

The Courier

a newsletter from your friends at
First Baptist Church
in Hamilton, Ohio



"Where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ Is Lord"

February, 2016

From Daniel's Den

Be Disciples of Christ

2016 is going to be a watershed year. Our country is facing a presidential election the likes of which we have never seen before. It will bring a new leader by this time next year. The campaign process so far in 2015 has been mind boggling.

Our culture is changing at an incredible rate. We are a nation at the crossroads. George Barna in a recent report noted several seismic shifts that are taking place, "With the nationwide legalization of same-sex marriage, a jump in concerns about religious freedom and an overall secularization of Americans' views, 2015 was a year of increasing anxiety among people of faith."

(barna.org/research/culture-media/article/year-in-review-2015)

On January 9, 2016 over 40 of our FBCH leaders spent the day learning, praying about, and discussing where God is guiding us in this new year and beyond. We identified growth and challenges from 2015, and we sought to clarify a vision for 2016 and further. We hear God calling us to be a "light on the hill with a heart for the community" and we are asking how are we to be that light.

There is a prayer movement developing in Hamilton and Butler County seeking God for spiritual awakening and a turning to Christ. Pastors and churches are gathering around the challenging tool of the Prayer Covenant which we spent September through November 2015 meditating and praying through. God is leading us to be a part of His light in new and exciting ways.

"Two thousand years ago, Jesus approached twelve seemingly unsuspecting Galileans and bid them: 'Come, follow me.' For the next three years, they walked alongside him as he disciplined them. Toward the end of his earthly ministry, Jesus commissioned his disciples to go and do the same-to take the Gospel message to the world and make disciples in all the nations."

"The Great Commission is an audacious undertaking, all the more so given the fast and sweeping changes taking place in the broader culture. People are lonelier, more distracted and more tethered to their screens, and searching for meaningful lives. As Christians bring the unchanging message of the Gospel to the world, effective approaches to discipleship become more important, especially in a world that is increasingly polarized around spiritual issues." (barna.org/research/leaders-pastors/research-release/new-research-state-of-discipleship).

Making disciples is an imperative delivered by Jesus in the Great Commission.

Speaking about our changing culture and what should the church be doing, Barna said to a reporter, "We have to very selectively look at what really matters.... And then how do we provide leadership in those particular areas. Providing vision for the future And what does a leader do? A leader motivates, mobilizes, resources, and directs people toward a particular vision becoming a reality. We're not providing that kind of leadership in our culture today. So first of all, we have to identify who those leaders are. Secondly we have to help them have that well-crafted, very clear vision of what the future could be that honors God and enhances people's lives. And then get the resources to move things in that direction." (cbn.com/george-barna-futurecast)

If we are called to be *a light on the hill with a heart for the community*, then we will be a part of providing leadership to our community. We must shine a bright light! We shine the brightest by living consistently as mature disciples of Jesus Christ. We are called to be disciples!

Ephesians 4:11 So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of

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American Baptist Women's Ministries

Blanket Sundays–Disaster Relief

Blanket Sundays will be February 14th and February 21st. In natural disasters (tornado, hurricane, flood, fire, mudslide, earthquake, etc.) many people are left with little or nothing. Church World Service furnishes initial emergency service with blankets, mattresses, tents, etc. Suggested donation for a blanket is \$8.00. Checks should be made payable to American Baptist Women.

Don't forget that in February we will be collecting items baby layettes. If you see a bargain, please bring it in and give to Nancy Whipple or give to a greeter.

Baby Kit (Layette)

- 4 Cloth Diapers
- 2 Shirts
- 2 Washcloths
- 2 Gowns or Sleepers
- 2 Diaper Pins
- 1 Sweater or Sweatshirt
- 2 Receiving Blankets
- (1 can be a knitted blanket)

Disaster survivors need essential items to reclaim their homes and lives. Through the White Cross you can help prepare special recovery kits that provide both tangible assistance to people in need and show that neighbors near and far truly care. The contents of these kits are small things but having or not having them can make a world of difference in an on-going development program or when disaster strikes. Would you help Church World Service build an inventory of baby kits?

