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<p><b>Birthdays</b></p> <p>April 28 Ashley Sidebottom</p> <p>April 30 Paul Brownfield</p> <p>May 1 Carol Hornback Robert Coffman Parker Self Baines Turner</p> <p>May 2 Dennis Dobson</p>	<p><b>MIKE'S-SPACE</b></p> <p>It's wonderful the connections we make with all kinds of people down through the years during the ministry we have at different churches. We had a wedding for my oldest daughter Emily at our house Saturday afternoon. Just a family affair with a few close friends. My good friend Steve Skaggs and his wife Shirley were there to help us celebrate. Steve played guitar for Donna and her sisters when they sang "Our House" just before the ceremony began. We've known Steve and Shirley since our days together at Valley View Baptist Church in Vine Grove, Ky.</p> <p>Later that same day I was privileged to preside over another wedding for Dale Morris and Cathy McClure here at the church. One of the most wonderful things about the ministry is that I get to be involved at important turning points in people's lives. From now on Dale and Cathy and I will have a special connection because of this event. Also at that wedding I met Bill Thomas, former music minister at First Baptist. He sang two songs that added so much to the service.</p> <p>The very next day in our Sunday service, Bill and his family joined us for worship and they played in the orchestra and Bill sang a duet with Clay Price. I can see why you speak so highly of Bill and his family and their ministry here. Then after the service Bill's wife Angela told me that they knew Christian Burton, the pastor who followed me at Valley View in Vine Grove. It seems Bill and Chris grew up in the same town in Georgia.</p> <p>So you see, it's a small world after all. I'm glad for all the connections I have from a rich past, and I'm enjoying all the new connections that are happening as Donna and I serve here. I'm thankful to be made part of the family.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yours in Christ, Mike</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 730 Tonieville Road Hodgenville, Ky. 42748 Phone 358-3193 Fax 358-0917 E-Mail for Staff</p> <p>First Name of staff member@fbchodgenville.org</p> <p><b>Office Hours</b> Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Mike Rodgers</b> Pastor Home Phone: 369-9173</p> <p><b>Marty Lee</b> Interim Minister to Students Home Phone: 358-5861 Cell Phone: 769-8188</p> <p><b>Adam Townsend</b> Minister of Education and Children Home Phone: 358-8033</p> <p><b>Sally Lewis</b> Administrative Assistant</p> <p><b>Sybil Johnson</b> Pianist</p> <p><b>Tom Gill</b> Custodian</p>
 <p>This Sunday is Cooperative Program</p> <p>Sunday. A very large amount of support for International and North American missionaries is funded by local churches contributions to our Cooperative Program as well as lots of Kingdom work right here in Kentucky and beyond.</p>	<p><i>First Baptist Women's Ministry</i></p> <p>Thank you everyone who helped make our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Women's Ministry Event a success!</p> <p>Our own FBC "Gibson Girls" soothed us with calming music before starting our program. Joan Clagett, Pastoral Counselor, from Elizabethtown, gave us healthy mental and spiritual tips for busy women. Our manicures and massages were provided by Merle Norman Day Spa (thanks especially to FBC members Marlene Newton and Tami Miller) and Debbie and Shirley from Soothing Touch Massage. Beverly Heath informed us about volunteer opportunities and needs at Sunrise Manor Nursing Home. In our "Helping Hands" mission room we put together goodie bags along with a personal note for Sunrise residents. After enjoying fellowship and lots of chocolate, we ended the evening with a special treat—"Joy Ride," a women's a cappella quartet from Elizabethtown. We also thank our "extra" help: Register-Barbara Davila, Décor-Claude Ramey, Chocolate Café-Connie Baker, Debby Boyd, Liane McDowell, and Sound-Chris Rogers.</p> <p>Women's Ministry Committee: Suzann McCoy, Katie McDowell, Laurice Rogers, Deb Ramey, Kathy Ross, Kathy Vaughn,</p>	 <p>April Greeters: Rob and Nancy Brown, Oneida Cochran, Joel and Kitty Dixon, Suzann McCoy, Liane McDowell, Julie Skeens and Jan Wright.</p> <p>Host: Kitty Dixon</p>
<p><b>Oneida Mission Trip, April 26-30</b></p> <p>Please pray for the mission trip to Oneida next week. There are 14 going and 5 are from our FBC—Bobby and Judy Bridges, Raymond and Eunice Tennyson and Nancy Brown. Director of Missions Gerald Murphy is team leader. Also, Jerry and Dot Davis are at Oneida this week with another group. There are collection boxes for any donations you would like to send to Oneida.</p> 		

