



# First Baptist Church

## Lexington, NC

**Steeple Talk - May 2014**

### Church Business Meeting/ Transportation Fund



On April 16 the church voted to purchase a “used” van costing \$24,000 to \$30,00. As of April 30 we currently have \$7,383.00 in the Transportation Fund. We also anticipate trading or perhaps selling the current van. Currently memorials and honorariums are coming in to the Transportation Fund. We will be looking for the funds to fully pay for the purchase. Please consider making a contribution to the **Transportation Fund** to defer the cost of the van.

Other business was a look at the first quarter Financials. Our receipts for the month of March were \$61,145. Totals for the quarter were \$136,140 - this was given by 201 giving units. Miscellaneous income was \$12,294. Our goal for the first quarter was \$168,001 and we received \$148,535 which was \$19,466 less than the anticipated goal.

### Worship at First Baptist - 11:00 a.m.

Mother's Day - Baby Dedication Service

Sunday May 11

Riverdale and Hand Bells

Sunday, May 18

We will visit Riverdale on Sunday morning, May 18. The handbell choir will also be playing in our worship service on that day.

Memorial Day Sunday

May 25

Our worship service on May 25 will be a time to reflect on the great sacrifices that men and women have made for our freedom and to honor those who have given their lives. We will recognize all former and current military personnel in the service.

# Meetings & Events

**First Baptist Office and MBCC will be closed  
Monday, May 26 for the Holiday.**

## May

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| <b>5th:</b> Frady/Johnson Mission Group    | 1:45 p.m. |
| Bernice Cross Mission Group                | 2:00 p.m. |
| <b>6th:</b> Carolyn Phillips Mission Group | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>7th:</b> FaithHealth Meeting            | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>18th:</b> Finance Committee             | 9:00 a.m. |

## June

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| <b>1st:</b> Deacons' Meeting               | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>2nd:</b> Frady/Johnson Mission Group    | 1:45 p.m. |
| Bernice Cross Mission Group                | 2:00 p.m. |
| <b>3rd:</b> Carolyn Phillips Mission Group | 7:00 p.m. |

## Nominating Committee

**Monday, May 12**

**5:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall**

The Nominating Committee will hold its first meeting Monday, May 12 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. During the coming weeks you may be contacted by a committee member regarding your participation. If you have any interest or would like to recommend an individual for service as a deacon or committee member please contact Wendy Walker (Walker.WendyM@gmail.com), Chair of the Nominating Committee, or Tommy Wilson., (tommy@fbclex.org).

Please be in prayer for the committee.

## FaithHealthNC Meeting

**Wednesday, May 7**

**6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall**

FaithHealth is becoming one of the most dynamic ministries in our church. You are invited to attend a very important FaithHealth meeting on Wednesday evening, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to be updated on this vital ministry and learn about different ways to be involved. We talk about opportunities for education, wellness activities, nutrition, and different way you can serve through FaithHealth.

## 17th Annual Bible Study Field Trip

Our charter bus will be in the church parking lot at 6:30 a.m. on Monday, May 12, to take us to Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown for the 17th Annual Bible Study Field Trip. We have 52 travelers!

The Fall Bible Study will begin on Monday/Tuesday, September 22 and 23.

## Extended Sessions

**May 11: Bed Babies:** Donna Routh & Wendy Walker

**Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Dale Lambeth

**3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M Phil Mickey

**May 18: Bed Babies:** Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

**Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Zak Young

**3 & 4 Year Olds:** William Fulbright

**May 25: Bed Babies:** Margaret Ann Maddox & Kelly Mitcham

**Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal

**Alexander 3 & 4 Year Olds:** Brenda Sprinkle & Courtney Sams

**June 1: Bed Babies:** Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

**Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Kevin Brown

**3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M Josh Boyle

## SteepleTalk Newsletter

We are doing **ONE** newsletter per month. We hope all who can will sign up on the website to have the newsletter sent to you by email and thus reducing the cost of mailing. **The Newsletter deadline for the June issue is Wednesday, May 28.**

To date, we have 80 receiving the Newsletter by email.

## Family Night at First Baptist

Wednesday, April 30th, ended another year of Family Night here at First Baptist. Through the effort of many individuals our Family Night is always a highlight of each week. Our thanks to Sandye Saintsing and Levern Owens for all they do to make the meals go smoothly. A special thanks to the five serving and clean-up crews. As well as Dot Craver, Sara Vick and their assistants Sally Davis and Booty Hilton who take up money each week.

