

This Week @ FBC

Sunday, March 6

9:30 am Sunday Bible Study
 10:55 am Morning Worship
 12:15 pm Summer Camp Fund Raising Luncheon
 5 pm Life Group
 6:00 pm Evening Worship

Monday, March 7

10:30 am Joyful Praise Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday March 8

10:30 am Keenager's Meeting

Wednesday, March 9

6 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
Spaghetti Salad Bread Dessert
 5:45 pm Youth Pizza & Study
 6 pm Daniel Bible Study
 Breath - Making Room for Sabbath
 Clubhouse Friends
 6:15 pm Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
 The Point Band Rehearsal
 6:30 pm Pastor's Prayer Meeting
 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

<u>Mar 6-12</u> Mary Jo Case Bimol Poole Jeff Ingram	<u>Mar 13-19</u> Jeanette Dupree Wayne Rasbury Gene McDaniel
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Wednesday Meal

<u>Mar 9</u> Frankie Trotter Hal Jones Charles Tant Dolores Tant	<u>Mar 16</u> Wayne Rasbury Charlie Rasbury Pat Medearis Sue Hughes
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Security

<u>Mar 6-12</u> Raymod Dupree Jeff Wright	<u>Mar 13-19</u> Alvin Davis Ron Bethune
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Greeters

<u>Mar 6</u> Rena Caradine Mickey Caradine Elaine Steele	<u>Mar 13</u> Pat Medearis Mackie Yatooma Brenda Jones
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LaunchPad

Sunday, Mar 6

Babies	Stacy Thomas Ally Thomas
1&2 yr olds	Drew Todaro Deborah Gray
3 yr olds	Lynn Tyree Martha Cope

Next Sunday, Mar 13

Babies	Joyce Tindall Jane Hogsed
1&2 yr olds	Heather Parente Kristi Mullins
3 yr olds	Lois Carlton Jim Carlton

Prayer Concerns

Hospital

Laurie Brown
 Joetta Roderick
 Anna Alexander

Home

Tressie Fletcher
 Shirley Bryan
 Taime Imler
 Pam McCullough
 Winona Lewis
 Becky Trew
 Audrey Brown
 Eva Stone

Louis Clark
 Fred Boswell
 Raymond Dupree
 June Stewaet
 Ronnie Hixon
 Ken & Betty Goodner
 Lamar Elrod
 Odell Culver
 Nell Smith
 Linda Sikes
 Robin Ellis
 Beth Daugherty
 Mary Alkire

Larry Hutcheson
 John Messina
 Janice Knauff
 Wiley & Helen Epperson
 Sam & Mary Lou Brown

Nursing Home

Dale & Delores Kinnison
 Aline Hannah
 Norma Carpenter
 Eva Williams
 Eunice Mosman
 Ruth Graham
 Eloise Morris
 Lila Archer

Birthdays

Mark Paulson (6)	Brittany Stone (8)
Louise Pendley (6)	Hannah Carlton (9)
Hayden Strange (7)	Donna Pack (9)
Noah Wolfe (7)	Donna Leath (10)
Jake Brown (8)	Paul Overlin (11)
Aline Hannah (8)	

Staff

Pastor - Jason Thomas
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 Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson
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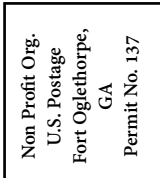
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Christ Chapel Item
 Crackers

Welcome New Member
 Tracy Smith
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 Rossville, GA 30741



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Upcoming Events

Youth Disciple Now Weekend

Our annual Youth Disciple Now Weekend begins this Friday, 3/4, at 5 pm. All middle schoolers and high schoolers are invited to attend. This will involve a two-night stay on our church campus, and a weekend packed with powerful worship and small group devotionals. See our Youth Minister Kevin Stone for more details.

Summer Camps Fund-Raising Luncheon

A fund-raising lunch is this Sunday, right after the Morning Worship. The menu is Barbecue, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Slaw and Dessert. Parents, don't forget we need lots of desserts! Set-up will be Sunday Morning at 9 am and stay until 1:45 pm for clean-up.

