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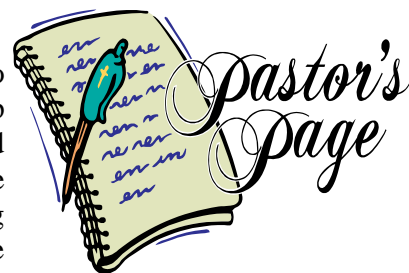
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In 1 Peter 2:25 Peter uses a couple of names to describe Jesus. He says, "For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls." When Peter applies the name "Shepherd" to Jesus he is telling us something about what Jesus does. As a shepherd guided the sheep, even so Jesus guides the believer.



People are guided by many different things today. Some are guided by their peers. They do what the crowd is doing. Some are guided by their passions. Whatever feels good is what they do. Others are guided by their perceptions. Whatever seems to be right in their mind is what they do. However, our peers are sometimes wrong. Our passions are often distorted. Our perceptions are sometimes confused. We need something more reliable, and we have it in Jesus. Those who believe in Him, listen to Him, and follow Him have found Him to be a guide who has led them into full and abundant life.

The other name Peter uses in this vers is that of "Overseer." When Peter calls Him our overseer he is declaring that Jesus also guards us. He guards our souls. At times He will guard us by delivering us **from** our trouble. He did this for Paul in Acts 9:25. At other times He will deliver us **through** our troubles as He did for Paul in Acts 14:19-21.

There is something special about the name of Jesus. Philippians 2:9-10 says about Jesus, "Therefore God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father." Acts 4:12 tells us, "Nor is there salvation in any other (Jesus); for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." I agree with our chorus: "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus; There's just something about that name!" Proclaim Jesus to those around you, so that they, too, may call upon Him and then be guided and guarded by Him.

Bro J

Church Library News

March - Conformed

Conformed means to make the same or similar, to bring into agreement, accepting without question, customs, traditions, opinions. As Christians we are NOT to be conformed to this world. We are to be different. We do not set our standards according to this world.

Romans 12:2: *Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*

The world doesn't forgive or say I understand, but God understands and forgives. It's vital that we understand how God wants us to live. Let's read our Bibles and know more about God everyday. Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform us by changing the way we think. Be a child of God, not a child of this world.

Here are a few books from our Library:

Living With Confidence in a Chaotic World by Dr. David Jeremiah. What does it truly mean to "Wait on the Lord"? What is Jesus saying to our chaotic world today? How on earth did we get into this mess? Can we take a broken world and rebuild it into something fruitful? The author shows us all that with the power and love of Almighty God, we can live with confidence in this age of turmoil.

Finding Peace by Charles Stanley. In this book the author shows the way to life-changing peace of mind. This book offers the tools for resolving past failures and regrets, for facing present concerns, and for soothing apprehensions about the future. This is an essential read for all who wrestle with daily turmoil in this world.

Prayer, Does It Make Any Difference? By Philip Yancey. Does prayer work? More personally, does it work the way we think it should? This book explores the questions surrounding prayer that many of us wonder but few of us know how to express.

Yours in Christ,

Mary Robertson, Vivienne Okma, & Joan Frank

March Birthdays

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| 2 | Monty Bland |
| 4 | Jarrett DeLozier |
| 8 | Aaron Easton |
| | Laura Sparkman |
| | Tissy Peters |
| 9 | Sylvia Hafner |
| | J C Christian |
| | Kendall Hayes |
| | Todd Purtle |
| 10 | Davis Burkhalter |
| 11 | Christie Johnson |
| 13 | Troy Watkins |
| 15 | Clay Robinson |
| 15 | Emma Robinson |
| 18 | Dorothy Lawrence |
| | Susan Warren |
| | Paulette Hart |
| | Christy Ploen |
| 19 | Margaret Gray |
| 23 | Byron Gallimore |
| | Brandy Robinson |
| 24 | Clara Roman |
| | Chris LeMay |
| 25 | Lisa Pelayo |
| 26 | Mike Welch |
| 27 | Nanett Hayes |
| | Adam Crotzer |
| 28 | Melba Norris |
| | Connor Hull |
| 30 | Benji Robinson |
| | Josh Howland |

*Happy Birthday
to You!*



Student Ministry News



Sunday Brunch

Sunday, March 5th, we will have a Sunday brunch for the students in the youth house during the Sunday School hour. We will provide all the food -- You provide the youth!

