# The First Baptist Connection July 2015

**News and Updates for our Family in Christ** 

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### **Sound System**

5<sup>th</sup> Paul Schmidt 12<sup>th</sup> Braden Hudson 19<sup>th</sup> Mark Kirkman 26<sup>th</sup> Eric Moody

### **Prayers**

5<sup>th</sup> Norm Sullivan 12<sup>th</sup> Nancy Sullivan 19<sup>th</sup> Carla Porter 26<sup>th</sup> Cheri Graf

### **Children's Worship**

(2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays only)

12<sup>th</sup> Betty Miller

26<sup>th</sup> Sandy Clark, Janet Schmidt & Andrew Templeton

# July 2015

# Birthdays

- 1<sup>st</sup> Eric Moody
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Stephanie Coffin Rob Rollison Donald Sullivan
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jean Resler Alex Weeks
- 7<sup>th</sup> Alex Brown
- 8<sup>th</sup> Georgene Lunberry
- 11<sup>th</sup> Bob Weeks
- 14<sup>th</sup> Alecia Henry
- 18<sup>th</sup> David Doane
- 20<sup>th</sup> Jillian Bullock
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Billie Blakley Shirley DeHart
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Allyson Campbell
- 24<sup>th</sup> Kathy Ham
- 25<sup>th</sup> Bill Hudson Rochelle Schmidt James Stoner
- 26<sup>th</sup> Alex Malone
- 27<sup>th</sup> Madison Toon Shani Brown Emily Miller
- 28<sup>th</sup> Kinley Moody Keaton Wilson

# Prayer Concerns

#### **On-Going Prayer Concerns**

Bright Beginnings Daycare and Preschool
Steve Buccola
Charlie & Marie Farmer
Tyler & Georgene Lunberry
Mary Jane Parker
Kay & Don Pierce
Peace seeking in Iraq & Afghanistan
American Baptist missionaries

### **Lyons Health & Living Center**

Roberta Neill

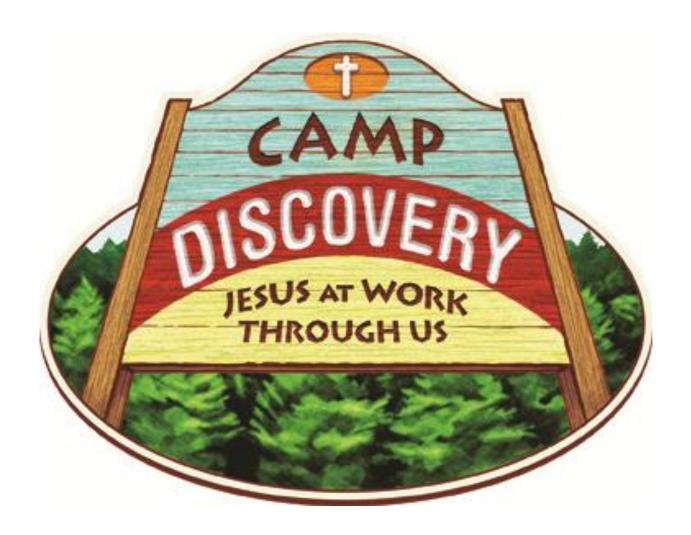
### Parkview Village - Odon

**Betty Baker** 

## Anniversaries

- 5<sup>th</sup> Jim & Jennifer Kingsley
- 6<sup>th</sup> Mike & Barb Stoner
- 18<sup>th</sup> Steve & Kay Allen
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Charlie & Judy Stahl
- 31<sup>st</sup> Nick & Brenda Keller

# **Vacation Bible School!**



Sunday, July 5 – Thursday, July 9 6:00 pm – 8:45 pm

Dinner provided each night.

VBS is for children 3 years old (with parent) through 6th grade.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

(One form per child, please)

| Child's Na  | me:                            |             |                        |              |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Age:        | Grade entering:                | Gend        | ler: (Male) / (Female) | T-Shirt Size |
| Home Chu    | rch (if applicable):           |             |                        |              |
| It would be | e nice if my child is placed i | n same grou | p as (child's name):   |              |
| Parent Nan  | ne:                            |             |                        |              |
|             |                                |             |                        |              |
|             |                                |             |                        |              |
| Email:      |                                |             |                        |              |
| Home Pho    | ne Number:                     |             |                        |              |
| Cell Phone  | Number:                        |             |                        |              |
| Emergency   | Contact:                       |             |                        |              |
| Emergency   | Phone:                         |             |                        |              |
| Allergies:  |                                |             |                        |              |
| Medical Is  | sues or special Needs:         |             |                        |              |

Permission to Attend: I give permission for my child (named above) to attend the Vacation Bible School (VBS) listed above.

