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<p align="center">Birthdays</p> <p>November 22 Kitty Dixon Jimmy Shaw</p> <p>November 23 Michael Vittitow</p> <p>November 24 Deena Bradley Evan Smith Elizabeth Pearsall</p> <p>November 25 Lona Key Damon Johnson</p> <p>November 26 Lester Pearsall</p> <p>November 27 Jennifer Adams Brett Decker</p> <p>November 28 Steve McCubbin Sandy Fathergill Kim Warshuis</p>	<p>MIKE'S-SPACE</p> <p>When I first came here as your pastor, Myspace was a popular way of communicating on the net. Thus the title of my weekly Link article. But now I'm seriously thinking of changing it to MIKE'S-FACE since the popularity of Facebook has skyrocketed. Or maybe since I don't want to get into posting pictures in my article every week, I could call it MIKE'S-BOOK.</p> <p>The reason I bring this up is because I keep receiving e-mails every week telling me that someone has requested to be my friend on Facebook. This is always funny to me since I don't have a Facebook page. But wait a minute! I do have a Facebook page. Maybe someone else created a page for me, or maybe if your name is mentioned often enough then Facebook creates one for you. There's no picture of me on the page or any information from me that would tell you who I am. Even so, lots of different people want to be my friend. I'm flattered by all this attention. But I'm a little fearful of ever posting any information on the page. If people are trying to contact me now when there's no information on the page, just think what would happen if I actually posted something!</p> <p>Yes I'm just having a little fun with my Link article today. I hope you will forgive my unspirituality. Still all the people who have requested to be my friend on Facebook are people from the church or past friends and acquaintances. I do like keeping in touch. But I have enough trouble keeping up with my e-mails, much less posting on Facebook. Maybe I'll give in after Christmas and start checking things out. But in the meantime, don't wait up hoping I'll ok your request to be my friend on Facebook.</p> <p align="right">Mr. Unfriendly, Bro. Mike</p> <p>P.S. Do check out the rest of the Link. There's lots of good spiritual stuff going on at First Baptist.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church 730 Tonieville Road Hodgenville, Ky. 42748 Phone 358-3193 Fax 358-0917 E-Mail for Staff First Name of staff member@fbchodgenville.org</p> <p>Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>Mike Rodgers Pastor Home Phone: 369-9173</p> <p>Misty Smith Minister of Music</p> <p>Marty Lee, Interim Minister to Students Home Phone: 358-5861 Cell Phone: 270-307-7126</p> <p>Claude Ramey, Interim Minister to Students Home Phone: 358-0846 Cell Phone: 270-696-0087</p> <p>Adam Townsend Minister of Education and Children Cell Phone: 607-259-3009</p> <p>Sally Lewis Administrative Assistant</p> <p>Sybil Johnson Pianist</p> <p>Tom Gill Custodian</p>
<p><i>Thank you church family for the prayers, visits, food, cards and many Gideon Bibles in memory of our Mom, Irene smith. Your love and support will always be remembered. A special thank you to Bro. Mike for a very meaningful service and to the Hospitality Committee for the meal after the service. God bless each of you.</i></p> <p align="right"><i>Janet Higgason & Family</i> <i>Peggy Edwards & Family</i></p>	<p align="center">  THANKSGIVING SERVICE Community Thanksgiving Service First Baptist 730 Tonieville Road Tuesday, November 24th, 7:00 p.m. The LaRue Co. Ministerial Association asks you to bring canned goods (soup, vegetables, beans, tuna) and jars of apple sauce and peanut butter for the food pantry at Cumberland Presbyterian. </p>	<p align="center"> Campbellsville University Hodgenville Campus Dedication November 19, 1:00 p.m. <i>You are invited to attend the dedication service of the CU Hodgenville Campus.</i> </p>
<p><i>We are missing a framed choir robe given to the church by Ms. Nancy Hubbard in memory of her mother, Lillian Brown, who sang in the choir at First Baptist for 73 years. If you know where this framed robe is located, would you please call the church office, 358-3193.</i></p>	<p align="right">  November Greeters: Peggy Edwards, Barbara Gowen, Bill Hazle, Liane McDowell, Tom Rossi, Tim Underwood Host: Cindy Smith </p>	

The Link...

