

Fern Creek Baptist Church

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The Disciple

December 19, 2022

LINDA'S LINES

This year's Christmas Caroling will take place at a different time than normal. Please meet in the Christian Life Center on **Monday, December 9, 4:00 p.m.**, and we will divide into caroling groups. Some groups will go to nursing homes; some will go to particular neighborhoods. Join us in being a blessing to some folks who may need a song of encouragement during this season! GROW is canceled for Monday evening.

Our Christmas Eve Service will be at **11:00 a.m.** Bring the entire family for this intimate time of worship. Also, let's gather again on Christmas Day and New Year's Day (as we celebrate Epiphany) and praise our Savior! Worship will be at the regular time of **10:45 a.m.** There will be no Sunday School on Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

Mark your calendars for the Prayer Vigil which will begin on **December 30** at noon and end on **December 31** at noon. This is always such a precious time to "be still and know that He is God". Please sign up at the foyer shelf for an hour in the sanctuary. Of course, you are welcome to sign up for more than one shift. Let us pray alone and together that 2023 will truly be a glorious year for FCBC as we seek to be in the center of His will, bring glory to Him, and share the good news with passion and love.

As we are quickly approaching a new year, we know that many people are longing and searching for new beginnings in their lives. Isaiah 43:18-19 says, "*Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.*" What *new thing* will you let God begin in you? What *new thing* will you join Him in at Fern Creek Baptist Church?

We hope many more of you will make the commitment to be on a GROW Team this year. (GROW Teams meet on **Mondays at 7:00 p.m.**, the first **Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.**, and the first **Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.**) Please let me know this week or just show up for a team during the month of January. There are so many people who need Jesus or need a church home. The Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20 says: "*Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*"

We hope you will all join us for the International Mission Study on the evening of **January 8**. (See the information on the inside.) This is going to be a wonderful time of fellowship with our Filipino brothers and sisters, as well as a great time of learning what God is doing through missions in the Philippines. The event is for the whole family! This intergenerational time of learning will be beneficial for us all. Do make this a priority!

A special thanks to all of you folks who do so much "behind the scenes" at FCBC!! Ministry is going on in so many different ways that we may not always recognize. Please know that you are all appreciated greatly!

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday! And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, Send a Great Revival!"

**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Reaching Up...
Reaching In...
Reaching Out...




CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
December 24, 11:00 a.m.
 Let us celebrate His birth together
 as we worship our Savior!

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE
December 25, 10:45 a.m.
 Sunday School is canceled on this day.


NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICE
December 25, 10:45 a.m.
 Sunday School is canceled on this day.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
 Wednesday evening activities are canceled on
 December 21, 28, and January 4. Regular activities
 resume on January 11. Church Dinner resumes
 in March.




24 HOUR PRAYER VIGIL
Friday, December 30, 12:00 noon through
Saturday, December 31, noon
 Sponsored by the Deacons

We hope you will all participate! You may sign up for an hour time-
 slot (or more) on the shelf in the Common Area.



"CIRCLE OF HOPE"
Monday, January 9, 2:00 p.m.
 All widows are invited.
 Questions? Contact Karen Love.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY: PHILIPPINES
JANUARY 8



5:00 p.m. – Filipino Dinner prepared by the
 International Christian Fellowship of
 Louisville (our partner congregation)

6:00 p.m. – An experience of Filipino culture
 shared by the ICFL church members /
 Mission Study taught by Melissa
 Logsdon-Young



JANUARY

1 - Ashlyn Berry	22 - Charlie Cress
4 - Emma Towles	Shirlon Turner
5 - Jim Griffin	23 - Kevin Blansette
Troy Young	Dallas Farmer
6 - Pat Daniels	Mindy Glenn
Teresa Kendall	Pat Joyce
7 - Geanine Escobar	Angela Rasco
Taren Walton	24 - Rita Stevens
10 - Cindy Jackson	25 - Sarah Jenkins
11 - Jaylen Kelley	26 - Betty Hobbs
12 - Jamie Beverly	Shirley Powers
13 - Steedra Kelley	27 - Bonnie Griffin
Jim Magruder	28 - Matt Fentress
Brenda Pennington	Dan Fox
14 - Nancy Dean	David Lanham
Dot Hester	31 - Jodie Towles


