



OWENTON FIRST BAPTIST

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The First Family FEBRUARY 2026

FROM YOUR PASTOR



WILD GAME DINNER

with Chuck McCalister
Founder & Host of ADVENTURE BOUNDS OUTDOORS

FEBRUARY 27, 2026

Registration at 6:00pm — Dinner Starts 6:30pm

The Wild Game Dinner may be one of the biggest evangelistic events that our church has planned and promoted. The emphasis of this event will be focused on the evangelization of those without Christ and a renewal of believers who have drifted into a condition of lukewarmness and desertion of Christ and the local church. Planning for this event started in November, but the vision for it has been upon the minds of many for several years. A lot of work has been going on behind the scenes.

Now we need YOU to become a part of making this a reality. Here is what you can do:

1. Begin praying daily for the event. Pray for Dr. Chuck McAlister who will be speaking. Pray for good weather on the night of the event. Pray for those who need Christ to be present and to hear and heed the message.
2. Purchase tickets for yourself and enough to give to lost friends and family and those who have drifted in their faith walk. The tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the Welcome Center during regular services and available at the FLC and Church Office when open.
3. Sign up at the Welcome Center to serve on one or more of the eight volunteer teams.
4. Consider giving a donation that helps offset the cost of the event. We have purchased seven guns to give away. We are renting forty-five tables, printing material to promote the event, catering side dishes for the meal, and covering the expenses of our special speaker.

The most important thing we can do is pray daily for the power of the Holy Spirit to bring great conviction to those who are without Christ. What a wonderful opportunity to invite family members, co-workers, high school classmates, and neighbors that you would like to see have an encounter with the Lord.

Blessings,
Bro. Brad

CATERED BY Cracker Barrel

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15 — NOON

VALENTINE'S Banquet

\$15/PERSON \$60/FAMILY

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The meal will be catered by Cracker Barrel with a choice of either meatloaf or fried chicken.

Sign-up at owentonfbc.com/kbcc or see Bro. Chuck for more information

\$70/singers \$50/chaperones

KENTUCKY BAPTIST CONVENTION

Children's Choir

Grades 3-6 • No Auditions • April 24-26

See Bro. Chuck for more information — Deadline is MARCH 6

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WORSHIP & MEDIA MINISTRY

SNOW MATTER WHAT, GOD IS FAITHFUL

As I sit writing this, snow is being scraped off the roads, the second cup of coffee is already doing its holy work, and the temperatures are still downright Kentucky-winter cold. February has arrived, and if it feels like this year came in a little sideways, you're not imagining it. The recent snowstorm slowed everything down for several days. Roads were covered, plans were paused, and many of us found ourselves inside together longer than expected. We even had to cancel church — a rare thing — but moments like that remind us that while our schedules may change, the faithfulness of our God never does.

Those unexpected days at home gave us a chance to slow our pace, rest a little more, and lean into simpler rhythms. Scripture reminds us, *"God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble"* (Psalm 46:1, CSB). Even when routines are interrupted and plans are put on hold, the Lord remains steady, present, and at work among His people.

As we step into February, there's a renewed sense of momentum and excitement in our church. One way we're seeing that is through music and worship opportunities for all ages. It's KBC Children's Choir time again, and we'd love for our kids to be involved! This choir is open to children in grades 3–6 and will take place April 24–26, 2026. We'll be registering as a church, so please be sure to sign up by Friday, March 6. You can register online at owentonfbc.com/kbccc, or feel free to see me if you have questions. It's always a wonderful experience for our kids to worship, learn, and grow together.

At the same time, our Worship Choir has already begun preparing for Easter with our cantata, *Hosannas & Hallelujahs*. This presentation is filled with beautiful songs and meaningful narration that help us reflect deeply on the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. The Choir is excited to share this powerful musical with our church family, and there's still room for more voices!