Each Wednesday evening our Missions Organizations provide mission education. We have GA's (Girls in Action), RA's (Royal Ambassadors), Acteens, and Mission Friends. We are thankful to those who provide leadership in the area of missions.

In addition to Missions many of our children participate in our Music Ministry program. The Chancel Choristers, Joyful Singers, Sanctuary Choir and Senior Adult Singers are led to develop their talents each week through the Music Ministry.

As we break for the summer months, we are indebted to all who serve us each Family Night. **Thanks to All!!!**

## Baccalaureate Sunday

**June 8**

High School Senior Recognition Day will be held Sunday, June 8. Please notify the church by Sunday, May 18 of family members who will graduate this spring. Graduates are asked to bring a photo to the office by May 18.

We would also like to have information of any college graduates for the June newsletter. Please have information in the church office by May 21.

## Kamp Kiwanis Project

We will be providing individual baskets for each camper at Kamp Kiwanis this summer as they return home. Charlotte and Kacie Beck are organizing this worthy project. Please consider donating some of the following items that will be included in the baskets. Cash donations are also needed.

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| Tooth Brushes  | Individual Boxes of Cereal    |
| Tooth Paste  | Cheese/Peanut Butter Crackers |
| 2 in 1 Shampoo and conditioner<br>(One Bottle That Combines Shampoo and Conditioner) | Fruit Gummies                 |
| Chips/Pretzels   | Packs of Oatmeal              |
| Soap or body wash  | Fruit Cups                    |
| Chap stick   | Granola Bars                  |
| Wash Cloths  | Sugarless Gum                 |
| Individual Packs of Tissue   | Juice Boxes                   |
| Hair Brushes   |                               |
| Combs  |                               |

## Youth May Schedule

The Youth of First Baptist will not be meeting during the month of May. Further plans will be announced at a later date.

## Shredding Day

On Wednesday, April 30th we had a shredding service on site as we concluded our series on "Caring for Creation." We shredded over one and half tons of documents. Once shredded they were taken to a recycling facility. Thanks to all and a special thanks to Jim Honeycutt, Ray Williams, and Mark Lambros for their assistance. We also raised funds for the Transportation Fund for a vehicle purchase.

## Fit For Faith Walking Club

The Fit for Faith Walking Club will begin on Monday, May 12th, 2014. Surveys indicated that we need both a morning and evening time so that all who wish to participate can do so.

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday have been designated for our group to walk. The morning group will walk at 10:00 a.m. and evening group will walk at 6:00 p.m. Our meeting place is Grimes Park at 25 Hege Drive. We invite all church members to join us and bring a friend. For additional information or questions please contact Brenda Barton at 336-247-3015.

## Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

### General Assembly

June 23 - 27

Atlanta, Georgia

## Memorials

**Youth Ministry:** *Victor Samuel Farrah* by Kathryn Frye; **Small Jobs Ministry:** *John Thacker, Sr.* by Mildred Thacker Ingram, Robert & Sandra Grundmann, Margaret Brookshire, Darrell & Pam Pulliam, Howard & Sandra Sheets; *Bradley Powel & Bryant Stutts* by Betty Sink; *Larry Beck & William "Bill" Medford* by Don & Margaret Strickland; **Music Ministry:** *Helen Linder* by Robert & Phyllis Stump; **General Fund:** *Victor Samuel Farrah* by Don & Evelyn Kepley; **Transportation Fund:** *John Thacker, Sr.* by Fellowship/Philpott SS Class, Don & Ann Bishop, Charles Wesley Head, Forest Hill Baptist Church, LeGrand & Dolly Skinner; *Larry Beck* by Curtis & Barbara Leonard; *Helen Linder* by Jeanne Wall, LeGrand & Dolly Skinner; *William "Bill" Medford, Chad Kirkendall, Victor Samuel Farrah* by Jeanne Wall, Don & Ann Bishop, Fred & Lynda Belk; *Larry Beck* by Jeanne Wall, Don & Ann Bishop, Fred & Lynda Belk, Peggy Hinkle, Roger & Susann Mayhew; *Bryant Stutts* by Fred & Lynda Belk; **Parlor Fund:** *Dermont Everhart* by Lynn Dabbs, *William "Bill" Medford* by Steve & Kendall Sharpe; **Chad Kirkendall Memorial Fund:** *Chad Kirkendall* by Richard & Vicki Baxley; **Endowment Fund:** *Larry Beck, Horace Conner, Helen Linder & Bryant Stutts* by Rod & Phyllis Penry; *Bryant Stutts, Victor Samuel Farrah, James Bates, George Humphries, Larry Beck & John Thacker, Sr.* by Peggy Barnhardt; **MBCC Scholarship Fund:** *Mr. & Mrs. Fred Sink* by Kelly Sink; **Building & Grounds Fund:** *John Thacker, Sr.* by Silba Rae Fennell;

