

Fern Creek Baptist Church

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The Disciple

April 24, 2023



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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

LINDA'S LINES

Thank you so much for your expressions of gratitude during last week's 40th Anniversary Celebration! I was truly overwhelmed and humbled by your gracious love and support! Thanks to the Personnel Committee and those who helped you in orchestrating this well-planned event. Thank you for the generous monetary gift, the kindhearted words spoken, the affectionate words written in cards and letters from folks of all ages, the gift cards, the presents, the flowers, the decorations, your presence, and your continued prayers!! It is truly a privilege to serve with you at Fern Creek Baptist Church. You are an exceptional church and precious people! I love you dearly!

Proverbs 29:18 says, "Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but blessed is he who keeps the law." I first memorized this (as many of you did) from the KJV which says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he." When a former member walked into the gym last Sunday, he quoted this verse and began to reminisce about the exciting visioning that had taken place in that room many years ago, which culminated in spiritual renewal and in the remodeling project of 2010-2011. Great visioning has been taking place again in our church these past few months (especially on Sunday evenings) as many of you have shared and discussed visions of an Elementary School, the Music Conservatory, Recovery Programs, a Coffee Shop, and more.

- ◆ The recently appointed Coffee Shop Team is already diligently at work in exploring our options.
- ◆ The possibility of opening a Kindergarten Program and a Music Conservatory in the fall are no longer "pipe dreams".
- ◆ Isaiah House has talked with us about a more involved partnership.
- ◆ Former member Charlie Hunton (who moved to Florida at the end of our last visioning process), has agreed to help guide us once again. (Longer tenured members certainly remember the "dot process".)

Keep praying! Keep dreaming God-sized dreams! Keep listening closely to God! God is certainly moving in our midst and it's exciting to see what He is going to do next. May we be completely "on board" with all that God wants us to be and do! We have an exciting future!

Our Youth will be going to Crossings Camp at Cedarmore in Bagdad, Kentucky, this summer, June 16 – 20. The camp pastor will be John Nix from Memphis, Tennessee. The details are on the inside page of this publication. If you are interested in chaperoning our youth at camp, please contact me soon.

Please continue to pray for our Personnel Committee as they seek the right people for our vacant staff positions. The Personnel Committee consists of Chairperson Danny Hass, Dana Adams, Martha Blansette, Sam Frizzell, Susan Hudgins, and Dr. Mary Kleber. The Personnel Committee will soon be interviewing candidates for Summer Interns and Office Coordinator. Please pray for them to have wisdom and discernment.

May we together continue to shine the light of Jesus into our community and the whole world. Matthew 5:16 says, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday as we gather to worship Jesus Christ, the Light of the World! And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a Great Revival!"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



TORCHBEARERS: TAKING THE GOSPEL GLOBAL

This year's Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **June 5-9, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** Please sign up today to work by handing in the VBS form in today's bulletin. You may also contact one of the following to work in a particular area: Preschool (Terri Bosemer), Children (Jodie Towles), and Youth (Martha Blansette). **The next VBS meeting is May 23, 6:30 p.m.**

FCBC KINDERGARTEN

If you are interested in our church offering a kindergarten program in addition to our preschool classes, please contact one of the following: Terri Bosemer, Tiffany Keranen, or Linda Popham. We are exploring options at this point. Thanks!



ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Thank you for giving generously to support missions in North America. Our church goal is \$1,200. Envelopes are in your offering box and at both Welcome Centers. You may also give online through our website.

APRIL SCHOOL SUPPLIES

To plan for the next school supply giveaway, we are collecting **erasers, glue sticks, and pencil sharpeners** during the month of April. Please place these items in the bin in the collection area between the CLC and the Common Area.

