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

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ORDINATION-INSTALLATION OF DEACONS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 6:00 P.M.

NEW CHURCH YEAR BEGINS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Last Sunday I began a sermon series called **Six Road Signs of Lifestyle Evangelism**. We began with the role of the Spirit in calling and convicting people about their need for Jesus. Each week I will use a different road sign to make a spiritual application about sharing Jesus in your normal, day-to-day walk. This Sunday, the road sign will be **ROAD CONSTRUCTION** as we look at the next step in witnessing – building relationships.

Be sure to pray for Revival services for October 9th – 12th with the Rev. Ross Wilson preaching. During the first service, on Sunday morning, we, as a church body, will renew our church covenant by reading it, committing ourselves to it, and signing it publicly.

People need the Lord. Only in Christ can a person discover true joy, purpose, and meaning in life. We share the good news of Jesus with everyone so that they might hear and believe the truth and discover life "more abundantly". In revival, we, as believers, can renew our commitment to Jesus and experience the fresh falling rain of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

I pray this for myself: that I will turn from all distractions in my life and fall devotedly in love with Jesus all over again. I pray that my life will be filled with His Spirit and that my heart will overflow with joy; so that I might be obedient to Him and will joyfully share this good news with everyone I see. Join me in praying for revival.

Bro. Tony

Tony.Brown@whitesburgfbc.org



The FBC staff and church family extends love and sympathy to SUE THOMAS and family in the death of her sister, LOU WHITAKER; and to STEVEN CARROLL & GLENDA SEXTON and family in the death of their daughter-in-law, SHARON SEXTON.

**SOUND/AUDIO-VISUAL
MEETING**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 6:00 P.M.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

UNIFIED BUDGET

MINNIE HAWK SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
In Memory Of
LOU WHITAKER

FALL REVIVAL

OCTOBER 9 – 12

REV. ROSS WILSON

Union, SC

FAITH AND THE FAMILY

Promotion Sunday is right around the corner so I want to make sure you have the information that you need to help make this a great Sunday School year. The following classes will be offered beginning Sunday, September 4th:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Room</u>
Crib-2 Years Old	Nursery
3-Pre-K	Preschool Suite
K-1 st Grade	106
2 nd Grade	104
3 rd -4 th Grades	105
5 th -6 th Grades	110
7 th -9 th Grade Girls	301-A
7 th -9 th Grade Boys	301-B
10 th -12 th Grade Girls	301-C
10 th -12 th Grade Boys	301-D

The morning assembly for K-4th Grade will be in Room 105 beginning on September 4th (all K-4th graders will be dropped off in this room for a morning snack and will then go to their specified classrooms). 5th & 6th Graders will go directly to their classroom.

Promotion Sunday will also be the time that changes occur with Preschool Worship and Children's Church. Children who have been participating in Preschool Worship, and have begun Kindergarten, will move up to Children's Church. Children who have begun 4th grade will no longer attend Children's Church but will participate in the worship service with their family. As a reminder, Preschool Worship is for 3-year-olds through non-Kindergarten 5-year-olds and Children's Church is for K-3rd Grades. It is going to be a great year as we continue to focus on Jesus! Please let me know if I can help with the transition in any way.

In Christ,

Jeremy

2 Timothy 1:6-7

MINISTRY NEEDS

Bus/Van Monitors are needed for Wednesday nights

A van driver and a monitor is needed for Sunday nights beginning in September
(we will not be able to provide transportation for Sunday night activities without some volunteers)

PASTOR'S SERMON SERIES

SIX ROAD SIGNS OF LIFESTYLE EVANGELISM

August 28



(Build Relationships)
Luke 14:12-14

September 4



(Share Christ)
Matthew 9:35-38

September 11



(Prepare for Excuses)
Luke 14:16-22

September 18



(Know That Someone's Watching)
John 1:19-51

September 25



(Mentor the New Believer)
Acts 14:19-23

THANK YOU, SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

Thank you Sunday School teacher
For opening my eyes
To the Bible and to Jesus,
Life's most precious prize.

Thank you special teacher
For opening my mind
To God and the Holy Spirit,
And for answers you help me find.

Thank you Sunday School teacher
For opening my heart
To eternal life through salvation,
The precious lessons you impart.

Thank you, cherished teacher,
For giving me advice
So that I can know the Lord
And be with Him in paradise.

■ Joanna Fuchs

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

WEDDING SHOWER

IN HONOR OF

KATEY MYNSTER

AND

JORDAN NEWMAN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WHITESBURG KENTUCKY

REGISTERED

Wal-Mart - Macy's - Bed, Bath & Beyond



We extend **CONGRATULATIONS** to SEAN & LINDSEY (Adams) POTTER on the birth of their son, MASON SEAN, born on Thursday, August 18th at 5:30 P.M. Mason weighed 7.4 lbs. and was 18.9 inches long. Proud grandparents are Eddie & Edwina Adams, and great-grandparents, the late Eddie & Jenetta Howard.



- Aug. 30: Stephanie Hurst, Sarah McBee,
John Yost
31: Taneisha Blair
Sept. 1: Ernie Brown, Durward Narramore
2: Bryan Howard
3: Vicki Cook, Dustin Everidge
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The Deacons recommend that ALBERT ISON, JR., candidate for deacon, be placed under the Watchcare of First Baptist Church for the next year.

