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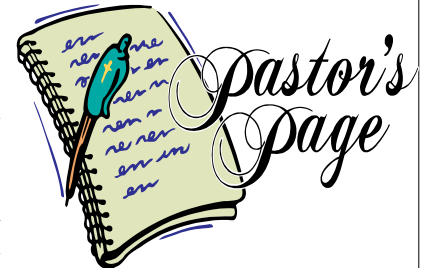
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This month we will celebrate Independence Day in this nation. Independence was declared on July 4, 1776, which was 243 years ago. That independence was bought with the blood of those who were brave enough to freely give their lives in order to establish and defend a nation like none the world had ever known. They had a dream that we would be a city set on a hill that would serve as a shining light to all the nations of the earth. They had a dream that justice and righteousness would reign from the White House to the State House to the individual family's house. And men were more than willing to let their blood be shed to keep that dream alive.



After America declared her independence from Great Britain, John Adams shared the sentiments of the great majority of our forefathers when he said this in an address before the Continental Congress: "Live or die; sink or swim; survive or perish; I am committed to this Declaration of Independence. I am committed, and if God wills it, I am ready to die that this nation may be free." The sentiment echoed in that stirring speech reflected the national will well beyond those beginning days, well beyond the bitter Civil War of 1861-1865, and into this early part of the 21st century. And every year at this time we are reminded of that lofty dream, that national resolve, and those noble sacrifices made to protect the dream and defend our freedom.

Now over two centuries after America won her independence from Great Britain, we ponder what tomorrow will be like in America. Is there that same national will and selfless resolve that helped make us great to begin with? If our forefathers could somehow know what America would be like in July of 2019, would they be able to declare that their dream is still alive and well? Is the America we now know the America they had in mind? Could their cry for liberty have really included sanctioning marriage between two people of the same sex? Could their insistence on individual liberty actually have meant they wanted our society to claim the right to take the lives of millions of unborn children? Would our forefathers want our nation to change from a free market society to become a socialist state? And do we still have the national will and resolve to stand up for right and oppose evil; or are we now being so overrun with evil that those who oppose it find themselves in a swiftly shrinking minority? Is this the United States of America they had in mind? I don't think so! We need to cry out to God as 2 Chronicles 7:14 says and turn from our wicked ways and ask God to forgive our sins and heal our land!

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Library News

JULY – Happy July 4th!

On our nation's birthday, pray for our leaders, our freedoms, especially our freedom to worship God, read the Bible and study His laws.

But most of all, remember that even on this Independence Day, you remain dependent on God the Father, Jesus the son, and the Holy Spirit. And as we remain dependent on them, let us spread the light, the glory, the wonder and spirit of God's word. With God's wisdom and in His power, the Holy Spirit will instruct you from there.

Psalm 104:24, 27: *O Lord, how many and varied are your works!! In wisdom have You made them all: the earth is full of Your riches and Your creatures...These all wait and are dependent upon You.*

Here are a few books from our Library...

What Matters Most by Tony Evans. What does it mean to be like Christ? Knowledge alone will not make a person a disciple: knowledge must be coupled with the skill that comes from using what you know. That can happen only in a relationship with Christ lived out among other believers. This process is called discipleship. It consists of four essential elements: worship, fellowship, education, outreach.

Worship is a Verb by Robert E. Webber. In this life-changing book, the author declares that worship is not something done to us or for us, but by us. It is the most exhaustive demonstration of our faith and the most intimate form of relationship we can have with our Savior. This book will show you how to leave the dull confines of the pew and enter the courts of the Living God.

Yours in Christ, Mary Robertson & Joan Frank

**CHECK OUT THE LIBRARY!!
THERE ARE BOOKS FOR ALL AGES!**

July Birthdays

1	Cricket Sehr
	Curtis DeLozier
3	Lorraine Brown
5	Madison Bailey
6	Amanda Bartley
7	Noah Sparkman
8	Joe Stephens
	Ann Callis
	Linda Poteete
10	Britany Luker
12	Roy Poteete
	Dana Modena
16	Dean Ploen
17	Glenda White
	Elizabeth Mefferd
	Brandon Sparkman
18	Daniel Bartley
19	Kimberly Pullen
20	Marlene Jackson
	Jerry McLain
21	Patrick Weston
23	Echan Groves
25	Allen Boshers
	Anita Wright
26	Ella Gallimore
28	Eva Ploen
31	Jenny Dudzinski

