THE EVANGEL

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VBS

June 3-7, 2019
8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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A Word *from* Our Pastor

I know summer is upon us and as the weather warms up many of us are thinking of how to take advantage of our time this season. In the midst of all the moving parts: graduation, Mother's Day, Father's Day, 4th of July, and just the weekends, I believe that God wants to do a work in us this summer. In August, First Baptist will begin a capital campaign to raise funds to renovate our building for "on mission" ministry. At the writing of this note, I do not know what the total cost of the project will be, but I do know that it will be beyond our normal means. It will be the largest capital undertaking in the history of First Baptist.

I want you to know that as your pastor I have done serious "soul searching" regarding the project. I have continued to ask the Lord for guidance within our teams and committees, and I have asked for personal peace and direction in my own life as we begin this campaign. Whenever I have taken a new path I am always first asking the question, "did the Lord put me on this path?" This is truly the only question that matters when considering what to do in a major decision. Over the past two years, I have seen God gently guide this process. It has not been quick, but it has been steady. I believe that many of you have seen the Lord already at work in this as well, and I believe we are on the precipice of seeing the Lord do a special work right in front of us.

Therefore, I ask three things. First, take this summer and pray for August. Pray that the Lord leads us each step of the way and He leads us to His path for our church. I will be preaching this June and July on praying like Jesus. I am persuaded that one area of growth the Lord wants us to experience in the process is the power of prayer. Second, be involved this summer. I know there will be vacations and travels, but be here when you can so that we can prepare our hearts together for August. Third, ask the Lord to give you eyes of faith. Whatever the project ends up being, I am persuaded it will require us to step out in faith.

Finally, more important than any project is what God is doing in us. I know with confidence the Lord will finish the good work He has begun at First Baptist Church, and I do not know exactly what that will look like. I do know however, when all is said and done we will be just like Jesus, and I am grateful to be on that journey together with you.

Have Faith in God,
Matt and Andrea Powell
Philippians 1:6

CMM

CHURCH MUSIC MISSISSIPPI

July 25-27, 2019

FBC, Grenada

450 Faith Drive, Grenada, MS

Mike Harland, Director of Worship at Lifeway, along with Larry Black, Interim Minister of Music at Raymond Road Baptist Church in Jackson, and Steve Hamrick, Director of Worship and Technology, will be leaders at CCM this summer. There will be classes for Keyboard, Youth Leadership, Preschool/Children's music and Handbells.

If you are interested in attending this conference, please contact Randy Wood at 662-842-1327. Registration deadline is July 10.

Music Ministry Opportunity

We had a great worship team leading at Avonlea in the month of May. Those leading were Brenda Bryant, Larry Bryant, Carolyn Downs, Hal Hancock, David Langerfeld, Martha Langerfeld, Mary Langford, Carolyn Lee, Jeffery Newell, Talmadge Smith, George Williams, and Marilyn Wood. We sang beautiful, meaningful hymns like "Great is Thy Faithfulness", "How Great Thou Art", "At the Cross", "The Old Rugged Cross", "When We All Get to Heaven", and many more. We also sang great arrangements of "Blessed Assurance", "He Set Me Free", "We'll Understand It Better By and By" from a new collection entitled, ***"The Great American Church Songbook."***

Folks shared Bible verses that meant a great deal to them and others expressed thanks to God. The residents expressed appreciation for this team coming to lead, but our group is the one who was blessed. It is such a blessing sharing this time with the people at Avonlea. Many of the residents at Avonlea are unable to go to their churches to worship like they used to, so this is a great opportunity for us to provide a worship experience for them.

This is your invitation to sing at Avonlea on the third Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Mark the dates listed below on your calendar and join us in this time of worship. These services will last 50 minutes. This is a ministry of our choir, but it is open to anyone who would like to join us.

Mark Your Calendar (Third Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m.): June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, December 16.

FIRST BAPTIST TUPELO **MISSIONS** → GO. SERVE.

SERVING/MISSIONS

VISION 2020

Building Committee/Stewardship Capital Campaign Update

The excitement is building as we move towards the launch of our capital campaign on August 1, 2019 and the progression of our building master utilization renovation project. We acknowledge that the building project and capital need is bigger than our human ability and only through the abundant resources given by the Lord will we be able to realize the vision.

Over the next several months we will hear about "The Harvest" Capital Campaign. I ask that you begin to pray daily for "The Harvest". The Lord has provided invaluable leadership through the talents of our Building Committee and Stewardship Committee to lead us to this point.

