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First Baptist News & Views

July 2024



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POINTS TO PONDER

"Pursuing His Glory"

Dear FBCH Family,

Get ready for a fun month as we reach out to our community with the love of Christ! We are excited to serve the youth in our community as we host our VBS July 15-19th. Join us each night from 6-8:15 as we dive into friendship with God in our Scuba themed environment. I ask that you continue to be in prayer for this ministry and the many other things we are doing to share Christ with the people of Carroll County. In June, we walked through the book of Ruth and saw God's redeeming work through her and Naomi's story. This ultimately pointed us to the even greater redemption we have in Christ through the wonderful message of the gospel. When it comes to the theme of redemption in the gospel, we are reminded yet again why we do events like VBS. This world has suffered a great fall that originated in the Garden of Eden. Everyone, whether mindful of it or not, is looking for hope and redemption of what is missing in life.

We possess the message that this world is searching for! How have you reached out to your friends and neighbors with this message of redemption? VBS is a great occasion to invite people into the story. We also have a church cookout on the 14th to fellowship and enjoy each other's company. Invite someone! We will have a wonderful day of fun and we want the community to see how joyful the people of God are. Take every opportunity to invite someone to church but remember that the best way to share the gospel is by telling others about it. I encourage you to be bold in your conversations with your friends and loved ones. If you truly love them, how could you keep quiet about God's grace? Share with everyone you can the wonderful message about Christ's redeeming work.

We pray you have a happy 4th of July, and we hope you will join us for SCUBA VBS July 15-19th!

In Christ Alone,
Zeb Hicks



A DEVOTIONAL WORD...

Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi
—Genesis 25:11

Isaac dwelt there, and made the well of the living and all-seeing God his constant source of supply. The usual tenor of a man's life, the dwelling of his soul, is his true test of his state. Let us learn to live in the presence of the living God. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit that this day, and every other day, we may feel, "You, God, see me." May the forting, unfailling, springing up into eternal life, the well of the Creator never fails. Happy is he who dewels at the well, and so has abundant and constant supplies near at hand!

Glorious Lord, constrain us that we may never leave You, but dwell by the well of the living God!

—Spurgeon

ODDS & ENDS (or...where else do we put this...?)



GET CONNECTED!

If you want to **learn more** about FBCH ministries or programs, receive **church communications** (like our **robo-call updates**), or just **update your contact info** with us, please visit our "**Get Connected!**" page on the church's website (*in the "About Us" section*) and fill out the form to let us know what you need! You can also call or e-mail our church office to let us know.

WE NEED PICTURES of your church activities and ministries!

We'd like to show the congregation and community how God is working in and through our church. Please send pictures and descriptions of your church activity or ministry to office@fbchillsville.org so we can let our light shine!



A: Gabriel

See: Luke 1:19

If you are interested in providing content for our MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Please submit your content to office@fbchillsville.org by the 20th of the month for the following month's newsletter, including your desired content, any relevant contact information or dates, and pictures (if any). Let us help you get the word out!

FBCH reserves the right to refuse, correct, or adjust submissions as needed.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
Nursery SS	Coming Soon!	Coming Soon!	Coming Soon!	Coming Soon!
Nursery WS	Maria Record Keelee Morris	Paula Pulliam & Keelee Morris	Paula Pulliam & Maria Record	Paula Pulliam & Keelee Morris
Pre-2nd SS	Diane Allen	Diane Allen	Diane Allen	Diane Allen
3rd-6th SS	Opening	Opening	Opening	Opening
7th-12th SS	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp	Lynn Ogle & Pat Sharp
Van 1	Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp	Pat Sharp
Van 2	Ed Naff	Ed Naff	Ed Naff	Ed Naff

It takes all of the members of the church for the body to be whole!

We are in need of your help to fulfill our Children's and Youth's Ministry needs, which include **nursery workers, Sunday School teachers, and a variety of other volunteer needs**. To serve God and your church in these critical family ministries, *please contact our office at office@fbchillsville.org or (276) 728-7801.*

Thank you!

**Deacon of
the Month:
*Dennis Felts***

FBCH YOUTH

FBCH has a wonderful ministry dedicated to High School students called Fortify Youth. We want to share with you what our vision for this ministry is. We seek to reach the next generation in Carroll County with the hope of the Gospel through outreach, fellowship, and the worship of our God. Our goals are to be a safe and fun place to **grow, serve, and worship** our Savior, Jesus.

- **To Grow** – We grow through the faithful teaching of God's Word. Fortify Youth Ministry esteems the Word of God as the source of all truth. Scripture is inerrant, infallible, and inspired by God. We are committed to teaching the authority and message of hope found in God's Word through weekly lessons and yearly camps. We also grow through intentional discipleship and service together in the community of faith we exist in.
- **To Serve** – We serve our God by loving others in the same way He has loved us. Our ministry is intentional about helping those in the world who are in need. Locally, we will serve in quarterly service projects to help our community. Globally, we will embark on a mission trip biannually (every 2 years) reaching people around the world.
- **To Worship** – We worship our God by pouring our hearts into praising Him through fun, fellowship, and singing. We worship God by having fun as we fellowship together with games, trips, special events, and meals. We worship Him more intentionally when we sing praises about the goodness of our triune God. Whether we play, serve, sing, or learn, everything we do is an act of worship to the God who has so greatly loved us.



