



# First Baptist Church

## Growing Toward Christ

Whiteville, NC

### THE CONTACT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2017 VOLUME 52, NUMBER 6

BigHeart Farms

### Where God's Fruit Grows! Vacation Bible School



June 11-14, 2017

Children ages 3-10

First Baptist Church

412 N. Madison St.

- ❖ June 11 at 4pm - 5pm: Ice Cream Social & Registration
- ❖ June 12-14 from 1:00pm - 4:30pm: Daily VBS Activities
- ❖ June 14 at 5pm: VBS Closing Celebration & Family Meal

Join us for Music, Crafts and Bible Lessons!

Register at [www.fbcwhiteville.com](http://www.fbcwhiteville.com)

#### EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- JUNE 11, GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY
- JUNE 11, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND REGISTRATION, 4 P.M.
- JUNE 18, FATHER'S DAY
- JUNE 12-14, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, 1:00 P.M.-4:30 P.M.
- JUNE 14, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLOSING CELEBRATION AND FAMILY MEAL, 5 P.M.
- JUNE 17-23, YOUTH MISSION TRIP
- JUNE 19, FINANCE MEETING, 9 A.M.
- JUNE 20, DEACONS MEETING, 7 P.M.

COMPLETE MONTHLY  
CALENDAR ON BACK.

TO ADD AN EVENT TO OUR  
CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH  
OFFICE: (910) 642-2139

"By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things."

Galatians 5:22-23

# PASTOR'S CORNER:

## “NOW WHAT?”

Luke, my four-year-old son, just started t-ball this year. Which coincidentally means that I am now coaching t-ball for the first time ever.

Well, a few Saturday's ago we had our first game. Luke was playing second base, when one of the bigger kids hit a hard shot right in his direction. I was nervous that the ball would hit him, but to my surprise he scooped it up slick as a whistle and tossed it right over to first base. The crowd of parents and grandparents erupted in a loud cheer. Luke immediately looked at me (where I was standing just behind our shortstop) and said with a shrug of his shoulders, “Now what do I do?”

I chuckled and said, “Now you stay in your spot, wait for them to hit it to you, and do it all over again!” It hasn't taken me long to learn that in t-ball, many of the young players have not yet grasped the concept

that even though the ball is not heading in their direction they are still “in the game.”

Participating in God's Kingdom can be a lot like the game of t-ball. A healthy spiritual life is one where we spend as much time asking God, “Now what?” as we spend in actual ministry. Like those young children, perhaps we can learn to be just as content being patient for God to move us where he wants us to be. All the while, remembering that we are very much a part of the game, and we must always be ready with the expectation that the ball *will* come our way.

- Rev. Ryan Clore

**June 4**

Pentecost Sunday

“Understanding One Another”

Acts 2:1-21

**June 11**

Trinity Sunday

“I Am (with You)”

Matthew 28:16-20

**June 18**

Proper 6

“The Kingdom Is Near!”

Matthew 9:35-10:8

**June 25**

Proper 7

“Don't Worry. Be Happy”

Matthew 6:24-34



FROM THE  
*Pulpit*

*Ah Lord GOD! It is you who made the heavens and the earth  
by your great power and by your outstretched arm!  
Nothing is too hard for you.*

*Jeremiah 32:17*

# Music in Ministry



We are grateful for our youth and their excellent participation in worship last month. God has truly blessed us with a talented group of youth.

During the month of June we will experience the wind and fire of Pentecost and the celebration Trinity Sunday, as well as Holy Communion. Join us each Sunday as we study God's Word and worship together.

## **All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

*Who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him. (1 Peter 3:22)*

In the November 1799, issue of *The Gospel Magazine*, there appeared an anonymous hymn entitled "On the Resurrection, the Lord is King":

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels  
prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.*

The author, it was later revealed, was Rev. Edward Perronet.

Edward's Protestant grandparents had fled Catholic France, going first to Switzerland, then to England. Edward's father had become a vicar in the Anglican Church, and Edward followed in his footsteps.

For several years, he became closely allied with the Wesleys, traveling with them and sometimes caught up in their adventures. In John Wesley's journal, we find this entry: "Edward Perronet was thrown down and rolled in

the mud and mire. Stones were hurled and windows broken."

