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Ephesians 5:1 tells us to "Therefore be imitators of God as dear children." Every child at some time imitates his father. Every parent remembers fondly when their toddlers try to walk in their shoes or wear an item of their clothing. That is the meaning of this verse. The word translated "imitators" is the word from which we derive mimic. God wants us to imitate Him. Christ is our earthly example.

Certainly we are not redeemed by a holy walk, but such a life is pleasing to our Father. It is a natural outgrowth of a close relationship with Him, just as natural as the little boy walking in his father's shoes. A closer look at the words of the verse yields even more information. "As dear children" means as a favorite possession. In other words, we are to follow our Father as His favorite child would follow. Many times good parents are accused of having "pets." It should never be true that a parent favors one child over another. This verse tells us that each of the Heavenly Father's children can be His "pet." He is all-powerful and does not play favorites. Therefore, we can all be His "favorite."

1 John 3:1-2 says, "Behold, what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now are we children of God, and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." God has a purpose for His children, a grand design. We are -- right now -- the children of God. We do not outwardly appear to be any different than the non-believer. But God knows His own! We are His!

If that great truth was not enough, God tells us more. "It has not yet been revealed what we shall be." It's not that God does not know our future, but that He chooses not to disclose it now. But then He gives us a hint of things to come. "We know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is!" All of our earthly journeys will intersect at one point -- Him! God has a purpose for His children. He has a design for us. Let us renew our allegiance to God, our Heavenly Father. Let us honor Him on this Father's Day as truly the world's greatest Dad!

*From the
Pastor*

Bro. JC

Church Library News

June - Happy Father's Day

We are blessed with all the men who volunteer to keep our church in good repair. Jim Fultz and his gang of men make our church a loving and looking good place to worship God. It's not only the church you help, but also all you do for our members. You are thanked by the people of the church, but more importantly, God knows each of you and blesses you for being good Christian men.

Happy Father's Day to all of you and we pray that you have a peaceful and loving day of rest.

Here are a few books from our Library:

In His Steps by Charles Sheldon. This is a timeless story of a pastor who struggles with the challenge of Christian discipleship, electrifies his congregation with the same challenge, and sees the shock of this commitment penetrate the intricate fabric of their community as they attempt to walk "In His Steps."

Daddy's Home by Greg Johnson & Mike Yorkey. In this book you will discover the most creative ideas and effective approaches to becoming a better dad, husband and man. Discover how to maximize your hours at home, network with men's groups and develop a relationship with God that's right for you.

The Meaning of a Man by Ronnie W. Floyd. Sometimes we need a not-so-subtle reminder to help us focus our attention on things that are really important. The book focuses specifically on men: their spiritual walk and life's priorities. The book is thought provoking, challenging, and tremendously motivating.

Yours in Christ,

Lorraine Brown, Mary Robertson, & Joan Frank

June Birthdays

4	Megan Anderson Jonathan Blevins
5	Sharon Bailey
6	Nikki Wilkins
10	Corrie Mabee
11	Chuck Springer Helen Dorminey Kenneth Proctor
14	Heather Hall
15	Jordan Reesor
16	Catie Gentry
17	Andy Adkins Jessica Payne
18	Tom Moore
19	Marvin Bailey Pasco Parker
22	Mabel Stoll
23	Linda Bland Davis Pullen
28	Ann England Bruce Hull
30	Emmanuel Ihim

*Happy Birthday
to You!*



Worship Quote of the Month

The Humblest Thing Worships God

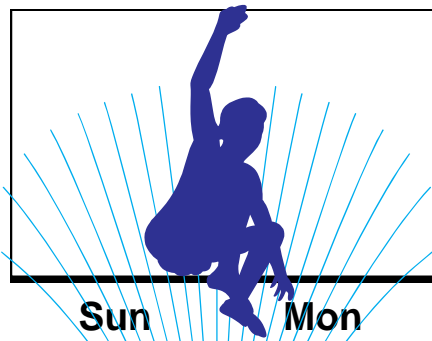
*O burning Mountain, O chosen Sun,
O perfect Moon, O fathomless Well,
O unattainable Height, O Clearness beyond measure,
O Wisdom without end, O Mercy without limit,
O Strength beyond resistance, O Crown beyond all majesty:
The humblest thing you created sings your praise. AMEN!*

~Mechtild of Magdeburg, 13th century, as found in THE WORSHIPING CHURCH, Hope Publishing Company, 1990.

These lines remind me of the words from Psalm 100, "It is He that has made us and not we ourselves." This is no false humility, but the worshiper seeing himself or herself in a proper relationship with Creator God.

