's almost time for *Awana* to start back! In preparation for the exciting year that lies ahead of us, please plan to attend one of these meetings if you volunteer in any capacity with *Awana*.

**Sunday, August 14th
5:00 P.M. in Room 110**

CALLING ALL NURSERY, PRESCHOOL, CHILDREN & YOUTH WORKERS

Please plan to attend one of these meetings in order to review the *Child Protection Policy* that has been developed. Your input is desired and this is a great opportunity to become familiar with the policy. The meetings will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

**Sunday, August 21 – 5:00 P.M.
Tuesday, August 23 – 11:00 A.M.
Thursday, August 25 – 6:00 P.M.**

LEADING GOD'S PEOPLE TO REALLY WORSHIP

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

6:15 – 9:00 P.M.

This workshop is primarily for, but not limited to, those who help lead worship – pastors, music leaders, choir directors, choir members, deacons, etc.

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

August 14

Julie Bentley, Tiny Caudill

August 21

Pam Pratt, Holly Caudill

PRESCHOOL WORSHIP

August 21

Elisa Cook

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS

August 21

Angie Horn, Kathy Perry, Tracie Day

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

JUDY KAY COLLINS

DECEMBER 5, 1946-AUGUST 7, 2016

MUSIC NOTES

This is a sad time for our church and especially our choir. This week we say goodbye for now to one of the most wonderful ladies I have had the pleasure of knowing. Years ago when I began attending our church, I immediately began singing in the choir. When I attended my first practice I was extremely nervous and really didn't know anyone, or what to expect. Being a not so confident alto, I sat on the second row beside Judy. She made me feel so welcomed and I immediately felt at ease and a part of this awesome choir and church. Over the years I have had the great pleasure of sharing second row with my alto buddy. She has always been a strong encourager to all. Any time I have been unsure of songs I have selected for the choir, or unsure of my ability to sing or lead others in singing, she always reassured me and encouraged me. She was one of the most talented piano and organ players I know, one of the most encouraging, friendly, quick witted ladies I know. She loved the Lord and spent her life serving Him in every way that she could. We will miss our sweet friend.

One of Judy's most favorite songs was a Christmas song called, "Good News". I thought I would share some of the words with you this week.

*Close your eyes, fold your hands
For a moment let your sorrow fade
Why? Oh why are you afraid?
Has this world stripped you of your Faith?*

*Bow your head, speak not a word
Let the silence take you far from here
The spirit of a child dry every tear
And may your doubts they disappear*

*Good News, Good News,
An Angel brings Good News
Good News, Good News,
Leave you with Good News.*

You are invited to attend a concert given by Bobbie Bevins and Mary Sue Webb on Sunday, August 21 at 3:00 P.M. at Bowman Methodist Church in Hazard, Kentucky.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Youth participating in the Mission Trip Share Service are to be in the sanctuary at the beginning of Sunday School. Everyone please wear your dark orange mission team shirt.

"It's Not What You Think!" will be our new Bible study on Wednesday evenings. This Bible study will help you understand that Christianity is not just getting to go to heaven when you die but that God has saved you to be a part of bringing His kingdom down to earth right now. Following this Bible study, we will begin a Bible study on the book of Genesis. Come out at 6:30 on Wednesday evenings and dive into the Word with us!

Winter Xtreme 2016 sign-ups will be on the wall in the youth room. This year we will attend the December 29-31 session. Artists and speakers include: *Crowder, Newsong, Tony Nolan, Skillet, Tom Richter, Tenth Avenue North, Moriah Peters, Clayton Jennings, Lecrae, and Johnny Hunt.*

SUNDAY MORNING SNACKS

**August 14
No Snacks**

A colorful graphic with the words "HAPPY BIRTHDAY!" in large, multi-colored letters. The word "HAPPY" is in yellow, "BIRTHDAY!" is in blue, and there are two yellow stars on either side of "HAPPY".

Aug. 14: Phillip Little, Jonathan & Nicholas Sergent
16: Trinity Bell, Mark Caudill
17: Emily Caudill
19: Makenzie Nantz
20: Ellis Caudill

LAST SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

Sunday School ----- 107
Adults -- 69
Youth -- 14
Children -- 16
Preschool -- 8
Morning Worship ----- 179

SPECIAL MINISTRIES

Housing Authority -----
Letcher Manor ----- 23
AWANA
Children: Adults:
Youth: Adults:

ADDITIONS TO DATE

(September – August)

By Baptism ----- 8
By Letter ----- 4
By Statement ----- 3
TOTAL ADDITIONS ----- 15

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Budget Receipts ----- \$7,220.50
Budget Requirement ----- \$7,138.00
Family Life Center ----- \$ 160.00
Designated ----- \$ 74.00
Budget Required to Date ----- \$228,416.00
Budget to Date ----- \$216,473.75

IN THE HOSPITAL

NOVA POLOSKEY – Local ARH

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

TOTAL NEEDED – PHASE 2

\$500,000.00

GIVEN TO DATE

\$393,592.00

NEEDED

\$105,251.00

DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 14 – 20

FRED HALL