

This Week @ FBC

Sunday, July 8

- 8 am Deacons' Meeting
- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 10:55 am Morning Worship Celebration
- 11:05 am Kids' Worship @ The Point
- 2 - 4 pm Baby Shower for Jennifer & Chaz Smith
- 6 pm Evening Prayer Service

Tuesday, July 10

- Youth Dollywood Trip
- 10:30 am Keenagers' Meeting

Wednesday, July 11

- 9 am Mom's Day Out
- 5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
Cheeseburger Chips Jello Salad
- 5:30 pm Youth Karaoke Night
- 6 pm Group Bible Studies
Kids' Summer Activities
- 6:15 pm Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Pastor's Prayer Service
- 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

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| <u>July 8-14</u> | <u>July 15-21</u> |
| Don Pittman | Wayne Rasbury |
| Ray Cox | Linda Daniels |
| Scott O'Steen | Paul Overlin |

Wednesday Meal

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| <u>July 11</u> | <u>July 18</u> |
| James Lee | Charles Helton |
| Alisha Lee | Nancy Smith |
| Cindy Daniels | Scott O'Steen |
| Cathy Cox | Dana O'Steen |

Security

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| <u>July 8-14</u> | <u>July 15-21</u> |
| Jeff Ingram | Shannon Born |
| Tom Acker | Ken Lee |

Greeters

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| <u>July 8</u> | <u>July 15</u> |
| Rena Caradine | Sue Overin |
| Mickey Caradine | Jan Rosser |
| G. McDowell | Mary Jo Case |

Sunday, July 8 LaunchPad Next Sunday, July 15

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| Babies | Erie Stookey | Babies | LeAnn Alexander |
| | Joy Clark | | Ela Alexander |
| 1&2 yr olds | Micki Atkinson | 1&2 yr olds | Jane Hogsed |
| | Levanda Swafford | | Debbie harp |
| 3 yr olds | Holly Randall | 3 yr olds | Paul Overlin |
| | Rob Randall | | Sue Overlin |
| Welcome | Tiffani Brady | Welcome | Kathy Clark |

Prayer Concerns

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| Hospital | Dawn Emous | Nell Smith | Nursing |
| Myrtle | Wanda | Maerol | Home |
| Thomas | Kitchen | Minter | Lila Archer |
| Louise | Wayne | George & | Dale Kinnison |
| Stinnett | Honeycutt | Faye Smith | Eva Williams |
| | Pat Medearis | JoAnn Davis | Norma |
| Home | Jerry & | Wanda | Carpenter |
| Bimol Poole | Angela Gann | McArthur | Eunice |
| Regeania | Sharon | Ken & Betty | Mosman |
| Nicholson | Mullins | Goodner | Bertha |
| Mike Long | Ruth & Brian | Helen | Pennington |
| Bettye | Wagoner | Epperson | |
| Dunwoody | Tommie | Sandra Little | |
| Laura Jones | Brock | Mary | |
| Beth | Larry Shipp | Lou Brown | |
| Daughtery | Betty Phillips | | |
| | John Stewart | | |

Birthdays

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| Tracy Clark (9th) | Kris Kubler (13th) |
| Loraine Young (9th) | Weebie Stamps (13th) |
| Julie Wright (10th) | Lisa Banister (14th) |
| Mike Smith (11th) | |

Staff

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Christian Sympathy
We share our deepest sympathies and prayers for Susan Ward & Rosemary Biggs & family on the passing of Linda Sikes and to Rena & Wayne Honeycutt & family on the passing of Rena's brother, R.C. Melhorn in Michigan.



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Upcoming

Sunday @ the Table

This Sunday, 7.8, we will be remembering and celebrating the gospel of our salvation with the Lord's Supper in the 10:55 am Worship Celebration and with a special prayer service in the 6 pm Evening Gathering. We encourage you to pray ahead for these upcoming moments and be ready to experience the presence of God together.

