

REFLECTIONS

From the Pastor

In 1924, Bill Havens was one of America's best hopes for a gold medal at the Olympic games in Paris. He was a rower, and most experts gave him a good chance at three gold medals. But a few months before the Games, Havens realized his wife was due to deliver their first child while he was on his trip to Paris. In those days he could not just hop on a jet and return in a few hours. A trip across the Atlantic took two weeks. Added to the two weeks of competition, that meant a total of six weeks away from his wife. He resolved not to leave her, and gave his spot to another.

He felt bad about leaving his teammates, one of whom was Benjamin Spock, later known as the "Baby Doctor". He always wondered about the medals he might have won. But twenty eight years later he received a telegram which meant more than any medal. It was from his son, who had won gold in the 10,000 meter canoeing final at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics. The message read, "Dear Dad, Thanks for waiting around for me to get born. I'm coming home with the gold medal you should have won. Your loving son, Frank." If he ever had doubts about whether he had made the right choice, they were resolved in that moment.

Priorities are not necessarily the things at which we spend the most time. They are the things we do when we have a choice of what to do. Fathers have to make choices like that every day. So do moms. Preachers do. Every Christian does. The results of making right choices may take years to show up. They may or may not be as dramatic as in this case. But the right choices always payoff eventually. Have you so surrendered your life to the leadership of Christ that he can impart the wisdom necessary to make the right and best choices?

Pastor Prince

ANNUAL TENNESSEE COOPERATIVE BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP GENERAL ASSEMBLY April 26-27

Hosted by West Hills Church, Knoxville

Fellowship, inspiration, worship, drama (WorldPlayers), messages/speakers, missionaries, resources, food, etc. Anyone interested in the mission of God & attempt/desiring a Missional lifestyle is more than welcome to attend, especially lay leaders from the churches.

PRIMETIME

• Primetime Singin' & Sharing

Monday, April 1
10:00 a.m.
Lower Auditorium

• Primetime Singin' at Morning Pointe

Monday, April 8
10:00 a.m.

• Primetime Singin' & Sharing

Monday, April 15
10:00 a.m.
Lower Auditorium
12:00 p.m.
Primetime/XYZ Singers sing at St. Mark's Holy Week Service

• Primetime Singin' & Sharing

Monday, April 22
10:00 a.m.
Lower Auditorium
11:30 a.m. Out to Lunch TBD

• Primetime Singin' & Sharing

Monday, April 29
10:00 a.m.
Lower Auditorium

YOUTH

• Youth Refuge

Grades 6 - 12
Wednesdays
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
FLC Youth Room



• Save the Date:

Youth Trip to Atlanta
Braves vs. Pirates Game
Thursday, June 13
Grades - 7 - 12
Cost: \$20.00 per youth
(includes ticket, meal and transportation)

FBC Clinton Disaster Relief Workday in Anderson County Saturday, April 6

- In coordination with the Southern Baptist Convention, disaster relief crews will be working on houses in our area affected by flooding during March and April, and they are asking for local volunteers as well.
- Cleanup teams will be removing sheetrock and insulation, sorting through personal belongings with residents, cleaning, and possibly even food preparation.
- Individuals or groups can volunteer at any time, Monday - Saturday, by contacting **Mike Lovett** the day before at **865-407-5185** and then showing up at Glenwood Baptist Church in Powell at 8 a.m. (each workday lasts until approx. 4 or 5 pm). Work is currently being done in Knox. Co, but work will begin in Anderson Co. once those houses are no longer under water.
- In addition, we are planning to volunteer as a **FBC Clinton group** on **Saturday, April 6**. Please mark your calendars and sign up in the church office if you are interested in helping our neighbors on this workday.

MISSIONS

- **Annie Armstrong & Global Missions**
FBC Offering Goal: \$4,000

• reNew Addiction Recovery

Tuesdays
6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
Lower Auditorium

- **Crafts at the Towers**
Saturday, April 13
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

• Movie Night at the Towers

Saturday, April 13
7:00 p.m.
Everyone is invited for movie and popcorn at the Towers!

• Craft Delivery to Homebound

Sunday, April 14
1:30 p.m.

• Shepherd's Table

Saturday, April 27
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Family Life Center
Free Community Meal!
Everyone is welcome!

• Christian Service Center

Food and Clothing Pantry
Tuesdays
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
For Clinton Residents
Clients need to bring Photo I.D. and mail with their Clinton address.

• Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.
Family Life Center

KIDS KORNER

- **FBC Kids**
Age 3 - 5th Grade
Wednesdays
6:15 - 7:15 p.m.
Level 3 - Main Church Building



• Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 20
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Bring your kids and their Easter Baskets and join us for Pizza, Egg Hunt, and Horse Back Rides on the Koelsch Farm!
The Koelsch Farm is Creekside Stables, 677 Miller Road, Clinton.
Please drop off Candy Donations in the Garden Room, Level 2. Small size candy needed to fit in Easter Eggs. Thank you!

