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**LINDA'S LINES**

We hope you will join the Deacons, Staff, and Vision Team in *Draw the Circle: The 40 Day Prayer Challenge* (by Mark Batterson) beginning January 1, 2017. In order to do so you will need to purchase the devotional book that goes along with the challenge. You may purchase the book for \$7 from the church office or after worship at the sanctuary welcome center. (Write checks to Fern Creek Baptist Church.) Our prayer is for a great revival to begin during these 40 days! Let it begin in you!!

Please pray for the Nicaragua Mission Team as we travel to minister mainly to the children in the Emmanuel Home of Protection. We will fly to Managua, Nicaragua on Tuesday, January 3 and return to Louisville on Monday, January 9. The Emmanuel Home of Protection is a part of Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International and is located in the small town of Diriamba, Nicaragua, just thirty minutes south of the capital city of Managua. It is supervised by missionaries Karl and Beth Brassfield. The Emmanuel Home of Protection cares for girls, mostly eighteen and under, who have been subjected to abuse. Many of the girls still have families, but have been removed from their families because of the abuse they received. The goal of this ministry is to provide a secure and loving environment for these girls and to minister to them spiritually, emotionally, and physically with the love of Christ. Our team will be partnering with the Brassfields to do just that. We will also be working with the Mount of Olives Baptist Church in San Gregorio. Please pray for the team members: Kim and Rachel Been, Darrel Brooks, Renee Bryant, Lyndsey Emert, Sam and Becky Frizzell, Nancy McCune, George and Linda Popham, Barbara Ruedel, Sandra Segrest, Joy Stelly, and Bobby Willoughby. (Jodie Towles will be our contact person while we are away.) If you are willing to help financially with any of the team members, please contact me and I will let you know who needs help. We also need more money for the Nicaragua general fund for Bibles, children's supplies, and roofing materials and paint for the Mount of Olives Baptist Church. Thank you for being a church on mission!

Dr. Terry Wilder will preach in my absence on the morning of January 8. You will be blessed through his message that day. I know you are grateful for Terry's ministry with our church. He has been a blessing to us.

We have excellent Discipleship Training classes which will begin on January 15. (See Sunday's bulletin insert for details.) Adults, my hope and prayer is that if you are not teaching a youth or children's class that you will be present in one of these studies. There is certainly a class for everyone. We also have excellent leaders. Jesus has called us to grow as His disciples. These classes are designed to help us do just that! Please join us!

**"YOUNG AT HEART"  
POT-LUCK LUNCHEON**

January 12, 11:30 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Guest Speakers - Shirley Powers and Norma Routt



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2016**

CDC Closed

7:00 p.m. Nicaragua Team Meeting

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2016**

CDC Closed

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2016**

9:00 a.m. Men on Mission - Bible Study

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

**MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2017**

Church Office & CDC Closed

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

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

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017**

Mission Team Leaves for Nicaragua

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

6:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

6:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017**

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship

L.I.G.H.T. for Youth

Children's Choirs

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2017**

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017**

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2017**

9:00 a.m. Men on Mission - Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service

1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

5:00 p.m. Youth Choir

6:00 p.m. Mission Studies

Hymn Sing

**MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017**

Mission Team Returns from Nicaragua

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

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

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017**

6:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

6:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Mtg.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2017**

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship

L.I.G.H.T. for Youth

Children's Choirs

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017**

11:30 a.m. "Young at Heart" Pot-Luck Luncheon

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2017**

7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Optical Training

9:00 a.m. Men on Mission - Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Salvation Dolls Workshop

**MEMORIAL  
TILES**

If you would like to purchase a Memorial Tile for our third panel, please put your form/money in the offering plate or give to Jodie Towles. Forms are located in Welcome Center

*Sisterhood*

Tuesday, January 17  
9:30 a.m.  
Cracker Barrel in  
Fern Creek

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Join us every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School. We have excellent classes for all ages.

**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH**

Reaching Up...  
Reaching In...  
Reaching Out...



**WEEK OF JANUARY 1**  
**DEACON OF THE WEEK**  
Michele Crider 724-9627  
**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**  
Chad Popham 759-2013  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON**  
Greg Bruce  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
Brenda Pennington and Danny Hass  
**EXTENDED SESSION**  
Judie Walker, Carole Nagle,  
Dolores Rhea, and Jana Kistner  
**SOUND TECHNICIAN**  
Sunday - Ben Hale  
Wednesday - Sam Frizzell  
**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**  
Chris Towles

**WEEK OF JANUARY 8**  
**DEACON OF THE WEEK**  
Becky Frizzell 690-2716  
**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**  
TBA  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON**  
Jamie Houston  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
Marilyn Calvert and Ann Abney  
**EXTENDED SESSION**  
Nancy Bickers, Sharon Thompson,  
Terri Bosemer, and Alice Glenn  
**SOUND TECHNICIAN**  
Sunday - Ben Hale  
Wednesday - Sam Frizzell  
**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**  
Chris Towles



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
110  
**MORNING WORSHIP**  
143

**DECEMBER 11, 2016**

**OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,440.00
Budget Received	\$ 10,852.65
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$141,600.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$127,981.55

**BUILDING FUND**

Weekly Total	\$ 93.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 1,548.84

Sunrise

\$1,400

**INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS OFFERINGS**

Lottie Moon	\$ 902.72	Ziems	\$ 130.00
Mission Trips	\$ 336.00	Pizzatis	\$ 200.00

Our sympathy is extended to:

- Laura Been and family at the death of her brother-in-law, Roy Hamblin, (uncle of Scott Been);
- Mary Lee Jeck at the death of her daughter-in-law, Cheryl Walker;
- Joe and Penny Pickering and family at the death of Penny's cousin, Phillip Austin.



