"Believing in God from Generation to Generation"

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"Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary." Galatians 6:9

From Pastor Chuck's Desk

Acts 14:26-27 - "Finally, they returned by ship to Antioch of Syria, where their journey had begun. The believers there had entrusted them to the grace of God to do the work they just completed. Upon arriving in Antioch, they called the church together and reported everything God had done through them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles, too."

As we celebrate our 132nd Homecoming, we cannot even begin to imagine how many lives were changed forever by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through the ministry here at First Baptist Church. Think of the souls that were saved, the baptisms, the weddings, the funerals, the discipleship that took place, the special times of fellowship, and all of the mission trips. How many people were challenged to follow Jesus, encouraged to continue in their faith and had the opportunity multiple times each week to come into the house of the Lord and worship Him? Looking over the past history of our church, I saw something that got my attention. On April 9th 1980, First Baptist Church voted to give Cherryville Missionary Baptist Church $500 to start a mission in Meade's Branch. I was saved at that mission church in 1983. Praise the Lord!

In Acts 14 we see that Paul and Barnabas celebrate their homecoming from their first missionary journey by sharing the stories of divine guidance, persecution, and how many people were added to the kingdom of God. They came together praising God for all that He had done, is doing, and is going to do! You can hear the excitement of the open doors and Paul saying "We ain’t seen nothing yet!"

What we are doing today for the Lord will make a difference in somebody’s life tomorrow. In years to come, if the Lord does not return, may we be a part of someone’s homecoming because of our faithfulness to our Heavenly Father. I am excited about what God is doing here at First Baptist Church and I really believe that “We ain’t seen nothing yet! May His face shine upon us!"

Pastor Chuck Price

Treasurer's Note
by Debbie Ward

As of September 23rd, 2015

Current Loan Balance: $1,508,463.84
YTD BUDGET: $385,732.86
YTD GIVING: $397,824.94

Church, can I brag on you? I was going through some old files and found the yearly giving from 1970 to the present (except for 1973). You get a great picture of how your giving has increased over the last 45 years. As we approach Homecoming this month, I felt this is worth sharing. God is honored by your faithful giving and sacrifice! I look forward to what God has in store for First Baptist Church of Louisa, Inc. as we go forward reaching out to those around us and share the Love of Christ with them.

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Homecoming Day
October 18th

Join us on this day as we celebrate our history & heritage of 132 years!
Women’s Missionary Union  WMU is an opportunity for us to carry out our Emphasis of Surrender (Deny Self). God is allowing us to be inspired and equipped in our church to be on mission with Him. Christ wants us to make Him the sole object of our lives. We can do that by focusing on exalting Him instead of ourselves - just like John the Baptist did. John the Baptist came before Christ but was always bearing witness for Christ-who is the Light of the World. John was merely a lamp and John pointed others to Christ...never to himself. John wanted everyone to know that the Light must become greater than the lamp it shone through.

We as Christians have the opportunity to fulfill the Great Commission and I’m inviting you to join with the WMU members in being lamps and pointing the way to Christ- the Light of the World as we focus on two upcoming events in October/November.

- Youth will be focusing on a mission at Marcum Terrace. Keep your eyes/ears open for this as it will be advertised soon as they are praying for Christmas to come early so they can help families prepare for the winter months.

- October 11th is World Hunger. Help us engage in the world’s best “word and deed” hunger ministries, both proclaiming and demonstrating the love of God to people in desperate need by offering a donation to help fill the bare cupboards and empty fridges that greet children when they come home from school and by praying for World Hunger needs.

100% of every donation is used to meet hunger needs.
Mission Friends and Children in Action are focused on World Hunger and will be engaging in this mission as they fill bread loaves from their savings/givings during this month of October. Fannie Heck Circle is collecting/donating food items for the BackPack Program in our community.

- November 2nd is Baptist Women World Day of Prayer. We invite and need all women to come and participate in this one day that has the potential to change the world forever. We will get to join 138 countries in prayer for the women’s work around the world. So I encourage every woman to Arise and Shine as you come to participate with us on this day. You will learn that when you rise up, He shines through.

We want to see Christ exalted and individuals seeking a humble spirit while they are focusing on giving God their all.
Yes, Deny Self, in order for God to become greater and us to become less.

Blessings, Pam Beanham, WMU Director

Thank you for all of the prayers and kind gestures while I have been recuperating. We will tentatively plan to begin working on the Christmas cantata on Sunday, October 4th at 5pm in the choir room. Thanks! 🎶
- Michelle Canterbury

We are excited about starting the Louisa Bible Training Center! We had a total of 9 sign up and began the first course on Sept 8th, Bible Study Methods Class. We even have one student from Romania. If you missed the chance to start, don’t fret because we will begin a new Bible Study Methods Class in Jan 2016.

We would continue to encourage you to come to the ladies Tuesday morning bible study at 10am at the church. For those of you that don’t attend a Sunday School class, think about coming to the new 1st John class taught by Rody Maynard. See her for more information.

Every Monday evening at Mike and Dana Ellis’ house there is the continuing study of the Gospels. Stop by and give it a try! Celebrate Recovery is always interested in new people and they meet at the church at 7pm each Monday.

Pray that we make disciples as commanded by Christ. That command was directed at all of us!

David Maynard, Assoc. Pastor

HOMECOMING CELEBRATION - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18th

OCTOBER 2015 Greeter Schedule
10/4 - Denver Chaffin Family
10/11 - Rick DeLong Family
10/18 - Don & Carolyn Thompson and Kenny & Kim Horn Families (HOMECOMING)
10/25 - Martha Meek

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

“God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains; it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.” -CS Lewis
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