

*Be exalted, O God, above the highest heavens.
May your glory shine over all the earth.
Psalm 108:5*

JULY

2014

SERVING THIS MONTH

ELDERS

Allen Anderson, George Walden

ELDER ALTERNATES

Bill Faust, Todd Peak

DEACONS/USHERS

Bascom Brannon (D/U), Ed Redmond (D/U),
Jon Grunstra (D), Tony Legard (D)
*(An usher needs to be responsible for
locking foyer door after service starts.)*

JUNIOR DEACON

Jesse Smith

DEACONESSES/JR DEACONESSES

Jean Brannon, Dee Ross

*If you cannot serve during your scheduled
month, please contact another server
to see about switching with you.*

*If you know of a shut-in desiring
communion be taken to them, please
call Jean Brannon at 276-669-7311.*

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LADIES BARTER THEATRE OUTING

Saturday, September 13th

Ladies, start planning now to join us for the afternoon showing of "My Fair Lady." It will be great. We need a minimum of 15 ladies to meet the requirements for the group rate of \$34/person. In order for us to reserve a block of seats we MUST have your commitment and at least half the ticket cost (\$17) by July 25th. See Evelyn or Jen Redmond so we can put you on the list. Oh, and after the show we will go out to eat at the new Barter Café. What would a ladies outing be without food??? ☺

LADIES TUESDAY TIME-OUT

Tuesday, July 8th • 6:30 pm • Library

Ladies Time Out is around the corner. If you haven't had a chance to come yet, please join us as we study Psalm 119. We've been having a really good time around the scriptures.



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MANY THANKS

I would like to “echo” the words of Paul in Philippians 1:3 . . . “I thank my God upon every remembrance of you.”

Pastor and I remember with much thanks the very special Birthday Party you gave us. The ice creams were WONDERFUL, all the cards were BEAUTIFUL, and the fellowship of nearly 60 folks was SWEET (ice cream and cake...ha!). You made turning 66 not so bad after all. We both give thanks to the Lord for the blessings of those years.

I would like to add a thank you to EVERYONE who worked tirelessly for a successful VBS. Many days before, a team of people decorated the sanctuary and Bethany Hall for the theme of a spy agency for our Agency D-3 Bible School. The D-3 stands for Discover, Decide, Defend—the Bible verse was I Peter 3:15 :

Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

I will not even begin to name names but off the top of my head we had 30+ workers. Pastor and I honor and appreciate each one for everything that was done to make VBS a success.

I would be amiss to leave out giving thanks to the Lord. I Thesalonians 5:18 tells us, “In everything give thanks for this is the will of God.” At the top of the list would be God sending His son Jesus to save us from our sins; the list could go on from there—too lengthy for me to even begin.

Therefore, sometime soon after reading this Echo, get a pen and paper and list the many things that come to your mind for which you can give thanks with a grateful heart . . . give thanks to the Holy One.

Come join us for one of our favorite opportunities of the year to reach our community for Jesus . . .

Sonshine Kidfest

July 26 • Anderson Park • 12:00–3:00ish

See Back Page for Detailed Information



SUN., JULY 6TH • 6PM

FAMILIES W/CHILDREN CONNECT
+ KIDS CONNECT

Todd & Crystal's House
221 Haley Walk, Bristol, TN

SAT., JULY 12TH • 8:30AM

MEN'S CONNECT BREAKFAST

Church Library

SUN., JUNE 20TH • 6PM

CONNECT IN HARMONY

Fellowshipping while Jammin',
Singing, and Worshipping
at the church

KIDZ ZONE WORKERS FOR JULY

K-6 (AGES 6-10)

Week 1	Jessica Stacy
Week 2	Dottie Corey
Week 3	Connie Branson
Week 4	Tammy Henkel
Week 5	Family Worship Day

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FCC

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 7:00 – Midweek Services Adults / Children	3	4 	5
6 9:45 – Sunday School 10:50 – Worship Service 11:15 – Children's Church Family & Kids CONNECT 6:00 pm	7	8 6:30 – Ladies Time-Out Library	9 7:00 – Midweek Services Adults / Children	10	11  10:00 – Meals on Wheels	12 8:30 – Men's Breakfast
13 9:45 – Sunday School 10:50 – Worship Service 11:15 – Children's Church No evening services.	14 1:00-4:00 – Food Pantry No Board Meeting This Month	15	16 7:00 – Midweek Services Adults / Children	17	18	19
20 9:45 – Sunday School 10:50 – Worship Service 11:15 – Children's Church CONNECT in Harmony 6:00 pm	21  Margie Working	22 Margie on Vacation	23 7:00 – Midweek Services Adults / Children Margie on Vacation	24 Margie on Vacation	25 Margie on Vacation	26 Sonshine Kidfest 12:00 – 3:00
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Margie is in the church office from 8:30-12:30, Tuesday thru Thursday.

Please have items for August's newsletter to Margie, Pastor Herb, or Judy by July 21st.



Sonshine Kidfest



July 26, 2014 • Anderson Street Park • 12:00-3:00 pm

What is Sonshine Kidfest? It's a community outreach—held once a year—at Anderson Street Park. For several years now, we have partnered with Gracepoint Church (and other churches in the community) to put on this event which provides free school supplies for children, free haircuts and dental check-ups, games, face painting and other fun activities, along with bible stories and Christian music all day long, plus free food—and that's where we come in! Then, at the end of the day, prizes will be given away, along with invitations to accept Jesus. After all, it's all about serving HIM and showing HIM to the community!

We plan to serve 1000 hot dogs along with chips and drinks and need to be gathering our supplies right away. If you are able to donate any of the following items, please see RC Peters by Wed., July 16. (Donated items not received by this date will then need to be purchased.)

Hot Dogs & Buns

50 lbs of chili (Malcolm's)

2 lg bottles each of mustard & ketchup

10 lbs of onions

150-200 lbs of ice (to cool drinks)

Canopy Tents

Trucks to carry the supplies
to and from the church to the park

Cash donations will be
accepted to purchase supplies

It takes a lot of volunteers to make this event a success, so please make plans to help out. You will probably get hot, and you will work hard, but more than anything else—when the day is done—you will be blessed for the giving of yourself to others.

Please be praying for God's touch on this event because it's all about touching people's lives in the name of Jesus. If that means putting a hot dog in their hand from ours, then that's what we do!!!