–Bertha Campbell

February Missionaries of the Month:

Democratic Republic of the Congo
Wayne & Katherine Niles

Wayne serves as a seconded missionary to Interchurch Medical Assistance (IMA) in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He serves as the in-country liaison officer with IMA for financial and accounting matters and has been supporting an agricultural development project. Among other activities, the project distributes new seeds, disease resistant varieties of crops, and offers women's groups small loans to purchase machines for hulling, milling, and producing oil. **Katherine** is working with a group of Congolese Christian professionals in training community leaders to promote health in their communities. She is also helping a church-related urban

health center in make its medical ministry more holistic.

Nicaragua
Drs. David & Laura Parajon

David and Laura Parajon serve through the non-profit organization AMOS - A Ministry of Sharing in partnership with rural communities. **David** is an internist and **Laura** is a family physician and both have training in Public Health. They work to bring health, hope and healing to the impoverished and vulnerable people of Nicaragua. Their work includes sustainable and preventive community health care programs, deworming campaigns, disaster relief, and services to people living with HIV/AIDS.

Bible Book of the Month Jonah

Jonah is a short book about a kind God, a selfish man, and a wicked city. It summarizes two themes that run through the entire Bible. One is the temptation of those who God chooses to keep God's mercy for themselves. The other is God's concern for all persons and living creatures, a compassion that extends even to the cruel oppressors of God's own people. The Book of Jonah characterizes the tension in which believers live. It is a reminder to God's people both of their self-will and of God's concern.

PRAY for the oppressed peoples of the world, that through God's love and mercy they might truly be free.



The next scheduled Work Day at Matthew 25 will be Thursday, February 25th. As usual, we would like to have a good working group to go. We will leave the church at the usual time, 8:30 a.m. Bring your sack lunch and beverage and be prepared for a good day of work and fellowship. Thank you.



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God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Friends, we are called to mature as disciples of Christ. As I look ahead into 2016 and beyond I know that the foundation of our faithfulness to God's call is discipleship; we must focus at all levels and with all persons on spiritual growth and maturity. This will be done through community groups and one-on-one. We have already taken steps, and will move further, in developing outreach strategy to reach our community for Christ. We must to have processes for making decisions which is current to our needs and practices, so we will be reviewing our Constitution that was last reviewed in 1993. And, we will have an outward, missional attitude: *"light on the hill with a heart for the community!"*

This year, 2016 and how we choose to live it, will have influence for years to come. I look to Jesus to guide us as we *go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything [Jesus has] commanded [us].* And surely [Jesus is] *with [us] always, to the very end of the age.* (Matthew 28:19-20)

Be the light!

Pastor Dan



Souper Bowl Of Caring Sunday

Sunday, February 7th, is Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. Please bring to church with you a can of soup or any other food item and \$1. There will be barrels at the doors to collect the cans of food. Give the \$1 to Mike Gipson. Food items will be donated to a local food pantry and money will go to the Deacon's fund. Thanks for your participation!

The Month of December, 2015

Projected (Budgeted) Spending	\$70,748
Offerings	<u>75,450</u>
Over (Under) Budget	\$ 4,702

Actual (Budgeted) Spending	\$78,586
Offerings	<u>75,450</u>
Over (Under) Actual	(\$3,136)

The Year Through December, 2015

Projected (Budgeted) Spending	\$710,070
Offerings	<u>721,924</u>
Over (Under) Budget	\$ 11,854

Actual (Budgeted) Spending	\$695,111
Offerings	<u>721,924</u>
Over (Under) Actual	\$ 26,813

-The Board Of Trustees



Women's Ministry Opportunities

Dressmaking: The sewing room has been reorganized, lots of new fabric is available and we have a new project going to supply as many dresses and shorts as we can for Bill and Ann Clemmer to take with them back to South Sudan. We are also hoping to have a t-shirt to go with each one. In December Lil Wilson gathered 50 dresses and 25 pairs of shorts for Wayne Paulson to take to Chuck and Ruth Fox, ABC missionaries in Thailand. We are making lapquilts for the shut-ins and baby quilts for our newborns. We are going to be working together on the third Saturday of each month to continue with these fairly easy projects. You do not need to be a skilled seamstress to help out and if you prefer to work at home kits are available for pick-up in room 108. We welcome anyone who would like to join us for a fun time of fellowship and service on the third Saturday of February at 9:30 a.m. (lunch is provided). Diana Bueker works in the sewing room every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until ????. If you would like to join her, you are more than welcome.

