

Fern Creek Baptist Church

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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

The Disciple

February 26, 2024

LINDA'S LINES

Fern Creek Baptist Church has been in partnership with Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International since 1998. BMDMI is an independent Baptist organization founded in 1974 by Charlie and Carolyn Herrington. We take most of our international mission trips under this organization's supervision. BMDMI is celebrating 50 years of ministry (1974-2024) during this year. To celebrate, there will be several regional conferences which will be a great time to see BMDMI friends and look forward to the next 50 years of BMDMI's ministry. The conference closest to us is in Bowling Green, Kentucky on **Monday, March 11, 6:00 p.m.** If you are able to attend, please register online as soon as possible by going to bmdmi.org/50-years. George and I will attend the conference on March 12 in Greenville, South Carolina.

On a similar note, I will be preaching at PREACH 2024 (March 10-12, 2024), sponsored by the Augusta Baptist Association of Virginia. The conference will be held at Eagle Eyrie Conference Center in Lynchburg, Virginia. After the conference we will head to South Carolina to visit George's sisters for a few days. (The BMDMI Conference happens to be on the way to their homes.) During my absence, Joseph Schult will preach on March 10; Melissa Logsdon-Young will lead the Bible Study on March 13; Renee Bryant will preach on March 17. Thanks to each of these for sharing their gifts with us!

We have changed our dates for the Guatemala Mission Trip. We will be going **August 10-16, 2024**. We will schedule a meeting soon. Please go ahead and let me know if you are interested in joining us.

It's not too early to be thinking and praying about Vacation Bible School which will be held **June 3-7**. Please begin praying now about how you will let God use you during this glorious week in the life of our church.

Please continue to pray for our Personnel Committee (Chairperson Danny Hass, Dana Adams, Martha Blansette, Dr. Dutch Kendall, Dr. Mary Kleber, and Martha Montgomery) as they continue to search for the vacancies on our staff. We know God has the right people for us.

Please help us advertise our Child Development Center and The Academy as both have openings for many more students. There are brochures at both Welcome Centers that you can take to give to family, friends, neighbors, etc. We are, also, looking for teachers in both the CDC and The Academy. Thanks for your help in getting the word out about these.

Please make plans to attend all of our Holy Week Services. The Lenten Reflections on Palm Sunday Evening will focus on this season's theme, "The Power of the Cross" as individual musicians and the Adult Choir lead in this service. The Youth Choir and Deacons will once again lead us on March 28 for our Maundy Thursday Service. The Adult Choir will lead the Good Friday Service (March 29) by presenting "Tenebrae: A Service of Darkness". These services are designed for us to focus on Jesus' journey during the last week of His life on this earth! We need to pause often and reflect upon the love He has for us and what His sacrificial death really means! Yes, He gave His very life for you and me!!! What are we doing for Him?

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday! And as always, please continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a great revival!"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

6:30 p.m. Gym Rental
7:00 p.m. GROW (W Team)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting - Canceled
6:30 p.m. Filipino Bible Study - Room 416

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Children's Choirs & LIGHT
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024

3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

7:57 a.m. Men's Breakfast - IHOP - Hurstbourne
9:00 a.m. Gospel Lights Mission Pickleball - CLC
Optical Training - Room 304
10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Room 416
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - Room 416

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

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
4:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting - Room 416
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training
Missions

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024

6:30 p.m. Gym Rental
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Team)

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Filipino Bible Study - Room 416
6:45 p.m. Committee Meetings - Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Administrative/Ministry Committees
8:00 p.m. Church Council

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024

1:00 p.m. Academy Meeting - Conference Room
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
LIGHT & Children's Choirs
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Sewing - CLC
3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - Room 416

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS - SPRING FORWARD

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
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training
Missions
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- Betty Byrd and family at the death of her aunt, Dorothy Harper;
- Lewana Sams and family at the death of her aunt, Rose Ball;
- Diane Cox and family at the death of her husband, Alan Cox;
- Joseph and Bill Montgomery and family at the death of their uncle, James Quiqui (brother-in-law of Bernice Lloyd and Davidetta Konneh);
- The family of Glenn Fisher (former member) at his death;
- The family of Neal Tingle at his death.



PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF FEBRUARY 22:

- Bill Anderson (Sarah Jenkins' grandfather) – Baptist Health – Room 537

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF MARCH 3

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Chris Towles 468-7369

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Adam Jenkins 593-5007

NURSE ON CALL

Shirley Powers 551-6786

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Joy Warren &
Terri Bosemer

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern &
Judie Walker

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich
Sound – Sam Frizzell
AV – Lisa Payne

WEEK OF MARCH 10

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Rev. Renee Bryant 797-3639

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Jim Raia 529-1788

NURSE ON CALL

Dr. Mary Kleber 262-8756

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Valerie Montgomery &
Tiffany Keranen

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern &
Linda Simpson

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Chris Towles
Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Sam Frizzell

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School - 71 Morning Worship - 112

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,991.00
Budget Received	\$ 7,732.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 274,775.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 255,229.41

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	\$ 120.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 6,278.47

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m.

We will begin the evening with a Dinner in the Christian Life Center. The dinner will be followed by a time of worship. Then we will break up into:



Celebrate Recovery

- Substance Abuse (Men and Women)
- Sexual Integrity (Men)
- Codependency (Women)
- Hurts and Hang-Ups (Men and Women)

Celebrate Recovery is not just a program to help with addiction. It is a biblically balanced approach to help bring sustainable recovery and healing to hurts. It guides people toward new healthy truths and life-giving habits while repairing broken relationships. The eight principles of Celebrate Recovery are based on the Beatitudes in Matthew 5.



FCBC SEEKING THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS

Our church is seeking candidates for the following:

- Full-time Minister of Music combined with one of following areas: Children or Education. Applicants must exemplify a growing relationship with God, spiritual maturity, responsible authority, fervent evangelism, sound theology, and effective communication skills with all age groups. Applicants should have experience and education in ministry. Anyone seeking the position must be an excellent musician, worship leader, and educator.
- Part-time Minister of Youth and Recreation. Applicant must be spiritually mature, enthusiastic, and creative.

Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church
Attention: Personnel Committee
5920 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40291

or email linda@ferncreekbaptist.org. Resumes will be received through March 1, 2024. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).



MEN'S MISSION BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 2, 7:57 a.m.

IHOP - Hurstbourne

Questions? Contact Adam Jenkins.

WOMEN ON MISSION

All women are invited to either of these groups:

- **Agape Group – Saturday, March 2, 10:00 a.m.**, Christian Life Center (Room 416) – Questions? Contact Renee Bryant or Melissa Logsdon-Young.
- **Sewing Group – Thursday, March 7, 10:00 a.m.**, Christian Life Center – Questions? Contact Judie Walker.

“CIRCLE OF HOPE”

Monday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.
TBA

All widows are invited.
Questions? Contact Karen Love.



Tuesday, March 19
9:30 a.m.
TBA



“YOUNG AT HEART”

Thursday, March 14, 11:30 a.m.
Lunch at Outback Steakhouse
(8101 Bardstown Road)



Please sign up at the shelf in the common area by Monday, March 11, so we can tell the restaurant how many to expect. Please meet at the restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Each person pays for his/her individual lunch.

“YOUNG AT HEART” SPRING RETREAT

April 22-25, 2024

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park

Cost Per Individual

Double Occupancy - \$325 / Single Occupancy - \$375

This includes the lodging, program, transportation, and all meals at the park. Watch for more details next week. Please turn in your money to Sandra Segrest, Judie Walker, or the church office by **Monday, April 1**. Also, please let Sandra or the church office know who your roommate is if you are requesting double occupancy.

**READ THROUGH THE BIBLE
PLAN FOR 2024**

Please join your church family as we read through the Bible during the year of 2024. Copies of a couple of different plans are available at the Sanctuary Welcome Center and in the Common Area. We hope you will all participate!

GUATEMALA

If you are interested in participating in a mission trip to Guatemala, **August 10-16, 2024**, please let Linda know as soon as possible. (Please note this date change.) This trip will be taken in partnership with Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International. We will work under missionaries Mike and Sandra Little.



PUZZLE EXCHANGE

Puzzle exchange is up and going. Martha Blansette will be in Room 411 (Christian Life Center) for approximately 20 minutes after church each Sunday morning for anyone who wants to come and pick up a puzzle, CD or DVD.



You can be a missionary right here in our own community by joining a GROW Team. GROW Teams write letters, make phone calls, and make visits on: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and the first Tuesday of the month if you are willing to serve on a GROW Team. Join us as together we share the good news of Jesus Christ! He has called us to take the good news to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth.

Will you help?



HOLY WEEK DEVOTIONAL BOOK

If you are willing to write a devotional for our Holy Week Devotional Book, please sign up at the shelf in the common area foyer. This year's theme is "The Power of the Cross". You may choose to use the scripture from the daily Bible readings or write a devotional from your own experience of the power of the cross in your own life. (The daily Bible readings are next to the sign-up sheet.) Please turn in the devotionals to Tiffany Keranen or email her (tiffany@ferncreekbaptist.org) by Monday, March 11, or sooner. (It would be great to get them by March 4.)



