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Official Newsletter of
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A Message from Our Pastor Bro. James Hazlewood - Senior Pastor

Church family,

May has some special occasions. Graduations will take place. Mother's Day and Memorial Day will be observed. As you plan for these occasions, please include the upcoming events we have on our church calendar! Please note that for the month of May, we have moved our deacons', finance, property & maintenance, and business meetings out one week.

Let me highlight some of our special events in May. We will have our Men on Mission Retreat on Friday night and Saturday, May 2nd-3rd. I encourage all our men, ages 18 and up, to register and attend! The cost is \$20. See Bro. Jackie Vaughan with questions or to register.

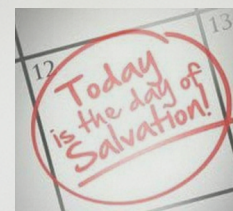
On Sunday, May 4th, we will recognize church members graduating from high school and college. These graduates will be set up in the youth building from 1-2:30 p.m. so you can drop off gifts and congratulate them. Also, on May 4th, following the 11 o'clock service, girls up to the 5th grade will have a mother/daughter luncheon in the fellowship hall.

On Mother's Day, May 11th, we will NOT have an 8:30 worship service or connection time at 9:30. We WILL have Sunday school at 10:00, worship at 11:00, D.T. at 5 p.m., and evening worship at 6 p.m. The youth building will be set up as an overflow area, and the service will be live-streamed. Staff members will be present to ensure that the overflow service operates properly. I encourage church members to fill the youth building to allow our guests to sit in the sanctuary. During the morning worship service, we will dedicate 10 children and recognize all mothers.

On Sunday night, May 25th, we will have a Memorial Day cookout and devotion at 5 p.m. in the youth building. The church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please help us by bringing sides, desserts, and drinks. We ask those with a church T-shirt to wear it for a group picture that evening.

Let me close by informing you that we have some deacons retiring on August 31, 2025. We have started the process for a deacon election. Eligible men over 21 will receive a letter by mail with instructions. **ONLY THOSE WHO MEET THE SCRIPTURAL QUALIFICATIONS OF 1 TIMOTHY 3:8-13, AND DESIRE TO BE CONSIDERED, NEED TO CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE NO LATER THAN MAY 16, 2025.**

Bro. James



How To Be Saved:

- Admit to God that you are a sinner!**
(Read Romans 3:23)
- Believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins!**
(Read Acts 16:31)
- Confess your faith in Jesus and ask Him to save you!**
(Read Romans 10:9-10, and 13)



The 2025 Summer Mission Trip is set for July 13-18, 2025.

We'll be heading back to Cleveland, TN to share God's love.

Begin praying for the volunteers and all those who they will meet during their time in Cleveland, TN.

MAY'S MOON BY BRO. JACKIE VAUGHAN - ASSOCIATE PASTOR

You can find references to the Moon or Moons about 63 times in the Bible. The moon was created by God as a lesser light to rule by night. Read Genesis 1:16. In this verse the sun and moon are created by God but called “the greater light” and “the lesser light”. So this lesser light, the Moon, rules by night. The moon shines bright on a cloudless night. I just love a full moon. I’m told fish bite better during times of a full moon. Also, there are many songs that have the moon in its lyrics. My favorite is one that says, “Oh Mister Moon, Moon, bright and silvery Moon, won’t you please shine down on me.”

Oh well, enough of that. The first reference to Moon is found in Genesis 37:9. This is when Joseph shares with his brothers his dream of the Sun, Moon, and eleven stars bowing down to him. And the Bible’s last reference is found in Revelation 21:23. John’s vision of the New Jerusalem tells us that the city had no need of the sun or moon to illuminate it. “The Lamb is its light.” Revelation 21:23b.

Friend, there is coming a day when the Sun and Moon will be no more. Yes, in the day of the Lord, “the light of the moon will be as the light of the sun.” Isaiah 30:26a. Are you ready for that day? I am ready to sing “Oh Lord, our Lord, Great and Loving Lord, won’t you please shine down on us!”

God Bless,

Bro. Jackie

MUSIC NOTES BY BRO. KASEY HARRIS - MINISTER OF MUSIC

As I write this article, we’re preparing for a busy week of rehearsals leading up to the Passion Play. I’m so, so thankful for the hard work and dedication of the many singers, instrumentalists, drama members, and audio/visual team members that have worked tirelessly to prepare for the 2025 Passion Play. Through it all, my prayer is that God was glorified, everyone in attendance was reminded of the sacrifice Christ made for us on the cross, and hopefully someone came to know Him as their Lord and Savior. I am so thankful we serve a risen Savior!

