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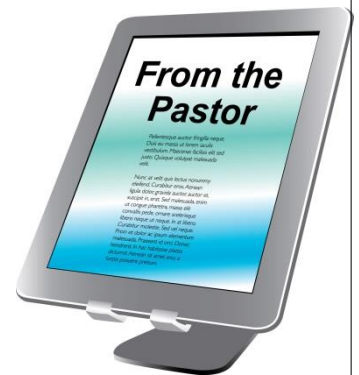
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The old saying is that "April showers bring May flowers." As we look around, we can see that is true. The flowers are blooming and the leaves are out on the trees and the grass is growing. Spring is definitely here. Spring always reminds me of the 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 experiencing the abundant life that Jesus promised.



May 10th 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 your mother and help these children by contributing to the Mother's Day Offering.

May is also graduation time. We have students that will be graduating this year. I want to personally congratulate them for their accomplishment. My heart goes out to them as we are in this time where they will not be getting to graduate like normal!

We are still going through this time of social distancing and wondering when things are going to get back to "normal" or if this will become our new "normal." I know everyone is anxious to come back to church and enjoy the fellowship again. Please hang on a little longer. As I am writing this article, we are waiting for Governor Lee's instructions for churches. As soon as we get clarification as to how and when we can come back together, we will keep you informed. I know that one of the things that we will have to do is clean and sanitize after every service. Unfortunately, we are unable to find Lysol® and sanitizing wipes at this time. We have searched the internet with no success. Custodial suppliers have none. Pray that these products will get back in stores or that we can find them somewhere. I'm looking forward to seeing you all soon!

I want to personally thank you for your faithfulness in giving during this time we have been going through. We are doing well financially thanks to each of you. I know God will bless you!

Library News

MAY – HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Jesus and His mother were enjoying a wedding feast in Cana. Mary noticed their hosts were running out of wine. Mary tells her son, Jesus, who up to this point has kept His divine power hidden. So Jesus pleased His mother by turning water into wine.

On this Mother's Day, remember when your heart is touched by a need – including your own – simply point it out to Jesus. Just don't tell Him how and when to fix it!! Instead, know He will remedy the need in His own time. Your role is to put it in His hands, do whatever God tells you and then watch God work a miracle.

Here are a few books from our Library...

Simple Christianity by Dave Brown. Understanding God and what He thinks of us isn't supposed to be that complicated. Simple Christianity takes the teaching of the Christian faith and makes them understandable and relevant. Mature Christians will have cause to reflect, encouraging them to experience more of God's presence and power in their lives. New Christians will get a head start on experiencing the life that God hopes for them. Non-Christian readers will understand what Christians believe and perhaps find themselves drawn to the life-changing love of Jesus.

Come Thirsty by Max Lucado. You're acquainted with physical thirst. Stop drinking and see what happens. Coherent thoughts vanish, skin grows clammy, and vital organs shut down. Deprive your body of necessary fluid and it will tell you. Deprive your soul of spiritual water, and it will tell you. Dehydrated hearts send desperate messages; Snarling tempers, waves of worry, growing guilt and fear, hopelessness, resentment, loneliness, and insecurity. But you don't have to live with a dehydrated heart. God invites you to treat your thirsty soul as you would treat your physical thirst. Just visit the Well and drink.

Yours in Christ,
Mary Robertson & Joan Frank

May Birthdays

1	Jodi Marcum Brandon Boshers Ryan Boshers
2	Maddie Long
4	Charles England
5	Caroline Lovely Collin Lovely
8	Audrey Vaughn
10	Amy Owens Shelby Burns
11	Deanie Moore
13	Tommy Usery
15	Terry Wilkins Pippa Howland
16	Brennan Johnson
17	Amanda Scoggin Jacob Robinson Ethan Stooksbury John Stooksbury
18	Randall Harp
19	Patty Christian Cris Peters Austin Walker Sully Howland Ava Burdett
20	Crystal Vaughn
22	Jon Andre
23	Mary Blake
24	Ainsley Easton Catherine Long
29	Cindy Gilley
31	Nick LaRose

*Happy Birthday
to You!*

Odds 'n Ends

From the Church Office:

Thank you for your donations to The Well. We are continuing to collect food items and monetary donations. Feel free to drop items off at the church during normal office hours. Honk your horn when you get here and we will gladly come out and pick up the items and keep our social distance. ☺

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving and willingness to help where needed. During April, we received \$1,355.00 for our Annie Armstrong Offering. Each year, on Mother's Day, we receive a special offering for the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes. FBCSH has always been very generous in giving to the Children's Homes so you may designate your offering and we will receive those gifts through the month of May.

When are we coming back together to worship?

We are asking for your continued patience as decisions are made regarding gathering to worship together. There are so many details that must be worked out – sanitizing the church facility, social distancing, size of gathering, masks, and so on. We are relying on guidance from the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board, Gov. Lee, and local government leaders. Until that time, Bro. J will continue his online sermons and Facebook live Bible studies. We will let you know as soon as a decision is made. And, as always, if anyone has any need of any kind, please contact the church office. We will do our best to meet the need.

Just because businesses are opening again, please don't let down your guard. Practice social distancing, wear a mask when you are out in the stores and around other people, don't touch your face, and wash your hands!! Stay safe and healthy!
Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Paula



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Wedding Rehearsal	2 2 pm Sanctuary in Use- Wedding
3	4	5	6	7  NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER	8 Wedding Rehearsal	9 Sanctuary in Use for small wedding – 1 pm
10 HAPPY Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25  MEMORIAL DAY	26	27	28	29	30
31	<p>Schedule of Services:</p> <p><u>Sunday</u> Sunday School – 8:45 am Worship – 10:00 am Adult Choir Rehearsal – 5:00 pm AWANA – 6:00 pm (Sept.-May) Youth ENCOUNTER – 6:00 pm Worship – 6:00 pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday</u> Children's Ministry – 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting – 6:30 pm Business Meeting – 6:30 pm (2nd Wednesday)</p>					