In time, however, Edward broke with the Wesleys over various Methodist policies, and John Wesley excluded his hymns from their hymnals. Edward went off to pastor a small independent church in Canterbury, where he died on January 22, 1792. His last words were: *Glory to God in the height of His divinity! Glory to God in the depth of His humanity! Glory to God in His all-sufficiency! Into His hands I commend my spirit.*

Edward Perronet's hymn, "All Hail the Power," has earned him an indelible place in the history of church music. It also has a place in missionary history, being greatly used in evangelistic endeavors. Rev. E. P. Scott, missionary to India, wrote of trying to reach a tribe in the Indian subcontinent. Ignoring the pleadings of his friends, he set off into the dangerous territory. Several days later, he met a large party of warriors who surrounded him, their spears pointed at his heart.

Expecting to die at any moment, Scott took out his violin, breathed a prayer, closed his eyes, and began singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" When he reached the words, "Let every kindred, every tribe," he opened his eyes. There stood the warriors, some in tears, every spear lowered. Scott spent the next two years evangelizing the tribe.

Join us in worship on June 18 as we sing this great hymn of our faith.

(copied from *Then Sings My Soul*, W. Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2011.)



My Bible and hymnal disappeared after worship on Mother's Day. Both are black leather and the Bible has my name on the front. Thanks for helping me find them.

Eddie

## Wednesday Night Supper



For the summer months of June, July and August we will not have Wednesday Night Supper, Children's Music Activity, Godly Play Children's Activity, Prayer Meeting, or Bible Study. Chancel Choir will continue to meet at 7:15 p.m. for rehearsal.

Our **Quarterly Church Conference** Covered Dish meal will be held on either **July 26**, or **August 2**. We will resume Wednesday Night Activities the Wednesday night after Labor Day (September 6).

# JUNE MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

4 Grayanna Young  
 11 Gina Morningstar  
 18 Katherine Jordan Scott  
 25 Tricia Sanderson

## WORSHIP SERVICE GREETER

Peggy FormyDuval

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK

4 Brownie Cook / Bobby Hensley  
 11 Emory Worley / Merle Worley  
 18 Stephen Prince / David Jordan  
 25 Rose Langston / Kate Carter Lee

## NURSERY

4 Terry Powell & Heather Bazemore  
 11 Jennifer Bowling & Jenny Clore  
 18 Jenny Clore & Helper  
 25 Taylor Jordan & Mary Hooks

## SOUND & VIDEO

4 Jason Schoolcraft  
 11 Wil Ezzell  
 18 Kirby Sanderson  
 25 Eric Kronenwetter

## OFFERING TELLERS

Kirby and Tricia Sanderson (entire month)

## PEW STOCKER

Janice Young

## USHERS (CHAIRMAN: CHARLIE DUNCAN)

4 Ellis Jordan, David Carter, Emory Worley, Clint Grainger, Trent Young & John Norosky  
 11 Jerry Wilson, Travis Harrison, John Sauls, Buster Carter, Charlie Hall, & Mel Ray  
 18 Harry Ward, David Tedder, Emory Worley, Haywood Corbett & Edgar Tison  
 25 Buster Carter, Glenn Waters, David Heath, Grayson Ward & Charlie Hall