Keenager's Meeting

Mark your calendar for the Keenager's monthly lunch meeting this Tuesday, 3/8, in our Fellowship Circle. Jim Winsett, the President of the Chattanooga Better Business, will speak on "How to Avoid Scams." The meeting will begin at 10:30 am, with lunch to follow.

Men's Prayer Breakfast - Saturday, March 12

Calling all men! Join us on Saturday, 3/12, for a special prayer breakfast in our Fellowship Circle. The free breakfast will begin at 9 am and will include a time of prayer and encouragement.

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Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

Now I understand why my high school economics teacher told me that there is no such thing as a free lunch. His point was that nothing in life is free. Things that are worthwhile never come easy. In other words, "No pain, no gain!" That is what we saw this past Sunday, looking back at our Origin.

After the first people separated themselves from the giver of life, life on earth would never be the same.

"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat of the plants of the field. By the sweat of your brow you will

eat your food until you return to the ground..." (Gen. 3:17-19)!

And thus, from that moment forward, work became hard work. Every human being on earth, including you and I, has felt the pain and difficulty of this reality in some way. Yet, God has not left us without an answer. We are meant to be His workmanship, **"created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephes. 2:10).** But don't make the mistake of rushing into this in your own strength. Work is still hard work. You need more than just the power of you. You need the gospel of the now, which is the power of Christ in you! **"But God, who is rich in mercy, because of his great love for us, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions" (Ephes. 2:4).** Being alive with Christ is the answer. It is God alone who will raise you up to be what He created you to be! Be alive this week and gather with us in celebration this Sunday! -Jason

The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance 248
11 am Worship Attendance 266

Annual Budget 553,351.00
YTD Budget Needs 95,772.29
YTD Budget Giving 98,267.84

Total Receipts for the Week: 12,788.93
Weekly Budget Giving 10,415.93
Weekly Legacy Giving 1,938.00
Weekly Missions Giving 402.00

This Sunday's Message:

"Origins: The War Within You"
Genesis 2:16; James 4:1-8

Next Sunday's Message:

"Origins" Sermon Series
Continues

Announcements

Ministry has a face!

This month as you give to our Church budget, you can know with confidence that your gifts are making a difference. Our ministry focus in March is all about the kids we will reach through our Egg Fest 2016, happening here on Sat. 3/26/16, at 1 pm. Thank you for your support!

Handicap Ramps

Do you know of anyone who needs a handicap ramp? Call Marlin at 423-290-4093 with the name and also if you want to volunteer helping to build the ramps.

Can You Help?

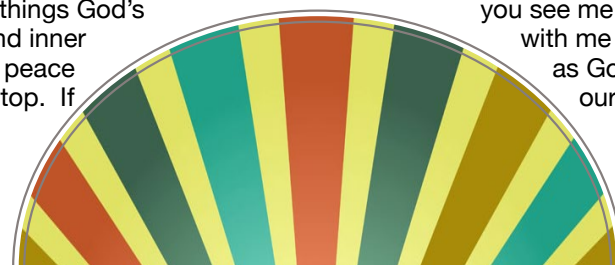
The Ambassadors Class is continuing to collect for the homeless in our area, gloves, hats, hot hands and rain ponchos. Leave items in the Ambassador Class Room 204-206 in the Educational Building.

Discipleship

Andy Atkinson

My biggest prayer for you is that you would be a **God-centered** person and church. Your relationship with God ought to bring you more joy, satisfaction, and pleasure than any other relationship, activity, or material possession you have. To truly be in that place is not easy. Scripture exhorts you to delight yourself in the Lord, finding your greatest pleasure in God and the things dear to His heart.

How can you find pleasure in what God enjoys? Only as you spend time with Him will you begin to take delight in the things God loves. As you spend intimate time with God and allow Him to show you your situation from His perspective, you will begin to see things as God sees them. As you adjust yourself to God, your heart will begin to desire the same things God's heart desires. Find inner peace and outer peace with a cherry on top. If you have outer peace without inner peace, you will be just as miserable as if



-Andy

you did not have it. With inner peace when you pray, you will find yourself asking for the very things God desires for you. Matters foremost on God's heart will be preeminent in yours. Your first request in prayer will not be for yourself, but for God's name to be exalted and His kingdom to be extended (Matt. 6:9-10). This is being **God-centered**.