## Honorariums

**Small Jobs Ministry:** *Marylyn Hilton's Birthday* by Billy & Susan Bryan; **Transportation Fund:** *Tommy & Sandra Wilson* by Carol Stutts-Wall; **Parlor Fund:** *Ian & Jordan Knott's 3rd Anniversary* by Betty Sink;

May 2014

## Thank You

Dear First Baptist Church Members and Staff,

Please allow me to say thank you for the many expressions of kindness, food, cards, visits, and telephone calls during my stay at UNC memorial Hospital, and Abbotts Creek Nursing Facility.

What a wonderful Church Home. I love you all.

Jim Phillips

To My Church Family,

Thank you so very much for the visits, prayers, and love. I'm now walking. I feel the prayers as I put one foot in front of the other.

Again, Thank you for everything. The church family is very wonderful.

God Bless,  
Amelia Lanning

## News From MBCC

The Martha Best Children's Center is currently enrolling children aged 2 through grades 3 for the 2014/2015 school year. We have spaces available in full and part time preschool and in our after school program. We also still have a limited number of preschool and school age spaces available for our summer program which will begin June 13th. For more information contact the Martha Best Children's Center office at 248-6924.

### Touching Davidson County With Love - 2014

There were over 400 volunteers from 16 churches participating in this year's TDCWL. Various agencies had work done for them along with 23 homes where different projects were done. Nursing homes were visited, Meals on Wheels participants received lunch and all homes where work was being done received a gift pack of a vegetable casserole and chicken pie. Our church provided many cans of Ensure for Social Services and nonperishable food for Pastor's Pantry. Our thanks to Judy LeCroy, Kay Albright, and Tobin Shepherd for providing leadership for TDCWL and Debbie Auman for ordering t-shirts for the participants.

#### The following members served as project managers.

Johnny Beck, Christy Clark, Lane Gilliam, Becky Kirkendall and GA's, Sonny Leonard, Phil Mickey, Evelyn Bingham, Ray Howell, Beth Bunce, Tobin Shepherd, and Kay Roberts.

### Stamp Out Food Hunger

The Postal Service will again collect canned goods on their routes Saturday, May 10th. The collected food will be boxed and sent to Crisis Ministry for their food bank. Your assistance is needed to help with sorting the food. Sorting starts at 9:00 a.m. Monday May 12. The collection center is at First Reformed UCC. Any volunteers who have trucks and would be willing to pick up canned goods from the rural carriers to deliver to the post office on Saturday will be gratefully appreciated. Join this project and be a part of the joy of giving. Call Crisis Ministry at 248-6684 to volunteer or to get further information.

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Sunday, July 20 - 5:00 p.m.

Church Picnic/VBS Kickoff

2014 Vacation Bible School – July 21 - 24

Children aged 3 years to 5th grade and their friends are invited to grow in faith, have fun and learn in this year's Vacation Bible School from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Everyone is invited to the picnic/kickoff on Sunday, July 20th from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

We need individuals to staff the various age groups. We hope you will be willing to participate and help in this wonderful fun filled week. If you can help contact our Director, Jen Fuller Allen cell 250-0714 and email [jen@lexigtonymca.com](mailto:jen@lexigtonymca.com) or Tommy at 249-9158 or [tommy@fbclcx.org](mailto:tommy@fbclcx.org).

#### Teachers are needed for:

3/4 year olds, K - 1st grade, 2nd & 3rd grades, 4th & 5th grades.

Leadership positions are also needed in Bible Learning, Crafts both Preschool and Children, Recreation, Snacks/Refreshments and Music

*Theme: Have U Herd?*

*God is speaking to you!*

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me." John 10: 27

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