## HOSPICE MEAL

16 Rose Langston

## DVD DISTRIBUTION

4 Peggy Walters  
 11 Hilda Butler  
 18 Rose Langston  
 25 Frances Price

## SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

4 Clint & Carolyn Grainger  
 11 Bill & Jolene Lewis  
 18 Rose Langston & J.C. Hyatt  
 25 Jerry Wilson & Yvonne Bass

## SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY AT LIBERTY

25 Koinonia / John the Baptist

## OFFERTORY PRAYERS

4 Rita Todd  
 11 Hilda Ray  
 18 David Jordan  
 25 Janice Young



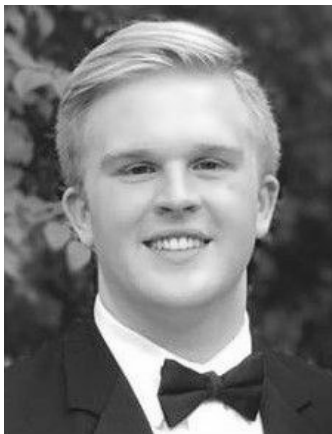
## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Travis Harrison	12 Jane Salyer
Amy FormyDuval	14 Eric Underwood
Andrea Lewis	Lynda Johnston
2 Deborah Tew	Karen Mooney
Elizabeth Prince	17 Murline Britt
4 Tracey Hill	Rick Kimball
5 Betty Batten	19 David Waters
7 Allison Royal	20 Shannon Clore
Lillie Royal	22 Ryan Clore
Sara Royal	25 Jolene Lewis
9 Elizabeth Hensley	26 Josh Butler
10 Beth Yates	29 Jesse Pridgen
Linda Taylor	30 William Smith, Jr.
11 Laura McCain	

<u>Our Financial Stewardship</u>			
Worship Attendance Average: 103			
Sunday School Attendance Average: 60			
<b>Apr 30, 2017- Attend 101 YTD</b>			
Budget Rec'd	\$6,389.25	Budget Needs to Date	\$254,304.47
Budget Needed	\$8,203.37	Budget Received YTD	\$185,807.73
Under	\$1,814.12	Budget Under YTD	\$68,496.74
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<b>May 2, 2017- Attend 108 YTD</b>			
Budget Rec'd	\$6,237.26	Budget Needs to Date	\$262,507.84
Budget Needed	\$8,203.37	Budget Received YTD	\$192,044.99
Under	\$1,966.11	Budget Under YTD	\$70,462.85
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<b>May 14 2017- Attend 122 YTD</b>			
Budget Rec'd	\$4,204.00	Budget Needs to Date	\$270,711.21
Budget Needed	\$8,203.37	Budget Received YTD	\$196,248.99
Under	\$3,999.37	Budget Under YTD	\$74,462.22
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<b>May 21, 2017- Attend 127 YTD</b>			
Budget Rec'd	\$6,767.10	Budget Needs to Date	\$278,914.58
Budget Needed	\$8,203.37	Budget Received YTD	\$203,016.09
Under	\$1,436.27	Budget Under YTD	\$75,898.49
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<b>May 28, 2017- Attend YTD</b>			
Budget Rec'd	\$3,169.00	Budget Needs to Date	\$287,117.95
Budget Needed	\$8,203.37	Budget Received YTD	\$206,185.09
Under	\$5,034.37	Budget Under YTD	\$80,932.86

# FBC SPOTLIGHT

This month's Member Spotlight highlights our graduates; Landon Bailey, Anna Ezzell, Elizabeth Hensley, Wil Ezzell, and Tanner Morningstar. Join us Sunday morning, June 11, as we celebrate with our graduates.



Landon Bailey is graduating from Whiteville High School. He is the son of Amy Carter & Sammy Bailey and brother of Addie Bailey. Landon takes pride in having been class president all four years of high school. He enjoys being active in school and in the community. Two of Landon's greatest accomplishments are receiving his Eagle Scout Award and being a part of the Online Program at North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham, NC. After graduation Landon will be attending Appalachian State University where he plans to pursue a degree in Political Science focusing on International Relations and minoring in French Studies.



Anna Ezzell is a graduating from Whiteville High School and is the daughter of Melvin and Marty Ezzell. She is a lifelong member of FBC Whiteville and has participated in children's choir, youth choir, hand bells, and youth group throughout her years at First Baptist. Anna served as Vice President of her class for the past three years and enjoys organizing and planning events with the help of the student body. She played on the Whiteville Women's Tennis team for three years and served as a captain of the team.

After graduation Anna will attend Appalachian State University with hopes of majoring in either English or Music and pursuing a career as a teacher. She is excited to begin a new journey and appreciates everyone's support and prayers!



Elizabeth Hensley is the daughter of Bobby and Wendy Hensley. She is graduating from Whiteville High School. After high school, she plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to major in mathematics with an intent to continue to graduate school and study astrophysics.