Medical Release: I give my permission for the VBS staff to administer basic first aid to my child (named above) in the event of an injury. I understand that the VBS staff will contact emergency services in the event of a significant injury and all expenses for such emergency services will be paid by me.

Photo Release: I hereby grant the above named church permission to use photographs/videos taken at VBS of the minor designated above in promotional materials.





# Youth Happenings!

FRUITFUL LIVES ADORING THE MERCIFUL EVERLASTING SAVIOR
"HIS WORD IS IN MY HEART LIKE A FIRE." JEREMIAH 20:9

### ABY Middle School Retreat - September 18-19

The Middle School ABY Retreat will be September 18-19 at the First Baptist Church of Martinsville. We are doing a two-day, one-night retreat for Middle School students. It will have the same quality of fun, excitement and sharing that our ABY Fall Retreats have always had. Good music; great speakers; fun workshops and games. Mark your calendars!

### Boy Chrysalis – November 6-8

Hoosier Hills Chrysalis BOYS FLIGHT will be November 6th - 8th, 2015. Boys age 15-24 should plan now to attend this great weekend retreat.



# FBC News & Activities

### Set up for VBS – July 1

Please come on Wednesday, July 1st from 6-8 to help set up the church for our Camp Discovery VBS. We'll need lots of help to get ready for Sun. July 5th!



### Pray For Our Mission Team – July 18-25



Seven from our church are spending a hands-on week building in Ft. Wayne with Mission Serve July 18-25th. Please pray for John Cummings, Bill & Debra Hudson, Julie Hudson, Andrew Templeton, and Andrew and Bob Weeks as they serve as Christ's hands and feet in Ft. Wayne.

### <u>Bluegrass Concert – August 1</u>

Dailey & Vincent will be at the Simon J. Graber Community Building south of Odon on Sat. Aug. 1. The show starts at 7pm and the doors open at 5:30pm. Sign up on the library counter if you would like tickets. Prices are \$20 for anyone 16 or older, \$5 for ages 10-15 and children 9 years of age and younger are free!



# BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

### **DAYCARE NEWS**

I asked several of our children "What are your favorite things about Summer?" Here are their replies:

#### 2 year olds

**Amelia** said "choo choo trains, play at the beach, play in the sand, play in the pool, basketball, go to the baseball field."

**Jackson** said "Daddy, play choo choo, play with Mommy, ride my bike, winga (swing) play in the dirt." **Ava** said "play with puppy, play with sand castle".

**Ellie** said "play outside, playing with the spankler, I like to grow flowers outside, color outside, play toys outside.

### 3 year olds

Abram said "play and jump boing boing"

**Bryce** said "I like to play with animals: elephants, piggies, giraffesss and mouses.

**Keaton H.** said "play outside, play swings, flides, steps, run steps, a lot of steps, and I need a butterfly.

Wyatt said "go camping outside I go in the tent and go to sleep with my Mommy and Daddy I do.

**Lane** said "swing on my swing set, play with my doggies too, Cannon and Tank. Cannon's the big dog and Tank's the little dog. I like playing with my trains inside, I like running in my yard outside.

**Leo** said "play a board game like Candy Land; I have Candy land at my house. I like kites I have a new spider man one. I like to fly kites too.

**Emmalyn** said "toys my Mommy works to pay for toys.

Savanna said "giraffes and I like to play on the swings".

**Avalyn** said "go to the swimming pool, see stars in the tent."

**Nathan** said "play at the park, play on the swings, play on the slides too. I like to go eat with my Daddy and Mommy and sister at Hunters."

**Jonah** said "I like swinging, sliding I like riding a four holer it's some kind of driving thing. I like riding the Ferris wheel."

#### 4 year olds

**Lily** said "I like to play outside, I like to go feed the fishies and the ducks. I like to play outside whenever my Mommy says yes."

