

The First Family

"To be found faithful as God's People."

MARCH 2020

FROM YOUR PASTOR

Causes for Concern

There are many things on my heart this month that give me cause for concern. I pray this article will lead us all to more diligent prayer and readiness. Our calling as Christians not only includes impacting people in the hereafter but also making a difference in the present.

I am concerned over issues that can have a negative impact for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The push to expand gambling, the patronizing and encouragement given to the abortion industry, the legitimizing of the LGBTQ community from the highest elected office and the push by legislators for medical marijuana without clarity from the Food and Drug Administration. What can we do? We can pray. We can get informed and we can participate by contacting our representatives. Pick up a copy of The Kentucky Citizen at the Welcome Center to get informed and see the practical way you can be a voice.

I am deeply concerned over matters related to our Southern Baptist Convention. It is concerning when the president of the 2020 Pastors Conference pushes to promote speakers that are not in line with our fundamental distinctives. Promoting individuals whose principles are contrary to our practices and methodologies that border on the seductive, sensual, and outright profane. However, this is rather mild when considering the potentially, dangerous shift that has come about due to the passing of Resolution Nine at the last convention. The resolution introduced a theory or "tool" which in reality is antagonistic to the gospel, atheistic in its belief and Marxists in its ideology. I am referring to Critical Race Theory and Intersectionality that has moved from the courthouse to the schoolhouse to the workhouse and now to the church house. This is a worldview that teaches that humanities

greatest problem is social injustice rather than innate sinfulness and our greatest hope is not the liberating power of the gospel but the redistribution of power to the perceived oppressed. It has the potential to lead in a direction that believes the bible is not sufficient in itself but needs secular, ideological tools to help. The answer to racism is not focusing on our differences but our similarities as creatures created in the image of God and that our blessed hope is the redemption found in Christ who alone can make us one. Then we have our present convention president promoting an agenda that we "whisper" when speaking on certain sins and use "pronoun hospitality" in describing things that God says is an abomination, evil, and wicked. Last is the push by several leaders and especially a well-known teacher that is seeking to redefine the office of pastor while at the same time reneging on her previous stance on the bible's emphasis on male/female relationships only, removing statements from e-books concerning homosexual deliverance, remaining silent to specific questions from concerned fellow writers and teachers and the open relationship with those who affirm homosexuality as a Christian

Forty years ago, our convention was saved from the deadly demise of liberalism. Adrian Rogers said at the time, "Denominational Cooperation through compromise is neither Baptist nor Biblical, and Baptist must beware of the leaven of liberalism." We must pray, get informed, and participate in meetings on a local, state, and national level. I will seek to help with the informing over the next three Sunday evenings. Please plan to attend our evening services.

Bro. Brad



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

BRAD BANKS-PASTOR

WESLEY HADDEN-FAMILY MINISTER

CHUCK HARRIS-MUSIC AND MEDIA PASTOR

SUSAN STOWE-MINISTRY ASSISTANT





A special offering for
North American Missions
will be received on
March 1 and 8.
Pray and give as the Lord leads.

MEMORIALS

<u>Bob Osborne</u>– Rodney and Deborah Parker, Terry and Billie Patterson, Chuck and Dana Gill

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Bro. Jesse Bourne- Tim and Sherry Craigmyle, Paula Satterwhite, Donna McDonald, Todd and Lesa Marston, Sandra Olds, Lee Cochran, Mike and Barbara Ramsey, Shawn and Jennifer Power, FBC Men's Sunday School Class, Pauline Shelton, Loretta Bourne, Joe and Tracy Harrod, Jeff and Sara Cascio, Billie and Debbie, Kathleen Flint, Donald and Glenda Allnutt, Charles and Lucy McCoy, Ronnie and Carol Wooten, Mike and Sarah Cobb, Darryl and Susan Traylor, John and Peggy Davis, Rodney and Deborah Parker, Chuck and Dana Gill, Lloyd and Lana Vannarsdall, Judy Jones, Doug and Irene Perkins, Sue Sipple, Kelley and Teena Gamble, Jimmy and Susan Sutherland, Dr. John and Barbara Newcomb, Gene A. Thomas, Shirley Walker, Ronnie and Joy Roberts, Sandra Stafford, and Phyllis Malcomb. IMB: Dave and Susan Stowe, Janet Wright, Patty Avriett, Barry and Deborah Winkle, Charlie and Rita Richardson, Delbert and Carolyn Keith, Rodney Wagner, Melody Bourne, Dr. David and Joy Morgan, Stephen and Luci Grubb, Bernice Bourne and daughters Cheryal, Carol, and Yolanda.

