



SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

February 9th "Homeward Bound"
February 16th Ray Nance Howell IV will preach
February 23rd "Amazing Grace"
March 1st A Riverdale Narrative featuring music by Brannon Gilliam and Lee Spears and the anthem "Shenandoah" by the Sanctuary Choir

Steeple Talk

Faith Fellowship Mission

2020 WINTER BIBLE STUDY

"The Struggle for an Unhindered Gospel:

The Book of Acts"

Monday Nights at 7 p.m.

Tuesday Mornings at 10:30 a.m.

SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH—A YOUTH FUNDRAISER FOR BELIZE

The Soup and Sandwich fundraiser for the Youth Belize Mission trip has been rescheduled for March 8th. If you have a reservation and this date does not work for you, you can receive a full refund. The final day to make reservations will be Sunday, March 1st.

TOUCHING DAVIDSON COUNTY WITH LOVE

For the 14th consecutive year our church will participate in Touching Davidson County with Love (TDCWL), this time on April 4, 2020. This is a multi-denomination effort to help those in our county that are in need. Participating churches appoint a committee of their members who serve on a Steering Committee and meet with groups from the other churches to plan projects that have been suggested by local agencies. Some examples of our work will be building ramps, yard work, painting, making repairs, singing at nursing homes, making blankets for children who are served at Dragonfly House, and planting gardens. Our faith is bolstered as we work with other believers in the county who seek to serve Jesus Christ. Kay Albright heads up the effort to find worthwhile projects.

We need you! Each year we get to know many wonderful people. There is definitely a work effort for everyone that will match your skills and interests. Very soon there will be sign-up opportunities; everyone can find meaningful jobs. We will also gather a collection of items that are needed; watch to see what we are collecting at FBC. We need prayers for this special day. Will you join us as we strive to be Christians who can make a difference?

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COVERED DISH & FELLOWSHIP

We are planning a church-wide Covered Dish Supper on Wednesday, February 19th. Join us for a special evening of good food and Christian fellowship.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

On February 28th, Laura Adams will celebrate one year with us at the Martha Best Children's Center! Congratulations Laura, we are thankful for your service!

HOLY LAND 2021

We are going back to the Holy Land in 2021! Dates are February 25 - March 7, 2021. This is a life-changing trip, a transformational spiritual journey. Please let Ray know if you are interested in receiving more information.

SMALL JOBS MINISTRY

We have several dedicated men in our church who have built dozens of wheelchair ramps for different people. This group is known as the "Small Jobs Ministry," but building a wheelchair ramp is no small job! In December, they built a ramp for a couple in Southmont. The husband is recovering from two major strokes. In a heartfelt thank you note, they wrote: "We want you to know that we are so thankful and blessed to know you. May God continue to bless and strengthen you daily."

BACKPACK PROGRAM

Greetings from the Backpack Program at South Lexington. I want to first thank everyone for your continued support of our Backpack Program. Special shout-outs to The Rochella Baker SS Class for continuing to donate canned pasta each month and the Family Matters SS Class for ongoing donations of fruit cups! A big thank you to the Faithful Workers SS Class and the Johnson/Frady Mission Group for your financial gifts at Christmas. I know many individuals continue to support us through food left in the bin at the elevator door entrance and financial donations!

The holidays have passed, but hunger in our community continues to be prevalent. Sending home weekend and holiday kid friendly food truly helps! We must continue to be vigilant in our dedication and service to feed the hungry! Thank you for helping to "feed the kids!" We are making a difference in the lives of 35-40 children every week!

With gratitude and love,
Julia Dunn
Community Liaison, South Lexington Backpack Program

JR/SR CHILI SUPPER

The Jr./Sr. Adults will be having a chili supper on Friday, February 14th at 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall. This is the rescheduled date from January. Please contact Sharon Palmer for more information. We hope you can join us!

THANK YOU!

Dear First Baptist Church,
Thank you so much for the food boxes that your congregation provided for my students during the holiday season. The families that received the food boxes were very appreciative of your efforts. Have a blessed & prosperous New Year!