**Adalyn** said "That the leaves are falling, the butterflies, going play

outside, maybe go to the zoo, go to swim, let our hair down, when are we going home I want to see my Daddy".

**Emmi** said "laying in the sun, playing in my pool in the summer, going to the beach in the summer time, going to the Zoo. I love going to the beach and picking flowers for my Daddy and I love building sandcastles."

**Johni Lynn** said "I like water and painting... oh and the feeling my kitty's belly it is so soft. We get to go swimming and play water play and I like to go to Linton pool in the kiddie pool and that's all O.K. did you mess up AGAIN, why are you laughing".

**Adalyn** said "I like that the leaves are falling, the butterflies go play outside, maybe go to the zoo, go to swim, let our hair down. When are we going to go home I want to see my Daddy?"

Angela said "Well, I like summer because we can go to the pool and play outside."

# BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

#### **DAYCARE NEWS - continued**

#### 5 year olds

**Adam** said "I want to go on a field trip and make a snowman." When asked how he was going to make a snowman when it does not snow in Summer he said "out of sand." He also said "I like the water and the beach it looks so cool in the beach and I like to play in the snow, My favorite part is the pool and jumping in the lake and waterplay."

#### 6 year olds

**Samauryion** said "Basketball and coloring, uh baseball and that's it".

### 8 year olds

Jayden said "Swimming...ummm playing tag I guess. Fishing and playing basketball".

**Jordan** said "I like swimming, fishing, basketball, and riding my bike and 4-wheeler sometimes but it's broke."

**Michael** said "We get to come here and go swimming and we get to go to Sherry and Wayne's, which is Erin's Mom and Dad and that's pretty much it."

#### 9 year olds

**Abby** said "I like riding Horses, fishing, getting wet, getting dirty, hmmm... basketball, drawing, sports and going clothing shopping! The best part is Lego's at Daycare! Oh, yeah and swimming."

### 10 year olds

**Justin** said "Pools, I can drive my motorcycle. Well, it's kind of a motorcycle and a dirt bike. I get to stay home a lot and I don't have to put clothes on, and basically there's a lot of fun. Did you get fishing on there? Oh and basketball and the best part of summer is sleeping in."

#### **Mini Musings:**

A 3 year old child told his caregiver "I had a disappointment last night" the caregiver said "you had a disappointment" he replied "yes and he checked all my teeth". The child had been to the dentist.

A 4 year old told me she knew somebody who was bad. After I explained that nobody is bad but that sometimes we all make bad choices, she explained that her brother was bad at home. Then she said "I bet if I had a dream my brother would be good in my dream."

## Indian Creek Camp Schedule

| Camp            | Grade Level (Grade Entering) | Dates          | Price |
|-----------------|------------------------------|----------------|-------|
| Special Persons | 16 years old and up          | June 1-5       | \$165 |
| Boys Camp       | 4th-6th grade Boys Only      | June 7-11      | \$150 |
| Explorer        | 1st and 2nd                  | June 14-16     | \$115 |
| Discovery       | 3rd and 4th                  | June 17-20     | \$135 |
| Girls Camp      | 4th-6th Grade Girls Only     | June 21-25     | \$150 |
| Family Camp     | 7 3-9-0<br>                  | June 26-28     | Varie |
| Senior High     | 11th grade-2015 grads        | June 28-July 4 | \$240 |
| Focus           | 7th-9th                      | July 5-11      | \$235 |
| First Timers    | K and 1st                    | July 11-12     | \$70  |
| Teen            | 9th-10th                     | July 12-18     | \$235 |
| Challenge       | 6th-8th                      | July 19-25     | \$235 |

# Tippecanoe Schedule

| Dates                            | Session                               | Grade    | Cost                               |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| June 7-12                        | Missions Camp                         | All Ages | Week -\$150.00<br>Daily - \$ 50.00 |
| June 14-18                       | Explorer                              | 1st-2nd  | \$170.00                           |
| June 14-20                       | Leadership 7th-11th \$25              |          | \$255.00                           |
| June 19-20                       | First Timers K-1st                    |          | \$ 65.00                           |
| June 21-27                       | Trailblazers 5th-6th                  |          | \$255.00                           |
| June 28-July 3                   | Day Camp K-6th                        |          | \$125.00                           |
| June 28-July 4                   | JAM ·                                 | 7th-12th | \$255.00                           |
| July 5-11                        | Sr High                               | 9th-12th | \$260.00                           |
| July 12-18                       | Challenge                             | 7th-8th  | \$255.00                           |
| July 19-25                       | Discovery 3rd-4th \$2                 |          | \$255.00                           |
| August 14-15                     | Father & Son \$                       |          | \$ 80.00                           |
| September 16-19<br>October 20-22 | Quilters & Stampers<br>Young at Heart |          | \$165.00<br>\$ 80.00               |

# A Note from Pastor Nathan

In the last sermon of our prayer series, we read the prayer of Elisha, "Lord, open his eyes so he may see!" That is our prayer.

