



THE CONNEC TION

First Baptist Church * 814 Buchanan Road * New Tazewell, Tennessee
Connect to God, Family, and Community!



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Leadership FBC

I think most will agree that last week we enjoyed a wonderful 120th Homecoming Celebration. The music was awesome and the message by Pastor Earl was excellent.

Also last week the Ministry Center volunteers were able to sell excess donated western wear shirts and raised over \$2000 in 3 days that will purchase food for the Ministry Center food pantry. These are wonderful expressions of the focus of First Baptist Church upon **Connecting to God and Connecting to Community**.

One mother who came to the shirt sale heard about First Baptist Church and decided if we cared enough to feed, train and serve her family, then it might be worth visiting First Baptist Church to “check us out.” On Sunday morning “they” came. Many came but this lady came with her child who reported to her that he liked going to FBC and loved children’s church. As pastor I must say “good job” First Baptist Church. You are making a difference in our community and it is your faithfulness that enables us to **Connect As Family**.

Paul said in 2 Tim. 2:2-3, ***“So you, my son, be strong in the loving-favor of Christ Jesus. ² What you have heard me say in front of many people, you must teach to faithful men. Then they will be able to teach others also. ³ Take your share of suffering as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. (NKJV)***

The Message Bible reads, ***“So, my son, throw yourself into this work for Christ. Pass on what you heard from me—the whole congregation saying Amen!—to reliable leaders who are competent to teach others. When the going gets rough, take it on the chin with the rest of us, the way Jesus did.” (MSG)***

I used a brick for the children’s sermon Sunday from the Hanoi Hilton. The value of the brick to me is not based on the value of a brick purchased at the hardware. That brick was purchased with the blood of young men and women who knew the value of life and the meaning of sacrifice.

Paul speaks to his listeners and to all who will listen today. It is critical to God’s plan that we raise up sons and daughters “strong in the grace of Christ Jesus ... willing to go the extra mile for an enemy soldier ... give your shirt to the needy ... provide food to the hungry”.

In this passage Paul adds a crowning element to fulfilling God’s plan. He says “entrust to reliable people who will also ...teach others.” Leadership is not about being a scholar, an expert on the Bible or Christian saint. Paul is simply saying an effective Christian life is becoming “someone who has been where others want to go and then be willing to show them how to get there.”

Jesus, our Lord and King, made mentoring a priority. He spent three years pouring Himself into the twelve. They changed the world. Likewise, those you mentor may also change the world starting right here at FBC in New Tazewell.

Do you know someone who needs to learn what you know? Why not talk to them? Why not offer to mentor that person? Why not offer to share what you know? Why not become one of those who Paul calls “faithful ... willing to teach ... suffering as a good soldier.”

If that’s not you, are you willing to become that person? In the weeks to come you will begin to hear about “Leadership FBC”. The Bible says, “Hear I am! I stand at the door (of the church) and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.”

Bro. Larry

120th ANNIVERSARY and HOMECOMING



Pastor Larry Sharp



FBC Choir



Pastor Willie Newman



Pastor Ward Slager



Guest Musician Dr. Clark

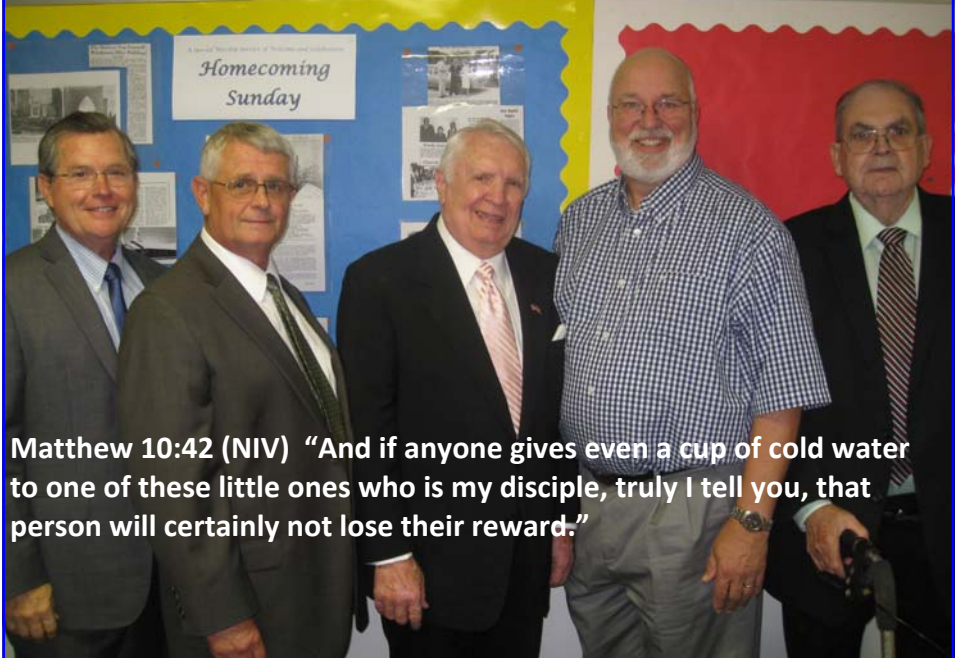


Pastor Charles Earl



Soloist Jenifer Thomas

Roger Hansard, Larry Sharp, Charles Earl, Ward Slager, Willie Newman



Matthew 10:42 (NIV) "And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."