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<p><b>Deacons of the Week</b></p> <p><b>April 26:</b> Scott Sandidge and Jack Rogers <b>Head Usher:</b> Jimmie McDowell</p> <p><b>May 3:</b> Glenn Williams and Barry Stephens <b>Head Usher:</b> Jimmy Edwards</p>
<p><b>Children's Workers</b></p> <p><b>April 26:</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Kellie Sandidge <b>Infant:</b> Amy and Larry Truitt <b>Toddlers:</b> Matt Shoemaker, Kayla Young, Bill Shoemaker <b>2's &amp; 3's:</b> Zachary Lee and Ruth Ann Frazee <b>Jr. Children's:</b> Katie Sandidge and Cara Beth Dawson <b>Evening Worship:</b> Perry Huccaby and Carol Hornback <b>Wed., April 29:</b> Donna Rodgers and Suzanne Boone</p> <p><b>May 3:</b> <b>Breakfast:</b> Carolyn Duggins <b>Infants:</b> Shirley Crawford, Heather Cline and Jean Thomas <b>Toddlers:</b> Barbara Davila, Tammy Miller, Toni Davila <b>2's &amp; 3's:</b> Nancy Howell, Jordan Wafford, Krystal Naylor <b>Jr. Children:</b> Lori Puyear, Kathy Vaughn <b>Evening Nursery:</b> Katie Sandidge, Morgan Dickerson <b>May 6:</b> Maria Durham and Mae Burden</p>

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*"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord.."*  
Psalm 100:1

It doesn't say it has to be perfect, trained, on pitch or in rhythm.

Just Joyful!

It also does not mean you have to sing a song. You can ring a bell, pick a guitar, bang a drum or play an instrument.

Just make a noise!

Come... we need joyful noisemakers!



**Young at Heart Choir**

The Young at Heart Choir has begun again! It is being led by Perry Huccaby on Monday mornings at 10:00. Come and join the fun.

Adults, we've a lot going on in the Student Ministry over the next few months and we could sure use more help. If you could help us out in any way, please let us know. Give me a call at 769-8188 or send me an email at students@fbchodgenville.org and I'll be happy to give you more information.

**Graduation Banquet – May 17**  
During the morning service on May 17, our church will recognize students who have or will graduate from high school or college during the 2008-09 school year. In addition, a banquet will be held for these students and their families immediately following the morning service in the CFC.

Graduating students should receive an invitation to the banquet in the mail this week. Please RSVP by May 1 by either returning the enclosed card or by completing the on-line RSVP at fbchodgenville.org.

**New Lock-In Date:**  
The new Fun Center Lock-In date is June 5-6 (assuming LCHS graduation doesn't get moved to June 5). We'll leave between 9-10pm on Friday night and return 6-7am Sat. morning. More details to follow.

**Middle School VBS:**  
Middle school students will participate in their own VBS this year. We're calling it XBS (Extreme Bible School). More on this later.

**More Upcoming Events**  
Sweet Shoppe Night: May 3 (Sunday Night)  
Wayside Mission Overnight Trip: May 22-May 23  
Centrifuge and X-Fuge on Mission: June 22-27  
For more information about these or other student ministry activities, check out student page of the church website at fbchodgenville.org.  
-Marty

### Education

**Couples 20-30 Class Begins Sunday @9:45**

This Sunday our church will embark on a journey to reach out and minister to couples ages 20-30. It is obvious that we have done a poor job up to this point with this group, but that is about to change. I want to invite all who fit this age range to attend this Sunday School class. For the rest of you, I ask that you pray for this new class.