SUMMER 2020 SCHEDULE

<u>June</u>

1-5 Vacation Bible School

6-13 Alaska Mission Trip (Approx. \$1,600)

10 Children's Summer Program Kick-off

(meets every Wednesday)

23-25 GA Camp

28 Erwins in Concert

July

7-11 Crossings Youth Camp at Cedarmore

11-18 Jamaica Mission Trip (Approx. 1,300)

21-24 Crossings Children's Camp at Cedarmore

September

27-30 Fall Revival with Evangelist Wesley Paul

ALASKA MISSION TRIP PAYMENT #2 DUE MARCH 1 \$350

MUSIC AND MEDIA

Welcome to March, church family! I hope you haven't been washed away from all this rain we have had. I don't know about you but I'm sure glad that we live close to the Ark just in case we need to head that way!!!

I want to encourage you to start inviting others to our Easter Services next month. On April 5 (Palm Sunday), the FBC Sanctuary Choir will be presenting "Is He Worthy," during our 10:50 a.m. Late Service. This musical presentation has become my favorite Cantata that we have had the pleasure in presenting! Now, I know it seems like I say this every year but this cantata truly is amazing. It has wonderful narration and songs that are both beautiful and familiar.

The next Sunday — April 12 — Bro. Brad will bring our Easter Sunday message. We will have our normal 8:45 a.m. service then we'll gather together for our annual Coffee House & Donuts during our Sunday School time. After we have fellowshipped with our church family, we will make our way to the Sanctuary for the 10:50 a.m. Late Service. So, whether you come to the Early Service or the Late Service, start inviting your friends, family, and neighbors to join you for Easter at First Baptist!

Next, I want to encourage you to consider becoming a part of our Media Ministry. We need volunteers to help run our sound, video, and recording equipment during our worship services. You don't need to be the next tech genius, but you do need to have a heart to learn new things! Every Sunday we need at least two people to run the equipment. Unfortunately, we sometimes struggle to get even one. I would like to get enough help in the back so that I can schedule teams to work a month, then be off for a month... or maybe even two depending if we have enough volunteers. This is a vital ministry in the church and needs to be staffed every Sunday. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please let me know!

Last, I wanted to say thank you to Owenton First Baptist and to you, the church family. You have made these past seven years wonderful. I am truly blessed to be a part of this great congregation and to be part of this community. Thank you, again.

Soli Deo Gloria, Bro. Chuck

YOUTH NEWS

This month we have started a two-year Bible reading plan in the student ministry! This gives them about four chapters a day to read for five days, which gives them two days to catch up. Parents, encourage your students in this! Scripture intake is critical for our walk with the Lord and gives us something to talk about daily. I pray this is something you can join them in. We are still going through the book of Genesis on Wednesday night and focusing on our Bible reading plan on Sunday nights.

This month we will be going to winter Jam on the 14th. This is a night of praising Jesus with thousands of others all at one place. Please pray as we travel to Cincinnati and back that evening. Looking forward to the summer, we are excited about camp! We are in need for one more female chaperone. If you would be willing to go, let me know! Thank you all for how you serve our students here. It's been a blessing seeing the love you all have for them. I want to share part of a puritan prayer that I love in closing.

"I ask great things, expect great things, shall receive great things. I venture on the wholly, fully, my wind, sunshine, anchor, defense. The voyage is long, the waves are high, the storms pitiless, but my helm is held steady, thy word secures safe passage, thy grace wafts me onward, my Heaven is guaranteed."