Parent Meeting for Summer Camp

Wednesday, March 8th, after Youth group we will have a short meeting about the IMPACT Summer Camp. There will be some important information given. Please make plans to be there.



Progressive Dinner

Friday, March 17th, we will embark on a Progressive Dinner, leaving the church at 5:30 pm and going to different homes for appetizers, salad, entrée, and dessert. Josh needs to know by March 12 if you are going. Remember to wear green!!

Women's Ministry News



Ladies' Prayer Group - Please note change in day & time. During the 7-week ladies' Bible Study, the prayer group will now meet on Monday mornings at 8:30 am.

Ladies' Bible Study begins Monday, March 6, 10 am & 6 pm in the fellowship hall.

Linda Bland facilitates this study. Please see her to purchase your materials (\$12.99) or for more information. All ladies of the church and community are invited to join this study.

Thank you to all who supported the Love Notes Brunch. The next Saturday event for the Women's Ministry is a tea on March 6th at 10 am. The theme is "Teapots of Character." Mark your calendars now!

Coming in April - Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer & Easter Offering. Church Goal: \$2,500.00. Begin praying now how God will use you in this special effort for North American missions.



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| 5 9 am Youth Brunch Deacons' Mtg. 5:30 pm KidsPraise! 6 pm AWANA - Crazy Sock Night | 6 8:30 am Ladies' Prayer Group 10 am & 6 pm Ladies' Bible Study | 7 | 8 10:15 am Cracker Barrel Fellowship 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Business Mtg | 9 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study Happy Birthday! To Bro. J! | 10 | 11 Turn Clocks Ahead 1hr. |
| 12 5:30 pm KidsPraise! 6 pm AWANA | 13 8:30 am Ladies' Prayer Group 10 am & 6 pm Ladies' Bible Study | 14 | 15 6 pm ESL Classes 6:30 pm Prayer Mtg | 16 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study Boy Scouts | 17 St. Patrick's Day 5:30 pm Youth Progressive Dinner | 18 |
| 19 5:30 pm KidsPraise! 6 pm AWANA | 20 8:30 am Ladies' Prayer Group FIRST DAY of Spring | 21 | 22 | 23 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study | 24 | 25 |
| Williamson County Schools Spring Break | | | | | | |
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| | Schedule of Services: Sunday 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 | | | Wednesday 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 | | |
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The Church in Action



Cracker Barrel Fellowship
Wednesday, March 8
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

We will soon be scheduling another time for training for anyone who would like to teach English to our precious international friends living in our community. Please see Pat Springer for more details.



Mark Your Calendar!!
Men's Breakfast
Saturday, March 4, 8:00 am

John Boyle will prepare breakfast!
All men invited!

**VBS Will Be Here Before
We Know It!**

Using an outer space theme, we will be presenting the gospel to the children of Spring Hill. Director Patty Welch is now recruiting workers and helpers. Please contact Patty (615-308-9114) and let her know **NOW** your willingness to serve in this important ministry of our church.

****Please save your Pringles™ potato chip cans for a VBS craft project. Thank you!!**



Future Growth Funding
\$14,191.71 in a Construction Acct.
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank
\$376,734.38 in a Building Fund
at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS
Happy Spring!

With flue season (hopefully) behind us, we look forward to seeing many of you back among us!! Here's what's happening at KidCentral:



Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt

**Our Easter Egg Hunt
needs a Leadership Team!!**

*If you are willing to organize this event, please
contact us at*

fbcshchildrensministry@gmail.com



There are only **9 weeks** left in our **AWANA** year. That means we need to stock the store!! You can help by bringing an unwrapped toy for kids aged 3-12...Boys & Girls...Small things and big things...Donations can be placed in the box in the lobby and will be accepted through April 30th.



Coming Saturday, April 22nd, 4 pm

A Family connection Picnic!!
Details coming soon
but mark your calendars
Now!

Children's Church Worker Schedule:

March 5: Brent & Christie Johnson
March 12: Adam & Crystal Vaughn
March 19: Daniel Gilley & Misti Boshers
March 26: Rhonda Purtle & Tyler Robinson



**You're Invited to a Baby
Shower**
honoring Ava Claire Burdett
Sunday, March 19, 2-4 pm
In the Fellowship Hall

(Parents are Andy & Rachel Burdett
and Proud Grandparents are Vern & Nita Burdett)

They are registered at **Target™**. Ava's nursery colors are peach, gold, & cream. Please join us to welcome this precious blessing!