*Happy Birthday
to You!*

Community Resources Report

From the Church Office



The Pregnancy Centers of Middle Tennessee

2019 First Quarter statistics have been released from the Pregnancy Centers. They continue to do amazing pro-life work on a part-time basis in Columbia and Spring Hill. The Staff conducted 341 parenting classes, 27 ultrasounds, 20 pregnancy tests, and distributed over

2,600 materials.

The Jail ministry included 45 budget classes and 62 parenting classes. Twenty inmates have graduated from two of the budget and parenting classes. One inmate has requested a mentor upon release.

If you are interested in volunteering and helping the Pregnancy Centers in any way, please contact Kathy Cook at the Pregnancy Centers, 704 Dunnington St., Columbia (931-381-4024) or 2206 Spedale Ct., Ste. 4, Spring Hill (615-302-2200). Hours of operation are: Tuesday & Wednesday, 9am – 4 pm, Thursday 9 am – 4 pm (Columbia location only). Email: info@pcofmt.org. Check out their web site for more information: www.pcofmont.org.

Reminders...

Pray Maury sponsors **Prayer on the Square** in front of the courthouse in Columbia the 2nd Thursday of each month at Noon. All in the community are invited to come to this time of prayer.

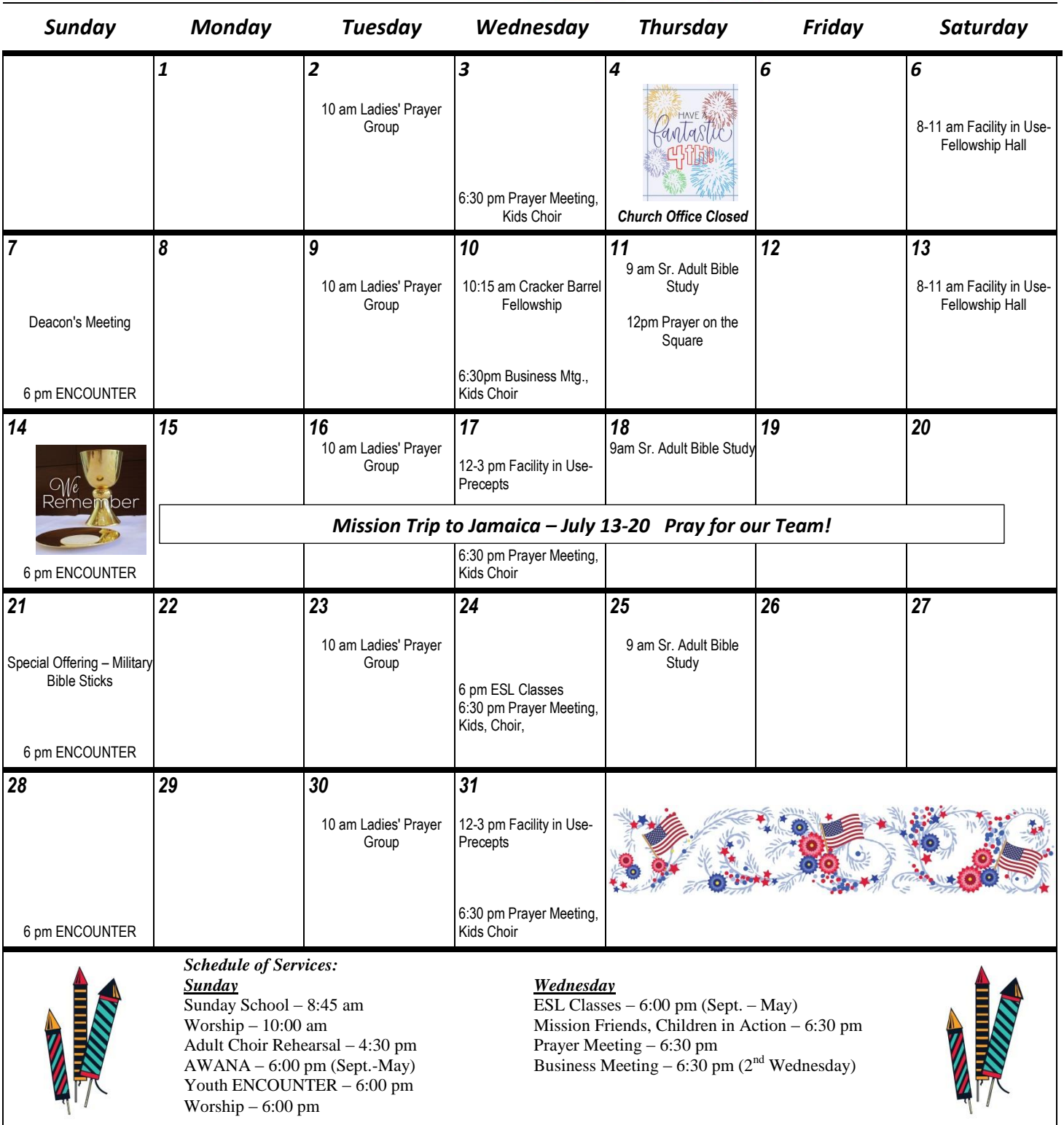
Summer is in full-swing...

