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

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GOD'S VALENTINE GIFT

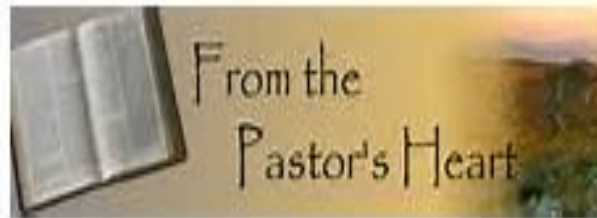
God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't candy, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man,
So He could freely give
His sacrificial love for us,
So you and I could live.

He gave us sweet salvation, and
Instruction, good and true –
To love our friends and enemies
And love our Savior, too.

So, as we give our Valentines,
Let's thank our Lord and King;
The reason we have love to give
Is that He gave everything.

---Joanna Fuchs



During the evening service on February 18th, I will devote the message to my vision and direction for the church. I hope you will make plans to come and hear the WHYS and HOWS of WHERE we are heading. God has given me a message to share; but I will also address many of the specifics. You will hear more about...

- Greeter and Welcome Ministry
- Serving to Grow Ministry
- Family Life Center and Elevator Building Plans
- Future Minister of Music/Senior Adult Staff Position
- The New Servant Leadership Team
- Discipleship

God has great plans for Whitesburg FBC. Our past has been glorious. God has been so good. Though circumstances change with each generation and our challenges today are much different, our God is still the same. He has the same wisdom and power as always. We will trust Him wherever He leads us into the future.

What must we do – right now? First, we must pray and listen to His voice. We must diligently discern His will for our church. When we are confident where He is leading, we must be willing to give complete surrender and obedience to His will. We can rest assured that if God calls us to new direction or leads us through new challenges, He will provide the power and resources we need to accomplish His purposes. It really hinges on our faith. Do we believe God?

I'll see you in church this Sunday as we continue our study in 1 Timothy. I will preach about "*The Beautiful Island On A Dark and Stormy Sea*". I hope to see you in Sunday School and worship. God loves you and so do I.

Bro. Tony

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Valentine's Day, a time when thoughts turn to love. But what is love? Is it a box of chocolates, or a pretty valentine? Is it a red rose, or maybe a dozen? Is it a peck on the cheek, a fond embrace, or a big bear hug?

Well, sometimes love is known in those ways. But love, real love, is how we relate to God and to one another if life is what it ought to be – beautiful!



Parents, here are some children's activities (through 4th grade) to place on your calendar. Please let me know if you have any questions.

SPECIAL AWANA OFFERINGS (bring the items to Awana)

- February 14 – diapers and wipes for Sunrise Children's Services in Pikeville
- March 7 – paper towels, tissue paper, and garbage bags for Letcher County CARES
- April 11 – non-perishable food items for the Letcher County Food Pantry
- September 19 – Operation Christmas Child Offering (cash, used for shoebox supplies)
- December 5 – International Missions Offering (cash for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering)

ACTIVITIES

- April 29 – Children's Sunday School party at Gatti's in Pikeville (following Morning Worship)
- May 6 – Children's Choir Musical – 6 P.M. (last children's choir until September)
- May 13 – Baby Dedication
- May 16 – Awana Store
- May 23 – Awana Family Night – 6:30 P.M. (program in sanctuary followed by a meal, last Awana until August)
- May 29 – Ticket order due for Peter Pan, Jr. at Jenny Wiley Theatre (show is July 21 at 2 P.M.)
- May 31 – Miniature Golf at Kingdom Come State Park (depart church at 10am, \$5 plus money for fast food lunch)
- June 6 – VBS Kick-off, 7:00 P.M.
- June 10-14 – Vacation Bible School – *Game On!*
- June 27 – Surprise Night, 7:00 P.M.
- July 10 – Creation Kingdom Zoo (\$10 per person plus money for fast food lunch, depart from church at 9 A.M.)
- July 11 – Move and Pajama Night, 7:00 P.M.
- July 18 – Water Night, 7:00 P.M.
- July 21 – Jenny Wiley Theatre, Peter Pan, Jr. depart from church at 12:30 P.M. (request tickets by May 29)
- July 25 – Missions Night, 7:00 P.M.
- August 5 – Back-to-School Pool Party (time to be announced)
- August 8 – Messy Game Night, 7:00 P.M. (bring change of clothing)
- August 15 – Awana Kick-off, 6:30 P.M.
- October 31 – Trunk or Treat
- November 9 – Operation Christmas Child Lock-In, 6:00 P.M.
- November 12-19 – OCC Shoebox Collection Week
- November 30 – Birthday Party for Jesus, 5:30-8:00 P.M.