Volunteers are now being enlisted to serve on "The Harvest" Capital Campaign Leadership Team. As of this writing, more than eighty lay leaders have said "YES" to serving on one of the nine leadership sub teams.

As we move toward August with great anticipation of hearing more about "The Harvest," getting project pricing estimates back from Jesco, and seeing a long-awaited project enter the final design stage before breaking ground in late spring 2020, church would you seek the Lord individually and collectively that we might, as a congregation, move forward. As we move forward, may we do so in one accord, and by faith trust the Lord as He leads His people through a mighty journey. Prepare yourselves, for the Lord will do a great and mighty work in our midst.

MISSION JOURNEYS 2019

The Lord is at work at First Baptist Tupelo and Around the World through our Missional Partnerships.

Philippines Team

Our team recently returned from ten days of serving in the FBCT church network partnership in the southern Philippines. More than 100 people prayed to receive Christ through the ministry of this team.

Japan Team

As you are reading this, we have seven volunteers in Japan serving alongside our partners. Pray that the Lord will use this team in a mighty way. Two churches have been planted as a result of the faithful investment of FBCT. Church, continue to pray that the land of the rising sun becomes the land of the Risen Son!

Hawaii Team

Seventeen volunteers from FBCT will travel to the Big Island June 22-30 to serve alongside our partner, New Life Church, to help provide basketball camp and support personnel for other camps. Pray for the team as they serve in Hawaii.

SENTINEL TRAINING

Sunday, June 9, 1:30-6:30 p.m.

For those who are going on a 2019 international mission journey and have not had training or for those who need to renew. To register, please call Twila, 662-842-1327.

KIDS ACROSS AMERICA

Serve in the following ways

- **Volunteer to help.** June 8th 9:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. we will host 40 kids at FBCT for about 4 hours prior to their leaving for camp. During this time, we will host a meal and games for the kids. We need help with the food and activities.
- Volunteer to cook breakfast at FBCT on June 15, 5:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m. FBCT will provide breakfast for the kids as they return home from camp. This will be a great time to serve the kids and their parents.

SUPPLYING THE MISSION HOUSE

If you or your small group would like to help purchase or donate kitchen supplies, linens, towels or other household items in new to lightly used condition we are in need. We have a missionary family coming in July for seven months and we will be setting up an apartment for them during the month of July. Several donations of furniture have been made over the recent months; however, needs for basic household countertop appliances, linens, utensils, and plates, cups, glasses and other items are needed. Please contact Pastor Lee for additional details.

MISSIONARY HOUSING NEEDS

Your Missions Committee continues to search and seek the Lord's will regarding the need for housing to house furloughing missionary families. Three options being explored.

- House and property in great shape that is at least a 3 bedroom/2 bath property in a good long-term location.
- House and property that needs some renovation but is in a good long-term location.
- One or two acres of Land outside the city limits of Tupelo where a house could be built.

Prayerfully consider how the Lord desires to use you as an integral part of this need becoming a reality and FBC Tupelo once again being able to provide a place for missionary families to furlough on stateside assignment.

DEACON AFFIRMATION

Deacon Affirmation Ballots will be provided to the congregation in late June or early July when the men nominated have been examined and have agreed to serve.

HONORING PASTOR RICKY YOUNG

On Sunday, June 23, FBC Tupelo will honor Pastor Ricky Young and his family for sixteen years of service to FBCT and thirty-eight years in the ministry. Pastor Ricky has served faithfully in several capacities at FBC and we look forward to being able to celebrate ministry with him and his family. Thank you, Pastor Ricky, Lori, Madison and McKenzie, for your service. The reception will be in the Grand Hall between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

TOTAL YEARS OF SERVICE

Your staff is blessed beyond measure to serve alongside each of you in ministry. Your ministerial staff has a combined total of 190 years of ministry; with fifty-one of those years being together at First Baptist Church, Tupelo. Thank you, church, for being a loving and supportive church to your staff. We love you.

Joseph Bowen Dorr
Son of Jake & Jamie Dorr
Bowen was born on January 28, 2019 and entered our family through the miracle of adoption. He has taken us back to hard places, but through his life we are seeing the redemption story that God is writing for each of us and the grace that is freely given through the Gospel.

Selah James Dorr
Daughter of Jake & Jamie Dorr
Selah was born on September 2, 2018. She is the miracle we never knew we could have. After we lost our son, Barron, one of the prayers that I prayed was that her eyes would open because in Barron's two months of life he never opened his eyes. After she was born, the one feature that everyone comments on is how beautiful her eyes are.