...between a ministering church and the home.

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Deacons of the Week

November 22: Barry Knight and Tommy Locke
Head Usher: Jimmie McDowell

November 29: Steve McCubbin and Tim Underwood
Head Usher: Jimmy Edwards

November 22:
Breakfast: Carolyn Duggins
Infant: Emma Cox and Janet Long
Toddlers: Janay McBride and Katie McDowell
2's & 3's: Ron and Jennifer Mills
Jr. Children's Church: Ruth Ann and Gretchen Frazee
Evening Worship: Carol Hornback and Perry Huccaby

Wed., November 25: No Services

November 29:
Breakfast: Donna Nolley
Infants: Bobby and Jennifer Lewis
Toddlers: Kenny Devore and Sarah Baker
2's & 3's: Brenda Whitlow and Shelby Rogers
Jr. Children's Church: No Jr. Children's Church
Evening Nursery: Dale and Cathy Morris
Wed., December 2: David and Wendi Edwards

Music Notes

"Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song."
Psalm 95:1-2

What a joy and pleasure it is to come into the house of the Lord and worship Him! Worship is not to be focused on us, but on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. One of the amazing things about worship is that when we focus on giving *Him* honor and glory, we somehow become focused once again on His great love for *us*. Some days we may find it difficult to get our minds and hearts prepared to worship. After we have worked hard at our jobs and homes all week, our minds are often cluttered with the weight of responsibility, and sometimes just sheer exhaustion. We find a time of refreshing when we enter the church building and come together with other believers for the purpose of worshiping God. The Lord inhabits our praise. When we open our mouths for His glory, we feel the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. Not only does the Lord take delight in our praises, but as we think on Him, our minds shift from the cares of everyday life. He allows us to put things into perspective. As we focus our hearts on *Him*, we are reminded of His greatness and His love toward *us*. Remember the words of the hymn, "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"? They go like this: *Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.* May we all enter into His presence with songs of joy and thanksgiving and extol the Lord with music and song!

God bless you during this wonderful season of Thanksgiving,

Misty

Student Ministry Stuff

Warm Hearts Warm Kids

Thanks again for supporting Operation Warm Hearts Warm Kids. Through this program we were able provide winter coats to 110 elementary school students and hooded sweatshirts to 100 middle and high school students. About 70 coats and 50 hoodies were given directly to the families of these students at our distribution event last Monday night. The remaining coats and hoodies were delivered to the appropriate schools where they were given to students by their Family Resource Center coordinators.

Band of Hawks Recognition

We will be recognizing the LCHS marching band this Sunday during the morning service. Hopefully they will play for us if enough of them are able to attend. Then, immediately following the morning service, lunch will be served to band members and their families by our youth and youth leaders in the CFC.

Plain Truth about Life

Our youth will be attending a musical production called "Plain Truth about Life" at Grayson County Middle School on Saturday. Everyone interested in attending should meet at the church at 5:00pm. We'll eat together then head over to Leitchfield for the show which starts at 7:00. We should return home by 11:00pm. This event is free.

Service Projects

We've lined up several service projects for students over the next few weeks. The next one is to provide child care for Parent's Night Out this Friday evening (Nov 20). Check out the sign up sheets in the youth area for more information.

In Christ,
Marty

Education & Children

Education

We had another great teacher's meeting on Sunday as we talked about a process of Outreach in our classes. My prayer is that now as a class you will find an outreach leader and begin to make it a part of your weekly gatherings.