**Children**  
ATTENTION ALL PRESCHOOL WORKERS!!! The new class we are starting for couples will succeed or fail based on you. Many in this group (including myself) have children who will take part our preschool ministry. If the kids are not taken care of well, then the parents will not bring them back. Therefore, I want to encourage all of you to be on time to receive these wonderful kids, greet them with a smile, keep them safe, and remember that your ministry to them impacts the entire family.

I also want to take a moment to share with you another opportunity I had this past week to lead a child to the Lord. Mallory Williams recently came forward asking questions and on Thursday I went over and talked with her. While I may have helped finalize the decision, it was her parents and the Holy Spirit who did all the work. It is imperative that you as parents constantly be sharing Christ with your children. You will have the greatest impact on their lives and faith. God is doing a great work here at FBCH. Can you see it?  
~Pastor Adam Townsend

**Sunday, April 26**  
9:00 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal  
9:20 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
9:45 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
4:30 p.m. Magic Hands Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
6:00 p.m. Children's Activities  
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

**Monday, April 27**  
7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast  
10:00-11:00 a.m. CFC Open for Walking  
10:00 a.m. Young at Heart Choir  
6:00 p.m. Body Sculpting  
6:00 p.m. Faith Evangelism and Visitation

**Tuesday, April 28**  
8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast  
9:00 a.m. Art Class  
6:30 p.m. Volleyball

**Wednesday, April 29**  
10:00-11:00 a.m. CFC Open for Walking  
6:00 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, April 30**  
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

**Friday, May 1**  
10:00-11:00 a.m. CFC Open for Walking

**Sunday, May 3**  
9:00 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal  
9:20 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal  
9:45 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
12:00noon Relay for Life's **All American Cookout**  
4:30 p.m. Magic Hands Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
6:00 p.m. Children's Activities

**This quarter's church council meeting is April 25th, 10:00 a.m.**

Volleyball High School and Adults Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

**Children Schedule for Wed. Evenings**  
6:00-7:30 Children rotate through:  
TeamKid class  
Meal  
Activity

**Youth Schedule for Wed. Evenings**  
5:30 Youth Area Open  
5:50 Café Opens for Supper  
6:20 Youth Worship  
7:30 Students Dismissed

**Material and sewers are needed for VBS costumes. If you have material to donate and/or you can be a sewer, please contact Liane McDowell at 325-3934.**

**Living Strong Relay Team**  
The Silent Auction has begun. Bids will be accepted until May 3rd. We are still accepting donations in honor and in memory for our Memorial Tree.

On May 3rd we will close our fund raising by having an All American Cookout. Please join us on that day for hamburgers, hot dogs & all the fixings.

One of the Relay for Life Cancer Survivor banners will be here at FBC Sunday, April 26th thru Sunday, May 3rd. If you are a cancer survivor, please sign the banner.

**April 19th Financial Report**

Needed Weekly:	11,299.52
Budget Received:	12,635.23
Budget given:	156,539.23
Budget needed:	180,792.32
Designated:	
Youth	200.00
Video	50.00
Becky Carnell	50.00
Storage Building	500.00
Usage deposit	50.00
Total Offering	13,485.23

**April 19th Attendance**

Bible Study	
Senior Adults	46
Adults	72
Youth	20
Children	20
Preschool	19
Visitors	5
Bible Study Total	182
Morning Worship	267
Evening Worship	72

**Community Gospel Sing**  
**First Baptist**  
**April 25, 7:00 p.m.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
*Mr. Paul Brownfield will celebrate his 95th birthday, April 30th. Everyone is invited to celebrate his birthday at a reception in his honor at the Hodgenville United Methodist fellowship center on Sunday, April 26th, 1:30-2:30 p.m. The family asks everyone to send or bring cards to his birthday party. His home address is 106 College Street, Hodgenville.*



**Mother's Day Baby Dedication**

May 10th, 2009  
Please contact the church office if you would like to be included in this service.