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July is the month we celebrate Independence Day! We celebrate the freedom that we have as citizens of the United States. While you celebrate the freedom that we have in this country, please remember the freedom that we have in Christ. If it were not for Christ's sacrifice on the cross our freedom would mean very little, because we would still be under the bondage of sin. However, with salvation that Christ provides we have ultimate freedom; freedom from sin.



I remember a cartoon a couple of years ago in an issue of the *TN Baptist and Reflector*. The cartoon pictured a couple reading a letter. The caption read, "It's from our church. We've been called up for active duty." As we come to this time of the year it is again time that our Nominating Committee will be working to secure new officers and teachers for the next church year. I agree with the cartoon. I think it is time that all of our membership be on active duty. If there is a committee that you feel led to be a part of and you have the gifts to function on that committee, then tell us about it. We want people plugged in to areas that interest them and that will cause them to be excited about the work.

So, how will you respond? Will you be a sitter, a quitter, or a getter? A sitter says, "I just want to sit and enjoy doing nothing. It is easier to sit and think about my aches and pains and hope everything will be all right down at the church for next Sunday." A quitter says, "I quite: I taught a class once; I've served my time. I even visited a time or two. If anything is done, let somebody else do it." A getter says, "The more I evaluate God and His salvation plan for me, the more I just naturally want to do for Him. Even today He is preparing a place for me in eternity. If He has not stopped working for me, then I must get things done for Him here on earth."

Assume a place of leadership, weigh the positions prayerfully and respond as God leads. Say "Yes!" to the Nominating Committee: Say "Yes!" to the Lord.

Bro J

Church Library News

July Birthdays

Happy 4th of July!

Listen carefully! Jesus Christ opens the gate and looks at you and says, "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest. I will ease, relieve and refresh your souls." (Matthew 11:28)

Nothing complicated, no big fanfare, no hypnotic trance, no fee, no special password. Just come; unload. His provision is attainable and right. *You are my hiding place, You protect me from trouble. Psalm 32:7*

Here are a few books from our Library:

A Gift of Love by Charles Stanley. Love transforms! This gift has no boundaries, no limitations, and ultimately, the gift of love always triumphs. As you read this book, don't be surprised to find your heart opening more and more as you become molded into the image of Christ. God's gift of love and humanity.

The Glorious Journey by Charles Stanley. You will find guidance on various aspects of daily living such as relationships, employment and government, along with teachings on humility, greed and wisdom. The author also discusses faith, grace and repentance. Plus you will find commentary and insight on personal service and outreach.

God in You by David Jeremiah. If you belong to Jesus Christ, He is in you. He will change your life beyond anything you might dream. God in You is no dream, it's a truth as real as this morning's sunrise. This is clear Bible based, life-related teaching of a subject that has all the potential to turn your life upside-down...or maybe right side up.

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

1	Curtis DeLozier
2	Eli Johnson
3	Lorraine Brown
5	Madison Bailey
7	Forrest Lewis
	Noah Sparkman
8	Joe Stephens
	Ann Callis
	Linda Poteete
12	Roy Poteete
	Cindy Oakes
15	Dean Ploen
17	Glenda White
	Brandon Sparkman
19	Kimberly Pullen
20	Marlene Jackson
	Jerry McLain
	Brenda Emery
23	James McKee
	Echan Groves
24	Kamen Gilchrist
25	Allen Boshers
	Anita Wright
26	Ella Gallimore
28	Eva Ploen
31	Jenny Dudzinski

*Happy Birthday
to You!*



FROM THE CHURCH FAMILY

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE



Trish and I want to thank all of you who came and helped us move (the last time, I promise). We were overwhelmed at the turnout. Words are insufficient to say how much we appreciate you all. Neighbors on both ends of the move were incredulous when we told them our church was doing all of this. Each of you was a testimony for the Lord.

~Jerry Price



New Church Cookbook

Our original Church Cookbook was published in 2005. How great it would be to re-publish the original with additional recipes from new families and friends. So...gather your favorite recipes and get them to **Patty Welch by July 16**. If we hurry, the new cookbook may be printed before the holidays.



