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Ministry Assistant Paula Zimmer As I am writing this article for this newsletter, it is now officially Spring. However, today it is raining and cold! I am looking forward to when I can look out the window and see the sun shining and everything looking like Spring. I love the new life of Spring. The flowers begin to bloom, the grass turns green, leaves come out on the trees, and the birds seem to sing a little bit louder. Spring reminds us of new life and new beginnings.



Some two-thousand plus years ago was also a day of new life and new beginnings. The Lord Jesus Christ came out of the tomb—ALIVE! As a result we can and do have new life in Him. Because of His sacrifice, a person can have a new beginning. One can be forgiven of the sins of the past and look forward to a new life in Him. That is what the message of Christ's resurrection is all about. I hope that you will celebrate this Easter with a renewed zeal for doing the Lord's work. Invite someone to come with you on Easter Sunday (April 1st) so that they might come to Jesus for new life!

We have voted to have a pictorial directory made for the church. We will be having the family portraits made next month on May 10-12, & 21, 2018. We are already making appointments for the portraits to be taken. Please sign up and get your portrait taken so every family is in our directory. This will help as people need to put a name with a face and need a phone number. A free family portrait and directory is given to each participating family. Make sure your family is one of them!

As we enter into April, I also ask that you begin to pray for our ministry assistant, Paula. She will be having surgery on April 12th. She will be out of the office from April 12-20th recuperating and healing. Pray for a successful surgery and a quick recovery. Hopefully, Josh and I will survive while she is out of the office!!! If you need anything you can still call the office and maybe we can help you.



Bro J

Church Library News

April - Happy Easter!

What does it mean to be a person after God's own heart? Seems to us, it means that you are a person whose life is in harmony with the Lord. What is important to Him is important to you. What burdens Him burdens you. When He says, "Go to the right," you go to the right. When He says, "Stop that in your life," you stop it. When He says, "This is wrong and I want you to change," you come to terms with it because you have a heart for God. That's bottom-line biblical Christianity.

Proverbs 22:4 By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honor and life

Prayer our church family has a blessed and happy Easter.

Here are a few books from our Library:

He Chose the Nails by Max Lucado. Linger on the Hill of Calvary, rub a finger on the timber, and press the nail into your hand. Taste the tinge of cheap wine and feel the scrape of a thorn on your brow; touch the velvet dire, moist with the blood of God; allow the tools of torture to tell their story. Listen as they tell you what God did to win your heart.

<u>Power of the Cross</u> by Tim LaHaye. Whether you're a longtime believer or someone who is searching, you're about to discover what you always wanted to know. Yes, God not only exists, but he's reaching the world today, one person at a time, transforming lives and empowering His children to live anew.

The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancey. The author looks at the radical words of this itinerant Jewish carpenter and asks whether we are taking Him seriously enough in our own day and age. From the manger in Bethlehem to the cross in Jerusale, the author presents a complex character who generates questions as well as answers.

Yours in Christ, Mary Robertson, Vivienne Okma,

April Birthdays

- 2 Mary Hester
- 4 Bob Woodby
- 5 Paul Hahn
- 6 Evangeline Gallimore
- 7 Patty Welch
- 8 Linda McLain
- 10 Margaret Billmyer Meredith Warren
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- 11 Teagan Johnson
- 12 Clyde Hicks
- 13 Carrie Hull
- 17 Rusty Robinson
- 18 Trisha Price
 - Paula Andre
- 20 Lucy Luker
- 21 Hanna DeLozier Cameron Mayton
- 22 Brenda McKee
- 24 Cynthia Huntzinger
- 29 Cherie Woodby
- 30 Julie Crotzer





From the Church Office

In preparation for the printing of a new church pictorial directory, there will be a printed roster on the sign-up table in the lobby. Please check your name out on that roster and if there is any incorrect or missing information, please complete a *Church Data Base Update*



sheet and leave it in the box on the office door. We want all those attending FBCSH to be included in our directory AND in our data base. We don't want to leave anyone out!



One of the great things about updating our information for a directory is that our online directory and *Church Life App* can be updated, also. Yes, there is an app for that!! Go to your app store and download ACS Church Life — *it is free!* If you have not logged on to our online directory at our web

site, then call the church office and we'll get you hooked up. If you already sign in to the web site, you will use the same user name and password to log in to the app. You not only have access to a directory, you can make contributions to the church through the app and even look at your own contribution record.

And the app works in conjunction with the Google Maps app so if you need directions, tap the address and the map will come up. Want to call someone from the directory? Just tap the number and your smart phone will dial the number. If you have any questions, just call the office.

Reminder: There is a master calendar in the church office. Please call the office to schedule an activity to be sure the date is available. Also, always let the office know announcements for your activity—if we don't know we can't publicize your event adequately. Not everyone sees Facebook. We want to be able to let <u>everyone</u> know about the happenings at FBCSH. Thank you for your help with this.