It's the time for vacations and short trips out of town. Remember that all the functions of FBCSH continue even when you are away. We have made it easy for you to continue to give to the church even when you are out of town. Online Giving is available through our website, as well as through the free **Church Life** app, or by texting FBCSH to 73256.

Please be sure and let the church office know of any activities or events happening this summer so they are reflected on the calendar and promoted in the bulletin & newsletters.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you! Have a great July!!

Paula, Ministry Assistant



Our Church in Action



Cracker Barrel Fellowship
Wednesday, July 10,
10:15 am
Everyone is Welcome!
 (at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

KidCentral News...



Schedule

July 7: Allen & Misti Boshers
July 14: Tom & Linda Hagerty
July 21: Julie Crotzer & Helper Needed
July 28: Aaron & Amy Easton

English as a Second Language
has been suspended for the summer. More trained leaders are needed for this ministry. Please contact Pat Springer (patspr2@juno.com) for more information.

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The Jamaica Mission Team thanks you for your generous support as they have prepared for their trip. Please pray for their ministry to the people of Jamaica, for their travel safety, and health while they are away July 13-20. **Team Members:** Brent Johnson; Josh Howland; David & Meredith Warren; Judson & Rachel Hester; Caroline Lovely; Baily Byrne; Annabelle & Isaac Weston; Bryan, Olivia, & Lily Crawford; Chuck & Tyson Peters; Brandy & Tyler Robinson; Cynthia & Ella Huntzinger.



Childcare Available

Nursery Desk Schedule

July 7: Aaron Easton
July 14: Adam Vaughn
July 21: Doug Williams
July 28: Benji Robinson



We are preparing all year to fill shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child 2019**. Each month will have specific items needed and everyone can participate! The month of **July** we are asking for **CLOTHING ITEMS – socks, small child-size flip-flops, child's shirts, and children's underwear**. Collection container is in the Sr. Ladies SS Classroom. Thank you!

GREETERS SCHEDULE

July 7: Dan & Jan LaRose
July 14: Willie & Shirleen Mangrum
July 21: Linda Bland & Caroline Lovely
July 28: Melanie Brandon & Sharon Grace



Future Growth Funding
 \$38,048.08 in a Construction Acct.
 at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank
 \$318,896.05 in a Building Fund
 at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.



Background Checks

Everyone who works with children age birth through 18 years old must have a completed background check. Please contact the church office so that you may be sent the link to complete the check online. Thank you.



Thank you for your wonderful response to the food needs for The Well. **Current High Needs Grocery List:** Chicken Helper, boxes of stuffing, flavored pasta, canned tuna, grape jelly, bags of black beans & great northern beans, cereal, grits, breakfast bars, toaster pastries, syrup, spaghetti sauce, rotini pasta, bow tie pasta, shell pasta, jars of mayonnaise.
 (Boxes are located in Sr. Ladies Classroom/Library)
Let's keep filling the boxes to overflowing!!