CANDY Needed

• Vacation Bible School

June 3 - 7
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Age 3 - 5th Grade
Kids will deepen their friendship with a mighty, loving, and good, good God who empowers them to boldly face life's challenges. Contact Betty Kay Pierce if you would like to volunteer at VBS.
VBS SUPPLIES NEEDED: Light Blue rectangular plastic table cloths, Green rectangular plastic table cloths, Boxes of all colors of Ping Pong Balls. Drop off in the church office.



FBC INFORMATION & EVENTS

• Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary on April 7 are in loving memory of **Bessie May Wallace**, whose birthdate is April 2, given by Dorothy Howell.

The flowers on the altar, Sunday, April 21, are placed there in honor of **Lillian Grace Gunnell's** 3rd birthday, which is April 21, given by her parents, Wendy and Matt.

• Christian Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Delores Golden** (2/26), to Lisa Stallard, whose father, **Ralph Rogers**, passed away (3/11), and to the family of **O.L. Dabney** (3/21).

• Let's Read!

The Church Library is open from 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. on Sundays.

Gray Fox: Robert E. Lee and the Civil War

Author: Burke Davis
An exciting biography of one of the monumental figures of the Civil War, told in a dramatic narrative that will sweep readers into the flow of history. It includes black and white photos of soldiers, equipment, and battles, including several of Robert E. Lee.

• Women's Bible Study "What Matters Most"

A Study of Philippians by Karen Ehman
Monday nights, beginning April 1 6:30 p.m.
Main Church Bldg. - Level 1, 104A
Cost: \$13.00 per book
Led by Becky Rosenbaum

• Church-wide Wedding Shower

Honoring Jessica Severs and Frank England
Sunday, April 14 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Hearth Room
Registered at Target and Belk.

• Prayer Service and Bible Study

Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Lower Auditorium
(Business Meeting 3rd Wednesday/ monthly)

• Business Meeting

Wednesday, April 16 6:30 p.m.
Lower Auditorium

• Fellowship Dinner

Wednesdays 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Family Life Center, Gym
Cost is \$8.00 for Adults
Children/Youth participating in Wednesday night activities eat free.
Call the church office to RSVP.
See Sunday Bulletins for menu.

• Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 18 6:30 p.m.
Sanctuary
Lord's Supper Observed

• Deacons Meeting

Sunday, April 21 8:30 a.m.
Lower Auditorium

• Easter Sunday Combined Worship Service

Sunday, April 21 10:40 a.m.
Sanctuary
(no 8:30 service on this day, Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m.)

• Good Friday Closings

The Church Office, Family Life Center, and WEE Ministry are closed on **Friday, April 19.**

• Communion to Homebound Members

Sunday, May 5 1:30 p.m.



FRIENDLY FIGURES

• February Financial Summary

Budget Receipts	\$ 46,014
2019 Receipts/Wkly Avg.	\$ 12,623
2019 Weekly Budget Req.	\$ 16,339
Budget Expense	\$ 61,632
February Deficit/Income	(\$ 15,618)
2019 Deficit/Income	(\$ 14,113)
TOTAL February 28	(\$ 29,731)

BUSINESS MEETING

The February Minutes and Financials were approved. Deacons serving a three year term beginning April 1, 2019 were approved. Kay Hannah was removed from the Bereaved Committee and Pam Hamby was added to the Bereaved Committee. The Easter Missions offering goal was set at \$4,000.

2019 DEACONS

The following Deacons will be serving a three year term, effective April 1, 2019: Mark Alderson, Jonathan Childers, Rusty Fritts, Beth Green, Wimp Shoopman, John Stair, Jeremy Webb, Billy Zody

Other Deacons Currently Serving: Mike Aiken, Gary Bowers, Kevin Bowling, Jackie Champion, Anita Childers, Al Coleman, Greg Cooper, Ann Gann, Dorothy Howell, Tommy Meredith, Alan Neal, Ben Neal, Roger Robinson, Page Scarborough, Todd Temple, Johnafred Thomas, Vicki Violette, David Wall, Garry Whitley, Jr., Garry Whitley, Sr., Gene Widener

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship Applications are available in the church office, and are due to the church office by **Monday, April 22.**

Ervin and Freddie Queener Scholarship

This scholarship is available to any student from First Baptist who is enrolled in and has a chosen field of study in a 4 year college or university. This scholarship can be applied for all four years of college enrollment.

James and Imogene Cheely Memorial Seminary Scholarship

This scholarship is designed to further the seminary education of Christian students, with similar values, attending a moderate Christian seminary and called to church or missions work. The scholarship can be applied for each year they are enrolled in the seminary.

Judy Parish Turner Music Scholarship

This scholarship is for students attending a 4 year college or university enrolled in a music curriculum and/or to pay for private music lessons. It can be applied for all four years of students college enrollment.

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Palm Sunday Services

Sunday, April 14
8:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center
10:40 a.m. in the Sanctuary

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Thursday, April 18
6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 20
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Koelsch Farm - Creekside Stables



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday, April 21
10:40 a.m.
Combined Service in the Sanctuary