As Bro. J said in his article, I will be out of the office April 12-20 recovering from surgery. I will be preparing and printing bulletins for *April 15 & 22* on *April 11*, so if you have anything that needs to be included in those publications, please have it to the office by *Monday*, *April 9th*. I appreciate your prayers for a speedy recovery—this is not a life-threatening procedure, just a big inconvenience that must be taken care of before it worsens. I will be working from home & not completely out of pocket. Please be patient with the guys and I will do my best to get back here as quickly as possible.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you!

Schedule of Services: Sunday Worship - 10:00 am Sunday School - 8:45 am Adult Choir Rehearsal - 4:30 pm

AWANA - 6:00 - 7:00 pm (Sept.-May)

Worship - 6:00 pm

<u>Wednesday</u> ESL Classes - 6:00 pm Children in Action & Mission Friends Prayer Meeting - 6:30 pm Youth Service (In Youth House) - 6:30 pm Business Mtg. (2nd Wednesday) - 6:30 pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EASTER SUNDAY 6 am Slavic Church Sunrise Service No Evening Activities	2 6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Study	3 10 am Ladies' Bible Study	4 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30pm Prayer Mtg. Mission Friends, Children in Action	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	6 9 am Homeschool facility in use	7
8 Deacons' Meeting 6 pm AWANA-Super Hero Night 15 6 pm Lord's Supper 6 pm AWANA- Regular Meeting 22 6 pm AWANA- Regular Meeting 29 Graduate Recognition in Morning Service	6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Study 16 6-8 pm Homeschool End of Year Program (facility in use) 30	10 10 am Ladies' Bible Study 17 5:30-8 pm DAR Meeting (Facility in Use) 24	11 10:15 am Cracker Barrel Fellowship 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30pm Business Mtg. Mission Friends, Children in Action 18 9:30 am Homeschool Facility in Use 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30pm Prayer Mtg. Mission Friends, Children in Action 25 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30pm Prayer Mtg., Mission Friends, Children in Action	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study 6 pm Boy Scouts 26 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	9 am Homeschool facility in use 5 pm Youth Drive-Thru BBQ Fundraiser	21 6 pm Youth Game Night 28 9 am Ladies' Spring Gathering 3-5 pm Homeschool Graduation & Reception (Facility in use)
Covered Dish Dinner 5th Sunday—No Evening Activities				3		
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Our Church in Action



Cracker Barrel Fellowship Wednesday, April 11, 10:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome! (at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

English as a Second Language Classes Every Wednesday, 6 pm

For more information or to volunteer in this ministry, please see Pat Springer.



GAME ON! VBS 2018

VBS is just around the corner (June 4-8) and director, Patty Welch is in need of our help. The sports theme for VBS

requires sports themed decorations. Patty is looking for baseball, football, basketball, and soccer equipment that you would be willing to allow to be used as decorations. She would like jerseys from local school teams and Predators Hockey jerseys for display. All of the items would be returned to you—you are just loaning them to VBS. Please contact Patty (615-308-9114) to let her know how you can help!



The Women's Ministry Invites you to a Spring Gathering Saturday, April 28, 9:00 am RSVP by April 20

We'll be "sowing seeds of faith" with special guest speaker, Olivia Haley, Ms. Senior America 2008. Olivia is from Nolensville, TN, a mother of two, and grandmother of five. Join us for a relaxed time of fellowship, music, food, fun, and of course, Door Prizes!!



Future Growth Funding

\$12,593.46 in a Construction Acct. at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank \$362,097.71 in a Building Fund at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

Kidcentral News...

Children's Church Worker Schedule:

April 1: No Children's Church April 8: Tom & Linda Hagerty April 15: Ben & Gena Barbre April 22: Aaron & Amy Easton April 29: No Children's Church



AWANA Schedule

April 1: No AWANA
April 8: Super Hero Night
April 15: Regular Meeting
April 22: Regular Meeting
April 29: 5th Sunday—No Meeting

AWANA Store

There are just a few weeks left in our AWANA year. We need to stock the store!! You can help by bringing an unwrapped toy for kids, ages 4-12...Boys & Girls...Small things and Big things. Please place donations in the GIANT Tub in the lobby through the month of April.

You may not be aware that the kids earn AWANA Bucks throughout the year. The last night of AWANA for this year (May 20), the kids get to spend those Bucks in the AWANA store. So please, help **stock the shelves!** We appreciate anything you can do!!

Questions? Julie Crotzer and / or Misti Boshers are ready to fill in all the details.

Graduate Recognition Day Sunday, April 29, 10:00 am

Josh Howland needs the names of all graduates by Sunday, April 22. There is something great being planned, so see Josh ASAP so that your student is included.



YOUTH FUNDRAISER—DRIVE-THRU BBQ MEAL

Friday, April 20. 5-7 pm, \$10 per meal

Help our youth earn money for summer camp. Meal includes BBQ sandwich and side items. Tickets are on sale now and must be purchased by **Sunday, April 15.** Questions? See Josh Howland.



5th Sunday Covered Dish Dinner Sunday, April 29 following the morning worship service.

Bring your favorite dish (enough to share) and join in a special time of fellowship & great food!

There will be NO Evening Activities.