



# First Baptist Church of Spring Hill

## The Messenger

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The old saying is that "April showers bring May flowers." As we look around we can see that is true. The flowers are blooming and the leaves are out on the trees and the grass is growing. Spring is definitely here. Spring always reminds me of the new life we have in Christ. Just like the plants and trees change from an appearance of deadness to a new vibrancy of color and life, so the Lord Jesus transforms us from the deadness of our sin to a life that Jesus promises can be "abundant." I pray that you are being obedient to His commands so that you can experience the abundant life the Jesus promised.



May 14th is Mother's Day. I hope that you will not forget to honor your mother on this special day. One way that you can do this is to make a memorial gift in her honor to the TN Baptist Children's Home. Honor our mother and help these children by contributing to the Mother's Day Offering. Please give generously to the Mother's Day Offering this year.

May is graduation time. We have students that will be graduating this year. I want to personally congratulate them for their accomplishment. We will be recognizing all our graduates on a day in May (to be determined), in the morning worship service. If you know of any student that will be graduating this year, please inform the church office. We don't want to leave anyone out!

Maury Baptist Association will be involved in a mission project, July 20-August 4. The project is helping rebuild Roaring Forks Baptist Church in Gatlinburg, TN (complete loss from the November fire). The cost is \$50 per person PLUS buy your own breakfast every morning (i.e. Hardees, McDonalds, etc.). Lodging will be at Camp By YoCa in Wears Valley between Townsend and Pigeon Forge (23 miles from the project). There will be bunk beds with separate areas for men and women with AC, electricity, hot water, etc. Bring sleeping bag/bed roll and personal items. The work will most likely be trim and finishing work: painting, installing cabinets, flooring, etc. However, this could change as we are only one link in the chain. Only need personal hand tools; all other tools are provided. Contact the Maury Baptist Association (931-381-0130) if interested.



**For Your Great Name's Sake! Hear Us...  
Forgive Us...Heal Us! (Daniel 9:10)**

**\*\*Thursday, May 4th, is the National Day  
Of Prayer. Join us for a special time of  
prayer for our nation and leaders in the  
Sanctuary at 10 am.**

*Bro J*

## Church Library News

## May Birthdays

### May - Happy Mother's Day!

This month we celebrate all our mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers. It's a great time to thank them all for the love they give us. Not only the love, but their help in our lives, their time, their caring, their being there when we need them, and their wisdom to teach us and our families how great God is. We think moms are our first step to learning and knowing our Almighty God, so we thank you all and pray for you on this Mother's Day.

### Here are a few books from our Library:

**Count It All Joy** by Grady Wilson. The author is an associate evangelist with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. This book is a rare blending of humor and pathos, wit and wisdom, past and present. He recounts experiences stretching back to teenage days in Charlotte, NC. Billy Graham and the author met in the choir. This is the story of his ministry and his service to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

**Drawing Closer** by Glen Martin. This book is a practical guide designed to move a reader through the maze of uncertainty in knowing about God's sovereignty, to an ever-deepening sense of secure friendship based upon understanding God's attributes, and how His character will allow you to trust Him in every area of your life. This book is the road to genuine joy and ultimate security.

**Loving God** by Charles Colson. This book will force you to think, to feel, to question; and in the end it may demand more than you're prepared to give. If you have serious questions about the Christian faith, read this book. If you are serious about the Christian life read this book. Once you pick it up, you won't put it down until the unexpected conclusion rocks you on your heels.

Yours in Christ,  
Mary Robertson, Vivienne Okma, & Joan Frank

1	Luella Elsner	20	Crystal Vaughn
	Brandon Boshers	21	Colton Capley
	Ryan Boshers	22	Jon Andre
2	Maddie Long		Lucyara Usery
4	Charles England	23	Mary Blake
7	Madilynn Johnson	24	Ainsley Easton
8	Audrey Vaughn	25	Danny Sharp
9	Braden Smith	26	Ana Payne
10	Shelby Burns	27	Phillip Johnson
11	Deanie Moore	29	Cindy Gilley
13	Tommy Usery		Kevin Fischer
	Jesse Gilchrist	31	Nick LaRose
15	Terry Wilkins		
	Pippa Howland		
16	Brennan Johnson		
17	Amanda Scogggin		
	Amy Johnson		
	Jacob Robinson		
19	Patty Christian		
	Cris Peters		
	Austin Walker		
	Sully Howland		

*Happy Birthday  
to You!*



## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

I know I must sound like a broken record, but I have some reminders for you that are not new, so here we go...

We try to keep our records as up to date as possible. If you notice that your birthday is not on the calendar or you are not getting email updates or prayer requests, please contact the church office so that corrections can be made. New addition to the family? Please fill out a Data Information Form (located at the Welcome Desk) and put it in the box on the office door.

Did you know that the church directory is available online? You need to create a Log In to get to the "Member to Member" area of the site. If you have difficulty logging in, call the office. We'll have you set up in just a few minutes. And, some of you still have not turned in a photo for the directory ... Please send the office a photo!! Or, ask Prentice Moore to take your picture and he will send it to the office.

And...for all those with a smart phone, download the "ACS Church Life App" from your app store. You will use the same log in as on the church web site. The app allows you to see the church directory, map out directions to a member's home, and



even make a contribution to the church! You will always have the church directory at your fingertips!