In Christ,
JEREMY
2 Timothy 1:6-7



*"In letters of crimson, God wrote His love
On the hillside so long, long ago;
For you and for me Jesus died,
And love's greatest story was told.*

*Down through the ages, God wrote His love
With the same hands that suffered and bled;
Giving all that he had to give,
A message so easily read.*

*I love you, I love you
That's what Calvary said;
I love you, I love you,
I love you, written in red.
I love you, I love you...
I love you, written in red."*

This week we celebrate Valentine's Day. In the United States alone, it is estimated that about 30 billion dollars, which is about \$131 per person, will be spent on flowers, chocolates, restaurant meals, and other gifts this Valentine's Day. The mailing of Valentine cards originated around 1797 in England. Most early cards were red, trimmed in lace and contained a poem. In the U.S. alone, 190 million Valentine's Day cards will be sent this year, not including the hundreds of millions of cards school children will exchange. During the 19th century, flowers were added and at that time even eggs were considered a great gift. In 1868, Cadbury created fancy heart shaped boxes filled with chocolates.

This Sunday our music will focus on the love that Jesus has for us. One song kept dwelling on my mind this week is the Gaither Vocal Band song, *Written in Red*. The song describes how much God loves us and how Jesus paid the ultimate sacrifice because of His great love for us. What an amazing gift, far better than cards, chocolates, poems, flowers – anything. I am so glad that Jesus Loves Us!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 25, 6:00 P.M. -- "It Is Finished" – Easter Play

March 30, 6:00 P.M. -- "Road to Calvary-A Journey of Grace and Resurrection"
Fellowship immediately following

April 1, 7:00 A.M. -- SUNRISE SERVICE -- Breakfast Brunch afterwards

April 1, 11:00 A.M. -- "Road to Calvary-A Journey of Grace and Resurrection"

May 6, 6:00 P.M. -- "Game On" – Children's Musical



Tessa Caudill will be conducting a painting class on Monday evening, February 12th at 6:00 P.M. in the church fellowship hall. The proceeds from this activity will go toward our youth camp and mission trip. The cost will be \$25 per person (a minimal additional fee for any smaller kids that would like to paint with their parents), and that includes all supplies needed. Child care will be provided in the nursery and baked goods will be available for purchase. This is a great opportunity to have fun, fellowship, learn a new skill and help our youth. If you would like to sign-up for our class, please contact the church office, Tessa Caudill or Regina Brown.

Our first "how to" class will be on February 24th. Donna and Victoria Watts will be teaching a class on hair care and make-up application. They would love for all the youth ladies to attend this great "how to" class.

How to Classes:

Fishing – Phillip Little, Richard Craft

Making Fishing Lures – Richard Craft

Car Care – Albert Ison

Cake Decorating – Tagan Cox

Cooking & Table Etiquette – Shannon Mullins, Amy Craft

Hunting – Jerry Ingram

Beginning Guitar – Philip Bentley

Hair Care & Make-up – Donna & Victoria Watts

Woodworking – Curtis Cox

Please consider sharing a talent you have with our youth. We would love to have you! Let me know if you are interested. We would love to have a basic sewing class, exercise class, etc. This is a great opportunity to develop deep relationships with our youth. Please pray about leading or even attending one of our classes. We will work around your schedule, so you can teach one of our classes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SNACKS