FORTIFY YOUTH MINISTRY



SUNDAYS AT 6PM

"To reach the next generation in Carroll County with the hope of the Gospel through outreach, fellowship, and the worship of our God."

If you are a youth from 6th-12th grade, or if you know someone who is, come or invite them to attend this weekly gathering for fun, fellowship, and worship.
Share this exciting news with a teen in your life!

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4th, Church office is closed.

VBS—July 15-19 from 6pm-8:15pm

Prior Month's Events

June 16 Father's Day. We handed out beautiful key chains for all the Fathers after the worship service.

The 2024 Baby Bottle Campaign ended Sunday, June 16, Father's Day.

Our church proudly supported the work of the **KAIROS Prison Ministry**. We decorated 12 placemats. These placemats were given to inmates to use for their meals. These mats are a way to share hope and encouragement to these individuals with beauty and God's Word. We also collected 50+ cookies to distribute to the inmates.

To our First Baptist Church of Hillsville Family,

I hope this message finds you well. On behalf of the entire River North Kairos #10 team, I want to extend our deepest gratitude for your incredible support during our recent 4-day weekend at River North Correctional Facility. Your contributions of cookies and, most importantly, your prayers, made a profound impact on the lives of many men, including our own.

God is truly an awesome God, and it is amazing to witness how He works amidst spiritual darkness. Your support has been instrumental in bringing His light and love into the lives of those who need it most. As it says in John 1:5 (KJV): "And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." This verse perfectly encapsulates the power of God's light overcoming the darkness within the prison walls.

Thank you once again for your generosity and faithful prayers. May God continue to bless you and your ministry abundantly.

In Christ's Love,
Michael Zeman
River North Kairos
Advisory Council Secretary

KEEPING IN TOUCH

July Birthdays!

Ken Schoonover	4
Allene Tabor	7
Maria Record	8
Ron Privett	16
Victoria Sweeney	18
Sharon Spriggs	22
Howard Sturgill	23
Polly Sturgill	24
Ellen White	26

July Anniversaries!

Howard & Polly Sturgill 29



NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Leona Layher
Ridgecrest Assisted Living
2302 Ridgecrest Lane
Mt Airy, NC 27030

Allene Tabor
Richfield/JTC
3939 Daughtery
Road, Hummingbird
Room 13
Salem, VA 24153

SHUT-INS

Laura Melton Kyle Nester
Wanda Montgomery Joyce Bowman
Gracie Edmonds



Q: What was the name of the angel of the Lord who appeared unto Zacharias?

Answer: Page 15

Scripture of the Month



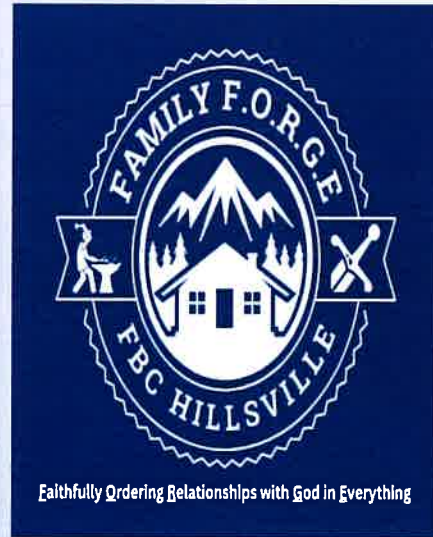
FELLOWSHIP & CONNECTIONS

Our next **Men's Fellowship Breakfast** will be at Crooked Oak Restaurant at 8:30am on Tuesday, July 2, 2024. As usual it will be a "dutch treat" meal with friends and visitors welcome. No need to make a reservation or be a member of the church, just come out and enjoy the fellowship!

Come be a part of our Wednesday evening Family F.O.R.G.E., where we have activities for ALL ages—we'll share a meal and some time singing and worshipping all together, followed by a break out study time to dig deeper into God's Word. This is a great place to get to know and build relationships with others within the church. We hope to see EVERYONE there as the family of God is strengthened in the FORGE!

This important ministry aimed at strengthening our church family by bringing together in fellowship and discipleship all of our church families continues to need your help to be successful.

Please contact Norma in the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a Family Night! meal for only \$50.



CHILDREN/YOUTH/FCA ACTIVITIES



FOAM PARTY BLAST AT THE WELLNESS CENTER in HILLSVILLE!!
Missions Outreach raised \$60 selling goodies>



We are excited to announce our theme for this year's VBS.

SCUBA: Diving into friendship with God!

Join us July 15-19 from 6pm to 8:15pm as we discover about the friendship we can have with the God who created us. We will explore the depths of God's word each night with fun games, snacks, crafts, music, lessons and more! If you'd like to volunteer for VBS this year, get ahead of the game by signing up early on our church's website.

If you would like to know more about ministry opportunities in the church, feel free to ask one of our deacons, pastor, or church+ administrative assistant for more information.