In love, Wesley

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 A.M. Revelation 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice P.M. 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting Alaska Payment #2 North American Mission Offering	Volleyball league	3	4 5:30 p.m. Trustees 6:45 p.m. Business Meeting 6:45 p.m. Catalyst 6:45 p.m. HYPE 6:45 p.m. TeamKid	5	6	7 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation TO CHANGE TO CHAN
8 A.M. Revelation 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice P.M. 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study North American Mission Offering	9 Volleyball league	10	6:45 p.m. Midweek Service 6:45 p.m. Catalyst 6:45 p.m. HYPE 6:45 p.m. TeamKid	12	13	14 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation Winter Jam in Cincinnati
A.M James 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study P.M.	Volleyball league	Volleyball league 2:00 p.m. WMU	6:45 p.m. Midweek Service 6:45 p.m. Catalyst 6:45 p.m. HYPE 6:45 p.m. TeamKid	FIRST DAY Spring	20	21 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation Training in Frank- fort 8 a.m4 p.m.
22 A.M. James 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice P.M	23	24 11:00 a.m1:00 p.m. 6:00-8:00 p.m. Meeting the Needs	6:00 p.m. Family Night 6:45 p.m. Mission Groups 6:45 p.m. Catalyst 6:45 p.m. HYPE 6:45 p.m. TeamKid	26	27	28 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation Gideon Banquet
29 A.M. Revelation 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study P.M.	30 6:30 p.m. Visitation	31	LOOKING AHEAD TO APRIL April 5—Children's Easter Egg Hunt April 10—Community Good Friday Service April 12—Easter April 12—Alaska payment # 3 \$300 due April 19—Special Offering for "Summer Missions"			

Volunteer Schedule

<u>NURSERY</u>

Sunday School: Susan Traylor 3/1: Late Service: Rae Gina Beatty 3/4: Wednesday: Kay Bush 3/8: Sunday School: Billie Smith Late Service: Suzanne Peak 3/11: Wednesday: Kelly Cammack

3/15: Sunday School: Billie Smith Late Service: Maddie Humphries 3/18: Wednesday: Billie Smith

3/22: Sunday School: Rebecca Mills Late Service: Gabby Welsh

3/25: Wednesday: Rebecca Mills 3/29: Sunday School: June Osborne Late Service: Sherry Craigmyle

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Alli Gill/Ross Ford 3/1: 3/8: Linday and Josh Smith 3/15: Jimmy and Susan Sutherland

3/22 3/29:

VAN DRIVERS

Ronnie Wooten/Danny Humphries 3/1: Matt Greenlee/Rusty Williams 3/8: Brandon Stephens/John Lilly 3/15: 3/22: Scott Risch/Rusty Williams Lloyd Vannarsdall/Brian Forsee 3/29:

MANOR TEACHERS

Lloyd Vannarsdall 3/1: Danny Humphries 3/8: 3/15: Richard Greene 3/22: Scott Gibson 3/29: Scott Gibson



3/8 Brock Ward Greyson Beatty Adam Stowe 3/2 Preston Forsee 3/9 Tim Redmon Dean Johns

Charley Thornton

Andrew Banks Hatcher Smith

Scott Allnutt

David Cobb Maria Davis Melinda Green **Todd Marston**

Jackson O'Banion

<u>3/5</u>

Eddie Arnold

<u>3/6</u>

Billy Riddle Vicky Turner

3/7

Kyle Patterson Leah Patterson Lye

Natalie Smith Catherine Webster

3/12

David Bowling Danny Cobb Sheila Miller

3/13

Stacy Perkins

<u>3/16</u> Guy Cobb <u>3/18</u>

Joy Roberts <u>3/19</u>

Roger Alford Terri Mears

Danny Perkins <u>3/20</u>

Paul Chitwood

Maison Hedger Don Lee Wainscott

3/21

Christy Colee **Brandon Stephens** 3/22

Brian Forsee Landon Marston Melody Stafford

3/23

Rae Gina Beatty Charles McCoy Jennifer Power

3/24

Pacey Harvey

3/25

Kelly Cammack **Quinton Miller**

3/26

Allison Craigmyle

<u>3/27</u> Alex Cobb **Bobby Kemper**

3/28

Noah Cammack

3/29

Brad Banks Mary Ann Hanson

John Lilly 3/31

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