After taking some much-deserved time off for the rest of April, choir rehearsals will resume Wednesday, May 21 at 6 PM. We’d love to have you join us. New singers and instrumentalists are always welcome! A special thank you to the instrumentalists, worship team members, and the audio/visual team for coming early every Sunday morning to rehearse and prepare for worship. I appreciate each of you. Our church is blessed with the best!

Please be praying for Vacation Bible School, which will be held Sunday, June 22 through Wednesday, June 25, and how God will use you to serve in this important ministry.

We’re planning a trip to Jackson, TN for the Jackson Sings the Gospel Concert on Friday, July 11 at 7 PM. Groups singing will be Triumphant Quartet, The Hoppers, Joseph Habedank, The Guardians, and Josh & Ashley Franks. Tickets are \$20 each, if we get 10 or more signed up. Kids 12 and under are free. Please sign the sheet on the table in the hallway if you want to go. We’ll eat supper at Catfish Cabin in Jackson before the concert. There will be more details to come.

Please continue to pray for our church and leadership as we continue to seek God’s will for our building program.

It's a privilege and honor to worship with you each week.

Because He Lives,

Bro. Kasey



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 IVA JONES, JAYLIE SINGLETON
- 2 MARK MCALISTER
- 3 SHERRI PUCKETT
- 10 JACLYN WEBER
- 11 MATT MARSTIN, SHERRIE WRIGHT, JOY COOPER
- 13 GABBY SANDERS
- 14 JOHN LOWERY, KRISTEN PRITCHARD
- 15 JERRY GAGE
- 17 BRENDA CANTRELL, SANDRA LEMONS, JEAN COOK, CHUCK HENDRIX, TINA SINGLETON
- 18 RAQUEL MCALISTER, BETH RASH
- 19 NATHAN BRACKETT, JACKIE VAUGHAN, JAKE MCDANIEL, TERRI FLOWERS
- 21 RENEE RAWLS
- 22 JOYCE WINGO
- 23 CAROL FEATHERSTON
- 24 TIFFANY BOYCE
- 27 KEITH MARTIN
- 31 SADIE CROCKER, HUDSON RICKETTS



Pantry needs

- SELF-RISING FLOUR
- SELF-RISING CORN MEAL
- SPAGHETTI NOODLES
- HUNTS PASTA SAUCE

(ACTUALLY, ANY CANNED, OR BOXED, GOODS WILL BE APPRECIATED.)

CHILDREN'S CORNER

BY CAROL FEATHERSTON - CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

Our children have been busy! We took a good group of 29 people to the movies to see "King of Kings" on April 11, then on April 12 we had our annual Easter Egg Hunt here at the church. It was such a beautiful day and lots of fun. Thank you to everyone who helped - from donating eggs and candy, to making snacks. A special thanks to Bro. James for leading the devotion for the children.

Now looking ahead into May, we will be hosting a mother/daughter lunch on May 4 where all the girls are to invite their moms, or other special ladies in their life, to come enjoy lunch and fellowship time, as well as devotion and music.

Finally, VBS is just around the corner! (June 22-25) YEE-HAW is the theme this year and it is going to be a good one!! With Bible lessons based on John 3:16 and so much fun music, lots of crafts and some delicious food. Make your plans now to attend and bring some neighborhood kids to learn about God's Greatest Gift!! If you would be interested in helping as a staff member, or volunteer in any way, see a member of the Children's Committee.

Carol

GIRLS IN ACTION

BY JACLYN WEBER - GA'S LEADER

Summertime is almost here! For May, the GA's will be studying the missionary's digital ministries in Southeast Asia.

On Wednesday the 7th, please make sure all the girls are present! We will be doing something special in class to take home.

"The jar of flour wasn't used up. The jug always had oil in it. That's what the Lord had said would happen. He had spoken that message through Elijah." (1 Kings 17:16)

OUR WONDERFUL BUS DRIVERS

May 4 Hal Smith
May 5 Cody Ricketts
May 11 Jeff Brown
May 14 Dustin Pritchard
May 18 Chris Singleton
May 21 Chris Pence
May 25 Tony Mitchell
May 28 Jonathan James

****Please call the church office
at 731-235-3365, Monday-Friday,
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, if you need a ride.**

OUR FRIENDLY GREETERS

May 4 Jonathan James, Jake McDaniel,
Andrew Petty, Lisa Garcia, Mary Long
May 11 Paula Huggins, Jeffrey Hampton,
Chad Sharpe, David Hugueley
May 18 Tyler Mitchell, Hal Smith, Reuben
Garcia, Margie Staley, Mark Weaver
May 25 Jeff Brown, Chris Singleton, Chad
Sharpe, Paula Huggins

OUR LOVING NURSERY STAFF (Provided During All Services)