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF APRIL 30

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Holland Kendall 640-2227

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Shannon Fisher 830-3060

NURSE ON CALL

Michele Crider 724-9627

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Joy Warren & Chrissy Creech

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Marilyn Calvert

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich
Sound – Sam Frizzell
AV – Chris Towles

EVENING SERVICES

Sunday - Chris Towles
Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

WEEK OF MAY 7

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Dr. Mary Kleber 262-8756

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Kevin Blansette 403-8173

NURSE ON CALL

Lesley Hass 836-9691

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Joy Warren & Valerie Montgomery

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Linda Simpson

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Chris Towles
Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Lisa Payne

EVENING SERVICES

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ATTENTION GRADUATES

If you will be graduating from high school, college, or any other institution of higher learning, please call the church office (239-0316 ext. 100) by **Friday, May 26**, and give us the name of your school, degree, etc. Please, also, send us a current photo, preferably a graduation picture. We will recognize graduates on **June 4** during the morning worship service. A luncheon for the graduates and their families will be held after the service. Watch for more details about the luncheon.

COLLECTIONS FOR ISAIAH HOUSE

Isaiah House, a faith-based addiction recovery center, has a need for towels, wash clothes, men's underwear, and socks. Please put your donations in the collection area between the Common Area and the Christian Life Center by **May 28**. The men are greatly appreciative of these items. We will plan a date to deliver these items so we can take a tour of Isaiah House.

YARD WORK TEAMS

Please help us by signing up for one of the seven different yard teams. Each team works every seven weeks. The trustees are the team captains. You may join a team by signing up at shelf in the Common Area foyer or by calling the church office. Thanks for your help!



Team One (Nate Blansette's Team)

is in charge of the yard work: April 27-29.

Team Three (Shannon Fisher's Team)

is in charge of the yard work: May 4-6.

Team Three (Kevin Blansette's Team)

is in charge of the yard work: May 11-13.



MAY

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| 1 - Zack Pickering | Sydney Karr |
| 3 - Shain Calvert | Steve Marion |
| Jesse Capps | Neil Rivers |
| Billy Record | 21 - Jaxon Popham |
| Brian Spaulding | 23 - Donna Hayes |
| Christopher Sullivan | Jeremiah Kearns |
| 4 - David Hudgins | Davidetta Konneh |
| Loren Pascua | Betty Meyer |
| 5 - Jackie Routt | Nichole Seraphine |
| 7 - Holland Kendall | 24 - Jennifer Wrin |
| 9 - Alex Gibbs | 26 - Lesley Hass |
| 10 - Amanda Fox | George Kleber |
| Samantha Stone | 27 - Sharran Osburn |
| 11 - Sam Pickering | 28 - Bruce Allen |
| Geoffrey Young | 29 - Harrison French |
| 13 - Becky Frizzell | Mary Price |
| Karen Love | 30 - Katrina Binda |

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| 14 - Jeryl Presley |
| 15 - Gregory Stockman |
| 16 - Scotty Anderson |
| 18 - Cara Martinez |
| 19 - Susan Gray |

LIGHT - GRADES 6-12

Bring a friend and join us for Bible study and recreation each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian Life Center.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023

7:00 p.m. GROW (W Team)

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - CLC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Children's Choirs, LIGHT for Youth

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023

9:30 a.m. "Young at Heart" - Hodgenville, KY

3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

9:00 p.m. Free Eye Glasses Clinic - CLC

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks

1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Homebound Communion

5:00 p.m. Youth Choir

6:00 p.m. Adult Discipleship Training
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs,
Acteens, Challengers

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023

7:00 p.m. GROW (G Team)

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023

10:00 a.m. GROW (G2 Team)

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Children's Choirs, LIGHT for Youth

7:30 p.m. GROW (G3 Team)

Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Sewing Team

3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service

4:45 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

6:00 p.m. Adult Discipleship Training
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs,
Acteens, Challengers

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

"Young at Heart" leave for Amish Trip

2:00 p.m. "Circle of Hope" - CLC

7:00 p.m. GROW (R Team)

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:



- David and Susan Hudgins and family at the death of their daughter, Kelly Rose Hudgins;
- Jay Hill and family at the death of his grandfather, James Hill;
- Gordon and Sharon Thompson and family at the death of Gordon's sister, Linda Hawkins;
- Karen Purnell and family at the death of her husband, Bud Purnell.