**Please pray for members/attendees in the hospital / rehab as of December 20, 2016:**

- Shirley Sallee - Oaklawn - Room 262
- Charlie Grimes - University Hospital - ICU 9th Floor - Room 4
- Howard Faught - VA Hospital - Room 467 North
- Holland Kendall - Norton Hospital - room 5K, Bed 5



**YEAR-END CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION**

We hope the following information will be helpful to you as you consider the most appropriate way to make year-end charitable contribution gifts to Fern Creek Baptist Church. Your 2016 year-end gift can reduce your income taxes while providing generous support to the various ministries of the church.

**Gifts by Check or Cash:**

These must be given to Fern Creek Baptist Church on or before December 31, 2016. If mailed to Fern Creek Baptist Church, you need to ensure the mailing envelope is postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before December 31. The date written on your check has no bearing on inclusion with your 2016 contributions.

**Gifts of Stock:**

You can avoid paying capital gains taxes on the increase in value of the stock sold. You will receive an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock at the date of the gift. Consult with your tax advisor and/or your stock broker.

**Gifts from Retirement and Estate Plans:**

Gifts such as life insurance, charitable remainders, trusts, annuities, charitable lead trusts, etc. can offer significant tax advantages to the donor. Please consult with your tax professional about this type of gift.

**Acknowledgement of your 2016 giving contributions will be during January 2017.**

DO NOT file your 2016 income tax return until you have received the written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. The IRS may not allow some of your contributions if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgement of your total contributions to the church.

Thank you for making the many ministries of our church possible in 2016. You are making an eternal difference!

**NICARAGUA MISSION TEAM MEETING**

Thursday, December 29, 7:00 p.m.  
Christian Life Center

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER - 5:30 p.m.**

Thank you for letting us know who wants to have a standing reservation for every week. Please call the church office (239-0316) by noon on Monday to make or cancel your reservation.

Adults.....\$5.00	Children and Youth..... \$4.00
Under age 6.....Free	Family Maximum.....\$16.00

(.50 additional charge for carry-outs)

**January 4**

Chicken Vegetable Stew    Salad    Mexican Cornbread    Dessert

**January 11**

Breakfast Meats    Grits Casserole    Eggs    Biscuits & Gravy    Dessert

**WOMEN ON MISSION**

Group I, AGAPE Group, will meet on January 7 at 10:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Center in room 416.

Please join us for a great time of learning about missionaries and doing mission projects.



**INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDIES**

Journey through Norway during our International Mission Studies and see how God is bringing spiritual beauty to this land. The Children and Preschoolers will have their study on Sunday, January 8 at 6:00 p.m., during their normal missions time.



**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, January 10, 2016  
7:00 p.m.  
Conference Room

**SALVATION DOLLS WORKSHOP**

Mark your calendar for **January 14, 10:00 a.m. - noon**, for the next Salvation Dolls Workshop in the Christian Life Center. There is something for everyone. So, bring the whole family and help share the Gospel with others. Questions? Please see Brenda Pennington or Melissa Logsdon-Young.



**BUSINESS MEETING**

Sunday, January 15, 7:00 p.m.

Please note new date.

Please be present as we discuss the business of God's church!



**HONDURAS FUNDRAISER - CULVER'S**

Stop in at Culver's of Louisville  
(4630 S. Hurstbourne Pkwy.)

Tuesday, January 17, 5-9 p.m.

10% of all sales will be donated to the Fern Creek Baptist Church Honduras Mission Team in support of their Mission Trips.



**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

(all the pancakes you would like to eat)  
Fundraiser for Nicaragua Mission Trip

Saturday, January 21, 2017

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Adults - \$5 - Children age eight and under - \$3  
Children age five and under - Free



Thank you for helping those in Nicaragua and Honduras hear the gospel of Jesus Christ! Questions? Call 239-0316.

**ATTENTION: INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE**

January 22 is Instrumental Ensemble Sunday. Please let Greg Bruce know if you are interested in participating. We will meet in the sanctuary at 8:30 a.m. on January 22.



**HOMEBOUND COMMUNION**

You are invited to join the deacons in taking the Lord's Supper to our homebound members **Sunday, January 29, 2017, 4:30 p.m.** Please meet in the conference room for assignments.



**MEMORIAL TILES**

If you would like to purchase a Memorial Tile for our third panel, please put your form / money in the offering plate or give to Jodie Towles. Forms are located at the front welcome center.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Please pick up your 2017 offering envelopes in the common area between the church and the gym.



**REQUEST FROM THE TRUSTEES**

There are many times during the winter season that we need people to help with shoveling snow off of sidewalks, etc. If you are willing to be a part of the Snow Removal Team, please call the church office (239-0316) or Jerry Walker, Trustee Chairperson (270-589-1510), or sign up at the foyer shelf in the Common Area. Thanks for your help!