May 4 Simmone Mitchell
May 11 Susan Mitchell
May 18 Susan Waterfield-Williams
May 25 Melinda Randolph

OUR AWESOME CHILDREN'S CHURCH LEADERS

May 4 Ashton Montgomery/Erika James
May 11 NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH
May 18 Brooke Smith/Tabitha Ricketts
May 25 Kelly Croom/Sherri Puckett

View Our Services Online:

YouTube: First Baptist Church Greenfield
Facebook: First Baptist Church-Greenfield



WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

BY SUSAN MITCHELL - WMU DIRECTOR

In April, our WOM group did not meet due to so many of our members being involved in the Easter Cantata/drama. It was great being involved in such an awesome presentation. Since we celebrate Mother's Day this month, we will be collecting money for the Mother's Day offering. This money goes directly to support our Children's Homes sponsored by Tennessee Baptist. I hope you will consider giving to this worthy cause. Please make your contribution by May 18, 2025. Thank you for giving!

LIGHTHOUSE STUDENT MINISTRY

BY BRO. ERIC DAVIDSON - MINISTER OF YOUTH

May is a month I always look forward to. It may be starting to get hot, but I love being outside. As things warm up this summer my family and I try to find time to go fishing or hang out at the lake to cool off. Summer is almost here!

While writing this article, we are preparing for the Easter drama. I am humbled every year by how powerful of a visual this event can be. The actors in the drama work hard to portray the roles that they have been assigned. As Christians, you have been assigned the role of acting like Jesus. If your friends or work colleagues were asked to describe you, would they describe you as a Christian? If you are claiming to be a Christian, are you acting and responding to this world the way that Jesus did? While we will never be as perfect as Jesus was, we can strive to be more Christ-like every day. That process begins by applying Colossians 3:1-2. As we gear up for all the ballgames and other fun activities that take place during the summer, I want to challenge all of us to consider whether our words and actions are bringing glory to God or if we are bringing shame to God.

Youth don't forget that I teach a discipleship training class on Sunday evenings as well. It starts at 5pm and I would love to see you there!

Find us on one or all of these social media channels and get plugged in to what is going on.

Facebook – First Baptist Church Greenfield Student Ministry

Instagram – fbcgfield_youth

Snapchat – Fbc Greenfield – one of the youth or other chaperones can get you into the group msg.

Youth, come join us for food and worship every Wednesday evening at 6pm!

God Bless,

Eric Davidson

The Hem of His Garment Sewing Ministry

BY SUSAN WILLIAMS, MELISSA LEHMKUHL & AMBER GRAVES

The Hem of His Garment group had a wonderful time sewing when we met on April 12th. We completed an order of 30 adult bibs for Hillview Nursing Home, which is located in Dresden, TN. We have an order of 30 for Van Ayer, in Martin and 30 for Weakley Co. Nursing Home. This will keep us busy for the next two meetings. Plus, we always have to keep the prayer quilt squares going. They are always on back order. This is a good problem for a sewing ministry to have. Also, we could always use more members. We guarantee you will have a good time fellowshiping with us. If you don't know how to sew, no problem. We will have you sewing in no time at all! Join us May 10th in the youth building, from 9:00 AM until Noon. Doing God's work is a lot of fun, especially at a sewing machine. "REMEMBER, NO SEWING EXPERIENCE NEEDED".

The Hem of His Garment members would like to thank Ms. Sandra Dowland for the very generous fabric donation. The fabric will be used for the making of prayer quilt squares, and lap quilts, for local nursing homes. We hope to see some new members at the next meeting. We also have non sewing work, as well. God is good all the time.

The Lighthouse Student Ministry

(6th Grade - 12th Grade)

Wednesday Nights @ 6 PM
Meal, Worship, & Bible Study



Opportunities to Worship & Serve:

Morning Worship	Sunday @8:30 AM and 11 AM
Connection Time	Sunday @ 9:30 AM
Sunday School for All Ages	Sunday @ 10 AM
Discipleship Training	Sunday @ 5 PM
Evening Worship	Sunday @ 6 PM
Wee Worship (PreK-5th Grade)	Sunday @ 6 PM
Adult Choir Rehearsal	Wednesday @ 6 PM
Lighthouse Student Ministry (6th Grade - 12th Grade)	Wednesday @ 6 PM
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study	Wednesday @ 7 PM
RA's / GA's / Mission Friends (For All Ages)	Wednesday @ 7 PM

Church Staff:

Bro. James Hazlewood - Senior Pastor
Bro. Jackie Vaughan - Associate Pastor
Bro. Kasey Harris - Minister of Music
Bro. Eric Davidson - Minister of Youth
Carol Featherston - Children's Director
Lynn Snider - Ministry Assistant
David Hilliard - Custodian