Kroger Community Rewards...FBCSH will receive a check in a few days from Kroger in the amount of \$166.49 as a donation based on the purchases of our registered Kroger Plus members. Currently 18 Kroger Plus cards are registered to our church. If

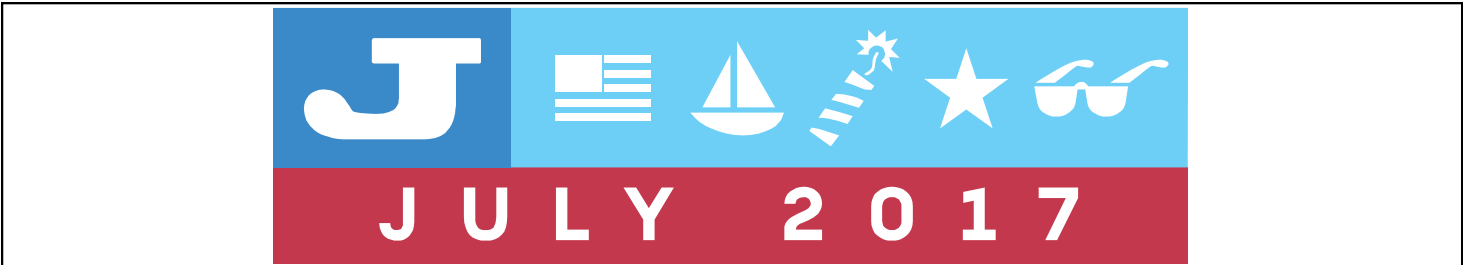
you have not registered your card, please go to our web site and click on the link there. It is easy to do—it benefits our church and allows Kroger to give back to the community.

Not a week passes that I don't show someone the great information available on your smart phone through the **Church Life App**. Go to your app store and search for **ACS Church Life**...And...It is FREE!! You have access to the church directory, online giving, your contribution records, and more. Download the app TODAY!! And remember you can also give by texting **FBCSH** to **73256** and follow the directions. It's super easy! Have questions or need help setting up the app—call me.

I can help!! Blessings...

Paula, Ministry Assistant





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The Church in Action



Cracker Barrel Fellowship
Wednesday, July 12
10:15 a.m.
Everyone is welcome!
(at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

KidCentral News...



Cool Kids continues!! Our 6-session "camp" for rising kindergarteners through rising 6th graders are welcome to join us on July 9, 16, 23, August 6 & 13 as we gear up with the **Full Armor of God**. Bible study and FUN Surprises await you each week, 6-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Children's Church Worker Schedule:

July 2: The Hester Family

July 9: Ben & Gena Barbre

July 16: Dale & Christi Ploen

July 23: Aaron & Amy Easton

July 30: No Children's Church

English as a Second Language Classes **are taking some time off** **the month of July**

John & Roxanna Boyle offer reading classes during July for those who would like to come. Regular ESL Classes will begin again on August 15th. For more information or to volunteer in this ministry, please see Pat Springer.



Open House

We are in our new home and are somewhat settled! We would love for our church family to drop by Sunday, July 9th between 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM to help us celebrate God's blessing.

Address and Directions

The Christian's
2526 Walpole Lane
Columbia TN 38401

From Spring Hill, take 31 South toward Columbia. Go past Spring Hill High School and turn right at the 2nd traffic light into **Arden Village**. Continue straight until you must turn right and then take an immediate left onto **Walpole Lane**. Our house is on the right. Watch for balloons on the mailbox!

**Please be aware that parking may be an issue and some may have to park at the end of the street.*

Looking forward to seeing you!

Bro. J and Mrs. Patty

Joshua 24:15



Future Growth Funding
\$18,400.39 in a Construction Acct.
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank
\$356,897.66 in a Building Fund
at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

Point Mallard Family Field Trip —date is still to be determined. If you would like to go, please email fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com so we can keep you informed.

Special Events for 3rd-6th Graders

Boys: Camp overnight at Henry Horton State Park, July 21. Dads are invited but not required. Cost is \$10 per person (includes campsite, devotions, dinner and breakfast) and is limited to 18 boys/dads. **Registration and payment is due no later than July 16.** For more details, see **Bruce Hull**.

Girls: Special night out at church, 6-9 pm, July 21. Join us for a night of food, crafts, and fun!! Cost is \$5 per person. **Registration and payment is due no later than July 16.**

Plans for AWANA 2017-2018 are well underway. We still need adult leaders - Yes, that means YOU!!!

Email: fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com to join our team.

Sunday, August 20 - Back to school bash and AWANA registration. Mark your calendars now!!

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!!!

Opportunities to serve: We have immediate needs for adult volunteers in Children's Church and Nursery Care. Please contact the church office or email fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com to join our team!