

The First Baptist Connection

August 2015

News and Updates for our Family in Christ

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Birthdays

4th Eleanor Barkley
Mary Puntney
7th Bert Terrell
8th Ashley Neill
10th Barb Frye
14th Kylee Moody
16th Megan Keown
18th Aaron Campbell
21st Peggi Blakley
25th Braden Hudson
Nancy Larr
28th Mike Toon
29th Nancy Kinder
Bobbie Leigh Weeks

Prayer Concerns

On-Going Prayer Concerns

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

Lyons Health & Living Center

Betty Baker
Roberta Neill

Anniversaries

4th Ron & Shelia McBride
Chris & Erin Wilson
8th Mike & Nancy Canty
14th Derek & Mandy Rollison
27th John & Mary Bailey



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

Southern Indiana Men's Conference

The fourth annual Southern Indiana Men's Conference will be at Tulip Church of God on Saturday, August 22, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All men are welcome. Admission is free. Lunch is provided. Speakers this year include Greg Stube (US Army, Fort Bragg, NC), Pastor Josh Sanders (United Methodist Church, Washington, IN), Pastor Tony Stinson (Cincinnati Christian Church, Cincinnati, IN), and Rev. Thaddeus Searcy (All Nations Community Church, Chicago, IL). There is a sign-up sheet on the library counter. It would be helpful to know by August 16 if you plan to attend. However, last-minute arrivals will be welcome! If you have questions, please ask Nathan.

Pictorial Directory Photo Shoot

Norm Sullivan will be taking pictures for the 2015 Pictorial Directory on Sunday, August 16 from 1:00-3:30. A sign-up sheet is on the library counter. If you have an existing picture you would prefer to use, please email it to secretary@fcbloom.org and Brenda will be glad to add it. Norm has a camera and will travel, so if you need he will gladly come to your house to photograph you.

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

DAYCARE NEWS

Most of our Children are getting excited to go back to School. They have had a good summer. They enjoyed trips to the Linton, Shakamak and Bryan Park Pools; Bloomfield, Linton and Bryan Parks; Wonder Lab; the Library; Splash pads at Linton and Karst Farm and the Feline Rescue Center. We also went to the 4-H fairground to see the animals. We were excited to see our own Abby Weddle get awards with her horse in many competitions. We have had a fun filled summer although it seemed like a very short period of time.

We will continue to have our Bible time, devotions, and prayer time before and after school. The children have really learned a lot this summer about God's love for us. We have had discussions about bullying and how God wants us to treat others.

Our fall will start out with 71 Children attending regularly. Each room will plan and implement lesson to ensure each child's needs are met to the best of our ability. We all look forward to the new school year and are excited about the things God has for us to learn.

A 3-year-old was observed holding a Dr. Seuss book and reading it to the other children. She was actually telling them a Bible Story. 😊

One of our 3-year-old boys ran to hug one of our 4-year-old girls. The girl's 3-year-old brother stepped in, placed a gentle hand on the boy and said "That's my sister." 😊

Please remember us in prayer as we care and teach these young Children and also as they teach us.

We want your un-needed clothes!

If you have any clothes or shoes or accessories that you were planning to donate elsewhere, Bright Beginnings Daycare would be happy to take them off your hands. Our children love to play dress-up, but the "dress-up" clothes in the catalogues are cost prohibitive for our budget. Please see Tammy Kirkman if you would like to donate.

A Note from Pastor Nathan

I want to use this newsletter article as an opportunity to encourage your participation in a few different things.

First, all men are invited to the fourth annual Southern Indiana Men's Conference at Tulip Church of God on Saturday, August 22. This free event runs from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. and includes lunch. The day will consist of worship in the morning followed by two speakers. After lunch, there will be another period of worship followed by two more speakers. I encourage all men to come, and all ladies who know any men to encourage those men to come. Fathers, consider bringing your sons. If you can only stay for part of the day, that's just fine. This has been a great experience in previous years. Many different churches have been represented at this conference. Come and see what the Holy Spirit might have to say to you, and come and enjoy the fellowship of hanging out with brothers in Christ. A sign-up sheet is available on the library counter (behind the stained glass wall in the narthex area) at church. Arrivals at the door are welcome but if you can sign up in advance it will help with meal planning.

Second, I want to invite you all to consider viewing the movie, *War Room*, which will be in theaters beginning August 28. (Closest showings are Bloomington, Vincennes, and Terre Haute.) *War Room* is all about prayer. A woman of great faith calls a younger woman to start fighting her family's problems with prayer. This film is made by the producers of *Facing the Giants*, *Fireproof*, and *Courageous*. I recently viewed an interview with the film's directors and they don't care so much about how well the film does, so long as it contributes to a greater movement of prayer. I share with them the belief that God is igniting a new movement of prayer among Christians around the globe. So let's go watch this movie and give God an opportunity to further deepen our desire to pray.

Thirdly, you will notice during the first four Sundays in August that deacon nomination forms will appear in the bulletins. This is earlier than normal, but we want to give this process plenty of time for discernment and prayer. Please consider nominating individuals whom you believe of mature faith and sincere love for Jesus and for people. Please give special attention to those who might not normally be considered but who have much to offer. Then, please pray for the deacons as we sort through these nominations and seek the Lord's guidance for the makeup of this group in 2016.

Finally, if you have not yet had your picture taken for the new church photo directory, Norm Sullivan will be taking another round of pictures on Sunday, August 16. If you already have an existing picture you'd like to use for the directory, please email it to secretary@fbc bloom.org and Brenda will be glad to add it. Norm has a camera and will travel, so if you need he will gladly come to your house to photograph you.

Thank you for being a wonderful church family to Liz, Tiffany, and me. We are so grateful for you and we are excited about what the Lord is doing and will continue to do here at FBC.

Grace and peace,
Nathan

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 6:30 Trustees	5	6 6:30 Church Council	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 6:30 Congregational Meeting	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	28	29	27 6:30 Deacons	28	29
30 6:30 CGCMA Songfest @ Faith Christian Church	31					

Deacon of the Month <i>Jeff Coffin</i>	Trustee of the Month <i>Braden Hudson</i>	Usher of the Month <i>Cheri Campbell</i>	Greeters <i>Tooger & Nancy Smith</i>
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Reoccurring Weekly Activities @ FBC

Sundays:	6:00 p.m.	Campfire - Sanctuary & FH
Mondays:	10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness - FH
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts – FH
	6:30 p.m.	Faithful Workouts – CLC
Tuesdays:	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts - FH
	7:00 p.m.	Cottage Prayer Group
Wednesdays:	10:30 a.m.	Enhanced Fitness – FH
	6:15 p.m.	FLAMES - CLC
Thursdays:	6:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast - Dairy Queen
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	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts - FH
	6:30 p.m.	Gideons (3 rd Thurs. each month) – FH

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