Freedom Movie Night

You are invited to a special movie event happening on Sunday evening, 7.22, for our entire community. It all takes place in our FLC Gym beginning at 6 pm with a one-time showing of the new release movie, **I Can Only Imagine**. Mark your calendars now for this movie moment. All proceeds will go to our Free to BE building loan.

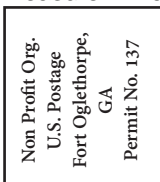
Outdoor Baptism Night

Join us creek-side in Chickamauga at the Lee & Gordon Mill (behind Choo Choo BBQ) for our annual outdoor baptism celebration. It happens on Sunday night, 7.29, at 6 pm. God provides the water. Our worship team will provide the music, and we are asking you to provide a pot-luck dish for a meal to share after the service. If you would like to be a candidate for baptism, email churchoffice@fbcfo.org to schedule time with one of our pastors.

Summer Sunday Nights

Check out our 2018 Summer Sunday Nights schedule: **July 8:** Prayer Service; **July 15:** India Mission Trip Report; **July 22:** Freedom Movie Night; **July 29:** Outdoor Baptism; **August 5:** Portugal Missionary; **August 12:** Dave Bolling Concert; **August 19:** Ecuador Mission Trip Report; **August 26:** Worship Choir & Orchestra Concert.

July 4 - July 11



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Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

Just add water? I wish it could be that easy when it comes to carrying out Jesus' command to make disciples. Yet, even Jesus, with all the power of heaven at His fingertips, never sought to make it that easy. **"He appointed twelve - designating them apostles - that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons" (Mark 3:14-15).**



As we take these final steps in our newsletter series on "Growing Pains," let's consider this process that Jesus initiated and what it means for us today. Jesus chose twelve

ordinary men (most likely not fit to be trained by other Jewish Rabbis), and He spent around three years teaching and modeling and sharing life to help them be mature followers. In culinary terms, it was a "crock-pot" process, rather than a "microwave" process. And even though He only chose twelve, He never had it in mind to limit the gospel of salvation to just those twelve. His plan was to send them out to reach others who would reach others, and thereby create a movement that would one day reach the entire world!

When those apostles began to reach out, the best word to describe what happened is this... Multiplication. It was simply people reaching people and building relationships in Jesus' name. And their work has now made it all the way to you and me. What if we became part of this ongoing gospel movement? I will share some ideas next week! -Jason

Discipleship

Andy Atkinson

How quick we are to question the motives of others, yet we are so slow to question our own! When others harm us, we may assume the worst of intentions. When we are guilty, we often excuse our offenses, concluding that others are far too sensitive! Regardless of how we monitor our motives, God weighs them in His scales of righteousness. The love of Christ for others brings us to see people in terms of **His adopted children**, His **workmanship** and His **broken heart** for their best.

It is futile to try to deceive God with our pious justifications, for He sees our hearts. Is it possible to do the right thing for the wrong reason? Of course! We can attend worship services with a heart that is far from worshipful. Could we show concern for the poor and yet have a heart that is opposed to God? Absolutely! Could we make bold statements of love for Christ and



actually be aiding the work of the enemy? Peter did (Matt. 16:21-23). Could we offer sacrifices to God and be in total disobedience to Him? Look at King Saul. Could we pray with the wrong motives? James said you can (James 4:3). Jesus brings it altogether and shows us how our hearts will be revealed.

Many things cause us to do what we do. We are often motivated by good things, such as love for God, compassion, generosity, and faith. Or our actions can come from unhealthy motives such as pride, insecurity, ambition, lust, greed, guilt, anger, fear, and hurt. When Jesus measures our motives He looks for one thing: love. All that we do should proceed from our love for God and for others (1 Cor. 13).

Take time to look past our actions to what lies behind them. Ask God to show us what He sees when He examines our motives.

Worship & More...