Grandparents for Bowen and Selah are Joe and Linda Marshall, Rusty and Joanne Dorr.

Benjamin Lee Tally
Son of Lance & Kasey Tally
Benjamin was born on February 21, 2019. He is a happy and healthy boy. He enjoys watching his big brother, John, play. He has blessed us and completed our family of four. We can't wait to see what God has in store for him in the future. Grandparents are David and Jill Clifton, Jeff and Lisa Tally.

Parent/Child Dedication, May 12, 2019

James Randall Warmath
Son of Andrew & Randi Warmath
James was born on October 16, 2013. He is a leader and has a joy-filled outlook on life. He looks for "fun" in every situation.

Jack Thomas Warmath
Son of Andrew & Randi Warmath
Jack was born on December 9, 2015. He is strong, brave and kind-hearted.

Juliana Marie Warmath
Daughter of Andrew & Randi Warmath
Juliana was born on February 2, 2019. She is sweet, precious and a gift from God.

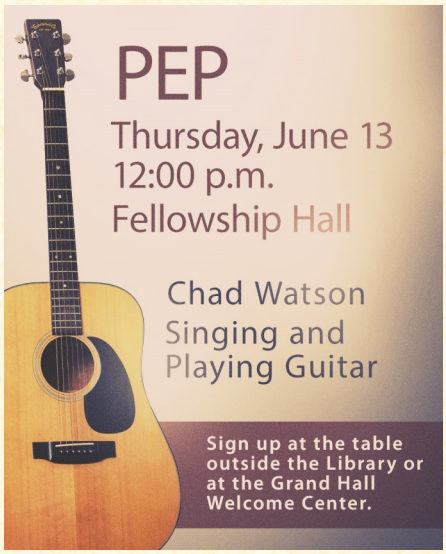
Grandparents of James, Jack and Juliana are Joe and Linda Marshall, Randy and Judy Warmath.

Jack Wilson Wiley
Son of Preston & Rachel Wiley
Jack was born February 1, 2019. He is always watching his big brother play and listening to his big brother sing to him. He also loves all of his many cousins! Grandparents are Vic and Laura Blaylock, Debbie Wiley and the late Bob Wiley.

Charlotte Ann Thornton
Daughter of Payne & Katie Thornton
Charlie was born on March 2, 2019. She loves to be held, but she also likes to sit up and observe what's going on around her. She especially loves to watch her 19 month old sister, Lucy. Grandparents are David and Pam Burch, DeWayne and Debbie Thornton.

Christina Rose West
Daughter of Josh & Jill West
Rosie was born on August 26, 2018. She is our ray of sunshine and has brought such joy to our entire family. She is the sweetest, happiest baby and is very attentive to her surroundings, especially that of her two big brothers, Clay and Micah. Grandparents are Mitch and Christy Waycaster, Joseph and Angie West.

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



DECISIONS FOR MAY

Profession of Faith:

Garrett Braun
Zoey Conwill
Jimmie Johnson
Grayson Patton
Zoey Wafler

Letter:

Jake Logan
Sara Logan
Mike Dearman
Amy Dearman
Grant Dearman
Jacob Dearman

JOIN US IN HONORING
Ricky Young
DISCIPLESHIP PASTOR

FOR 16 YEARS OF MINISTRY
AT FBC TUPELO

SUNDAY, JUNE 23
9:45-10:45 A.M.
IN THE GRAND HALL

Reading the Bible: 06/01: Proverbs 1; 06/02: Proverbs 2; 06/03: Proverbs 3; 06/04: Proverbs 4; 06/05: Proverbs 5; 06/006: Proverbs 6; 06/07: Proverbs 7; 06/08: Proverbs 8; 06/09: Proverbs 9; 06/10: Proverbs 10; 06/11: Proverbs 11; 06/12: Proverbs 12; 06/13: Proverbs 13; 06/14: Proverbs 14; 06/15: Proverbs 15; 06/16: Proverbs 16; 06/17: Proverbs 17; 06/18: Proverbs 18; 06/19: Proverbs 19; 06/20: Proverbs 20; 06/21: Proverbs 21; 06/22: Proverbs 22; 06/23: Proverbs 23; 06/24; Proverbs 24; 06/25: Proverbs 25; 06/26: Proverbs 26; 06/27: Proverbs 27; 06/28: Proverbs 28; 06/29: Proverbs 29; 6/30: Proverbs 30-31