~ **Nick Campbell, Minister of Music**

2015



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JUNE

Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am
 Sunday School - 8:45 am
 Adult Choir Rehearsal - 4:00 pm
 Discipleship Training - 5:00 pm
 AWANA - 5:30 - 7:00 pm
 Worship & Youth Svc. - 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Children in Action - 6:30 pm
 Prayer Meeting - 6:30 pm
 Youth Service (In Youth House) - 6:30 pm
 Business Mtg. (2nd Wednesday) - 6:30 pm
 Instrumental Rehearsal

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL -- FUN RUN!
8:45 AM - Noon

6:30pm Prayer Mtg.

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10:15 Cracker Barrel Fellowship

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9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study

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8 am Men's Breakfast

VBS Parents' Night

Deacons' Meeting

6:30pm Business Mtg.

6:30 pm Family Connection

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9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study

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8:30 am Ladies' Breakfast



July Newsletter Articles due in office

6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.



5-7 PM Youth Water Night

9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study

6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.

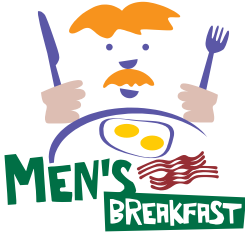
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The Church in Action



Men's Breakfast
Saturday, June 13
8:00 am

All men & boys invited
(Fellowship Hall)

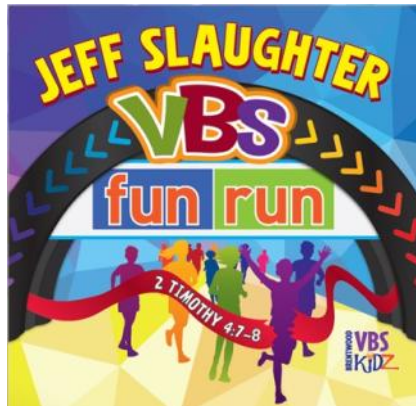
Ladies' Breakfast
Saturday, May 20,
8:30 am
In the Fellowship Hall—
bring a breakfast dish to
share



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

VBS Family Night
June 7, 5:00 pm

The children will present a sample of all they have learned followed by a tailgate party in the parking lot, including hotdogs, chips, and VBS desserts.



Join us for fun and fellowship!



Summer is here - Vacations are happening...Don't forget that Online Giving is available online.

Even though I have requested numerous times, I still do not have updated information on many of our church family. **Please**, pick up a data update form on the table in the lobby, fill it out, and place it in the box on my office door. Help me keep our records current. Thank you. ~Paula Zimmer



Future Growth Funding
\$149,335.24 in a Construction Acct.
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank
\$377,862.72 in a Building Fund
at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

Family

Connection

Family Connection: Friday, June 19 at 6:30 pm. Since our June Family Connection date is the same night many of the guys are headed to the Main Even, June 19th is officially Ladies' Night! We'll meet in the fellowship hall at 6:30 pm and because the men are gone, it's girl food time!! We'll make chopped salads, so bring your favorite salad fixin' (grilled chicken, bacon, cheese, tomato, fruit, etc.) and a dessert to share. Lettuce, paper goods, and drinks will be provided. We'll also have chicken nuggets & fries for the kiddos. Feel free to bring ride on toys, jump ropes, bubbles, chalk, etc., and we'll relax outside while the kids play. Family Connection at FBC is a group of young(ish) families who come together monthly (on the 3rd Friday night) for fellowship and fun. We purpose to love, support and pray for each other. Come join us! We still need a family to co-coordinate this group. Please contact Julie Hull for event info or to find out how you can help (615.476.9522 or juliehull@live.com).



Lifeline Memory Verses 2015
June Verses

June 1-7: Psalm 145:1, *The Lord is good to all.*

June 8-14: Philippians 4:4, *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, Rejoice!*

June 15-21: 1 John 4:7, *Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.*

June 22-28: Hebrews 12:2, *Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy*

set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

June 29-July 5: James 4:7, *Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*



There will be no Sunday Night Bible Study for youth except on the special days listed below.

Sunday, June 21st
WATER NIGHT! 5-7 pm. You already know what we do. Bring some clothes to get wet in and a bottle of baby shampoo for the slip and slide.

Sunday, July 19th, GAME NIGHT 5-7 pm. Come ready for some competitive action as we break up into two teams and battle it out in a variety of fun games (not just sports).

Sunday, August 9th, BACK TO SCHOOL COOKOUT 5-7 pm. We will have a good time with some hamburgers and hot dogs with all the cookout fixins, as well as some fun backyard games.