MISSIONS, OUTREACH, & EVANGELISM

God's Handy Helpers is one of the service and outreach ministries of FBCH, seeking to help those in need with small carpentry tasks, seasonal yardwork, and similar projects. **Our project in June a year ago** was cleaning a house. Projects for July 6th are trimming shrubs, and repairing a handrail. **Everyone is invited to participate...and everyone has a great time of fellow-ship in service!**

If you'd like to be a part of our next project, or if you'd like to suggest a project, please contact:
Team Leader Dan Huff at



Sew Journers
Our Sew Journers sewing ministry **will not meet in July.**

We need quilters, crocheters, and knitters. **Thanks everyone for your support!**



INVESTING IN THE KINGDOM

Food Pantry

Stock the Food Pantry:

- July 7 - Pinto beans & Cornbread mixes
- July 14 - Soups & Crackers
- July 21 - Canned meats & Canned fruits
- July 28 - Cereals

Drop off items at the church in our outside drive-by Food Pantry donation tote. It will be on the porch steps during weekly office hours (9am to 3pm) for your convenience.



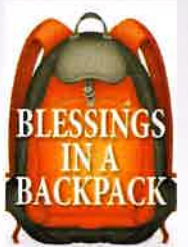
July - Coloring Books, Picture Books, Small Pads, One Subject Notebook

DO NOT INCLUDE items that are: used or damaged, war-related (toy guns or military figures), glass, liquid, toothpaste, or candy.

Contact Paula Pulliam or Tammy Webb with any questions.

We are collecting for **Children's Backpacks!**

Food items needed: Apple sauce, nabs, juices, granola bars, pop tarts, pudding, small containers of spaghetti, mac & cheese, ravioli and individual cups of fruit.



Please pray for the workers in the field...

Jo Anne Yon—missionary to Nicaragua

Bryan Macadangdang—missionary to Philippines

United Christian Missions—leads Educate-a-Child program and Pastor's School in Jinotega, Nicaragua

Eric & Wendy Harbinson—missionaries in Matagalpa, Nicaragua

REMEMBERING

In Remembrance

First Baptist Church offers our condolences, prayers, and loving support to the Families of Dorothy Semones (Karon Felts' mother), Jo Ann Hall Families.

IN Memory OF

Dorothy Semones

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Jo Ann Hall

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Dorothy Semones

Dorothy Semones

Margaret Cox

Frances Webb

GIVEN BY

Ed & Susan Naff

Steven & Jill Worrell

Steven & Jill Worrell

Bonnie Kimble

Ed & Susan Naff

Greg & Vickie Yonce

Betty Williams

Marcus & Lynn Ogle

Tracy Carico

Clyde & Charlotte Collins

Greg & Vickie Yonce

FUND

IN HONOR OF

Mark & Loretta Stout
(grandson of Frances Webb)

Greg & Vickie Yonce

Youth Ministry

Our 2024 Deacons are here to serve you! Take a look at the list to the right to see who your Deacon is this year (based on your last name). They have hearts for serving both the Lord and His people, and are available to minister to you when needed.

A—F

Danny Webb

G—M

Pat Sharp
(Treasurer)

**N—
SO**

Jim French

SP—Z

Dennis Felts

Special thank you from the **American Red Cross** to FBCH for the Blood Drive held in June. **American Red Cross** collected 27 pints of blood.

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held July 15 from 12-5pm in the Fellowship Hall of FBCH.



**American
Red Cross**

MINISTRY NEEDS



July 14th after worship service. Hotdogs will be provided, please bring your favorite covered dish or dessert. Music to follow.

For **VBS** we will be collecting items through July 14th. In the hallway there is a bulletin board with paper fish on it. If you'd like to collect or purchase items to help with VBS, please see the Fishing for Supplies board in the hallway across from the library.



July 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Crooked Oak Restaurant 10am Women's Bible Study	3	4 July 4th! Church office closed	5	6 9am God's Handy Helpers
7 9am Prayer meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Services 11:30am Deacons meet 6pm Fortify Youth\FCA Huddle	8 11am Fellowship meeting	9 10am Women's Bible Study	10	11	12	13
14 9am Prayer meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 11:30am Church Picnic 6pm Fortify Youth\FCA Huddle	15 12-5pmBlood Drive In FBCH Fellowship Hall 6pm-8:15pm VBS	16 10am Women's Bible Study	17	18	19	20
21 9am Prayer meeting 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 6pm Fortify Youth\FCA Huddle	22 6:30pm Missions & Outreach- meeting	23 10am Women's Bible Study 3pm Stewardship meeting 6:30pm Building & Grounds	24	25	26	27
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- 7/2 Men's Fellowship
Breakfast
- 7/4 July 4th
Church office closed
- 7/6 God's Handy Helpers
- 7/7 Deacons meet
- 7/11 Fellowship Committee
- 7/9 Sew Journers meet
- 7/14 Church Picnic
- 7/15 Blood Drive
VBS
- 7/22 Missions & Outreach
Meeting
- 7/23 Building & Grounds
- 7/23 Stewardship Meeting
- 7/28 Business Meeting