CHILDREN'S CHOIRS Wednesday Evenings **6:30 - 7:20 p.m.**

Young Musicians
(grades 1 - 5): Room 204
Karen Love, director

Music Friends
(ages 3 - K): Room 103
(must be 3 by August 1, 2022)
Linda Barnes Popham, director

For more information contact Karen Love or Linda Popham.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF APRIL 19:

- Jana Kistner – Baptist Health – Room 668
- Dr. Arlene Baluyut – U of L Health Medical Center (Jewish East) – Room 229
- Bev Crittenden – Park Terrace – Room 218
- Pat McDonald – Baptist Health Rehab – Room 4403
- Bob Calebs – Franciscan Health Care Center – Room 114
- Nancy Calebs – Franciscan Health Care Center – Room 115
- Leon and Gloria Walden (Jon Heinrich's parents) – StoryPoint – Room 35
- Leo Wessell (Mary Lou Felker's son-in-law) – Mary & Elizabeth Hospital
- Barbara Dennison (Judie Walker's sister) – Baptist Health
- Nathan Sea (Doris Ann Sea's son) – Baptist Health

CROSSINGS YOUTH CAMP AT CEDARMORE

(Grades 6-12 completed)
Friday – Tuesday, June 16-20, 2023
Theme – "Above"



The total cost of camp per person is \$325. The church will pay the transportation and \$50 for each camper which means that the total to be paid by each camper is \$275.

- A \$75 deposit is due by **April 29**. (The deposit is included in the \$275.)
- The total amount per camper should be paid by **Wednesday, May 24**.

Questions? Contact Linda Popham or Jodie Towles.

APRIL 16, 2023



OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,649.00
Budget Received	\$ 7,542.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 339,159.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 310,313.32

BUILDING FUND

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
Weekly Total	\$ 141.25
Sunday School - 84	Year-to-Date Balance \$ 13,178.54
Morning Worship - 146	Annie Armstrong \$ 1,137.00

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LOUISVILLE, KY
PERMIT NO. 581

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP

If you are interested in going on a Mission Trip to Guatemala in partnership with BMDMI missionaries, Mike and Sandra Little, please let Pastor Linda know soon. The approximate date of the trip is **September 23-29, 2023**.



HELP NEEDED

Kendall Optometry Ministry, led by Holland Kendall, is in great need of people to measure eyeglasses either in your homes or at the church. Mission Teams are going around the world to help people see by giving away these eyeglasses. Will you help others to be able to read God's Word and function better in their everyday lives by having eyeglasses? If you are willing to help, please contact Sam Frizzell, 645-7792.

FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking:

- **A Full-time Administrative Assistant.** Applicant must be a spiritually mature Christian, be an active church member in his/her church, have strong computer skills including Word, Publisher, Excel, and PowerPoint, and have a willingness to learn Church Software Programs.

Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church, Attention: Personnel Committee, 5920 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291, or email to linda@ferncreekbaptist.org. Resumes will be received through **May 1, 2023**. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham, Pastor).

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CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER STAFF OPENINGS

The Fern Creek Baptist Child Development Center is seeking the following:

- Additional dedicated and dependable teachers for the 2023-24 school year. The position requires experience or education in the field of Early Childhood Development. Most importantly, the position requires a passion for Christ and children. An applicant must be an active church member at a Bible based church.
- A part-time Administrative Assistant. The position is approximately 15 hours a week. An applicant must be a spiritually mature Christian and active church member and must have several years of administrative experience with strong computer skills. The applicant should be proficient in Word, Publisher, and Excel.

Interested persons for these positions should submit resumes to Terri Bosemer, terri@ferncreekbaptist.org. Questions? Call Terri at 239-8952 ext. 109.