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Sunday School-10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship-6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study-7:00 P.M.

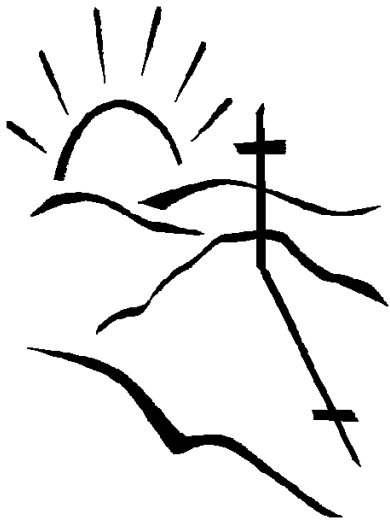
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Carlene Wheelock

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Easter Sunrise Service

Home of Randy & Annette Whitley, 143 Lo-
gan Lane, Russellville, KY

Sun., April 20th, 7:00 am



With Sympathy

Second Baptist Church would like to extend its deepest
sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May God give peace
and comfort to you and your family.

To the family in the loss of their loved one,
Walter "Shem" Noe.

To Troy Yell in the loss of his son, Cody Yell.

KIDS KORNER



Can children make a difference in someone's life? Since November, a GA project was making 125 Happy Birthday cards for WMU's 125th birthday. This past month, the box of cards was sent to the National WMU office in Birmingham, Alabama. Cathy Johnson received a call from WMU - and it blessed her day! Then the GAs received this: Thank you so much for the box of birthday cards! We will present them to our entire staff and Wanda Lee, our executive director, later this week and we know everyone here will be just as excited as we are. Thank you so much for your wishes and prayers! They must have contacted KY WMU because I received an email: Konnie, Thanks for sending birthday cards to National WMU. I think you made their day! Yes, children CAN and DO make a difference! If you peek into Children's Church, you should notice some changes. It will somewhat pattern the worship service with music, pledges, offering and prayer led by the children. The adult leader will have the Bible study and activities. On the last Sunday of each month, the children will be spending that time in prayer for Second Baptist Church. Coming up is the annual Easter Egg Hunt, April 19, hosted by Jimmy & Lois Prince & family. Cathy will be listing more information about this in the bulletins during April. We welcome donations of wrapped candy, which can be brought to the church office. Second Baptist Church will be hosting the 2014 Association VBS EXPO on April 26, 10 AM - 12 Noon. We encourage anyone who will be working in VBS to come that day. You'll be able to see what resources are available, get some ideas on decorating, make-and-take snacks and crafts, music and more. Bring your children: we want this to be a fun, family-friendly event.

Revival?

We have just finished a series of Revival Meetings in our church. As I write this I do not know how our Revival concluded or all that God did in our hearts, but I do know what Revival should look like. If you follow the birth of the church in the Book of Acts, and other instances of God reviving and refreshing His people you will see several common denominators. One, revival always begins with God's people being broken over their sin. Then there is abundant joy as His people when they realize and understand that God can and will forgive their sin. The third thing they experience is a oneness with each other. They are in one accord as a family of believers. The last thing that marks true, heartfelt revival is a boldness to go and declare His salvation to all those around them. The end result of all this is that Jesus is honored and others come to know His grace and love.

Have we experienced true revival? I hope so, I pray so. Life is too short to waste on frivolous things. There are too many lives being spent on things that have no eternal significance. I want to share a true story I read a few years ago from the book 'Crazy Love' by Francis Chan. Francis is the narrator of the story. Read his words and let them sink in.

Brooke Bronkowski was a beautiful fourteen-year old girl who was in love with Jesus. When she was in junior high, she started a Bible study on her campus. She spent her babysitting money on Bibles so she could give them out to her unsaved friends. Youth pastors who heard about this brought her boxes of Bibles to give away.

Brooke wrote the following essay when she was about twelve; it will give you an idea of the kind of girl she was.

I'll live my life to the fullest. I'll be happy. I'll brighten up. I will be more joyful than I have ever been. I will be kind to others. I will loosen up. I will tell others about Christ. I will go on adventures and change the world. I will be bold and not change who I really am. I will have no troubles but instead help others with their troubles.

You see, I'll be one of those people who live to be history makers at a young age. Oh, I'll have moments, good and bad, but I will wipe away the bad and only remember the good. In fact that's all I will remember, just good moments, nothing in between, just living my life to the fullest. I'll be one of those people who go somewhere with a mission, an awesome plan, a world-changing plan, and nothing will hold me back. I'll set an example for others, I will pray for direction.

I have my life before me. I will give others the joy I have and God will give me more joy. I will do everything God tells me to do. I will follow the footsteps of God. I will do my best!!!

During her freshman year in high school, Brooke was in a car accident while driving to the movies. Her life on earth ended when she was just fourteen, but her impact didn't. Nearly fifteen hundred people attended Brooke's memorial service. People from her public high school read poems she had written about her love for God. Everyone spoke of her example and her joy.

