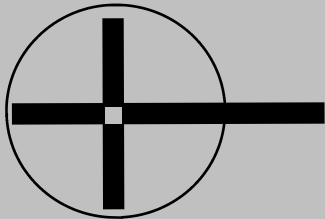


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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MANCHESTER, TN

The News



Week 32 of 156

Opportunities for Ladies

*Wednesday is the last opportunity to sign up for the 2nd Annual Women's Retreat.
You may sign up in the foyer.*

3 Ladies' Bible Studies Are Beginning

Stepping Up: Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent

Three times a year the ancient Israelites traveled to Jerusalem for feasts. Now it's your turn. In this Beth Moore Bible study, you will renew your passion for your pilgrimage, benefit from in-depth Bible study with fellow travelers, and enjoy the fellowship

Begins: Tuesday, January 26 at 1:00 PM

Room C202

No childcare provided

Becky Taylor, facilitator

Workbooks available in the Bookstore

Becoming A Woman of Moderation

How many of us have lost weight on a diet -- only to have it and a few *more* pounds return? The reasons diets don't work is because we have not addressed the real problem. Food was never intended to meet the deepest hunger in our hearts, the hunger for God. This study will equip you to run to God, your very real comforter, but will also teach you Scriptural principles on how to approach food so that it becomes a delight instead of a snare to your health and your soul. Online help available: settingcaptivefree.com -- this same site helps with a lot of other struggles. The one that applies to this study is called *The Lord's Table*.

Begins: Thursday, February 4

7:00 -8:30 PM

Michelle Shepard's Home 194 Regalwood Drive

No Childcare provided

Michelle Shepard, Facilitator

Workbooks will be available in the bookstore 2 weeks before beginning date

Breaking Free: The Journey; The Stories

Based on Isaiah 61:1-4, this in-depth Bible study will help you to identify spiritual strongholds in your life, no matter how big or small. This updated version of Beth Moore's most popular study will help you discover the transforming power of Christian freedom.

Begins: Monday, February 8 at 9:30 AM

Room C202

Childcare Provided

Barbara Simmons, Facilitator

Workbooks will be available in the bookstore 2 weeks before beginning date

Welcome to our Church

Mike & Christine Tucker
(by letter)
106 Walter Bartlett Road
Adult 4

Engeline Peterson (by baptism)
111 Eldon Drive
Adult 4



Celebration of Baptism

This Sunday

8:30 AM

and

11:00 AM



Join the Winter 2010 Read to Me Club for Preschoolers

- It's never too early to begin reading to your children.
- The library is sponsoring the Read to me Club.
- It will begin Sunday, January 17 and go through Sunday, February 28.
- Sign up and information sheets will be in the library and preschool area this Wednesday.
- Small prizes will be given.

Multi-Focus Group

Our meeting will be
January 19th at 10 AM at Liz
Smith's home.

Meet in the church parking lot at
9:30 AM. Bingo at 10 AM on January
21st. Hope you can join us!



Servant's Heart Meeting

Tuesday, January 19
6:30 PM

at Glenna McCroskey's

Join us to learn to crochet / knit or
work on ministry projects.

From the Pastor's Heart

The past few months we have been promoting our special offerings, and you have responded generously. We far surpassed our goal for our World Missions Offering, and giving to Building People has been very strong through the first seven months of that campaign. We have not emphasized our regular budget offering at all during this time, but now we need to focus our attention there. We have had some large expenditures in the last couple of months. We had to replace two furnaces that heat the second floor of the B building at a cost of \$9000. (The old ones lasted about 40 years, so that's pretty good.) We had to replace the projector in our worship center at a cost of over \$7000. (We received a large gift that covered the majority of that cost, and we are very grateful for it.) We did not meet our budget in any of the first three months of our budget year (September-November). We did exceed our budget in December, but we are below budget so far in January. We are approaching the months when we spend a greater proportion of our budget, so it is even more critical that we meet our budget in the months ahead.