CALENDAR & SCHEDULE

june calendar

Mon	June 3	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
Tues	June 4	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
		12:30 p.m.	Children's Committee Mtg. (CSC)
Wed	June 5	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
			No Wednesday Night Activities
Thurs	June 6	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
Fri	June 7	8:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
		11:30 a.m.	Vacation Bible School Family Service (S)
Sat	June 8	9:00 p.m.	Kids Across America Lock-In (Gym)
Sun	June 9		Compassion Sunday
		1:30 p.m.	Sentinel Training (CSC)
Mon	June 10	5:00 p.m.	Birthday Bunch
Wed	June 12	5:30 p.m.	Family Scavenger Hunt
		6:00 p.m.	Evening with Chris Wallace (CSC)
		7:00 p.m.	Ft. Worth Training Mtg. (CSC)
			No Choir Rehearsal (6:00/7:00 p.m.)
Thurs	June 13	12:00 p.m.	PEP (FH)
Sat	June 15	8:00 a.m.	Student Mission Journey (Ft. Worth, TX)
		6:00 a.m.	Kids Across America Breakfast (FH)
Sun	June 16		Father's Day
Mon	June 17	1:00 p.m.	Sing at Avonlea
Wed	June 19	6:00 p.m.	Family Bowling Night (Rebelanes)
Sun	June 23	9:45 a.m.	Reception for Ricky Young (GH)
Tues	June 25	12:00 p.m.	Roundtable (FH)
Wed	June 26	6:00 p.m.	Super Summer Mtg. (CSC)
			No Preschool/Children Activities
Fri	June 28	7:00 p.m.	Pre-4th of July Party (Brown's)
Sat	June 29	9:00 a.m.	Men's Ministry Rafting Trip

weekly schedule

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
8:30 a.m. Morning Worship (S)
9:00 a.m. Library Open
9:30 a.m. Coffee Kiosks Open
9:45 a.m. Grow Groups
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship (FH)
4:30 p.m. Student Band Practice (CSC)

MONDAY SCHEDULE
7:30 a.m. Day School (Full-time)
9:00 a.m. Ceramics (Crafts Rm.)

TUESDAY SCHEDULE
7:30 a.m. Day School (Full-time)
9:00 a.m. Library Open

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast (McDonald's—West Main)
7:30 a.m. Day School (Full-time)
9:00 a.m. "Book of Isaiah" (Rm. 120)
12:00 p.m. Noon Prayer Mtg. (begins 06/12)
4:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper (FH)
5:45 p.m. Family Activities
6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm.)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm.)

THURSDAY SCHEDULE
6:00 a.m. Home Prayer (C. Lee)
7:30 a.m. Day School (Full-time)

FRIDAY SCHEDULE
7:30 a.m. Day School (Full-time)

DISCIPLESHIP & EDUCATION

Grow Groups Growing: It is an exciting season in our church when we have a number of people visiting on Sundays. Helping people get connected to Grow Groups is as important as ever. Grow Groups are so important because they:

1. Provide a place for people to build relationships and connect with others.
2. Gear the teaching of God's Word to groups in similar seasons of life.
3. Offer a structure to teach the Scriptures to every person in our church.
4. Focus our membership on outreach in our community.
5. Lead out in the prayer and ministry focus of FBCT.
6. Train and equip lay leaders to minister to their groups and others as well.

Please be faithful to your groups all summer and be sure you pray for your teachers as they prepare to teach the truths of God's Word and lead your Group in ministry each week.

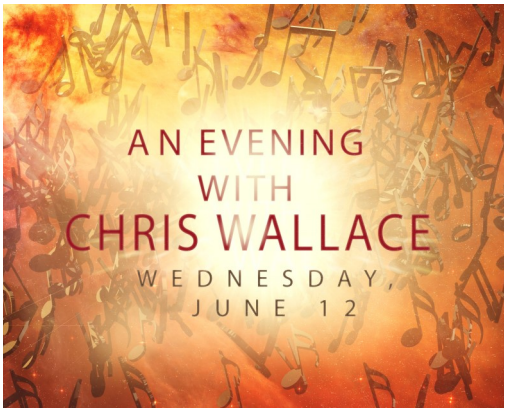
Our Family Ministry Team and our directors would greatly appreciate your prayers during the month of June. We are actively enlisting our teachers for the fall semester and looking forward to what God is going to do through our Bible Study ministry this fall. We all spend a great deal of time and prayer seeking the right teachers in all our teaching settings. Thank you in advance for your prayers.

