



The LORD
is my
strength
and my
song;
he has
become
my
salvation.
Exodus 15:2, NIV

The First Family

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

JANUARY 2020

FROM YOUR PASTOR

"Radical Reevaluation"

These are the words that come from the pen of Richard Ross, a fifty-year veteran of working with youth and adults important to youth. Richard served for many years as a youth minister, youth ministry consultant with Lifeway Christian resources and now as a professor at Southwestern Theological Seminary. Recent studies show that fifty percent of teenagers who attended church most of their lives leave the church and that forty percent that become adult church members do not know basic beliefs and do not make a difference for the faith. He points out that only ten percent of those the church invested in for eighteen years continue to love God, love people and make disciples. He goes on to outline the following troubling results of the present model of youth ministry.

"Most churches have lost focus on evangelizing lost teenagers outside the walls of the church. If teenagers only hear and respond to the Gospel while attending the church, most of the next generation will spend their eternity in torment.

Most churches keep teenagers encased in a youth ministry silo. The present model of youth ministry may create a love for the youth group but does not create young adults who love the bride of Christ. We must give teenagers many more heart connections with the congregation and many new ways to do ministry side-by-side with the adult church.

Few churches provide intensive discipleship for those teenagers who are endeavoring to follow Jesus. We are creating young adults with little background in biblical interpretation, apologetics, core doctrines, worldview, missions, ethics and other vital disciplines that are necessary for a mature, enduring faith.

Most churches are not discipling and equipping parents to spiritually lead their teenage children. Tragically, even parents involved in the church are giving their primary loyalty to a new trinity—athletics, academics and the arts. Sunday morning worship is an option only on weekends no other activities are on the calendar." I pray that we will be a church that is unafraid of radical reevaluation when it comes to reaching the lost for Christ and discipling the saved to a growing and maturing faith.

This month we will have Wesley Hadden coming in view of a call to serve as the Family Minister among us. Details for the weekend of January 4 -5 can be found in the Youth Corner article. Please pray over this decision and plan to be here during the meet and greet time. Our search team has been diligent and prayerful through this process and highly recommend this young man to our church.

Take notes of the dates for Volleyball emphasis, Family Fun Night, Men's Day, Wednesday Family Fellowship, Van visitation and the upcoming Valentine Banquet February 9.

Let's continue to focus on "Who's Your One" throughout January by praying for your one's salvation daily and taking the opportunity to share the Gospel steps with them and giving them an opportunity to make a yes or no decision.

Blessings,
Bro. Brad

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

BRAD BANKS-PASTOR

CHUCK HARRIS-MUSIC AND MEDIA PASTOR

SUSAN STOWE-MINISTRY ASSISTANT

**FAMILY FUN FELLOWSHIP
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19
5:30-8:30 P.M.**

**SOUP/CHILI, SANDWICHES,
AND DESSERT IN
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES IN
FLC AND FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**LOTTIE MOON
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS
OFFERING**

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FIRST BAPTIST**

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Corner

The Family Minister Search Team has extended a call to Wesley Hadden from Olmstead, Kentucky. Wesley is presently attending Boyce College in Louisville anticipating graduating in May of 2020. He is also presently serving as an intern at Buck Run Baptist Church in Frankfort, Kentucky. He served as a Summer Staffer at Crossings in the summer of 2017 and as a youth and mission intern in Sudbury, Massachusetts during the summer of 2016. He has been an active member at East Point Community Church in Louisville from August 2017-May 2019 and at Dripping Spring Baptist in Olmstead from November 2014-October 2019.

Wesley comes highly recommended by his former pastor, youth pastor, President of Crossings Camp and the camp director of Crossings in Baghdad, Kentucky as well as the staff of Buck Run Baptist Church.

Wesley will be introduced to our church family on January 4-5. The following schedule has been set for these dates:

Saturday, January 4:

4:00pm – Meeting with church members, parents of children and youth and the youth committee for an introduction and Q & A.

6:00pm – Meeting with our middle and high school students for a fellowship meal, Q&A, and activities in the FLC.

Sunday, January 5:

Sharing his testimony and call to the ministry during both morning worship services. A vote will be taken at the conclusion of each morning service.

ASSOCIATION WMU MEETING

January 25, 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

Potluck lunch at the end of the meeting.

MEMORIALS

Mark Rukavina - Linda Webster, Lloyd and Lana Vannarsdall

Bob Osborne– Donna McDonald, Sandra Stafford, Dave and Susan Stowe, Mike and Sarah Cobb, Phyllis Malcomb, Bob and Judy Cull, Billy and Janice Riddle

Ronnie Banks– Donna McDonald, Bob and Judy Cull, Billy and Janice Riddle, and Dave and Susan Stowe

Brad Haydon– Dave and Susan Stowe

WORSHIP AND MEDIA NEWS

As 2019 goes into the record books, please allow me to share with you some of the groups of people for which I am most grateful. This is not an exhaustive list, nor are they listed in any particular order.

I am grateful for the opportunity to work with such a wonderful staff. Bro. Brad's heart for God, and God's people, is at the core of his ministry as our Pastor. I personally believe that he is one of the best pastors in the state of Kentucky, and I am glad that I can call him my pastor. Susan is the oil that keeps the "machine" working. She is tireless in her efforts and excellent in her abilities as she serves as ministry assistant. She keeps us in line and we're glad to have her in that church office. These two are not only great as co-workers, but I am proud to call them friends.

