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*A Newsletter of the*  
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## Renovation Update



We have installed a sample of a balcony chair that has been re-finished, has a book rack added to it, and that has the seat upholstered (ignore the fabric – it is not one under consideration). This chair is located on the first row of the left balcony facing the pulpit—about the fourth seat down from the back of the balcony. The committee would welcome any feedback as to the comfort of this chair. Another option under consideration is to leave the seats non-upholstered but re-finish the chairs and add book racks.

Please “have a seat” before June 3rd and give us some feedback.

## Men of the Church Breakfast

The topic for the men's breakfast devotional will be *Jonah ... God's Fish Story*. Jonah's history contains both the most rare and the most common events in Scripture, and each has a lesson for us. Hope to see you there! Rick Blanchard

## New Time for Mid-Week Bible Study

Summer prayer meetings and Bible Study will be led every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. by Pastor Jeff Clark. The first meeting will be in the Chapel on May 22.

## This Sunday

7:45 a.m. Men of the Church breakfast  
6:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Church Conference

## COLLEGE GRADUATE?



**June 2 is graduation Sunday.** On that day, First Baptist Church will celebrate the graduations of our high school and college students. If you are the parent of a 2013 college graduate, please call the church office and give us the name of the graduate, degree, and any special honors the graduate may have received.

### “HOO” TO CONTACT:

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## WANT TO DO SOMETHING MEANINGFUL?

*Meals on Wheels* is in need of 2 volunteers for our community. Call Helen Brown at 919-356-9464 or Bob Brown at 919-353-2893. It takes only one hour of your time to help deliver meals to needy folk.



**WALK THROUGH THE WILDS...**  
[www.carolinatigerrescue.org](http://www.carolinatigerrescue.org)

**Anyone is welcome to go to the Carolina Tiger Rescue in Pittsboro.** This is no longer just an event for 1st through 5th graders. Saturday, May 18, we will meet at the church at 8 a.m. We will be taking the church buses and we will return around noon.

**Cost:** \$17 per person **How:** Sign up and pay in the church office.

**Money must be paid before a name is added to the sign-up sheet.**

There are only a few spaces left so contact Becky Blanchard or the church office ASAP to sign up.

## Graduation Day

The Weekday Education Center graduation will be held May 20 in the Chapel at 11:00 a.m. The children have prepared a special graduation program and have been rehearsing every day for this special event.



## Reflections from the Pastor

In one of Charles Schultz's early *Peanuts* comic strips, Lucy is waxing philosophical. "Why do you think we're put on Earth, Charlie Brown?" she asks. After pondering this profundity for a moment, Charlie replies: "To make others happy." Not a bad answer for the round-headed kid. Lucy seems to think so too, but then a scowl darkens her brow. "I don't think I'm making anyone very happy," she admits. "Of course, nobody's making me very happy either."

In the final panel, Lucy's screaming out in big, capital letters: "SOMEBODY'S NOT DOING THEIR JOB!"

As I have continued to reflect upon the Acts 16 text from this past Sunday, the question of the difference between "joy" and "happiness" keeps coming back to me. We live in a country that "guarantees" our right to pursue happiness in our Constitution. I have often taken note that it tells us nothing about achieving it. Indeed, happiness seems to be quite elusive. Joy, on the other hand, is quite different. Paul and Silas were not happy being beaten and locked away in prison. They were, however, quite joyful it seems. What is the difference?

The Bible does not tell us how to feel—which is a good thing as that would be futile. Nor does it make the demonstration of joy an obligation for the Child of God. So, what is it? Simply stated, joy is the name of what life looks like when we trust God. Here is a thought—trust God and live the life of joy!

Blessings, *Jeff*



Kyndal Rouse, second from left, surrounded by her family.

## FLC NEWS

As we listen to the daily news on TV and in the paper, it seems like there is so much bad news. But let's look at some good news today. It is such a joy in ministry to see God working in a young person's life. I had the opportunity to teach Kyndal Rouse when she was in my third grade class. Even then, as an eight year old, Kyndal was very attentive to what God was saying to her through Bible class, and morning devotions. (Christian School) She had a very compassionate heart, especially for a child. I have enjoyed watching her

grow up through high school and college. Even better, I have really enjoyed watching her grow more mature in her Christian faith. What a blessing it was to hear her talk about God's call for her to go to Nairobi this summer to work with students in the university. I will be so excited to hear how God works in her life this summer. When we have young people like Kyndal willing to put aside fun summer plans to serve God in a faraway place, we know our future is in good hands. Would you join me in praying for her and her family?

