

# First Baptist Church of Spring Hill

## The Messenger

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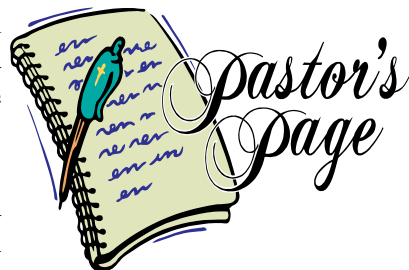
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For too long, we've depended too much on politicians to restore respect for life, marriage, and religious freedom in America. God has had the answer all along. In 2 Chronicles 7:14, He has given us a message of how to transform our nation. He calls us to humble, repentant prayer and promises to heal our land if we seek His face and turn from our wicked ways.



God prescribes a very specific type of prayer required for national spiritual transformation. His healing begins only after we fall to our knees and take responsibility for the condition of our nation by corporate and individual sins, as the prophet cried out from captivity: *"We have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws."* (Daniel 9:5)

A full year before America's Founding Fathers signed the Declaration of Independence, they proclaimed July 20, 1775, a day of public humiliation, fasting, and prayer because, as one patriot wrote to Samuel Adams: *"Three million people on their knees at once, supplicating the aid of Heaven, is a striking circumstance, and a very singular one in America. May the blessings of Heaven follow in answer to our prayers."*

This July ask God to stay His hand of judgment on America and renew His blessings on our lives and our land. Pray that God will forgive and bless our nation. On July 4<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate our nation's independence, but we need to declare first of all our dependence on God!

As we are not far away from our presidential election, we need to pray with all our hearts that God will give us the president we need, not the one we deserve. Our nation needs to fall on its knees in humility and seek His face in repentance, so that He might forgive our sins and heal our land.

Also, pray how God can use you in service to Him through our church. The Nominating Committee is working! How will you respond? We need your commitment to serve!

May God Bless the USA!!!!

## Church Library News

### July - Happy 4th of July!

About this time in summer our children are getting a little bored, so it's a great time to visit our library. God loves children, so it's never too soon to read to them and teach them about God and Jesus Christ. When children are taught early in life they are able to remember well their entire lives. We have many books for small children. A picture is worth a thousand words and our books are informative, inspiring and entertaining for little ones. Besides, who better to teach them how awesome God is than their parents?

### Here are a few books from our Library:

**Greatest Bible Stories** Edited by Diana Bremer. This book is a delightful collection of well-loved Bible stories, especially written for children. It contains marvelous stories from the Old & New Testaments, such as: Joseph's Coat of Many Colors, Daniel in the Lion's Den, The Story of the Wise Men, Jesus Calming the Storm, Feeding the Five-Thousand, and many more.

**Who Needs a Boat?** by Marilyn Lashbrook. The story of Moses crossing the Red Sea has a continuing fascination for children and adults. This book will bring this story to life for your little ones and give them a vivid reminder of God's power and protection.

**King Solomon** adapted by Maxine Nodel. This book is beautifully illustrated and written so that it will delight and instruct even the very youngest child. The words of the Bible come alive and start your children on a lifetime of appreciation and understanding of the spiritual values we need to guide us.

Yours in Christ,  
Mary Robertson, Marjorie Wells, & Joan Frank

**\*\* We are almost finished with the remodel of our library space, so stop by and check out our new look (& our books!).**

## July Birthdays

1	Curtis DeLozier
3	Lorraine Brown
7	Forrest Lewis
	Noah Sparkman
8	Joe Stephens
	Ann Callis
	Linda Poteete
12	Roy Poteete
	Cindy Oakes
17	Brandon Sparkman
	Glenda White
19	Kimberly Pullen
20	Jerry McLain
	Sharon Bobo
	Brenda Emery
23	James McKee
24	Kamen Gilchrist
25	Allen Boshers
	Anita Wright
26	Zack Purtle
	Ella Gallimore
29	Delilah Guirguis
31	Jenny Dudzinski

*Happy Birthday  
to You!*



## The Church in Action



**Cracker Barrel Fellowship**  
**Wednesday, July 13**  
**10:15 a.m.**  
**Everyone is welcome!**  
(at The Crossings in Spring Hill)

**Family**

**Connection**

**Cover 2 Cover**  
Each Thursday  
evening,  
7:00-8:00 pm



**READ THROUGH THE BIBLE**

**ESL (English as a Second Language)**  
**Classes begin August 3, 2016**

More details coming in the Sunday bulletins.