February 11

Linda Bentley, Shaun Mynster

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 12:	Valentine Paint Class – 6 P.M., Church Fellowship Hall
February 17:	Movie Trip to see Sampson – Time to be announced
February 24:	How to class – Hair Care & Make-up, 10:00 A.M.
June 17-22:	SEESALT Youth Camp – Myrtle Beach
June 30-July 6:	Ocala Mission Trip

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Feb. 11: Lilah Cox
12: Sandy Banks, Paitynn Richardson
13: Jonah Little
14: Edwina Adams, Trinity Cook,
Lois Shortt
16: Luke Little
17: Kim C. Craft

CENTRIKID CAMP

July 13 – 15
Campbellsville University (KY)

All current 4th-6th graders are welcome and must register ahead of time in order to secure a spot. Cost is \$163 and money for two fast food meals. The first deposit of \$50 is due upon signing up.



STEWARDSHIP TEAM MEETING
Monday, Feb. 12, 6:00 P.M.

Deacons Meeting



SATURDAY, FEB. 17, 7:30 A.M.



**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED
TO THE INVESTITURE OF**

HONORABLE GENE SMALLWOOD, JR.

AS

**JUDGE OF THE KENTUCKY COURT OF APPEALS
ON MONDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY**

TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN

AT TWO THIRTY O'CLOCK

LETCHER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURTROOM

SECOND FLOOR

WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY

RECEPTION FOLLOWS CEREMONY



THE GIFT THAT GIVES

Love ever gives,
Forgives, outlives
And ever stands
With open hands.
And while it lives, it gives.
For this is love's prerogative –
To give, and give, and give.

■ John Oxenham



UNIFIED BUDGET

MYREL & SHARON SHORT
In Memory Of
EDITH HUBBARD

DESIGNATED

PHIL & LINDA BENTLEY
In Memory Of
CARROLL SHACKLEFORD
EDITH HUBBARD
VIOLA WILLIAMS

MAHALA FRAZIER
In Memory Of
JANET TUCKER

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

Feb. 11
Brandy Wilson

Feb. 18
Melissa Newell

PRESCHOOL WORSHIP

Feb. 11
Lee Adams

Feb. 18
Calviston & Becca Cook



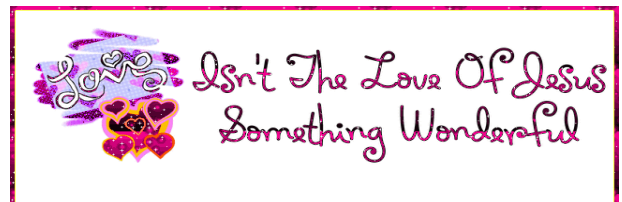
The FBC staff and church family extends love and sympathy to MISSY CAUDILL and family in the death of her brother, DAVID DARREL COMBS; to PAM, HALEY & NICOLE BANKS and family in the death of their brother/uncle, DAVID CORNETT; and to PAM PRATT and family in the death of her cousin, DEVON WEBB.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS

Feb. 11
Angie Horn, Tracie Day, Kathy Perry

Feb. 18
Viva Anderson, Brenda Cook,
Lori Thomas

Sunday School is Cool



LAST SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

Sunday School ----- 107
Adults -- 60
Youth -- 14
Children -- 22
Preschool -- 11
Morning Worship ----- 160

SPECIAL MINISTRIES

Housing Authority -----
Letcher Manor -----
AWANA/IGNITE/YOUTH -----
Children: Adults:

ADDITIONS TO DATE

(September – August)

By Baptism ----- 4
By Letter ----- 0
By Statement ----- 1
TOTAL ADDITIONS ----- 5

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Budget Receipts ----- \$ 5,840.00
Budget Requirement ----- \$ 7,255.00
Family Life Center ----- \$ 675.00
Designated ----- \$ 306.41
Budget Required to Date ----- \$ 36,275.00
Budget to Date ----- \$ 33,399.00

IN THE HOSPITAL

JIMMY BATES, Local ARH
SHIRLEY DAY, Local ARH

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

TOTAL NEEDED – PHASE 2

\$500,000.00

GIVEN TO DATE

\$435,847.00

NEEDED

\$64,153.00

DEACON OF THE WEEK

February 11 - 17

DANNY CAUDILL