The Ministry Fair scheduled for Sunday, August 28 has been rescheduled for the spring.

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

August 28
Laura Whitaker, Liz Sargent

September 4
Linda Setzer, Patricia Lewis

PRESCHOOL WORSHIP

August 28
Calviston & Becca Cook

September 4
Lee Adams

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS

August 28
Amanda & Byron Thomas

September 4
Amanda & Byron Thomas

PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION

Sunday, September 25

If you would like to dedicate your child/children to the Lord, please notify the church office no later than September 18.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

Many times throughout the year we have Bible studies on how to share your faith with others. When we conduct worship services or go on the mission field, we encourage our youth to be bold and take steps forward in sharing their faith. I read an article this week that shared five simple ways one can begin to share their faith and I thought I would share those this week.

1. Begin by living your life consistently with what God has said in His word. In other words, turn your complete life over to God.
2. Begin to publicly identify yourself with Christ through social media. Change your religious views to Christian. Share Bible verses on your timeline. Let people know you are praying for them.
3. Volunteer to serve in a ministry of our church. Our church always needs volunteers for sound, audio/visual, music, etc.
4. Keep something on your locker, backpack, etc, that identifies you as a Christian. Wear your mission trip and youth shirts to school. When people ask about these items or shirts, you have an opportunity to share Christ with them, even if it is talking about mission trip or church.
5. This is a big one! Invite someone to Sunday school and church. It typically takes seven invites to talk one person into attending church.

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 28

Regina Brown, Tracie Day

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11

Conducting Morning Worship at
Big Creek Baptist Church

September 18

Game Night – 7:00 P.M.
Home of Jeremy & Angie Horn

MUSIC NOTES

On Sunday evenings at 7:00 the choir is beginning to learn some new Praise and Worship music and our Christmas Cantata. This year the Christmas cantata will involve the Children, Youth and Adult Choirs. This is an exciting time to be a part of this great ministry. We would love to have you come out and start singing in the choir with us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Children's Choir begins Sept. 11 at 6:00 P.M.

Handbell Choir begins Sept. 11 at 5:00 P.M.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's that time of year again to start thinking about **SHOEBOXES!!**

We are getting a head start by supporting *Back-to-School for Operation Christmas Child*. I get excited each time I go into a store and find the school supply section and all the great prices! We will be collecting: crayons, colored pencils, markers, loose paper, glue sticks and scissors!

Shoeboxes are filled with toys, personal hygiene products, school supplies, and religious materials telling the story of The Greatest Gift Ever Given – Jesus Christ.

Last year the Whitesburg First Baptist Church donated over 600 shoeboxes and was a part of one of the largest collection in South East KY and South West VA with close to 10,000 shoeboxes collected. That would not have been possible without the generous donations of our people.

If you want to be a part of the 2016 *Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project*, please see Lee Adams or email her at Lee.Adams@uky.edu or call her at 606-634-5698. If you would like to donate money, you may write the check to Whitesburg First Baptist Church and write "Shoebox Ministry" in the memo line. Thanks for supporting the Shoebox Ministry sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with millions of children all over the world.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 IN
OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.**

TEACHER APPRECIATION

What is a teacher, if not a mirror in which we perceive the divine image hidden in the soul? What is a teacher, if not a sower of seed and a cultivator of young gardens? What is a teacher, if not a shaper of souls and a guide who gently shows the right path for the journey? What is a teacher, if not the most hopeful of dreamers, who plans and nurtures and sees the bright destiny and harvest of the word even when the student cannot? What is a teacher, if not a shepherd watching over the flock and leading it to abundant pastures?

Dreamers and sharers of dreams, sowers of seed and guides who chart the way, mirrors of goodness and shepherds of grace – it is for these teachers and this ministry that we give abundant thanks to God.

- Author unknown
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NEW ADDRESS

Mrs. Lorraine Waddles will be moving at the end of August. If you would like to drop her a note, here is her new address:

MRS. LORRAINE WADDLES
DOGWOOD FOREST OF ACWORTH
321 S MAIN STREET
ACWORTH GA 30101

Which of the following sports does Paul use metaphorically to describe the Christian life?

- A. Fishing
- B. Running a race
- C. Boxing
- D. Both B and C
- E. All of the above

(1 Corinthians 9:24-27)

LAST SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

Sunday School ----- 99
Adults -- 64
Youth -- 17
Children -- 11
Preschool -- 7
Morning Worship ----- 157

SPECIAL MINISTRIES

Housing Authority -----
Letcher Manor -----
AWANA / IGNITE
Children: 55 Adults: 29
Youth: 15 Adults: 4

ADDITIONS TO DATE

(September – August)

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

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Budget Receipts ----- \$4,417.00
Budget Requirement ----- \$7,138.00
Family Life Center ----- \$15,100.00
Designated ----- \$ 42.00
Budget Required to Date ----- \$242,692.00
Budget to Date ----- \$228,843.75

IN THE HOSPITAL

PEGGY BATES, St. Joseph
TRACIE DAY, Local ARH
WENDY LUCAS, Local ARH

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

TOTAL NEEDED – PHASE 2
\$500,000.00

GIVEN TO DATE
\$409,092.00

NEEDED
\$89,751.00

DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 28 – September 3

J. W. COMBS