Brad Lewis

Freedom. Galatians 5:1 says: *It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.*

Although I am extremely grateful that I live in a nation that allows me to worship and serve Christ freely, I am constantly reminded in God's Word that my freedom in Christ supersedes any earthly freedom that I may have. And this even goes beyond national allegiance.

I may have the freedom to express my opinions, but my commitment to Christ compels me to keep my mouth closed if I would cause another to stumble or be offended. I may have the freedom to speak and share information, but my commitment to Christ compels me to keep

from gossiping. I may have the freedom to vent my feelings, but my commitment to Christ compels me to speak only positive things about those I know, and those I do not know (strangers, political figures, celebrities).

It is easy to become a slave to the "freedom" that we have. I am free to speak, but I will not be ruled by the thoughts inside of me. *It is for freedom that we have been set free...* **Worship Well!**

-Brad



The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance 185
11 am Worship Attendance 200

Annual Budget 598,953.33
YTD Budget Needs 299,476.50
YTD Budget Giving 268,221.14

Total Receipts for the Week: 16,472.00
Weekly Budget Giving 12,186.00
Weekly Freedom Giving 3,670.00
Weekly Missions Giving 196.00

This Sunday's Message:

The Overcome Series:
"Ready to Believe"
1 Kings 17:7-24

Next Sunday's Message:

The Overcome Series
Continues

Announcements

Thank You

Ryan Stinson, country and gospel entertainer, will be the program at the Keenagers' meeting on July 10 at 10:30 a.m. Invite a friend to join you to hear the music of a talented young man. Lunch will be provided!

Baby Shower

The Challenge Class invites you to a baby shower for Chaz & Jennifer (Stone) Smith this Sunday, 7.8 from 2 to 4 pm in the Fellowship Circle. They are registered at Walmart, Target and Amazon. Everyone is invited!

Baby Shower

You are invited to a baby shower for Libby (Grammer) & Will Underwood (daughter of Rick & Brenda Grammer) this Friday, 7.6 from 7 to 9 pm in the Fellowship Circle. Libby & Will are registered at Target and Amazon.com, but gifts are not required to stop by and visit. Join us as we wish them well!

Student Spotlight



Wednesday Evenings: Stay tuned for more news this summer as we hope to resume 180 in August. We will be looking for adult/parental involvement with set up, technical arts, and break down.

Kevin Stone

Day Trip to Dollywood - Tuesday, 7.10. The cost is \$20 plus meals and any extras you may want. The deadline is this Thursday, 7.5 to contact Pastor Andy for payment at andya@fbco.org.

Karaoke Night in the Gym -

Wednesday, 7.11. Get ready to sing and laugh to all your favorite upbeat songs! Sign up in the Youth House with your song!

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

"His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness." 2 Peter 1:3

The Point: The next Kids Worship will be this Sunday, July 8 during the Sunday Morning Worship Celebration!

Clubhouse Friends: Game Night/Crazy Hair Day will be 7.11. It is going to be lots of fun! Bring a friend!

Women's Ministry

Women & Men's Camp

Lookout Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of September 28-29. If you are interested, come to the event table in the main Welcome Center to complete the form and pay the \$20 deposit.

Men's Ministry

Mark your calendar for the Men's Breakfast on 7.21 at 8 am in the Fellowship Circle, the outing to the Chattanooga Lookouts on 7.26 (meet at the

Sew Much More

Join us every Tuesday in the upstairs Sewing Room at 10:30 am to be a part of our Sewing Ministry.

church at 6 pm to ride the bus) and the upcoming Women & Men's combined retreat in September.

Birthday Celebration

You are invited to a Special Celebration Party in honor of Ms. Audrey Brown's 90th Birthday this Saturday, 7.7, in the Fellowship Circle from 12 to 4 pm. There will be lots of FUN

and FOOD! Come enjoy BBQ and conversation with Audrey and her family. Bring only memories and cards!