Serve City Dinner: The Women's Ministry Council has committed our church to providing and serving a meal at Serve City Homeless Shelter on the third Monday evening of each month. If you would like to be part of this ministry by helping out with an occasional meal or by making a donation please contact Nancy Whipple.





I love how everyone comes together as a family to support our different ministries at First Baptist. Thank you for consistently supporting MOPS! Whether you helped set up the room for our last meeting, shoveled snow for our Bible Study, watched our children, or prayed for MOPS families, you are living out your faith by showing Christ's love to MOPS moms.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 16th from 9:30a.m.-11:45a.m. Our topic is *Captivating Love: Love Languages of Children*. Shelley Robinson will be speaking to us on the five different love languages of children and will help us better understand how each of our children uniquely gives, receives, and interprets love. Whether it is words of affirmation, acts of service, receiving gifts, quality time, or physical touch, identifying the primary love language of our children will help enable us to love our children even better.

Additional MOPS events in February include a Moms Only Fun Night at Amy Smucker's home on February 8th at 7p.m., the MOPS Bible Study on February 9th from 9:30-11:30a.m. at First Baptist Church, and a playdate yet to be determined on February 23rd. Please contact me at allison_sommers@yahoo.com if you have any questions or if you want to get involved in MOPS.

Serving Him,
Allison Sommers



Summer Softball

Softball begins in April! If you would like to play on the men's team (games on Tuesday nights), please see Brian Chamberlain, Director of Sports and Recreation. Watch the bulletin for sign-up dates. All games are played at North End (Ford's Field).



Upcoming Women's Christian Author's Book Club Books

- February 8:** Ted Dekker's "A. D. 30"
- March 14:** Randy Singer's "The Judge"
- April 11:** Lynn Austin's "Keeper Of The Covenant"

The Women's Christian Book meets the second Monday of each month at 11:00 a.m. at the Fairfield Lane Library.





Awana Club

We are continuing to work through the Bible in our Awana program. With various leaders preparing and sharing God's wonderful plan and love for us. The children are involved with learning their verses and we are so impressed with their dedication that we are challenging ourselves and the leaders to learn alongside the children as well. Please ask us what we've memorized this week as well!

The T&T Grand Prix is coming up this month as well on February 24th. This will be our third year that we have a race for the adults in the church as well. There is a display near the connector for inspiration. Please let us know if you or someone you know needs help. We have car kits a plenty so please come pick one up at anytime!

Awana February Calendar

- 3rd - Regular Club Night-STAFF Meeting
- 10th - Regular Club Night
- 17th - Unlimited Colors Theme Night (wear 10 or more colors!)
- 24th - T&T Grand Prix

—Claire Metzger & Cheryl Motzer,
Awana Leaders

Annual Childcare Appreciation Luncheon Sunday, February 21st

I forget how many years we have been hosting a thank you lunch for all who help in our childcare - its certainly a blessing for us to be able to sit down with each and every person and to thank you for your dedication and prayer in different parts of our children's ministry, from Awana, to baby sitting, to VBS, to Totally Terrific Tuesdays, Cherubs, Sunday morning childcare and so on. Not only will you be served lunch but you'll also be presented with many more opportunities to serve our children! Hope to see you there on February 21st following the Sunday morning service. Please sign up in the connector.

New and Improved Quiet Bags!

On the first Sunday of each month, when kids grades 1-6 remain in the service, there are quiet bags available to use during the sermon. In each bag are pencils, crayons or colored markers, coloring sheets and now sermon notes to help kids listen and learn from the sermon. Pick up a quiet bag from the new baskets located by middle doors in lobby. Remember to put crayons back in the box. Please return to the baskets after the service and please take your papers with you. Hope you enjoy the quiet bags!

“Starwars Event” Star Trip . . . Our Faith Awakens

Saturday February 27th
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Boys and Girls

The Magi were on a quest--following a star to find the child king foretold in prophecy. along their journey, they encountered both the dark and the light, both good and bad. In the end they met Jesus, the true star of their trip and the Light of the world. Will you join us on this quest? See Claire and Cheryl to sign up for this mission. Lunch will be provided.

—Claire Metzger & Cheryl Motzer,
Co-Directors of Children’s Ministries



Winter Reminder!

If Hamilton City Schools do not open on a weekday because of snow or ice, the church will not be open that day either.





