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Custodian Rhonda Purtle As we enter into August, let us work hard to build up our attendance. I realize that many will still try to get in that last bit of vacation before school starts



back, but we need to be inviting others to come and join our Sunday School and Worship. Look at your class and see who is missing and give them a call and encourage them to come back to Sunday School.

I want to share this little poem with you:

BUILDING OR WRECKING CREW

Ten little church members came to worship all the time; One fell out with the preacher and then there were nine. Nine little members stayed up late; One overslept, and then there were eight. Seven little church members chirping like chicks; One didn't like the music, now there are six. Five little church members pulling for heaven's shore, One got tired and disgruntled and this left four. Four little church members busy as can be, But one got his feelings hurt and now there are three. Three little church members and the story is almost done; For two of them got weary and this left one. Now everybody knows there's not much one can do, But one brought a friend last month and then there were two. Two church members and each won one more; Now don't you see? 2+2 make four. Four church members worked early and late. Each brought someone and now there are eight. Have you got the message pointed and true? Come on folks, we've got a job to do. For you see these eight church members, if they double as before, In just seven weeks would have 1,024. In this little jingle there is a lesson true.

You belong to one or the other —

The building or wrecking crew.

Be a part of the building crew & help build our church!

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Church Library News

August — Giving Time to God. Our children are starting school this month and some of you will have a little more time. We all have busy lives and families which make our free time precious. By setting a time everyday to spend with God we become people who will know God a little better and have the wisdom He wants us to acquire, not only about Him, but about each other. When we do it daily we become aware of God in our lives, not just occasionally, but every day, so a simple prayer or just saying His name can tell you the He is with you. You are not alone.

We would like to thank Kathy Miller and Vivienne Okma for the many wonderful books they donated to our Library. They are very much appreciated.

Here are a few books from our Library...

<u>In Step with God</u> by Charles Stanley. The more we learn about God, the more our lives change. We learn to rest in the fact that He is at work. He is sovereign, in control, and willing to guide us at every turn. Could God have spared me from disappointment? Yes, but that was not His way or His plan for my life. Dr. Stanley counsels people to be still and ask God to show them what they need to learn in any situation. Draw near to God and learn His ways so that you may know and experience the great depths of His love.

<u>Drawing Closer</u> by Glen Martin & Dian Ginter. The authors want you to understand God's attributes and how His character will allow you to trust Him in every area of your life. You will embark on a journey unlike any you have traveled, and you will see that this book is the road to genuine joy and ultimate security.

<u>Approaching God</u> by Steve Brown. We can come to God without fear and without a concern for "sophistication and slickness." The author explores the practical side of praying-the amount of time we give to it, the time of day, even the most helpful posture. And he helps us understand the deeper side of prayer-the awe and wonder of relating to a great God.

Yours in Christ,

Lorraine Brown, Mary Robertson, & Joan Frank

August Birthdays

- Shelia Chitwood
- 2 Betty Gentry Addison Burns

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- 4 Zachary Sharp Taryn Tidwell
- 6 Kathy King
- 7 Andy Burdett Eva Terrillion
- 8 Sharon Brawner Chance Bland
- 9 Shirley Young
- 10 Robert McArtorBobby WhisnantBrent JohnsonAmy Howland
- 14 Sharon Grace
- 15 Julie Hull
- 16 Misti Boshers
- 20 Martin Welch
- 21 Keith Groves
- Pam Anderson 22 Carl Dorminey
- 24 Amos Jarman
- 27 Tom Hagerty
- Fabienne Apollon
 28 Heather Blevins
- 31 Vicki James

Happy Birthday
To You!



Worship Quote of the Month

The Old Hymns

Sometimes we may think that we are the first generation of Christians to experience intense discussions over appropriate texts, instrumentation, and musical styles for corporate worship. Not so! Today's worship quote of the month is taken from the preface of a "new hymnal"...

"For some years it has been apparent that the rage for novelties in singing, especially in our Sunday Schools has been driving out of use the old, precious, standard hymns. They are not memorized as of old. They are scarcely sung at all. They are not even contained in the undenominational songbooks which in many churches have usurped the place of our hymn books.

