



FBC eBlast

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Why is Ernest T. Bass a nut? For one thing, according to Barney Fife, he needs a “mother figure” (or, “mother figger,” as Ernest T. says). Barney may be on to something this time. With Mother’s Day still on our minds, we need to consider not only the honor due our mothers, but also to all those women who have served in that role for the children of others. There are women, called by God to be single, who have stepped up and been an irreplaceable, godly

influence in the lives of children in their extended families, churches, and communities. There are grandmothers raising their grandchildren, stepmothers loving and raising stepchildren, foster mothers, mothers who have adopted, and many others. We need to honor mothers, in May and through the year, but never in a way that diminishes the lives and roles of those called to be single, nor those who help serve in that role for young people who may or may not be genetically related, but need them just the same. Jesus said, “No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends (John 15:13, CSB). Godly mothers do that every day, and so do those who serve as “mother figgers” for young people who need them. Without them, there’d be a lot more nuts throwing rocks through windows.

Last Sunday we saw how Amos begins with a message from God about judgment on the nations—Israel’s neighbors. This Sunday, in Amos 2: 6 – 16, we’ll see the surprising conclusion of his first sermon, and what it means for us. Along with WBRY and the livestream on Facebook and YouTube, and you now have a third option—a livestream on the church website as well. For that option, go to fbcwoodbury.org, click on “Get Connected,” then click on “Livestream,” and when it appears, click the “Play” icon in the center. Have your Bible handy!

Bro. Dean

Luke 10:30-37

³⁵ The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.’

³⁶ “Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” Jesus asked.

Blessed To Be a Blessing

The Tennessee Baptist Foundation recently offered grants for churches to assist with ministry needs in their communities. We applied for a grant for the purpose of helping the School Food Service, which has provided meals to families with children through the school year and since school stopped as well. The TBF approved our proposal in the full amount of \$2,000, and we delivered it to the School Board this past Monday. The money will be used to pay off the significant cafeteria/food charges owed by many families when school ended, so they will no longer be burdened by those debts during a difficult time for many of them financially. We are grateful to be a small part of the blessing!



Target Date for Re-opening Sunday Morning Worship

The deacons and staff have set a target date of June 7 to open the doors for the Sunday morning service. That date is subject to change as we continue to prayerfully monitor developments. Several restrictions and precautions will be in place; we will have room for approximately 70 – 80 people in socially-distanced seating in the Sanctuary and before the screen in Madden Hall. There will be no Sunday School, nursery or childcare at that point, and those

who show any symptoms of Covid-19, or are in the groups considered most vulnerable to the effects, will be asked to continue participating at home through the livestream or radio broadcast. A full list of guidelines will be coming in the next few days, and we will update any changes in the target date. Sunday night and Wednesday night services and activities will resume at a later date.

Online Opportunities

New addition: in addition to the services and class/group meetings listed below, the Sunday School Class for Grades 7 – 12, taught by Jason Melton, is now meeting on Zoom as well. Contact Jason for info if you'd like to join!



Church-wide Bible Study & Prayer Meeting: 6:00 PM Wednesday, streamed live on Facebook and YouTube; posted later on the web site.

Sunday School: Rebecca Bucher, the *Lydia Class* posts a lesson at 9:30 AM on Sundays. On Facebook, search for FBC Woodbury Lydia Sunday School, and join the group. Bruce Haley, the *Faith Builders Class*, and Ann Haley, the *Esther Class* are both conducting class on Zoom. Contact them to join!

Bro. Tony: on Zoom-5:30 *Sunday Discipleship Class*, 6:00 *Wednesday High School Study*, and 7:30 *Sunday College Study*. Contact him to join!



Renovations in the Children's Department

While we've been unable to meet, work has continued on the complete renovation of the Children's Department—including new paint, furnishings, equipment, and soon-to-come murals on the walls.

We look forward to the day when the children and their workers can put it to use, and everyone can check it out!

Giving



Thank you for being faithful to the Lord and to the church while we are unable to meet in person!

Tithes and offerings may be mailed to the church, (PO Box 218; Woodbury 37190), or given online through our church website (fbcwoodbury.org).

Memory Verse

“It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes.”

—Psalm 119: 71



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missionaries

Thank you for faithfully giving to the Annie Armstrong Offering for our missionaries and mission work across the US and Canada!

To date we have received over \$3,195.

If you are led to give to the Annie Offering beyond your regular tithes and offerings, we will continue to receive it through May.



2020 Graduate Recognition

We will be recognizing those in the church family who have graduated from High School or college in the past year, hopefully in person soon after we resume meeting in person.

Please email, call, or otherwise notify us of anyone who should be included in that recognition!



The church office remains closed for visiting. Calls are forwarded and answered by Julie Matheny, Church Secretary, who is also picking up mail and coming in as needed. Feel free to call the church number during normal office hours (615-563-2474), or Bro. Dean anytime (615-653-0519)! Church email: fbcwbry@dtccom.net *Let us know of any needs we can meet in the church family or community.*



Be a Blessing!

The AOK Ministry is receiving linens to help Misty Stankoff start keeping house. If you can contribute kitchen and bath cloths, drying towels, bath towels, sheets (queen), throws, or quilts, new or gently used, contact Bro. Tony or Bro. Dean to arrange for pick-up or drop-off.