VBS is June 3-7: Vacation Bible School is an awesome week of ministry with our children. Many thanks to Carrie and Betsy for all their hard work in organizing and preparing for an exciting week. Please be praying for all our leaders. Pray that God will move in the hearts of all the children who will be a part of the event during the week.

Thanks to everyone who has helped prepare and who will be serving during the week of VBS. If you would like to be a part of the week, please contact Carrie, Betsy or Ricky and we will get you plugged in for one day or all week.

Reading the Bible Together
Many of us can remember when God's Word really began to impact our daily lives and walk with Jesus. That started for me when I was challenged by my summer youth director to read one of the Proverbs each day of the month. June has 30 days and there are 31 chapters in the book of Proverbs. We have read it through this way twice already this semester and this will be our last time for this year. I would encourage you to read a chapter each day that coincides with the date of the month. We will begin reading through the New Testament beginning in July. Soak up the wisdom of this amazing book. This would be a great month to read these chapters with your kids, especially older children and youth. Great wisdom there and a great way to teach them how to read and understand the Word of God. (Schedule on Page 5.)

FIRST BAPTIST TUPELO STUDENT MINISTRIES



JUNE 3-7, VBS
If you can help, see Ms. Carrie.

AN EVENING WITH CHRIS
Wednesday, June 12, 6:00 p.m. in the CSC. Chris is a worship leader in the Memphis area and is an incredible musician. We look forward to an incredible night of worship.

FT. WORTH MISSION TRIP
June 16-21
If you haven't paid for your trip, give Mrs. Kim a call this week.
Training Meeting: June 12 following Chris Wallace's set.

SUPER SUMMER MEETING
Wednesday, June 26
For all students going to Super Summer. We will check off our final requirements that night.

PRE-4TH OF JULY PARTY
Friday, June 28 at the Brown's 7:00-9:00 p.m.

KIDZONE

Preschool and Children's Ministries

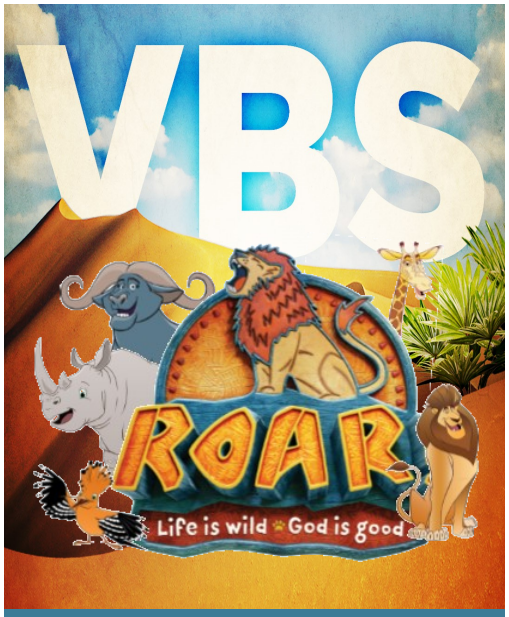
CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

- Meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 12:30 p.m. in the CSC.
- We will also have a **Children's Committee Family Fellowship** at the home of Jim and Jamie Johnson, June 23, 3:00 p.m. Dinner will be provided. Bring swim suits.

BIRTHDAY BUNCH: Calling all children with June birthdays. Meet at the church on June 10 at 5:00 p.m. to visit a few homebound and widow/widowers. We will have a schedule of where to go and a small gift to deliver. Parents are welcome to join but send your child even if you can't come. We will do the same on July 15.

Camp deposits are due now!

See details under "Save the Date."



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8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Register online at fbctupelo.org

Wednesday, June 5
No Wednesday Night Activities

VBS Family Day
Friday, June 7, 11:30 a.m.
in the Sanctuary

Save the Date!

Centri-Kid Summer Camp: Those who have completed Grade 5-6 will be attending on July 22-26. The cost is $300.00 per person and the balance is due by June 2. Pay in the office or online.

Central Hills Kids Camp: Those who have completed Grade 2-4 will be going to a 3-day 2-night camp June 24-26. Payment is now due. You can pay in the office or online.

Mission Camp: July 9-11 during the day at First Baptist Church Tupelo. Cost is $25 for the week and includes all meals, snacks and activities.