The invitation to join is open to everyone 7th grade and up — no experience necessary, just a passion to sing praises to our Heavenly Father. We meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Carla G. Pennington Choral Suite, right near the church offices, and we'd love for you to be part of it.

As we move forward together this month, my prayer is that we continue to extend grace to one another— grace for changed plans, grace for tired bodies, and grace as God continues shaping us through every season. Winter reminds us that growth often happens quietly, beneath the surface, long before we see the fruit. Thank you for your faithfulness, your flexibility, and your willingness to keep worshipping — *snow matter what*.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Bro. Chuck

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Hello church family,

February is the month of love, and one of the greatest love stories ever told is found in the Bible. The Bible is like a love letter from God to us. Just like a letter from someone who loves you, it tells us who God is, how much He cares for us, and how He wants what is best for our lives. From beginning to end, the Bible shows us that God loves us, forgives us, and never gives up on us - no matter what.

When we read the Bible, God doesn't want His words to stay only on the page - He wants them written on our hearts. That means His Word becomes part of who we are, guiding our thoughts, choices, and actions every day. Memorizing verses is a great start, but taking it a step further means understanding what God is saying and letting it shape how we live and love others.

Growing in this way is an invitation for families to talk about Scripture, ask questions, and help kids see how God's Word connects to their own lives. When children and families learn that the Bible speaks to them, not just about people long ago, it becomes personal, meaningful, and life-giving.

After reading a Bible verse together, ask: "How do we see God's love in this verse? How can we live this out today?" Look for one simple way to show God's love at home, school, or in your community.

"I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Psalm 119:11

This February, as we focus on love, let's help our children see that God's Word is one of the greatest gifts of love He's given us.

Peace and joy,
Kiley

STUDENT MINISTRY

Hello church family!

The youth group enjoyed our annual Christmas party at the end of December. We took 12 students to Top Golf in Louisville and it was a great time of fellowship for our group.

We are looking forward to our annual Valentine's Banquet hosted by the youth group. It will be February 15th right after the 11 a.m. service. Cracker Barrel will be catering again this year. You will have the option of fried chicken or meatloaf when you purchase your ticket. Tickets are \$15 each with a maximum of \$60 per family and can be purchased at the Welcome Center or online at owentonfbc.com/valentine.

As we do every year, we will be taking the youth group to Winter Jam on March 7th. This is a Christian concert the students love to attend each year. Be on the lookout in the church bulletin for more details on this event.

Thank you all for the opportunity to be the youth pastor of these students. They truly bring Alli and I so much joy and we are grateful for each of them.

