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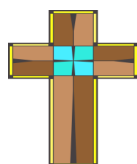
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**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH**



*Reaching Up...*

*Reaching In...*

*Reaching Out...*

# The Disciple

**MAY 24, 2021**

## LINDA'S LINES

We welcome Dr. Bill Smithwick as our Interim Office Coordinator. Bill has been a good friend of mine for many years! He brings a wealth of experience and wisdom to us! Bill previously held the positions of Assistant Executive Director for Virginia Baptist Children's Home and Family Services, President and Chief Executive Officer of Sunrise Children's Services, and most recently the Executive Director of Kids Center for Pediatric Therapies. Bill earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore; a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Business Administration degree from Averett College in Danville, Virginia; and a Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. Bill, a native of Bowling Green, Florida, has held several pastorates in Virginia Baptist Churches. Bill and his wife, Dawn, have three adult children. They are now proud to be grandparents. We are excited to have Bill as a part of our team during this season in the life of FCBC. Bill will begin on June 1. Please welcome him to our staff!

How can we ever thank Donna Grimes enough!? Donna has always been willing to fill in and do whatever is needed. Donna served for 20 years as our Office Coordinator in the past. She once again filled in as the Interim Office Coordinator since November 2020. She will be training Bill as he takes over the position. Please thank Donna for her humble attitude of servanthood, her steadfastness, and her spirit of cooperation. Donna: You are greatly loved and appreciated!

We, also, welcome two of our returning Summer Interns. Hydiatu Konneh and Cole Abbott will once again join us as they work in the areas of youth, children, and preschool. Hydiatu is graduating from Western Kentucky University and Cole will graduate next year from Lindsay Wilson College. Cole will marry our former Summer Intern, Elizabeth Mathis, this summer. Cole and Hydiatu will begin at FCBC with their orientation on May 25. We look forward to their energetic and enthusiastic spirits! Thanks, Hydiatu and Cole, for answering the call to serve God with us this summer.

Thanks to all of you who are participating in "The Gospel To Every Home". I continue to pray for more and more of you to join us in following the mandate that Jesus gave us to share the good news of the gospel. Please join us the next time we go out into our community.

We still have a need for Vacation Bible School teachers and workers. If you are willing to serve, please contact Terri Bosemer (preschool), Jodie Towles (children), or Martha Blansette (youth). You may also call the church office to volunteer. See Steve's article for the many ways that you can serve. We need you! Will you help?

We, also, have a need for Youth Camp chaperones. Crossings Youth Camp will be held June 26-30 at Cedarmore in Bagdad, Kentucky. Please contact me as soon as possible if you are willing to serve in this way.

Please continue to pray for God's kingdom to come on earth! **Continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a great revival!"**

**KY WMU Changers Kids presents  
a Mission Opportunity  
for Children grades 3-5**

**Saturday, June 5, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm  
Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries  
Church is covering the \$10 cost.**

**Sign-up TODAY!**

**Questions? See Jodie Towles**



**CALENDAR  
OF EVENTS**

**MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021**

6:30 p.m. Gospel To Every Home Visits  
7:00 p.m. GROW (All Teams)

**TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021**

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. CDC Graduation

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2021**

10:00 a.m. Gospel Bag Assembly  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Wonderful Wednesday  
L.I.G.H.T  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021**

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

**MONDAY, MAY 31, 2021**

Church Office Closed

**TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021**

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
6:45 p.m. All Committees  
7:00 p.m. Administrative/Ministry  
(Individual Committees)  
8:00 p.m. Church Council

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021**

6:30 p.m. Children's Choir Program  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021**

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission Sewing Group

**SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021**

9:30 a.m. KY WMU Changers Kids

**SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021**

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. Home Prayer Services  
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

**MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School  
2:00 p.m. Circle of Hope

**TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School  
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES  
IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF MAY 21.**

- Mary Berridge – Sanders Ridge Health Campus – Room 508
- Rosiland Morris – Sanders Ridge Health Campus – Room 409
- Polly Ann Curry – Sycamore Heights Nursing Home – Room D-6
- Jenny Magruder – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 436
- Mary Redmond – Morning Pointe – Apt. 305
- Connie Fisher (Shannon Fisher's mother) – Creekside on Whipp's Mill



**RESPONSIBILITIES**

**WEEK OF MAY 30**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

George Popham 419-8939

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Nate Blansette 533-8565

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Jayla Grigsby and TBA

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Donna Grimes and Jeannie Kern

**TECH TEAM**

Director – Jon Heinrich  
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich  
Sound – Phil Shewmaker  
AV – Chris Towles  
P.M. - No Service  
Wednesday - TBA

**WEEK OF JUNE 6**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Joseph Montgomery 422-2208

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

TBA

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Donna Grimes and Jeannie Kern

**TECH TEAM**

Director – Alex Gibbs  
Streamer – Chris Towles  
Sound – Phil Shewmaker  
AV – Jamie Gibbs  
P.M. - TBA  
Wednesday - TBA

**DEACON NOMINATION FORM**

Eligibility and Qualifications

Resident members who have been active members in the church for at least one (1) year prior to the time of nomination and who are 21 years of age or older, and who support the church financially, by presence, and spiritually are eligible to serve as deacons.

Qualifications shall be found in the scriptures: Acts 6:1-6 and I Timothy 3:8-12.