**Future Growth Funding**  
\$46,418.29 in a Construction Acct.  
at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank  
\$395,575.38 in a Building Fund  
at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.



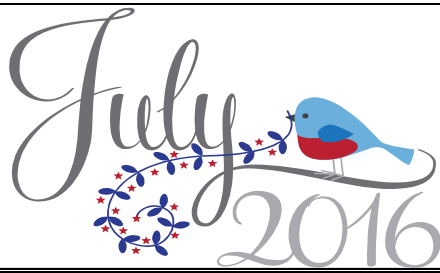
Meet for supper at the Chick-fil-A on Mallory Lane at 5:15 pm or join us directly at the skate center. Family Skate is 6-9:00 pm. Cost is \$7 per skater and includes skate rental. Parachute pants are optional!! Questions? Contact Julie Hull.







**Saturday, July 2, 5:00 pm.** Bring a potluck dish to share and meet in the fellowship hall. We will have a Children's Ministry focus - to brainstorm ideas targeted at our Preschool and Elementary aged kiddos. Come join the discussion! Drinks, paper goods, and ice cream cake provided. \*\*\*You DO NOT have to have kids in this demographic to participate -- ALL folks are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**Tuesday, July 5, Brentwood Skate Center (402 Wilson Pike Circle).** Oh yes...we are going old school!

# July 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b>  <b>2</b>  5 pm Family Connection Potluck
<b>3</b>  <u>No Evening Services</u>	<b>4</b>  <b>4th of July</b> <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>5</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group  5:15 pm Family Connection Chick-fil-A & Skate Night	<b>6</b>  6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.	<b>7</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study  7 pm Cover 2 Cover	<b>8</b> 	<b>9</b>  No Ladies' Breakfast today - will resume in August
<b>10</b> Lord's Supper in Morning Worship Svc.  Deacons' Mtg. <i>KidsGlo 5:00 pm</i> <i>AfterGlo Water Night</i>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>13</b> 10:15 am Cracker Barrel Fellowship  6:30 pm Business Mtg	<b>14</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study  7 pm Cover 2 Cover Bible Study	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  No Ladies' Breakfast today - will resume in August
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Youth Passion Camp - Daytona Beach, FL</b>						
<i>KidsGlo 5:30 pm</i>	August Newsletter Items due		6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.	7 pm Cover 2 Cover Bible Study	<b>LifeWay Men's Main Event - Nashville</b>	
<b>24</b>  <i>KidsGlo 5:30 pm</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 10 am Ladies' Prayer Group	<b>27</b>  6:30 pm Prayer Mtg.	<b>28</b> 9 am Sr. Adult Bible Study  7 pm Cover 2 Cover Bible Study	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 
<b>31</b>  <i>No KidsGlo</i>	<b>Schedule of Services:</b> <b>Sunday</b> Worship - 10:00 am Sunday School - 8:45 am Adult Choir Rehearsal - 4:30 pm Discipleship Training - 5:00 pm AWANA - 5:30 - 7:00 pm (Sept.-May) Worship & Youth Svc. - 6:00 pm  <b>Wednesday</b> 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					

## The Church in Action

BEGINS

*A 7 week "camp" for rising kindergarten to 6th graders*

**Sunday, July 10, 2016**

**6:00-7:00 pm**

Join us in the fellowship hall each Sunday night in July and August for Bible study and fun!!

# KidsGlo

The Fruit of the Spirit— what is it and what do you do



If you have questions, or need more information:  
Julie Hull  
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Hi Kids!

Summer is here and we have something fun just for you!!! We're going to study Galatians 5:22 and discover how God can use us to impact the folks all around us.

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PLUS.....

2 super fun events

7/10 is Water Night!! We'll start an hour early @ 5pm. Bring a towel and prepare to get wet!! Bible study and popsicles at 6:30pm

8/28 Back to School Party! Come hungry—it's a Celebration!!

- 7/10 Love
- 7/17 Joy
- 7/24 Peace
- 7/31 NO KidsGlo
- 8/7 Patience
- 8/14 Kindness and Goodness
- 8/21 Faithfulness and Gentleness
- 8/28 Self-Control