We now have multiple ways to make a contribution to the church — of course, by placing your offering in the plate on Sunday. But you can also go to the web site or to the app and make a contribution. Or you can Text **FBCSH** to **73256**. Just follow the prompts online or from the app / text. You may contribute by electronic check or debit card.

Is your Kroger rewards card registered for community rewards to FBCSH? If not, please follow the link our web site and register your card. Then, every 3 months, the church receives a donation from Kroger based on the purchases of our members!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. If you need assistance with anything, please give me a call.

Blessings...

*Paula*, Ministry Assistant

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Mtg	<b>4</b> ★NATIONAL★ DAY of PRAYER 10 am Prayer Service in Sanctuary 6:30pm FAITH Rider Mtg @ Sonic	<b>5</b> <div> <b>Youth Girls' Retreat</b> </div>	<b>6</b> Women's Ministry Tea, 10 am - Noon
<b>7</b> Guest Speaker in Morning Service  Deacons' Mtg. 5:30 pm KidsPraise! 6 pm AWANA - Team color night-Last night to say verses	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>10</b> 10:15 am Cracker Barrel Fellowship  6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Business Mtg	<b>11</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>   No AWANA	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>17</b>  6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Mtg	<b>18</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	<b>19</b> 	<b>20</b> Church facilities in use today (9 am—4 pm)
<b>21</b> Graduate Recognition  2-4 pm Long Baby Shower  5 pm AWANA Store & Awards Night	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>24</b>  6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Mtg	<b>25</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>   Church Office Closed	<b>30</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>31</b>  6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.			
<b>Schedule of Services:</b> <b>Sunday</b> Worship - 10:00 am Sunday School - 8:45 am Adult Choir Rehearsal - 4:30 pm KidsPraise! Children's Choir - 5:30 pm AWANA - 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Sept.-May) Worship - 6:00 pm				<b>Wednesday</b> ESL Classes - 6:00 pm Children in Action & Mission Friends 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting - 6:30 pm Youth Service (In Youth House) - 6:30 pm Business Mtg. (2nd Wednesday) - 6:30 pm		

# The Church in Action



**Cracker Barrel Fellowship**  
**Wednesday, May 10**  
**10:15 a.m.**  
**Everyone is welcome!**  
(at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

**English as a Second  
Language Classes**  
**Each Wednesday**  
**6-7:30 pm**

**In the fellowship hall**  
Please see Pat Springer for  
more details.



## VBS is June 5-9

Using an outer space theme, we will present the gospel to the children of Spring Hill. Director Patty Welch continues to recruit helpers. The snack board is now up in the lobby. You can help by taking a card or two and purchasing the snacks listed and bring them back to the container so labeled. \*\*Please save your Pringles™ potato chip cans for a VBS craft project. Thank you!!



**VBS Open House for Workers, May 7, 1-4 pm, in the fellowship hall.** All workers will be introduced to the curriculum, music, snacks, and crafts.

\*\*\*VBS Registration available online at [www.fbspringhill.com](http://www.fbspringhill.com)



## Sunday, May 7, in the morning worship service

Hear **Mr. Edgar Harrell**, a 92 year old survivor of World War II and the sinking of the USS Indianapolis share how his faith sustained him. \*\*A Love Offering will be received for Mr. Harrell at the end of the service.



Do you like thinking outside the box? If so, FAITH Riders are looking for help serving our community outside the church. If you are interested in being the hands and feet of Jesus (or maybe riding a motorcycle), please join the FAITH Riders on Thursday, May 4, 6:30 pm at Sonic. You don't have to ride a motorcycle, you just have to love the Lord and be willing to serve. There's something for everyone. Questions or more info? See Mike Welch, Ben Barbre, or Bro. J.



**Future Growth Funding**  
\$7,400.39 in a Construction Acct.  
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank  
\$383,897.66 in a Building Fund  
at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

# KidCentral News...

May marks the end of the school year and the official start of summer!! No homework and special summer fun ahead!

## Children's Church Worker Schedule:

**May 7:** Misty & Jacob Robinson  
**May 14:** Kimberly Pullen & Laura Sparkman  
**May 21:** The Peters Family  
**May 28:** Eddie & Sharon Brawner



## AWANA Store & Awards Night

Sunday, May 21, 5:30 pm  
Sunday, May 7, is the last night to say Bible verses.

## Coming this summer...

Our six week "camp" for rising kindergartners through 6th graders begins June 25th at 6:00 pm. More details coming...but make plans now to **Put On The Full Armor of God** and join us! Last year was a GLOing good time!!

**Family Field Trip to Point Mallard Water Park**—more details to come. Questions? Email the Children's Ministry at [fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com](mailto:fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com)

**Want to stay updated on all the Children's and Family Ministry happenings?** Family information sheets are available in the KidsCentral office downstairs and at the nursery sign in desk. All things kids and family will be communicated through this group. Don't miss a minute - sign up today!!!



Sunday, May 14, 2017

Thanks to you, TN Baptist Children's Homes served 243 children and their families through residential and foster care in 2016. Since TBCH doesn't accept government funding, they rely solely on the gracious gifts of caring friends and churches. The Mother's Day Offering provides 36% of the annual operating budget. The state-wide goal is \$2,500,000.00. The offerings fell just short of that goal last year. Please pray now as to how you can support this important ministry. A special offering envelope will be provided in the bulletin on Mother's Day. Also pray for the children in the care of the homes and for God's provision so that care can continue to be provided to them.