We cannot afford to lose these old hymns. They are full of the Gospel; they breathe the deepest emotions of pious hearts in the noblest strains of poetry; they have been tested and approved by successive generations of those that loved the Lord; they are the surviving fittest ones from thousands of inferior productions; they are hallowed by abundant usefulness and tenderest memories. But the young people of today are unfamiliar with them, and will seldom hear many of them, if the present tendency goes on unchecked." (from the preface of MANLY'S CHOICE: A NEW SELECTION OF APPROVED HYMNS FOR BAPTIST CHURCHES, Louisville, KY: Baptist Book Concern, 1891)

The author is Basil Manly, Jr., one of the four founding faculty members of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville KY. His argument, even 123 years ago, is that we can't afford to lose the old hymns. Does this sound like it could have been written in 2014?



Sun	1	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	6-8 pm Children in Action Friendship Fun Night	1
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5-7PM	57/			6:30pm Prayer Mtg.	'		
10		11	12	13 10:15 Cracker Barrel Fellowship	9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	15	8:30 am Ladies' Breakfast Family Connection Canoe Trip
17		18	19	6:30pm Business Mtg.	21 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	22	23
		September Newsletter Articles due in office		6:30pm Prayer Mtg.			
24		25	26	28	28	29	30
					9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study		
				6:30pm Prayer Mtg.			
31		<u>Sunday</u> Worship Sunday S Adult Cl Disciple	e of Services: (Summer Schedule - 10:00 am School - 8:45 am noir Rehearsal - 4: ship Training - 5:0 & Youth Svc 6	00 pm 00 pm		- 6:30 pm (In Youth House) - (2nd Wednesday) -	

The Church in Action



Saturday, August 9 8:00 am

Please see Ben Barbre for more information. (callmedoubleb@gmail.com)

Saturday, August 16 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall





Friday, August 1st, 6-8 pm, the Children in Action (along with the Children's Activities Team) are hosting Friendship Fun Night for boys and girls in grades 1-6. Join us in the fellowship hall for an Underwater Candy Shop Adventure—food, crafts, and games. To go along with our theme, we are requesting

donations of bags of unwrapped candies-gummy things, **M&M's**, **Skittles**, **jelly beans**—really anything that looks fun!. We need candy sprinkles and tubs of vanilla frosting, as well. There is a basket in the church lobby for your donations. Thank you so much for your help with this!

For questions or more info, ask Heather Richardson (931.691.0895) or Julie Hull (615.476.9522).

Financial Peace University

We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan! It teaches God's ways of handling money. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more!

The 9 week course begins, Tuesday, September 9th at 6:30pm. Membership kits are \$99 and can be purchased at daveramsey.com. For more information, call Bruce 615.476.4548 or Julie 615.476.9522.

Future Growth Funding

\$139,060.14 in a Construction Acct. at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank \$360,289.58 in a Building Fund at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.



Family



For our August Family Connection, we will be canoeing down the Duck River on Saturday, August 16th. **Please note we are moving the day from the regular third Friday of the month. The trip is expected to last approximately three hours. Departure time TBD. There will be a picnic at some point in our day as well depending on what time we get started canoeing. The cost of a canoe rental is \$40 (fits 2 adults and 1 or 2 small children). We need to reserve the canoes by the 1st of August. Please call or text Heather Richardson at 931-691-0895 ASAP if you would like to go or for more info. Everyone is welcome!!



Cracker Barrel
Fellowship
Wednesday,
July 9
10:15 a.m.
Everyone is welcome

(at The Crossings in Spring Hill)



Thank Y ou...

...Thank you to our church family for all the thoughts, prayers, and cards during the loss of my mother. It means so much to us to have you all as our family. Love, Adam & Julie Crotzer.

...First Baptist Church Family, Thank you for the food, prayers, and support extended to our family in a time of great need. Know that all your support is greatly appreciated. Please keep our family in your prayers as we go through this most difficult time. In Christ, The Washington Family

...Dearest Church Family, Thank you so much for all your prayers! What an awesome and amazing God we have who hears and answers our prayers. Roger is improving and we are praising and thanking God for His continual love and care. We are so grateful to all those who gave to our "big" care basket; what a thoughtful gift! We have been enjoying its bounty each day and it has made my stay at the hospital much easier. Thank you all for your love and caring spirit. We are so blessed to be a part of the FBCSH Family. With gratitude and appreciation, Tricean and Roger Robertson