Have you been asking God to give you the desires of your heart without first seeking to understand what is on His heart? God places this important requirement for those who pray: that we seek His priorities and make them our own. This great qualifier prevents us from asking out of selfishness. As we find joy in the Lord, we will see what is truly important, and we will long for these things as the Father does. As you see me this week, share with me what you discern as God's desires for our church.

Youth Spotlight

Kevin Stone

D-NOW - March 4-6 -

Be at the church campus between 5:00- 5:30 pm on Friday, March 4. Bring sleeping bag, pillow, clothes for 3 days, toiletries, towels for shower. DON'T FORGET DEODORANT!! Sunday will be PJ DAY. Thick (non see through) pajama pants and t-shirts are the attire.

Lunch Fundraiser this Sunday -

Plan on staying until 1:45 pm. It's going to be a tiring weekend.

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

Campers: There will be a camp lunch THIS Sunday immediately following morning worship. Please be here at 9am for set up and plan to stay after for clean up. Bring a dessert for extra points towards your account!

EggFest: Our annual Egg Hunt this year will be on March 26, 1pm-4 pm. We are asking for donations of 1 dozen pre-

filled eggs from each church member for the hunt itself and volunteers for the games and activities. Please see Nichole for more details.

Children's Ministry: There are still many opportunities available in the Children's Ministry for new leaders and/or helpers, and we would love to direct you toward them! Our children are our next generation, and we want you to help us pray as we are being intentional about laying out a ministry foundation for the rest of their lives.

Worship & More...

Brad Lewis

Concerning Worship, did you know...

Worship Involves Surrender of Our Lives:

"I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship." (Romans 12:1)

Worship Involves Personal Sacrifice:

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise - the fruit of lips that openly profess His name." (Hebrews 13:15)

Praise can be easier when times are good or we have had the big victory. It requires a sacrifice of our own feelings and fears so we can give Him the focus He deserves.

We Must Worship in the Face of Pain and Loss:

Then David got up from the ground. After he had washed, put on lotions, and changed his clothes, he went into the house of the LORD and worshipped. (2 Sam 12:20)

King David's baby died. He prayed and prayed, but the baby died. The loss of loved ones is too great to bear alone. It is

important in times of pain and loss that we move toward God rather than away.

Worship Is Celebrating Who God Is and What He Has Done:

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the Earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations. (Psalm 100:1-5)

Worship Well!

(Follow my Blog at: Bigcloud.tv.)

-Brad

Adoption Fundraiser

Between now and Saturday, 3/19, you can help Kris & Sarah Kubler with their Adoption Fund by ordering some of Daryl Lane's famous Chicken Salad. To place an order, simply email your name, telephone number and how many pounds you want to: krisandsarahadopt@gmail.com. The Chicken Salad is \$9 per pound.

All orders must be placed by March 11. Pick up is Saturday, March 11 from 11 am - 3 pm in the Fellowship Circle.

Women's Ministry

Women Of Joy is April 22-24, Pigeon Forge, TN. If you have paid the \$25 deposit, the balance must be paid by February 27 to avoid any late fees. Make checks payable to the church, and note that it is for the Women of Joy Conference. If you did not get your \$25 deposit paid but would like to go, please contact Laura Jones immediately 423-605-1816.

Lost Sea - Saturday, March 19. The cost is \$18.95 + lunch at the Sweetwater Grill. Notify Laura Jones if you plan to go.

Guest Speaker with Dinner -

March 22, 6:30 pm Ooltewah Baptist Church is hosting Christian Speaker & Author of several books, Ginger Hubbard. The cost is \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door. Dinner from the Olive Garden will be served. Contact Laura Jones or Micki Atkinson if you are interested.