Throughout my time here at FBCH I have come across many who have not shared their faith in Jesus Christ with another person in some time. I want to help change that. So between now and January I am looking for volunteers who next year are willing to be challenged to share their faith in a "controlled" environment. What I would like to do is have one volunteer a week share with one child at a time during Team-KID. You will have an opportunity to share your faith with up to 3 children. If you want to be challenged to come out of your comfort zone please let me know and I will help you. Guidance will be provided along the way. Take part in this effort.

Children

OCC Saturday—10:00am

If you have not already made plans for Saturday let me encourage you to bring your entire family with us to Valley Creek Baptist Church in Elizabethtown to drop off our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. All you need to do is show up at FBCH at 10:00 am on Saturday and we will all go together.

While delivering the boxes your family will get an opportunity to help in the packing process and getting the boxes ready to ship around the world. Following the drop off we will have lunch on the way home, so bring some money for lunch. We would love to see you there. Let me know if you have any more questions.

-Adam



Thanksgiving Dinner

We will be preparing Thanksgiving Dinner again to those in the community who will be alone or for any reason will be without Thanksgiving Dinner. We will deliver to those who are unable to come to the church if they call by Tuesday, November 24, to 358-3193.

Please check below if you can contribute:

- a. Potatoes
- b. Canned sweet potatoes
- c. Green beans
- d. Pies (pumpkin or pecan)
- e. Money
- f. Time (Wednesday morning)
- g. Time (Thursday)

Name & Phone Number _____

November 15th Financial Report	
Needed Weekly:	11,299.52
Budget Received:	8,595.89
Total Budget Received:	422,180.79
Budget	517,135.69
Designated:	
World Hunger	120.00
Youth	100.00
Magic Hands	25.00
Missions-Becky Carnell	50.00
Samaritan's Purse	28.00
Upward	735.00
Poinsettias	117.00
Other	350.00
Total Offering	10,120.89

November 15th Attendance	
Bible Study	
Sr. Adult	49
Adult	75
Youth	24
Children	29
Preschool	15
Visitors	9
Total	201
Morning Worship	288
Evening Worship	

DID YOU KNOW????!!!

THE BLESSING AND THRILL of filling a shoe box – telling a child, perhaps a family, about Jesus and how to be saved?

IT'S NOT TOO LATE - Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes may be turned in through Friday afternoon. Ready-to-pack shoeboxes are available at the Church at all three main entrances. PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY AND RECEIVE THE BLESSINGS.

VALLEY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH is now an official collection point and boxes can be turned in there through 12:00 noon, Nov 23?! Volunteers may work there Nov. 23 – call 319 4390 or Cheryl Vowels -765 7249.

FBC could possibly become an official OCC relay center (we've been doing this unofficially since 1998) lead by our GAs – this year – our children.

DID YOU KNOW THAT NOLYNN BAPTIST CHURCH HAS ALREADY DELIVERED 65 BOXES TO FBC????!!!

They did 50 last year!!!

FIND IT HERE is local praying, prayerwalking/driving, leading to local evangelism and is for everyone – God's great commission is a commandment to all Christians????!! It's a statewide emphasis.

INASMUCH AS - our Church joining other local churches to meet some of our local needs such as the coats and hooded sweatshirts distributed just last week and the koin-for-kids buying food for needy children for weekends????!!

Schedule of Events:

Sunday, November 22

- 8:45 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
- 9:15 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 & Crazy Love
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Activities
- 7:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 23

- 7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast, Paula's
- 10:00 a.m. Young at Heart Choir
- 10:00-11:00 a.m. CFC Open for Walking

Tuesday, November 24

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Art Class
- 7:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service, FBC

Wednesday, November 25

No Services

Thursday, November 26—Thanksgiving Day

Office Closed

Friday, November 27

Office Closed

Sunday, November 29

- 8:45 a.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
- 9:00 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. Hanging of the Green Service

The children of Reverend George and Carolyn Smith

Invite you to a Reception in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, November 28, 2009, 2:00—4:00 p.m. EST

Severns Valley Baptist Church Atrium, 1100 Ring Road, Elizabethtown, Kentucky

No gifts, please, but cards and letters would be most appreciated.