Deaf Interpreter Pam Worley



Bula Taylor, Rowena Cupp, Rosa Dyke, Gayle O'Neill




<p>Church Council Meeting Oct. 7th at 6:30pm All TEAM Members please attend!</p>	<p>Quarterly Business Meeting Oct. 8th at 6:30pm</p>
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<p>August 2014 General Fund Month's Receipts.....\$30,472.32 YTD Receipts..... \$265,657.85</p>
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TIDBITS FROM THE KITCHEN

Thanks to all who helped prepare tables, supply food and clean up after the Homecoming lunch. It was a fabulous meal and a wonderful fellowship! Here are some things that will help us with future fellowship meals: Please label both the bottoms and lids of dishes. After the dinner don't forget to take your dishes (and food items) home with you, or see that someone is going to use them so they won't be left sitting in the kitchen. Our next big project will be supplying an evening meal, a light breakfast and a lunch for the Prayer with Fire Conference on Nov. 7th and 8th. Please let the Kitchen Team know if you would like to help with one of these meals.

 <p>Donations for Manna House October: Bar Soap</p>

<p>FBC MINISTRY CENTER Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help in the Western Wear Sale. \$2009 was raised and will be used to purchase food for the food pantry.</p>

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September 17, 2014

Dear Pastor Larry and Congregation:

We would like to thank each of you for the invitation to attend your 125th Anniversary Celebration this Sunday. We celebrate with you the rich heritage and influence of First Baptist Church for one and one-quarter centuries! Only heaven will reveal the souls that have been won and the lives that have been changed because of the faithful ministry of this congregation throughout these years.

We so enjoyed our ministry years there alongside you and it is with deep regret that we will be unable to be with you for this glorious celebration. We would love to share in the worship of our Lord together with you in giving thanks not only for what God has done there in the past but also what He is doing there now through the faithful ministry of Pastor Larry and each of you. Please know that we love each of you and thank God continually for you and the work He is doing there!

Blessings to each and every one of you!

Dr. Randy and Debbi Pressnell

from First Baptist Church, New Tazewell, Tennessee

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OCTOBER

2 nd (Thur)	9:45am 5-6pm	JOY Club Trip 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus
5 th (Sun)	4pm 5pm 6:30pm	Lord's Supper Children's Organizational Team Deacon's Meeting Kidz Program (4-11 year olds) "The Well" Small Group "Respectable Sins" Small Group
6 th (Mon)	5-6pm	Yoga Small Group
7 th (Tue)	6:30pm	Church Council Meeting
8 th (Wed)	5-6pm	Yoga Small Group Quarterly Business Meeting
12 th (Sun)	5pm	Transformational Team Mtgs.
19 th (Sun)	4pm	Sunday School Rally
27 th (Mon)	6:30pm	Building & Grounds Meeting

Praying with Fire

November 7-9


Have you ever asked:

- **What should I pray for?**
- **Are my prayers effective?**
- **How do I know if God hears my prayers?**
- **Why does it seem that my prayers are not answered?**
- **How should I pray?**
- **How can I have a better prayer life?**
- **Etc.**

Then you should plan to attend the Praying with Fire Prayer Conference at FBC, Nov. 7th, 8th and 9th.

Watch for more information on the web page (ntfbc.org), on facebook and in the bulletin.

October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Gideon's 	Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Info Coming Soon		1 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	2 10am JOY Club to 2nd Harvest-Maryville 5-6 pm 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus		
5 9:45am SS 11am Worship Lord's Supper 4pm Children's Org. Mtg. 5pm Deacon's Mtg. 6:30pm Worship, Youth, The Well, Respectable Sins	6 5pm Yoga	7 Church Council Mtg. 6:30pm	8 5pm Yoga 6:30 Qrtly Business Mtg Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	9 5-6 pm 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus		
12 9:45am SS 11am Worship Gideon Speaker 5pm Transformational Church Team Mtgs. 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins	13 Columbus Day 5pm Yoga	14	15 5pm Yoga 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	16 5-6 pm 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus		
19 9:45am SS 11am Worship 4pm Sunday School Rally 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins	20 5pm Yoga	21	22 5pm Yoga 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	23 5-6 pm 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus	24	25 9am OSBA Annual Mtg. Cross'n the Gap Cowboy Church Disaster Relief providing lunch
26 9:45am SS 11am Worship 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins	27 5pm Yoga Bldg. & Grounds Mtg. 6:30pm	28	29 5pm Yoga 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	30 5-6 pm 5 Famous Women in the Ancestry of Jesus	31 Halloween	

November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Heritage Christian Academy						1
2 9:45am SS 11am Worship 5pm Deacon's Mtg. 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins	3 5pm Yoga	4 6:30pm Church Council	5 5pm Yoga 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	6	7 <i>Prayer Conference Weekend</i>	8
9 Veterans Day Svc. 9:45am SS 11am Worship 6:30pm Prayer Conference	10 5pm Yoga	11 Veterans' Day	12 5pm Yoga :30pm Short Bus. Mtg. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	13	14	15
16 9:45am SS 11am Worship 5:30pm Thanksgiving Meal & Fellowship	17 5pm Yoga	18	19 5pm Yoga 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Youth Bible Study/Fellowship; College Bible Study	20	21	22
23 9:45am SS 11am Worship 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins	24 5pm Yoga Bldg. & Grounds Mtg. 6:30pm	25	26 No Evening Svc.	27 Thanksgiving Day Church Office Closed	28 Church Office Closed	29
30 Advent - Prophecy 9:45am SS 11am Worship 6:30pm Worship, Youth The Well, Respectable Sins						