Awana will not resume until this Fall, with an awards ceremony in August. Please work with your child at home each week to complete their book. We are proud of all the work our clubbers have done so far this year. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Lydia Womack at 615-542-1331. *"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim 2:15 NKJV*

Reading & Praying through God's Word in 2020

May 14: OT—II Kings 19, 20, 21; NT—John 4: 1 - 30

May 15: OT—II Kings 22, 23; NT—John 4: 31 - 54

May 16: OT—II Kings 24, 25; NT—John 5: 1 - 24

May 17: OT—I Chron 1, 2, 3; NT—John 5: 25 - 47

May 18: OT—I Chron 4, 5, 6; NT—John 6: 1 - 21

May 19: OT—I Chron 7, 8, 9; NT—John 6: 22 - 44

May 20: OT—I Chron 10, 11, 12; NT—John 6: 45 - 71

May 21: OT—I Chron 13, 14, 15; NT—John 7: 1 - 27



At Mission Control, Bro. Wade Campbell prepares for the launch of another Wednesday livestream.



Prayer Guide Updates

--**Roy Parker** is now at Woodbury Health & Rehab, working toward walking again so that he can return home;

--**Bruce Haley**, recovering from surgery for kidney stones earlier this week;

--**Libby Sledge**, kidney stone;

--**Susan Davenport**, daughter-in-law of Shirley Reed, diagnosed with Flu-B;

--**Declan Sullivan**, eight-year-old friend of Ann Haley, undergoing treatment for leukemia.

Please help us keep the Prayer Guide updated – send anyone you would like to add, and notify us of anyone who can be removed. Thank you!

Prayer Guide

Church Family

Don, Dean Barker
Eleanor Bell
Wallace, Martha Burke
Patrick, Karie Cecil
Mark Davis
Mance Davis
Bruce Haley
Noah Herron
Drunell Higgins
Dana Matheny
Barbara Melton
Mary Alice Nixon
Edith Northcutt
Benton Parker
Roy & Shirley Parker
Allen Portwood
Libby Sledge
Misty Stankoff
Mamie Vance
Jonathan Walls
Betty Wilder

Friends & Family-submitted by the person listed

Ramona Atkins (Richie Hunter)
Jack Beard (Julie Powers)
Kim Blanton (Judy Holt)
James Boerner (Lou Goines)
Carl Brewer (Cynthia Brewer)
Kelly Collins (Dean Anderson)
Susan Davenport (Shirley Reed)
Augusta Donnell (Shirley Parker)
Ronnie Duke (Dean Anderson)
Jaden Elliott & family (Amy Matthews)
Katie Ferrell (Stacie Bryson)
Emily Crabtree Gannon (Pam Northcutt)
Skip Gaerte (Karie Cecil)
Garner family (Jamie Anderson)
Randy Greenwood (Richie Hunter)
Jonathan Hart (Jeanette Todd)
Melvin Haynes (Shirley Reed)
Bonnie Hill (Tony Burnett)
Stan Hollingsworth (Lou Goines)
Irene Jennings (Douglas Jennings)
Tom Klier (Pat Klier)
Bill Lamb, Chelsea (Marna Higgins)
Kelli Lamb (Will Farris)
Kerry Lowe (Richie Hunter)
Tina McGill (Anna Farris)
Don, Nancy Northcutt (Betty Smithson)
Mimi Pollock (Richie Hunter)
Mamie Powers (Matt Powers)

Bruce Rector (Bro. Dean)
Audrey Jo Reeder (Lydia Womack)
Kristy Ruehlen (Tony Burnett)
Paula Russell (Jamie Anderson)
Tamaria Russell (Euphemia McCurry)
Gerald Scroggins (Jason McGee)
Carl Smith (Doris Markum)
Pete Stankoff (Misty Stankoff)
Jeff Staples (Keith Fabri)
Don, Eunice Stevenson (Jeff Stevenson)
Carolyn Story (Wanda Walls)
Declan Sullivan & family (Ann Haley)
Jimmy Todd (Jeff Todd)
Katie Walling (Dot Elrod)
Chris Weaver (Amelia Weaver)
Jacque Zimmerman (Ann Haley)

Expectant Families: Cowan's, Coppingers, Froomes

New Arrivals: Grady Justin Weaver, 4/23/20

Nursing Homes/Assisted Living : Edith Northcutt,
Loretta Wilkinson

Missionaries: Buck/Annie Barton, Lee/Sophia Ford,
Marcus/Sara McBee, Al/Margaret Patterson,
Gavin/Laura Pinkston

Church Staff: Dean Anderson, Rhett Brewer, Tony
Burnett, Julie Matheny, Glenda Hunter

Military: Caleb Daniel, Brad Davis, Josh England, Chris
Gillis, Michael Hallman, Stephon Harris, Zachary Hyde,
Steven Pirtle, Justin Wax, Parker Woodworth

College Students: Melissa Burnett, Lytton Haley, Isaac
Haley, Jackson Mason, Laura Beth Nichols, Ashlyn
Nokes, Julianna Schau, Chandler Todd, Jacob Todd

Active Deacons: Jason McGee, Douglas Jennings, Matt
Powers, Darren Jessup, Jeff A. Todd, Jeff D. Todd,
Mark Matheny, Jeff Stevenson, Bob Walls

Church Matters: services to resume; Celebrate
Recovery; Bro. Tony & Student Ministry; Bruce
Marchiano & the Gospel of John film; IMB
Missionaries; Bethesda Baptist, Brockton, MA;
Generations