Melissa Graham, School Social Worker

Our church has received a Thank You note from the Salvation Army for our adopting 75 Christmas Angels. The note reads: "Because of your generosity all of our children were able to have Christmas!"

We also received a note from the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority for our hosting the annual MLK Memorial Breakfast. Over 200 people filled our fellowship hall for this important community gathering. Even though the Deltas always thank us for our generosity, they also give us a monetary gift as an expression of their gratitude.

EXTENDED SESSION

DATE	BED BABIES	2-4 YEAR OLDS
FEB 2nd	"Libby Foster (336) 238-1441 Courtney Foster	Wendy Skotthy (336) 224-0035 NEED HELP HERE
FEB 9th	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams (336) 956-1821	M/M Cory Kehl (803) 606-9526
FEB 16th	M/M Don Watson (336) 237-1293	M/M Kevin Brown (336) 250-1551
FEB 23rd	Donna Routh (336) 249-2350 Wendy Walker (336) 236-6301	M/M Dale Lambeth (336) 692-2039
MAR 2nd	M/M Richard Baxley (336) 243-1856	Sandra Blackwelder 336-239-8366 Crystal Alexander (336) 956-2765

MEMORIALS

General Fund: *Ed Ward* by Booty Hilton, Nevin & Suzanne Rohrbaugh, Ken & Debbie Auman and John & Sue Smith; *Betty Wright* by Ken & Debbie Auman and Lewie & Beryl Phillips; *Gale Lanning, Kathryn Frye, Sarah Snell, Tullia Hoover, Lamar Clark, Jack Hege, Estelle Dillahunt and Nancy Mitchell* by Sally Davis; *Howard Mae Hinson* by Betty Sink, Robert & Martha Adams and Carolyn Spivey

Building & Grounds: *Ed Ward and Howard Mae Hinson* by Hal & Donna Routh; *Howard Mae Hinson* by Brenda Hipp

Endowment Fund: *Ed Ward and Betty Wright* by Peggy Barnhardt; *Ed Ward and Howard Mae Hinson* by David & Julia Dunn

Youth Missions: *Howard Mae Hinson* by Jerry & Tricia Laws

Music Ministry: *Jim Barton* by Davidson County Senior Chorus and Peggy Barnhardt

HONORARIUMS

Christmas Food Boxes: *Jim Honeycutt and Peggy Barnhardt* by Brenda Hipp

FBC FRIENDS

FBC Friends is a weekly email that previews the Sunday morning service. If you are not receiving this email, please share your email address with us. For those who do not use email, we will share the FBC Friends message on the Information Line.

TAKE A DIFFERENT PATH!

Instead of waiting until the end of the year, why not “**take a different path**” this year. One thing you could do is to place something in the offering plate (in addition to your regular donation) each and every Sunday. It could be \$.50 or any amount you have to give. Think about emptying your change purse and dropping that in every week. You can also give online if you wish. Whatever you give will help alleviate a budget deficit in December. **TOGETHER**, as the Body of Christ, we can make many things happen.

BUDGET UPDATE

As of December

Budget Received: \$ 101,233.80

Expenses: \$ 97,648.27

Surplus: \$ 3,585.53

Year to Date

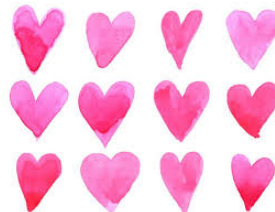
2019 Projected Budget: \$ 718,355.00

Budget Received: \$ 631,678.13

Expenses: \$ 631,452.07

Surplus: \$ 226.06

These numbers reflect the budget as it stood at the end of December. Due to your generosity, we were able to meet all of our obligations! Let's take this positive momentum into 2020 and continue to remember the church in your giving.



*Happy
Valentine's
Day!*

U.S. CENSUS WORKERS

The Census Bureau is looking for workers to assist with this year's census count. The pay is \$16/hour and .58/mile. Flexible hours and shifts. If you are interested, there are flyers posted around the church with additional information.

CONTACT US!

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