If you do not regularly give a proportion of your income to God through his church, let me encourage you to begin tithing in this New Year. I believe there is no greater investment in life than to support Kingdom work through Christ's church. Let me remind you not to give to any special offering until you have fulfilled your commitment to our budget giving. It is the foundation of all the ministries and missions of our church. If you wish to give an extra offering to the Lord through our church, our budget offering is our area of greatest need at this time. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness.

Brenton Cox

Music News

Here are the start back dates for the Music Ministry: First Praise and First Voices continue each week at their regular times.

January 13: Children's Choir 3:30-5:00 PM

January 14: Faithful Heart 10:30 AM

ATTENTION FIRST VOICES: If you are planning on going on the NYC trip, you need to let me know by this Friday, January 15. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the choir room.

Bart

Student Connection

I just want to remind students and parents that we will be leaving Friday for our High School Winter Retreat. We will load the vans at 5:00 PM on Friday and we will leave at 5:30 PM! Please be here on time! There are more information sheets and a list of important numbers beside the communications room. Please pray for us while we are gone!

Scott

Special Gifts Building People

In memory of Vivian Morgan
(Courtney Parker's mother) by Ron &
Tammy Pettit

Good Samaritan

In memory of Ronald Campbell
(Bernice Pugh's brother) by Wanda
Radcliffe



Men's Lunch Fellowship

Wednesday, January 20
11:30 AM
Oak Restaurant

Children's Membership Training



Led by Dorothy Scott
Begins Wednesday, January 20
6:00 PM Room C103

For children who have recently
become Christians or are asking
questions about becoming a Christian.

Facilities Use Policy

Our church facilities are being used
more and more by ministry groups,
Bible study groups, Sunday School
classes, and others. We are very glad
for this increased use, but it means
that we must schedule and coordinate
use of facilities to be fair to everyone.
We must also coordinate cleaning of
the area, security, and set up for Sun-
day or Wednesday. If you wish to use
the gymnasium, fellowship hall,
kitchen, or any other area of the
church, you must fill out a facilities use
request form, either in person, on the
phone, by email, or from our website,
at least a week before your event. A
ministry assistant will let you know if
the area is available and send you a
copy of our facilities use policy. Thank
you for your cooperation.

News From the Teaching Ministry

Did you know that you are gifted? Every Christian has been gifted
by God to serve in the church. Do you know what your ministry or spiritual
gifts are? We have a new way to help you discover your gifts. It is a simple
tool that you do in the privacy of your own home.

- Go to our website: www.manchesterfbc.com
- On the left, click on "Ministries"
- Click on "Christian Development Program"
- Under Level 3, click on "Ministry Gifts Questionnaire"
- Answer the questions
- Your results will be emailed to you

Some of you have taken the ministry gift survey in our Wednesday
night Christian Development Program classes. You may have forgotten
what your gifts are. You can retake the survey. I want to encourage all of
you take it online. I think you will be excited to see the results. It only takes
a few minutes of your time. If you do not have access to the internet, you
can come by the church and take the survey. THIS IS HOW THE MINISTRY
GIFT SURVEYS FOR ALL OF OUR CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM CLASSES WILL BE TAKEN. If you are currently taking
Membership Training, you need to take the test now.

Once you discover your gifts, start using them in the church! We
need you! I can help you find a place to serve based on your gifts.

Cyndi

Recreation Ministry

Starting this Saturday Upward will be in full swing. I wanted to take a few
minutes to invite our church family out to watch. Please feel free to come enjoy the
excitement these children are bringing to our hearts each and every week. Please
come get to know their families and invite them to church. The game times are:

- 1st-3rd grade GIRLS - 9 AM (2 teams - Coaches: Mandy Stacy/Bethany
Barham and Courtney Parker/Brittany Fox)
- 1st -3rd grade BOYS - 10 AM (4 teams - Coaches: Gene Walter/Rose
Chandler, Ray Carter/Daniel Argraves, David Clark/Michael Kelly, and
Mark & Jake Hull)
- 4th-6th grade GIRLS - 11:15 AM (2 teams - Coaches: Page Howe/Randy
Damewood and Andrew Jernigan/Courtney Hise)
- 4th-6th grade BOYS - 12:15 PM (2 teams - Coaches: Jim Keith/Anthony
Jackson/Nicole Lester and Jamie Harden)

We would love extra cheerleaders!!!!!! A special thanks to all those opening the
gym, praying, coaching, giving, encouraging, leading, organizing, and
supporting. Our league would not be without you!!!! THANK YOU!!!!