*In Christ, Cindy*

# FBC HAPPENINGS

## Worship at First Baptist May 19, 2013

8:45 a.m. & Sermon, Dr. J. Daniel Day  
11:00 a.m. Senior Prof. of Preaching and Worship  
Campbell University  
"Almost Grown" from the text: I Corinthians 13

8:45 a.m. "Ring the Bells of Heaven"  
arr. Mark Edwards  
Hymns and Hers Choir

11:00 a.m. "Your Grace Still Amazes Me"  
by Shawn Craig/Connie Harrington  
Becky and Jen Blanchard, Duet

"Spirit Song"  
by Michael Barrett  
Chancel Choir



## Mike's Musings

When Mike and Joan Womble offered to share their experiences in Africa with us at a Triple L Luncheon, I was thrilled to get the opportunity to hear about such an adventure. It is all the more exciting because they will have slides to show us and some souvenirs for us to peruse after their presentation. Let's have a great gathering to enjoy fellowship, a good meal and stories from two of our fine fellow members! Sign up in your Sunday School class or by calling the church office.

I am excited that our renovation pledging and fund raising has gone so well. The renovation will include some nice improvements to our audio-visual set up in the sanctuary. In particular, we'll be able to project the sound of the choir better, which will help when they sing with multiple instruments. Another addition we are looking at will assist in making our organ console mobile enough that we will be able to put it in a more visible position for concerts. This is an option now but requires a lot of work even to move it a short distance.

What a joy it will be to step into our newly renovated worship space for the first time!

## Kids of the Kingdom

Sign up for "Kids of the Kingdom" summer camp in the Family Life Center. The cost is only \$120 per week, from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Ages are grades K-6 (rising) \*A discount is available for FBC members. Children may sign up for one week or the whole summer. Call Jonathan Lett for more information.

### Sunday, May 19 (FLC open by reservation only)

- 7:45 a.m. Men of the Church breakfast and devotions
- 8:45 a.m. Worship (Chapel)
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 p.m. Deacon's Conference
- 7:00 p.m. Church Conference
- **Monday, May 20 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-6:00 p.m.)**
- 9:00-12:00 noon WEC preschool\* \*Mon-Fri
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Movers, FLC
- 11:00 a.m. Weekday Education Center graduation, Chapel
- 2:30-5:00 p.m. After School\* \*Mon-Fri
- 5:00 p.m. Zumba Class, gym
- 5:30 p.m. TOPS, Craft Room
- 6:00 p.m. Chapel Voices

### Tuesday, May 21 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-6:00 p.m.)

- 9:30 a.m. *Different Strokes* Art Class, Craft Room
- 12:00 p.m. Triple L
- 5:00 p.m. Zumba Class, gym
- 6:00 p.m. 45 + Basketball, gym
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- **Wednesday, May 22 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.)**

- 8:30 a.m. Jobseekers, FH
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Movers, FLC
- 10:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels
- 11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting/Bible Study in the Chapel
- **Thursday, May 23 (FLC 7:00-2:00 p.m.; 5:00-8:00 p.m.)**

- 5:00 p.m. Zumba Class, gym
- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts
- **Friday, May 24 (FLC 7:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.)**

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Movers, Gym
- 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing Class
- **Saturday, May 25 (FLC closed)**  
**Memorial Day Weekend**

## Triple L Treat on May 21

Joan and Mike Womble will be sharing their experiences from adventures in Turkey and various parts of Africa. They have prepared a special Powerpoint that will give you a first-hand look at their travels.





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**Happy Wednesday!**

I hope that everyone is enjoying this warm weather and doing well this week. Just so everyone knows, we will be having regular Sunday night activities this Sunday. So come out for Bible study and games at 6:00 Sunday night.

Also, we are doing pretty good on our mobile dinner. We still need a few people to do appetizers and dessert though, so if you would be willing to host a group of our students for either of these please let me know. I am sure that it will be a very fun night.

The last thing is for our graduating seniors. You should have gotten a letter in the mail giving you time, info, and what is required for *Graduation Sunday*. Please get all your info turned in so that we can make this an excellent event for you and your families. **Have a great week!**—Jacob



**HOSPITAL**

**Moore Regional Hospital:** Jeannette Whiteman  
**St. Joseph of the Pines:** Max Holt

**NURSERY HOUR WORKERS**

**May 19 workers are:** Carolyn Lee and Colleen Campbell; Brummett Family; Greg and Laura Spivey  
**Nursery Security Usher (Early):** Chet Mann  
**Early Service Ushers:** Greg Spivey and Bill Stone

**LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Weekly Budget Requirement.....	19,173.00
Budget Received.....	13,226.92
Building/Capital Improvement.....	2,096.00
Other.....	721.00
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$ 16,043.92</b>

*Christian Sympathy* is extended to:

■ **Barbara Musselwhite Comer** in the death of her husband, Larry Thomas Comer, Jr., May 4, 2013.

**Cheering Opportunity**

**Mr. Wayne Crowson**  
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