From The Heart Of Marilyn

College Corner

E-Mail From God

Go After Love

"Go after a life of love as if your life depended on it—because it does." -1 Corinthians 14:1 (The Message)

Valentine's Day is a wonderful time to remember that our Father's love never changes and His heart is always open to receive us. May our college students feel His special love this Valentine's Day. Our college students would love to receive a loving thought of encouragement from their First Baptist Church family. The wintery days can get cold and long when you are on a campus and a card in their mailbox really will help to pick them up!

Joey Braun (Capital University Law School)
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Alexander Sprague (Ohio State)
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Samuel Wallace (Miami University)
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—Marilyn Bowling
College/Career Coordinator



Corrections and Additions To The Directory

Please call the church office with additions or changes to your address, phone number, or e-mail address.

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Planning ahead!

IM World Mission Conference
Green Lake Convention Center
Green Lake, WI
July 4-9

Housing reservations begin 1/4/16
Registration opens 2/1/16

For more information, please call 1-920-294-3323

—Cathi Thomas

Salvation Army's Adopt-A-Child 2015

Thank you, First Baptist Church, for another Christmas giving season.

The Bible says, "He who gives to the poor will not lack. God has called us to serve others just as Jesus served others. He saved you so you might serve others and in so doing bring praise and honor to God's holy name. He blesses you that you might bless others."
—Charles Stanley

Church family, we had a very successful year with Salvation Adopt-A-Child program. Our family at First Baptist bought for 100 children. This was our sixth year helping out with the program from the Salvation Army. We have bought for 650 names over the past six years. You should be proud of yourself and how wonderful it is helping families out in our own community, Butler County.

First Baptist family, you make it easy for me to do this job because of your loving hearts, wanting to help kids for Christmas. The Salvation Army had 835 names this year. Other organizations also had names. There were about 5,000 that needed help in our own area. That is a lot of people needing help.

I want to say thanks to everyone who took a name and purchased toys and clothes for Christmas. I would like to thank Nancy Whipple for all the encouragement and blessing she gives to me for this project. I also want to thank everyone for the cash donations. They help a lot. I would like to thank anyone who helped me with the Adopt-A-Child program and there was a lot of help. I would like to thank the entire church family for letting us do this project and putting up with the distraction in the church.

In closing, I am proud of my brothers and sisters at First Baptist Church for helping out the needy families. Thank you!!

—Mike Gipson

Rotary Revels Present Shrek, The Musical

March 10, 11, & 12 at 8:00 p.m.
March 13 at 2:00 p.m.

At Hamilton High School Rotary Auditorium
1165 Eaton Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio

Tickets are \$16.00

To buy tickets visit our website
<http://hamiltonohiorotary.com>
or see Mag Baker or Larry Bowling

Fun For All Ages!!

Just-in Times

What an incredible start to 2016! This past month we kicked off the New Year with around 75 students at the UNITED overnight. We launched a leader development seminar to equip and cultivate deep community amongst our existing and future leaders. And then finally, we launched our new student room with a fantastic response. The room looks awesome, the students are excited, the leaders are pumped, and 2016 will be a year to remember. In the coming weeks you will find a list of activities and events below:

February 7

In celebration of our beloved "holiday", the Super Bowl, we will be live streaming the game and enjoying some time together for a game night. The location is TBA. Look to our Facebook page for updates or ask Justin. Students, bring your favorite board game and come hang. We will start at 6:30pm and go until the game is over.

February 14

We will be having our third leader development seminar right after church this Sunday. 12:30 to 2:30. Lunch will be provided.

Students come join our Sunday evening praise and worship service. If you have a Valentine's date, why not bring them too? Or just bring a friend and call it a date. Whatever gets you there.

February 21

This Sunday we invite all students and leaders to come serve the parents of FBCH as we host a Parents Night Out. Parents who are interested in getting an evening away together come drop off your children at FBCH at 5:00pm. We will be having fun and watching a movie while you go enjoy a night out! Please contact Justin to let him know you are interested by February 17th. Pick up will be at 8pm or anytime sooner as needed.

February 28

Our fourth leader development will be 4pm to 6pm this evening.

For students we will be having a family night, which means no evening activity. Family is important so spend some time with them this evening.

February 3, 10, 17, 24

For all Wednesdays this month we will be continuing our study in the Gospel of John and enjoying some time for breakouts into small groups. Starts at 6:30pm.