I am grateful for the ones who serve as instrumentalists: Melody Stafford, Ruth Kingkade, and Dave Stowe. They are each excellent musicians and love to assist our congregation in worship. I'd also like to thank Shirley Traylor for stepping in when needed. It's great to know we have a group of musicians that can help out. They make my job so easy as they intuitively fill in all the parts needed for our worship songs. Thanks to each of you!

Our media team is also a blessing to me and to our church. Tim Craigmyle and Chanceny Perkins have both been rock solid in their help in the back. Isaac Wash is someone I can call on anytime and he's always eager to help out. And, of course, what we do in the back wouldn't be possible without the help and guidance of Dave Barker. While he will be missed, I know that he and Cheryl are enjoying their time in South Dakota and beyond! I also want to thank a few new faces that we have added to the team: David Hill, Meagan Greenlee, Hallie Risch, and Makenzie Risch. These four have been lifesavers this year!! If it weren't for them being able to step up and help out, our service would have suffered in some aspect of media. I'm thankful that they were able to step in and make the service flow smoothly in both sound and video. Thanks to you all for the wonderful work you do to enhance our worship.

Our choir blesses me year after year. Their faithful service and willingness to place themselves under my leadership speaks volumes about their character, their love for the Lord, and their patience. I am thankful for the youth, children, and parents who were part of our Christmas Musical Presentation this year. It was truly one of my favorite and I know many in our church family loved it as well! Thank you so much!

Last, but definitely not least, I am grateful for each of you in our FBC family. You are so loving and kind to me — you are truly family. You have been so supportive of my ministry with you, and for that I am thankful. FBC is truly a loving, giving church family — one I am proud to be a part of. I pray that 2020 will be a great year for you personally AND for Owenton First Baptist!

Soli Deo Gloria,

Bro. Chuck

SUMMER 2020 SCHEDULE

June

6-13

15-19

23-25

24

July

7-11

11-18

21-24

September

27-30

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

Vacation Bible School

GA Camp

Children's Summer Program Kick-off
(meets every Wednesday)


Crossings Youth Camp at Cedarmore

Jamaica Mission Trip (Approx. \$1,300)

Crossings Children's Camp at Cedarmore

Fall Revival with Evangelist Wesley Paul

JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Start the New Year with <i>Prayer</i></p>		FLC AND OFFICES CLOSED	1 NO SERVICES FLC AND OFFICES CLOSED	2	3	4 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation 4:00 p.m. Family Minister Q&A with parents and church body 6:00 p.m. Family Minister Q&A/ Fellowship with youth
5 A.M. Evangelism 101 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study P.M. We Believe	6 7:00 p. m. Owen County Association Meeting	7	8 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	9	10	11 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation
12 A.M A Deathblow to Religion 5:00p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study P.M. We Believe	13 Volleyball league	14	15 6:45 p.m. Midweek Service 6:45 p.m. Catalyst 6:45 p.m. HYPE 6:45 p.m. TeamKid	16	17	18 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation
19 A.M. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb P.M. Family Fun Fellowship Alaska payment #1 due	20 No School Volleyball league	21 Life Line Screening	22 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	23	24	25 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation 10:30 a.m. Association WMU Meeting FBC Potluck lunch
26 A.M. Men's Day 5:00 p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study P.M. We Believe	27 Volleyball league	28 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 6:00-8:00 p.m. Meeting the Needs	29 6:45 p.m. Midweek Service	30	31	1 10:00 a.m. Van Visitation



VALENTINE BANQUET FEBRUARY 9, 6:00 P.M.

Volunteer Schedule



NURSERY

1/5: Sunday School: Billie Smith
 Late Service: Maddie Humphries
 1/8: Wednesday: Danielle Stephens
 1/12: Sunday School : Rebecca Mills
 Late Service: Sherry Craigmyle
 1/15: Wednesday: Kelly Cammack
 1/19: Sunday School: June Osborne
 Late Service: Lillian King
 1/22: Wednesday: Billie Smith
 1/26: Sunday School: Gabby Welsh
 Late Service: Heather Risch
 1/29: Wednesday: Rebecca Mills

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

1/5: Lindsay and Josh Smith
 1/12: Lindsay and Josh Smith
 1/19: Gabby Welsh/Samantha Wash
 1/26: Blair and Jonathan Baldwin

VAN DRIVERS

1/5: Ronnie Wooten/Danny Humphries
 1/12: Matt Greenlee/Rusty Williams
 1/19: Brandon Stephens/John Lilly
 1/26: Scott Risch/Rusty Williams

MANOR TEACHERS

1/5: Lloyd Vannarsdall
 1/12: Danny Humphries
 1/19: Richard Greene
 1/26: Scott Gibson

1/1.
 David Wainscott
1/3
 Derris Hedger
1/4
 Glenda Allnutt
 Lee Drew Stivers
 Darryl Traylor
1/7
 Debbie McMillen
 Bruce Wash
1/9
 Sally Patterson
1/10
 Lloyd Vannarsdall
 Linda Webster
1/12
 Paul Banks
 Austin Perkins
1/13
 Joyce Stack

1/14
 Matthew Osborne
 Brett Wooten
1/16
 Shelby Carter
 Morgan Weintraught
1/20
 Lacie Risch
1/21
 Kitty Cammack
1/24
 Teresa Dempsey
1/25
 Cortney Gobel
1/26
 Machele Bess
1/27
 Tyler Cammack
1/28
 Jane Ayres
 Dana Cobb

Dan O'Toole
 Rodney Parker
 Krista Power
1/29
 Nancy Osborne
1/30
 Moto McDanell
 Clark Roberts
1/31
 Jerry Allnutt
 Kiley Blair
 Jesse Bourne
 Matt Cammack



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