Blessings,
Ross

MEMORIALS FOR DOTTIE CRAIGMYLE

Scott & Sandy Gibson

Phyllis Malcomb

Judy Poe

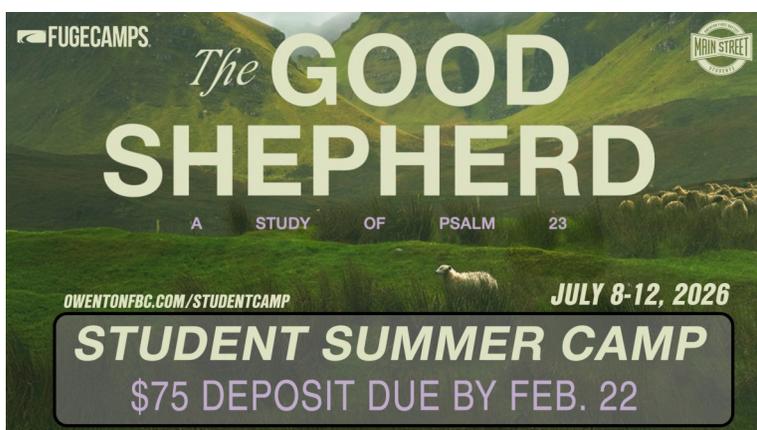
Mike & Barbara Ramsey

Lloyd & Lana Vannarsdall

February 2026

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| 1 9:00 & 11:00a Lay-Led Service 10:00a Sunday School 6:30p Lord's Supper 7:30p Deacon's Meeting | 2 <i>Church League Volleyball</i> 6:30p & 7:30p | 3 | 4 10:00a Manna in the Morning 6:30p Mid-week Gatherings 6:30p Choir Practice | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 9:00 & 11:00a Morning Services 10:00a Sunday School 5:30p Trustee's Mtg. 6:30p Evening Service 7:30pm Business Meeting | 9 <i>Church League Volleyball</i> 6:30p & 7:30p | 10 | 11 10:00a Manna in the Morning 6:30p Mid-week Gatherings 6:30p Choir Practice | 12 | 13 | 14  |
| 15 9:00 & 11:00a Morning Services 10:00a Sunday School 12:00p Valentine Banquet <i>No Evening Service</i> | 16 <i>Church League Volleyball</i> 6:30p & 7:30p | 17 | 18 10:00a Manna in the Morning 6:30p Mid-week Gatherings 6:30p Choir Practice | 19 | 20 | 21 |
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CAMP DATES & DEPOSIT DEADLINES



FUGECAMPS
The **GOOD SHEPHERD**
 A STUDY OF PSALM 23
 OWENTONFBC.COM/STUDENTCAMP
JULY 8-12, 2026
STUDENT SUMMER CAMP
 \$75 DEPOSIT DUE BY FEB. 22



CROSSINGS
KIDS Storytellers
KIDS CAMP
JULY 23-26, 2026
\$75 DEPOSIT DUE FEB. 22
 VISIT OWENTONFBC.COM/KIDSCAMP



*Birthdays
of the Month*

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| <u>2/1</u> Mallory Craigmyle Joyce Utterback | <u>2/12</u> Dennis Miller Adam Patterson | <u>2/20</u> Andrea Perkins Ammon |
| <u>2/2</u> Jonathan Locker | Jessica Treece Brax Ward | <u>2/21</u> Kyle Riddle |
| <u>2/3</u> Kaleb Epperson Adam Green | <u>2/13</u> Bobby Cull, Jr. Chuck Gill | <u>2/22</u> Tim Craigmyle Linda Osborne |
| Becky Shryock Jimmy Sutherland | Connor Sharp | Ryan Perkins |
| <u>2/5</u> Don Allnutt, Jr. | <u>2/15</u> Jodie Ransdell | <u>2/24</u> Kevin Welsh |
| <u>2/6</u> Broox Ward | <u>2/16</u> Megan Hearn | <u>2/25</u> Debbie Parker |
| <u>2/7</u> Krissy Locker | <u>2/18</u> Crystal Lilly Beverly Marcum | <u>2/26</u> Waylon Locker Ty Smith |
| <u>2/9</u> Dave Stowe Khloe Welsh | Carol Wooten | <u>2/28</u> Haisley Cammack Bradley Rose |
| <u>2/10</u> Luke Hanson | <u>2/19</u> Jenny Cobb Donna Gregory | Zayden Rose Ronnie Wooten |
| <u>2/11</u> Kelly Gamble | Megan Harris Danielle Stephens | <u>2/29</u> Chip Colee Kendall Lilly |

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

- 2/2 Early- Tonya Jones
SS- Kendall O'Toole
Late (0-2)- Justin & Danielle
Late (3/4)- Jenna Shelton
Evening- Meleah Beatty
- 2/8: Early-
SS- Meredith Lewis & Jen Dales
Late (0-2) - Nash & Jodie
Late (3-4)- Shawn & Jennifer
Evening- Meredith
- 2/15: Early- Kenedi Hon
SS- Kelsey Gognat
Late (0-2)- Kelsey Gognat
Late (3-4)- Tonya& Brad
Evening- Meleah Beatty

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 2/1: Meredith Lewis
- 2/8: Lindsay Smith
- 2/15: Jessi Williams
- 2/22: Tonya Jones

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