**Living
In
God's
Holy
Truth**

"For you were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of the light." Ephesians 5:8

We seek to provide an environment that supports Christian values. We agree to encourage behavior, both in ourselves and each other which represents Christian attitudes, resulting in the positive representation of Fern Creek Baptist Church, and meaningful Christian fellowship.

"For I know the plans I have for you", declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11



Pickleball Fundraiser

All proceeds go to

Gospel Lights Missions Team

Fern Creek Baptist Church
5920 Bardstown Road, Fern Creek, KY, 40291

Saturday, March 2

Learn more and get in touch at www.gospellightsmissions.com.

Suggested
\$5 per player donation
All donations welcome
Cash only

Open play all day
8:00am-6:00pm

Silent auction and bake sale
Silent auction runs every two hours

BYOP
Bring Your Own Paddles
Pickleballs to be provided

All minors must be accompanied by an adult

Ask us how to get involved with Gospel Lights Missions Team



March

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 Hannah Arnold | 16 Tracey Estes |
| Linda Joyce | 17 Katie Heinrich |
| 6 Scot Anderson | 18 Al Ryan |
| George Popham | 19 Keisha Moreno |
| 8 Cody Ryan | Pam Weixler |
| 9 Lori Bedard | 20 Joe Curry |
| Billy Blandford | Mandy Jones |
| Jean Brookshire | 21 Tyler Anderson |
| Teagan Hall | 22 Marianne Trueblood |
| Terry Kaelin | 23 Kristi White |
| Gayle Monin | 24 Kylie Seraphine |
| 10 Penelope Grimes | 26 Josh Schult |
| Sharon Morehead | 27 Zach White |
| 12 Mike Simpson | 28 John Fraley |
| David Williams | Glenna Hall |
| 13 Michaela DeJaynes | 29 Centrell Kelley |
| Kelly Swain | 30 Terry Bruce |
| 14 Leonard Westmorland | Melissa Cundiff |
| 15 Christy Becker | Lori Farley |
| Jamie Gibbs | Joyce Shelton |
| Jake Richardson | 31 Erin Crittenden |

NOW ENROLLING

We are now enrolling children for the 2024-2025 school year for the Child Development Center (Twos, Threes, and Fours) and The Academy (Kindergarten and First Grade).

- Please call Terri at 239-8952 for CDC enrollment and more information.
- Please call Tiffany at 239-0316 ext. 100 for The Academy enrollment and more information.

SUMMER FUN PROGRAM

Our Summer Fun Program is offered to two, three, and four-year-olds. It is a wonderful way to keep your child learning through the summer months. We do many educational and hands-on learning activities that are fun. The program starts on June 11. The total cost is \$325. A \$50 enrollment fee is due at the time of registration and then the balance of \$275 is to be paid at the start of the program. The Summer Fun Program will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Terri at terri@ferncreekbaptist.org.



Fern Creek Baptist Academy & FCHUM

Our students collected cans of soup, as a community service project, for the FCHUM Souper Bowl. They made the class goal of 60 cans.

FCHUM is still in need of several items (listed below). If six children can collect 60, how many can our church collect?

- Ravioli * Peanut Butter * Mac & Cheese * Cereal * Oatmeal * Crackers *
Canned Beans * Canned Fruits * Canned Meats * Canned Pasta
Bar Soap * Deodorant * Toilet Paper * Liquid Dish Soap * Laundry Detergent

Please place donations in collection area in the Christian Life Center.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year's Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **June 3-7, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** Our first meeting will be **Tuesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary. You may contact one of the following to work in a particular area: Preschool (Terri Bosemer), Children (Jodie Towles), and Youth (Martha Blansette).



TERRIFIC TUESDAY / TEEN TUESDAY

We need many workers for these programs for children and middle school youth which begin on **Tuesday, June 18**. We will have an organization meeting on **Friday, April 5, 10:00 a.m.** in the Christian Life Center.

Thanks to those who have continued to help year after year We invite others to join the team!



QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Tuesday, March 5
(Childcare is provided.)



6:45 p.m. – All Committees

7:00 p.m. – Administrative and Ministry Committees

(Trustees, By-Laws, CDC, Personnel, Stewardship, Evangelism & Outreach, M&M, Social, Preschool, Children's, Youth)

8:00 p.m. – Church Council

(All Committee Chairpersons & Heads of Organizations)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. If you cannot attend the meeting, please inform your Committee Chairperson.

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