In Christ,
Julie Brawner

DATES FOR JANUARY

January 19th—Open Gym 6-9 PM
January 26th—Open Gym 6-9 PM



Senior Adult Activities

Thursday, January 21
8:00 AM—10:00 AM
Gymnasium
Come and join us!



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*The Mission of First Baptist Church,
Manchester, Tennessee, is to make
disciples of Jesus Christ.*

Volunteers in Ministry

January 17

Preschool Care During Worship

8:30 AM

Jeremy & Summer Anderson
Matt & Amy Bush

11:00 AM

Debbie Leet, Renee Hancock
Matt & Emily Norman
Aaron & Courtney Parker

6:00 PM

Larry McIntosh, June Johnson

Children's Worship Helpers

8:30 AM

Liz Smith

11:00 AM

Dorothy Conklin

Welcome Center

Josh & Angela Parker
Kevin & Beth Penick
Terry & Linda Giltner

Deacon of the Week

Doug Buck, Cameron Liner

Tellers

Davy Stout, Steve Stout, Kevin Penick

Security

Doug Buck, Josh Hull, Steve Stout, C.L.
Bandy, Mark Hull

Decision Counselors

8:30 AM

Barry Baker, Barbara Simmons, Yvonne
Norton, Cookie Baker

11:00 AM

Greg Holcomb, Betty Barham, Greg
Hancock, Cyndi Cox

Bookstore Workers

Sunday Morning

Linda Anderson, Tracy Rutland

Sunday Evening

Linda Giltner, Tammy Pettit

Wednesday 5:30 PM

Pete Cento, Tammy Pettit

Attendance

Week of January 10, 2010

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| Sunday School Enrollment | 1096 |
| Attendance on Campus | 557 |
| YTD on Campus | 556 |
| 8:30 AM Worship | 306 |
| 11:00 AM Worship | 343 |
| Total Morning Worship | 649 |
| Evening Worship | 129 |
| Christian Development Program | 258 |

Financial Report

Week of January 10, 2010

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| Needed Weekly | \$19,518.32 |
| Budget Offering | \$16,603.16 |
| Designated | \$4,791.50 |
| Other Receipts | \$1,983.00 |
| Total Receipts | \$23,377.66 |
| YTD Budget Needs | \$370,848.08 |
| YTD Budget Receipt | \$351,671.66 |

Building People

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| This Week | \$3,241.50 |
| Given To Date: | \$169,974.57 |

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday (1/7)

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| Early Sunday School | 7:45 PM |
| Contemporary Worship | 8:30 AM |
| Sunday School | 9:45 AM |
| Traditional Worship | 11:00 AM |
| Girls Ensemble Practice | 5:00 PM |
| Evening Worship | 6:00 PM |

Monday (1/18)

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| Orchestra | 5:00 PM |
| Handbells | 6:00 PM |

Tuesday (1/19)

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| Open Gym | 6:00 PM |
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Wednesday (1/20)

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| Men's Lunch Fellowship | 11:30 AM |
| Children's Choir | 3:30 PM |
| Fellowship Supper | 5:00 PM |
| KIDS In Discipleship | 6:00 PM |
| Prayer Meeting | 6:00 PM |
| Youth Livewire & Powerhouse | 6:00 PM |
| Christian Development Program | 6:30 PM |
| First Voices Rehearsal | 6:30 PM |
| First Praise Rehearsal | 7:15 PM |

Thursday (1/14)

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| Faithful Heart | 10:30 AM |
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Wednesday Night

Supper

January 20

Cubed steak, mashed potatoes,
green beans, rolls and dessert.

Reserve your spot by visiting our website,
completing a form at the deposit box or by
calling the church office by Monday at
5:00.

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Bookstore Hours

Sundays

9:15—9:45 AM
10:45—11:00 AM
12:00—12:15 PM
5:15—6:00 PM

Wednesdays

5:30—6:30 PM