Wil Ezzell graduated from Southeastern Community College in May with an Associates degree in Criminal Justice and wishes to pursue a career as a Highway Patrolman. He is currently applying for the February 2018 North Carolina Highway Patrol School.



Tanner Morningstar graduated *cum laude* from Appalachian State University with a BS in Chemistry. Tanner plans to work for a year and then enter graduate school in 2018-2019. His ultimate goal is to conduct research.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

**Godly Play**, our Wednesday night children's program, will break for summer during the months of June, July, and August. We will begin meeting again on Wednesday evening, September 6, with a fun kick-off celebration. We hope to see you there!

If you have questions, please contact Jenny Clore (540-760-7253) or Taylor Jordan (910-648-2818).

## WMU HIGHLIGHTS

### WMU News

The WMU **will not** hold regular monthly meetings during June, July, and August. We will resume our regular schedule in September. We will, however, have a salad luncheon for our members and staff on July 12 at 11:30 A.M. All ladies of the church are invited to attend and bring a salad of your choice.

Thank you for your participation in our meetings and missions projects. We have had a busy and rewarding year, and we give praise and thanks to God for his guidance. Please continue to read your *Missions Mosaic* magazine and pray daily for our missionaries.

2016-2017 Watchword: *"I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings".* (1 Cor. 9:22b-23 NIV)



## YOUTH IN MINISTRY

Please be in prayer for our young people as they travel to Cleveland, Ohio this month for their annual Mission trip. They will spend the week studying God's Word and serving with other youth in whatever capacity needed. In the past they have served in areas of child care, assisted living facilities, and yard work.



## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

The Transportation Committee is looking for members who may be interested in plugging into a rotation for picking up folks in our community who do not have transportation to church on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact our church office. Thank you in advance for your consideration of plugging in with this ministry!

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First Baptist Church

**YARD SALE**

**August 5**

6:30am-2:00pm

Indoors! Come see us in Church Fellowship Hall

To Support the Children's Ministry  
412 N. Madison Street

"We still need items donated for the yard sale! If you have items to donate, please contact the church office and Teresa will direct you to where to unload them."

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## DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know that people around the cross at the crucifixion thought that Christ was calling for Elijah?

Have you ever wondered *why* in Matthew 27 that the bystanders thought that Jesus was calling out for Elijah (Elias) to come save him? Well, look again at the words uttered by Jesus on the cross: “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” The cry is to *Eli*. They *thought* Jesus was crying out for the prophet. But looking closely at the name, Elijah, we learn that name literally means “My God is YHWH.”

You would think that the bystanders would have known he was crying out to God. But for whatever reason, the bystanders misheard Jesus. How often do we do the same?

If you have a topic you would like us to discuss in the “Did You Know” section, we encourage you to contact the church office.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, calls, and covered dishes we received during Pete’s illness and passing. Your support has helped the girls and me cope during this sad time.

Love,  
Kay, Mary Carl, and Tricia

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First Baptist Church,

On behalf of the staff & patients of the Family Birthing Center at Columbus Regional, we would like to thank you for the beautiful newborn gifts we received. We know a lot of time and love were put into them. We have greatly appreciated them!

Thanks again,  
The Family Birthing Center

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Dear Grief Committee,

Once again you have lovingly provided a wonderful meal and fellowship for our family on a very sad day in our lives. We greatly appreciate the time and effort that you spent preparing and planning our gathering. Mother would have delighted in seeing us all gathered and enjoying each other’s company! Thank you for the opportunity for us to share together her life and faith.

Sincerely,  
Jim Utley

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Dear Friends,

Some wise person once said, “One can never be prepared for deaths.” We certainly were not prepared for the death of Dan, Dad, Daddy, Pop. Neither were we prepared for “the generous support from all of you.” All the prayers, memorials, notes, food, hugs and talks are a positive sign that FBC Whiteville is still alive and well.

Our Sincere Thanks,  
The Dan Suggs Family  
Bobbye, Charlene, Celeste and Gay

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Dear Church Family,

We would like to thank the church and the ladies who worked on the Celebrating Life & Love event. We appreciate your cards, gifts, and prayers for our new marriage.

Jerry and Josephine Wilson

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