I shared the gospel and invited those who wanted to know Jesus to come up and give their lives to Him. There must have been at least two hundred students on their knees at the front of the church praying for salvation. Ushers gave a Bible to each of them. They were Bibles that Brooke had kept in her garage, hoping to give out to all of her unsaved friends. In one day, Brooke led more people to the Lord than most ever will.

In her brief fourteen years on earth, Brooke was faithful to Christ. Her short life was not wasted. The words from her essay seem prophetic: "You see, I'll be one of those people who live to be history makers at a young age."

That's what a revived life looks like. I pray we all have one. Your Pastor loves you!

Mike's Minutes



I have used the slogan in youth ministry, "Be *on mission*, Change the world!" In using that statement I have known, God doesn't call us to change the world. But one thing apparent among those living *on mission* with God is that it's God doing all the changing. The only thing He calls us to is unhindered obedience. Now, I know that's a tall order, and sometimes what He asks of us may seem absurd or impossible to say the least.

In my recent study of Ezekiel, I found he obeyed God's call to preach to the Jewish exiles in Babylon. With that came an assortment of bizarre commands. God told Ezekiel to lie on his left side for 390 days as a penance for the sins of a rebellious nation. Just imagine what this did to his body and his reputation. Just imagine if you found me lying prostrate in the altar praying as you walked in the service. Sounds strange? Probably! Wrong? Only God knows another man's heart. Ezekiel's own people certainly gave Him strange stares. There is no telling what the Babylonian authorities put him through. But still he obeyed. There are those in our day who do the same.

You read how couples pack up their families and move to remote corners of the world, far away from modern conveniences. I read on Facebook, about a month ago, of a local youth minister trying to raise money for World Vision's 30-Hour Famine to feed children he will never get to meet. What would compel them to do this? The same thing that compelled Ezekiel, God's love! God's love should compel us to obey Him and tell others of His greatness. By living a life unhindered for Him, God can use us to accomplish great things.

Our Lord is a perfect model and the power for living an unhindered life, and He showed us that with divine privilege comes responsibility. Becoming unhindered in our service to God requires us to become like Christ and sacrifice our will for the sake of the gospel.

What is hindering you from living fully surrendered to God's will for your life? Maybe there are some barriers we need to overcome before taking the gospel to others. A good first step is to seek and pray for a personal encounter with God that will transform our lives and compel us to share His love with others.

What would the rest of our lives look like if in the next few days we began faithfully to do what Christ asks of us, to love Him, to love our neighbors, and make disciples? A life lived in unhindered obedience to God has the potential to change the world.

Bro. Mike



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Easter Egg Hunt



Sat., Apr. 19th, 10:00 am
Home of Jimmy & Lois Prince
757 N. Main Street
See bulletin for more info.

Good Friday Tennebra Service



Fri., Apr. 18th, 7pm
Be with us as we remember the
day He died for our sins.



- 03 Sue Wood
- 04 Cheyenne Belew
- 05 Barbara Dorris
- 06 Bill Browning, Kenneth Page,
Sarah Cheaney, Cole Celsor
- 07 Dorothy Sawyer, Addie Young
- 09 Irene Elamon
- 10 Sherrie Taylor, James Cauley,
Charles Harmon
- 12 Steve Smith
- 15 Dorothy Rosser, Bobby Utley
- 16 Charlotte Cauley
- 17 Daphne Clark
- 18 Henry Seube, Andrew Chambers
- 19 Michael Hooper
- 20 Zachary Yell
- 21 Ben Harris
- 24 Joda Boley
- 26 Lyndall Graham, Robin Seube,
Ashley Carter
- 28 Shea Meyers
- 29 Angela Hardison
- 30 Mary Brown, Debbie Whitman,
Connie Blick, Kayelynn
Davenport



- 02 Deacons Meeting, 6pm
- 06 Wedding Shower-Janna Shanklin, 2pm
Building & Grounds Committee Mtg., 5pm
- 08 Nursing Home Visitation, 7pm
- 09 Business Meeting, 7pm
- 14 BYW Meeting, home of Sonja Cauley, 6:30pm
- 16 Church Council Meeting, 6pm
- 18 Good Friday – Church Office Closed
Good Friday Tennebra Service, 7pm
- 24-27 Women of Joy Conference, Pigeon Forge, TN
- 30 Deacons Meeting, 6pm

Baptist Hour – Each Monday following 12:20pm news
on WRUS-AM

Women's Exercise Class- suspended until further notice

GO Visitation & Meal -Each Wed. night at 5:30pm,

EXCEPT on Business Meeting night

Volleyball - Mondays & Thursday nights



Happy Anniversary!

- Roger & Laurie Belcher 01
- Jerry & Konnie Smith 02
- Barry & Amy Dill 04
- Mike & Barbara Dorris 05
- Bill & Teresa Browning 12
- James & Charlotte Cauley 14
- Barry & Beth Kennedy 17
- Victor & Debra King 24
- John Paul & Amy Clinard 26