The church encourages your recommendation of deacon nominees. Please complete the form below and take or mail the form to the church office by June 1

The following people who are currently serving as deacon should not be nominated:

Michele Crider    Danny Hass    George Popham    Carolyn Simpson  
Becky Frizzell    Holland Kendall    Nancy Shewmaker    Chris Towles  
Sam Frizzell    Mary Kleber    Phil Shewmaker

It is my belief that the following persons meet the high ideals and expectations of a deacon:

My Nominations: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Bev Crittenden
- 2 - Rhiannon Kendall
- 3 - Carter Murphy  
Michael Robinson
- 5 - Hannah Hall
- 6 - Rusty Rust
- 7 - Miles Bickers  
Shirley Sallee
- 8 - Adam Grimes
- 10 - Phil Lucas  
Brooke Martin  
Phyllis Moore
- 11 - Genia Douglass  
Linda Lindsey  
Angela Orr
- 13 - Patricia Samson
- 14 - Brent Crittenden  
Gary Kistner, Jr.  
Pamela Walton
- 15 - Chad Popham
- 16 - Elly Crittenden  
Martha Watson
- 17 - Lisa Stucker
- 18 - Christy Miller
- 19 - Chris Binda  
Joey Lanham
- 21 - Sonya Davis  
Michele Richardson
- 22 - Lucy Bickers  
Sandra Rivera
- 23 - Lisa Clark  
Lori Colvin  
Jay Hill
- 25 - Steven Glenn  
Sam Satterly
- 26 - Caden Seraphine
- 27 - Walter Hughes  
Matthew Karnes  
David Magruder  
Sam Saraco  
Lori Spires  
Nancy Willis
- 28 - Connor Payne  
Sharon Thompson
- 29 - Nate Blansette
- 30 - Melissa Logsdon-Young  
Carolyn Simpson  
Jerry Walker



### ***Our Sympathy Is Extended To:***

David and Susan Hudgins at the death of David's nephew, Josh Hudgins; Donna Grimes at the death of her late husband Charlie's brother-in-law, Donnie Johnson.

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER ENROLLMENT



Call Terri Bosemer as soon as possible if you would like to enroll your child in our Child Development Center Fall Preschool (239-8952 ext. 108).

## MUSIC NOTES

**Steve Skaggs, Interim Minister of Music**



### VBS IS COMING!

*You will seek me and find me when you search for me with all your heart.*  
*Jeremiah 29:13*

I love Vacation Bible School! Every year many churches across our land offer a week-long time of biblical instruction for kids during the summer. The origins of the first VBS can be traced to the 1890's. Attendance was probably at its highest during the '60's with my generation—the "baby boomers." Though recent years have seen a decline in attendance and in churches who offer the program, it is still one of the most effective ways to reach out to children and families with the message of the gospel.

Vacation Bible School at FCBC this year will be June 7-11. This should be a "all-hands-on-deck" effort by our congregation. There IS a place for you to help! Here's how—

Pray for—

- Teachers, workers, and leaders.
- Children and families who need to hear the gospel message.
- Yourself as you seek how God would use you at VBS.

The Word—

- Learn the theme verse (see above) and something about the lessons each day. This helps everyone in our congregation, even those who may not be participating directly during the week, to pull together toward the same goal.
- Plus, if you are like me, studying the lessons just may bring renewed depth and excitement in your Christian walk.

Teach or assist—

- It is hard to have too many teachers or workers during Bible School. You can help! No action is too small or insignificant.
- VBS has become a "high-energy" activity. We cram a whole lot of stuff in a short period of time. That means it takes more adults to keep up with the kids.

Be there. You may feel like you are not gifted with teaching children, but you can help by—

- Greeting children and families warmly.
- Helping folks find their way around the facility.
- Taking out the trash or any number of other "routine" deeds.

As I sat down and started to type a few moments ago I noticed I had unintentionally chosen a pencil to take notes with from VBS 2014. I immediately began to sing the song in my head as I saw the logo: "Agency D3, discover, decide, defend!" The pencil also reminded me that the theme verse for that year was I Peter 3:15 which says, "But honor the Messiah as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you."

I guarantee you that VBS 2014 made a difference in the lives of children and even adults that lasts until today. God will do the same with VBS 2021—"Destination Dig." Let's all get excited and get involved!

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**Monday, May 24, 6:30 p.m.  
Meet in the Christian Life Center.**

Join us as we visit our community to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.  
We invite all of you to join us!

**MAY 16, 2021**



**OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,731.00
Budget Received	\$ 5,914.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 360,047.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 345,139.15

**BUILDING FUND**

Weekly Total	\$ 170.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 23,396.25

**ATTENDANCE**

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 87  
MORNING WORSHIP - 115 **FRED TUCKER**

**Son-Day Fun-Day  
School Supplies Give-Away  
Sunday, July 25**



We are now collecting school supplies for Son-Day Fun-Day.  
Please place your donations in the bin located in the Christian Life Center.

- packs of paper (wide and college ruled)      pencil sharpeners
- notebooks (wireless and composition)      erasers (pencil top or regular)
- pocket folders (with or without prongs)      pencil boxes/bags
- pencils (#2 wood or mechanical)      rulers
- pens (black, blue, or red)      glue sticks
- markers (8 box large or thin)      scissors (children's)
- crayons (24 box preferred)      backpacks



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School is **June 7-11**. If you are willing to help in VBS, please contact the following:

**Preschool      Children      Youth**  
**Terri Bosemer      Jodie Towles      Martha Blansette**

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