God is at work in our world all of the time. He is at work behind the scenes, with horses and chariots of fire, as we saw in last week's passage (2 Kings 6:8-23). But also He is at work before our very eyes, and sometimes we don't have eyes to see it. So, we pray that the Lord would open our eyes.

One passage that came to mind after that sermon was this: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ" (Eph. 1:3, NIV '84).

Every spiritual blessing is ours. The word "spiritual" has to do with empowerment. Every blessing empowered by the Spirit of God is ours in Christ!

I don't think I could make a list of those blessings, not only because I can't keep writing forever, but also because I don't even know what all of those blessings are. A phrase like "every spiritual blessing in Christ" just boggles my mind. I don't think we realize just how rich we are through Christ Jesus our Lord!

But these blessings are ours. "Every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms" is a lot like "horses and chariots of fire." The fact that we do not always see these things does not diminish their reality.

Our lack of prayer is a failure to tap into resources that are already ours! We experience earthly "lack" in various ways. Even the Son of Man had no place to lay His head. He does not promise us physical wealth or ease during this lifetime. If anything, life is often harder because we have decided to follow Jesus.

But when we encounter difficult circumstances – when we, like Elisha's servant are surrounded by scary chariots – we are assured that our God and His resources are abundantly greater than any challenge we face.

So I encourage you to join me in praying. Let's pray that the Lord would open our eyes, so that we might see rightly the spiritual blessings that are ours. Then, let's pray with greater confidence, knowing that whatever our circumstances, our God is greater. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the Lord.

Grace and peace,

Nathan

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|--------|--------|---------------|-----------|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday       | Wednesday | Thursday             | Friday | Saturday |
|        |        |               | 1         | 2                    | 3      | 4        |
|        |        |               |           |                      |        |          |
|        |        |               |           | 6:00 Softball        |        |          |
|        |        | _             |           |                      | 10     |          |
| 5      | 6      | 7             | 8         | 9                    | 10     | 11       |
|        |        | 6:30 Trustees |           |                      |        |          |
| Va     | cation | Bible         | Scho      | ol                   |        |          |
| 12     | 13     | 14            | 15        | 16                   | 17     | 18       |
|        |        |               |           |                      |        |          |
|        |        |               |           | 7:10 & 8:20 Softball |        |          |
| 19     | 20     | 21            | 22        | 23                   | 24     | 25       |
| 13     | 20     | 21            | 22        | 23                   | 24     | 23       |
|        |        | 6:00 Softball |           | 6:30 Deacons         |        |          |
|        |        | 0.00 Sollball |           | 0.50 Deacons         |        |          |
| 26     | 27     | 28            | 29        | 30                   | 31     |          |
|        |        |               |           |                      |        |          |
|        |        |               |           |                      |        |          |
|        |        |               |           |                      |        |          |

| Deacon of the Month | Trustee of the Month | Usher of the Month | Greeters                    |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bob Weeks           | Greg Flinn           | Jason Nicholson    | Marlen Flynn & Charles Husk |

| Reoccurring Weekly Activities @ FBC |           |   |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|---|--|--|
| Sundays:                            | 6:00 p.m. | Campfire - Sanctuary & FH                                     |  |  |
| Mondays:                            | 6:30 p.m. | Enhanced Fitness - FH Cub Scouts – FH Faithful Workouts – CLC |  |  |
| Tuesdays:                           | 6:30 p.m. | Choir Practice<br>Girl Scouts - FH<br>Cottage Prayer Group    |  |  |
| Wednesdays:                         |           | Enhanced Fitness – FH<br>FLAMES - CLC                         |  |  |
| Thursdays:                          |           | Enhanced Fitness - FH<br>Boy Scouts - FH                      |  |  |

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