RESPONSIBILITIES

<u>WEEK OF DECEMBER 25</u>	<u>WEEK OF JANUARY 1</u>
<u>DEACON OF THE WEEK</u> George Popham (419-8939)	<u>DEACON OF THE WEEK</u> Nancy Shewmaker (296-2341)
<u>TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK</u> Gary Kistner (419-5505)	<u>TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK</u> David Magruder (592-7306)
<u>NURSE ON CALL</u> Martha Blansette (553-9666)	<u>NURSE ON CALL</u> TBA
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> TBA	<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> TBA
<u>EXTENDED SESSION</u> Jeannie Kern & TBA	<u>EXTENDED SESSION</u> Jeannie Kern & TBA
<u>NURSERY</u> Donna Grimes & TBA	<u>NURSERY</u> Donna Grimes & TBA
<u>TECH TEAM</u> Director – Jon Heinrich Streamer – Chris Towles Sound – Phil Shewmaker AV – Sam Frizzell	<u>TECH TEAM</u> Director – Jon Heinrich Streamer – Jacob Heinrich Sound – Phil Shewmaker AV – Lisa Payne
<u>EVENING SERVICES</u> Sunday - No Service Wednesday - No Service	<u>EVENING SERVICES</u> Sunday - No Service Wednesday - No Service



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.

BUSINESS MEETING
January 8, 7:00 p.m.
 Christian Life Center



This is our quarterly business meeting. The Steward-
 ship Committee will, also, present the 2022-2023
 Church Budget.

FERN CREEK/HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES

The Ministries is in need of the following items. The collection bin is between the Christian Life Center and the Common Area.

ravioli spaghetti sauce shampoo



Tuesday, December 20
9:30 a.m.

Shoney's Restaurant
(Fern Valley)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2022

4:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling
6:30 p.m. CLC Rented
7:00 p.m. GROW - Canceled

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2022

9:30 a.m. Sisterhood - Shoney's (Fern Valley)
10:00 a.m. Staff/CDC Christmas Brunch
6:45 p.m. All Church Committees Meet

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022

All Activities Canceled

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2022

3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2022

CDC & Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2022

11:00 a.m. Christmas Eve Service

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022

9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Canceled
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
All Evening Activities Canceled

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2022

CDC & Church Office Closed
6:30 p.m. CLC Rented

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2022

All Activities Canceled

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2022

3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2022

12:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil Begins

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

12:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil Begins

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Canceled
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
All Evening Activities Canceled

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023

6:30 p.m. CLC Rented
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Teams)



OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- The family of Roger Hodge, Pastor of Cove Baptist, at his death.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF DECEMBER 14:



- Bob and Nancy Calebs – Jeffersontown Rehabilitation – Room D-14
- Ralph Beard – Norton Women's and Children's Hospital – Room 513
- Jimmy McCune – Baptist Health – Room 667
- Betty Meyer – Baptist Health – Room 453

DECEMBER 11, 2022

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs \$ 9,968.00
Budget Received \$ 7,211.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs \$ 149,520.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received \$ 128,481.13

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total \$ 120.00
Year-to-Date Balance \$ 11,214.77

MISSIONS

Sunrise Services \$ 1,600.00
Lottie Moon \$ 994.00
SON International \$ 100.00
Mission Trips \$ 35.00



ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 82
Morning Worship 94

DONATIONS FOR CHILDREN OF THE SOIL



Children of the Soil International, a ministry founded by our own Bill Montgomery and others, is mainly reaching out to help the children of Liberia. To learn more about this ministry, please visit their website at www.chotsinternational.com. We are currently collecting the following items for them to send to Liberia: textbooks, notebooks, pencils, crayons, and other school supplies. Please put these in the bin labeled School Supplies for Liberia; the bin is located between the Christian Life Center and the Common Area.

FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking the following:

Full-time Administrative Assistant for Fern Creek Baptist Church. 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.

For all of these positions, 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 **January 1, 2022**. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham, Pastor).

RECYCLE YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS

If you have old Sunday School books that you would like to donate, please put them in the bin in the collection area marked "Used Sunday School Books". The books will be put to good use by Gospel Lights Mission. Questions? Contact Joy Warren.

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Kendall Vision Ministry, Inc. **Announcing a Free Glasses Clinic**



A free Glasses clinic will be provided from 9AM until 4:30PM (later if needed) on January 27th, 2023 at Fern Creek Baptist Church. The sole service provided will be fitting the patients eyes with glasses out of an inventory of nearly 4500 pairs in an effort to improve their vision. An optical professional will be available.

We need helpers from FCBC also.

We need: Someone to hand out/collect waivers

Someone to assign patient numbers plus ages.

2 people to do E-Chart measurement before/after and keep records.

2 people doing glasses fitting.

2 people to pull glasses from inventory.



Measure their eyes



Find the right pair



Fit the glasses



And watch for the smile

To sign up: Talk to your local Social service agency.

Clinic Location:

Fern Creek Baptist Church.

5920 Bardstown Road, Fern Creek, Ky 40291

12.8.2022

Or just show up. For further information: Call: 502-640-2227

Or E-Mail: hollandkendall@kendalloptometry.org

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