As we look to the coming months, a few more dates are worth noting:

March 4, 5

We will be heading back to Dare2Share this year! The rooms are already booked, so if you wish to join us contact Justin and let him know ASAP. The price is \$65. We will be leaving FBCH at 5pm to head to D2S. Please arrive at FBCH by 4:45. We will be getting home on the 6th between 7:30 and 8pm.

March 6

This evening we will be taking a trip to Receptions in Fairfield for the Harvest America event. This event is free and starts at 6:30pm. We will meet at FBCH at 5:30pm to carpool. Please be sure to inform Justin if you wish to meet there.

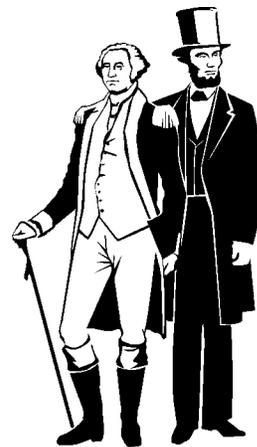
For further updates please follow our Facebook page, go to goo.gl/P5BIry to see our Google Calendar and go to goo.gl/jnSSnq for a downloadable PDF version of the calendar. If you have any questions, call Justin at (513) 658-2277.

--Justin Davis
Youth Pastor

KeenAger February Outing

The KeenAgers will be having lunch together Tuesday, February 2nd, at the Silver Tee, the restaurant at the Elks Golf Course and Country Club. The bus will leave church at 11:15 a.m. Please sign the list on the bulletin board.

--Dave & Janet Hazelwood



February

February 16th



Child Care Schedule

Nursery (Morning)

February 7 - Krys Schramm & Sydney
 February 14 - Linda & Larry Wallace
 February 21 - Allison & Andrew Sommers
 February 28 - Janet Day

One & Two Year Olds

February 7 - Ruthie Wallace & Girls
 February 14 - Debbie Miller & Megan
 February 21 - Barb & Brian Begley, KK & Lyndsay
 February 28 - Heather Nguyen

Kiddie Church

February 7 - Brandi Emenaker, Lauryn & Taylor
 February 14 - Angie Inloes & Ashley
 February 21 - Sharon Brewer & Lauren Hampton
 February 28 - Deb Clemens & Anna Wallace

Kinderchurch

February 7 - Jill O'Hara & Dorothy Hollowell
 February 14 - Cheryl Motzer, Syd & Noëlle
 February 21 - Jill O'Hara & Dorothy Hollowell
 February 28 - Cheryl Motzer, Syd & Noëlle



Childcare Schedule

Just a reminder that all child care workers should try and trade with someone on their schedule sheets when something comes up and they are not able to keep their scheduled Sunday. Also, it would be extremely helpful if child care workers would be in their scheduled room by 10:15 a.m. to help with the transition time between Sunday School and Morning Worship time. Several of our Sunday School teachers need to be relieved for choir and the adult worship service. When you have difficulty finding someone with whom to trade, please call the Child Care Coordinator: Cheryl Motzer (868-1888).

Thank you for volunteering as a child care worker and may you always know how much we appreciate you!

—Claire Metzger & Cheryl Motzer
 Co-Directors of Children's Ministries



Wednesday Family Dinners

February 3

Menu: Ham, Hash Brown Casserole, Corn, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Jello Cake
 Hosts: Deaconesses

February 10

Menu: Turkey and Hot Buttered Noodles, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Cherry Jello Cake
 Hosts: Yada Sisterhood/Men's Class

February 17

Menu: Baked Potato Bar, Vegetable Soup, Tossed Salad, Corn Bread, Apple Crisp
 Hosts: Keystone

February 24

Menu: Pulled Barbecued Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Brownies
 Hosts: FOCUS

Reminder: Adults should contribute \$5.00 per person for the meal (including children who eat from the main table), \$15 per family (those living in the same household), and \$1.50 for children under twelve who eat from the hot dog table. Be sure to make your reservation on the Friendship Folder each Sunday.

Reminder: Anyone desiring to borrow items, such as, chairs, tables, coffee pots, etc. are now required to fill out a sheet in the office with name, date, item, and number borrowed and then the date, item, and number returned. Please see Ellie.