Kindergarten Moving on Up Party: Sunday, July 28, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

No Preschool/Children Family Activity, Wednesday, June 26

MEET OUR STAFF

MATT POWELL, *Senior Pastor* ..... *matt@fbctupelo.org*
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CARRIE DEVENNY, *Director of Children's Ministry* ..... *cdevenny@fbctupelo.org*
BETSY O'NEAL, *Director of Preschool Ministry* ..... *boneal@fbctupelo.org*

SERVING IN EXTENDED CARE

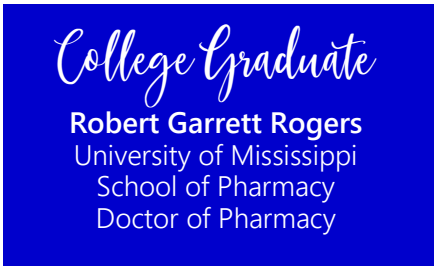
Sunday, June 2
8:30 a.m. Matt and Cindy Hale
Russ and Leslie Tally
11:00 a.m. Karen Smothers, Mary Stewart
Josh and Jessi Kilpatrick
Haley Mayhan, Reed Emison
Steven and Amber Patton
Alex and Alyson Key

Sunday, June 9
8:30 a.m. Bobby and Bonnie Sapp
Shannon and Carley Fryery
11:00 a.m. Carla Mooneyhan
Angela Howard
Jim and Genie Alice Bruce
Patricia Taylor, Jake Milstead
Alicia Milstead, Mari Claire
Rob and Kristi Stone

Sunday, June 16
8:30 a.m. Charlotte Dye, Susan Cornelius
Amie Watson, Amanda Armas
11:00 a.m. Debbie Wiley, Lera Triplett
Laranda Brockman
Hope Robertson
Jake and Kimber Wooten
Preston and Rachel Wiley
Julia Smith, Mary Langford

Sunday, June 23
8:30 a.m. Shane and Nicole McLaughlin
Vita Savage, Mary Scruggs
11:00 a.m. Jonathan and Lindsey Chaney
Kevin and Lauren Abel
Julia Bethay, Will Stone
Brandy Carnathan, Caitlyn
Carrie DeVenny
Cate and Claire Burroughs

Sunday, June 30
8:30 a.m. Gail Moon, Carlie Moon
Michele McBride, Georgia
McBride, Rachel McBride
11:00 a.m. Katy Wallace, Suzanne Walker
Jim and Jamie Johnson
Matt and Kendall Wiley
Angie West, Lori Young
Stephanie Smith, Clayton Byrd



weekly attendance

Date	Grow Groups	A.M. Worship	P.M. Worship
05/05	578	630	218
05/12	520	832	
05/19	529	543	
05/26	458	608	

deacon led offertory prayer

Date	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
06/02	Mitch Waycaster	Jon Milstead
06/09	Charles Leckie	Jonathan Poland
06/16	David Blackwell	Josh West
06/23	Fred Flatt	Luke West
06/30	Justin Griffin	Chris Burks

security schedule

	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
06/02	Dan Arnold Rusty Boone	Cory Dewett Jonathan Chaney
06/09	David Blackwell	Bobby Gory Gary Morgan
06/16	Tim Harrell	Steve Patton Gerald Pittman
06/23	Larry Pugh	Will Chandler Sam Hall
06/30	Mike Flowers	Brad McCully Danny Dickey

monthly giving report

BUDGET OFFERING	
Annual Budget	**$2,359,000.00**
Weekly Budget Requirement	**$45,365.38**
Budget Received	
May 5	**$46,825.58**
May 12	**$38,342.40**
May 19	**$45,164.13**
May 26	**$28,298.47**
Required to Date	**$1,542,422.92**
Received to Date	**$1,600,552.27**
BUILDING FUND	
May 5	**$410.00**
May 12	**$675.00**
May 19	**$925.00**
May 26	**$580.00**
Balance as of 10/01/17	**$10,106.15**
Received Year to Date	**$108,261.01**
Expenses Year to Date	**$93.960.36**
Current Balance	**$24,406.80**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

June 12 All: Hamburger/Hot Dogs with fixings, Baked Beans, Chips, and/or Salad Bar, Cookies

June 19 All: BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Corn on Cob, Roll, Banana Pudding, Tossed Salad

June 26 All: Lasagna, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad, Cookie

Job Opportunity
PART-TIME MUSIC MINISTRY ASSISTANT

A part-time Music Ministry Assistant position is open at FBC Tupelo. Application and job description is available in the church office. Deadline to apply is June 10 at 4:00 p.m.

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