February 14

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

February 2016

	1	2 9:30 MOPS Steering 11:15 KeenAgers to Silver Tee for lunch	3 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana-Staff Meeting 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Chancel Choir	4	5	6 9:00 Men's Prayer Gathering
7 Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 Evening Ministries 6:30 Student Ministries Super Bowl Streaming	8 11:00 Women's Book Club at Fairfield Lane Library	9 9:30 MOPS Bible Study 10:30 Holloway Circle 10:30 Abell Circle 6:00 Smith Circle	10 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer-Longkumers 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Chancel Choir	11 5:30 Board of Trustees	12	13
14 Blanket Sunday 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 12:30 Third Leader Development Seminar 6:00 KingsKids 6:00 Evening Praise	15	16 9:30 MOPS	17 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana-Unlimited Colors Theme Night! 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Chancel Choir	18	19	20 9:30 WMC Dressmaking
21 Blanket Sunday 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 12:00 Childcare Luncheon 4:15 Missions, Diaconate, CE Boards in Rm 200 5:00 Parents Night Out 6:00 KingsKids 6:00 Evening Ministries	22 6:30 Cabinet Meeting	23	24 5:45 Family Dinner 5:45 Awana -T&T Grand Prix 6:30 Student Ministries 6:30 Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Chancel Choir	25 8:30 Matthew 25	26	27 11:00 "Starwars Event"
28 9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship-Jerry Kirk 4:00 Fourth Leader Development Seminal 6:00 KingsKids 6:00 Evening Ministries	29					



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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| 1 - Sophie Wallace | 12 - Carol Dawson
Adam Davidson | 23 - Bettie Carmack
Miyoshie Jenkins
Jill O'Hara
Aleesha Spence |
| 2 - Mike O'Hara | 13 - Kaye Haberthier
Beulah Hampton
Rick Jackson
Lauren Keith | 25 - Chris Rolfes |
| 3 - Sharon Brewer
LeiLing Brown
Mary Brown
Dennis Metzger | 14 - Noah Hampton
Sandy Morris
Nellie Roberts | 26 - Rosemarie Emrick
Allyson Payne |
| 4 - Jacob Metzler
Caleb Sommers | 16 - Debby Gibson | 27 - Nikolas Acus
Betsey Kelly
Flo Gill
Helen Mullen |
| 5 - Garry Day
Stephanie Mullins
Jeremy Spence | 17 - Daniel Gabbard
Rachel Harris | |
| 6 - Brianne Ellison | 18 - Jonathan Bell
Eric Dietrich | |
| 7 - Betty Powell
Kasey Jenkins
Leah Witmer | 19 - Josh Click
Emily Miller | |
| 8 - Chrissy Apgar
Betty Emenaker
Lainey Hanna | 20 - Cledith Humbach
Cathi Thomas | |
| 9 - Rosie Smith | 21 - Glenna McComb | |
| 10 - Matthew Farris | 22 - Rod Anderson
Steve Cain | |
| 11 - Suzanne Garver
Ricky Jackson | | |

Note: Please call the church office if you notice that one of your family members has been inadvertently overlooked on the birthday calendar. We do not intend to overlook anyone but do not realize it unless you inform us.

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Personal Notes

From Ralph Jones

I would like to thank the many people for their cards, phone calls, visits, food, and prayers during this time that I continue to be in assisted living at Berkeley. Visits by Pastor Aaron have very much been appreciated. A special note of thanks to John (the mailman) Riczko for keeping me well supplied with bulletins and prayer lists. Our church family is very important to Florence and me. We look forward to returning once the weather gets better.

From Gary and Imo Swindall

Thank you all for all the love, care, cards, prayers, visits, phone calls, and wonderful, wonderful food. We love you all!



Kirkwood Camp Schedule 2016

ABC/OHIO summer camps at Kirkwood will be:

June 19-24 - Jr High Camp	\$325.00
June 26-July 1 - Junior Camp	\$325.00
July 3-8 - Senior High Camp	\$325.00
June 26-29 - New Adventure Camp	\$235.00
July 8-9 - Beginners Camp	\$145.00

Early Registration Discount \$10 if postmarked by April 1st

First Time Camper Discount \$10

Bring-a-Friend (attending camp for the first time!) Discount \$10

Family Discount (2nd, 3rd, 4th ... member to register this summer)

Discount \$10

The Board of Christian Education decided that the church would pay a portion of the fee of **those who attend First Baptist regularly** to attend ABC camps. For additional information or registration forms, contact Camp Coordinator, Brian Chamberlain, 256-9384 or see him at church.

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