



Forerunner

First Baptist Church
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Galax, VA 24333

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CLASS OF

2021



**THOMAS
ALEXANDER
BRANNOCK**

**GALAX
HIGH SCHOOL**

Attending Middle Tennessee State University with plans to major in Aerospace / Pro Pilot Studies.

Parents:

Doug & Cheryl Brannock
Grandparents:
Larry & Doris Spangler



**KEMPER
MICHAEL
COLEMAN**

**GALAX
HIGH SCHOOL**

Will be attending Wytheville Community College with plans to become a welding instructor.

Parents:

Mike & Jealynn Coleman



**LEXI
QUINN
COOLEY**

**BEAUFORT
HIGH SCHOOL**

Will be attending Converse University with plans to major in Interior Design.

Parents:

Scott & Kelly Cooley
Grandparent:
Kathy Cooley



**GRAHAM
WILLIAM
PARKS**

**VIRGINIA
POLYTECHNIC
& STATE UNIV.**

Bachelor of Architecture Degree (Magna Cum Laude). Has accepted a position with Hutker Architects, Martha's Vineyard, MA.

Parents:

Marty & Cathy Parks



**ELIZABETH
ANN
SCHULTHEIS**

**HOME SCHOOL
GRADUATE**

Will be attending Radford University in the fall with plans to major in business.

Parents:

Dan & Julie Schultheis



**AUDREY
RACHEL
TURNER**

**GALAX
HIGH SCHOOL**

Attending the University of Mary Washington in the fall with plans to major in Environmental Science.

Parents:

Bart & Pam Turner



**EMILY
BROOKE
WILLIAMS**

**UNIVERSITY OF
PIKEVILLE
COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY**

She plans to return to Galax to practice at Blue Ridge Eye Care Associates.

Parents:

James & Karen Williams

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service
(Live on Facebook & 98.1 FM Radio)
6:00 pm—TruNorth (Youth Group)

Tuesdays

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

Wednesdays

6:30 pm—Prayer Group
Common Ground Room

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 02

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

June 06

6:00 pm—Baccalaureate Service

June 07

1:00 pm—Soup Kitchen

June 08

11:00 am—Women on Mission

June 16

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

June 17

11:30 am—Grief Support Group

June 20

Father's Day

June 30

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

June 23–27

Kentucky Mission—Youth Group



Minister to
Youth & Families

Happy June, FBC Family!

I know this is a very busy month for many of you, especially with the lifting of Covid restrictions, and I hope our schedule this month will provide some relief to that end. This month our KidzQuest children's ministry will continue as normal. Our youth ministry, however will be taking some days off. The Wednesday evening youth group will be taking a break for the summer and will launch again this fall with a new format.

Also, youth will not meet Sunday evening, June 6th, as we are hosting the Baccalaureate Service that evening and all youth are invited to attend.

June 20th we will not have youth in honor of Father's Day. I pray you have a wonderful family day with the men in your lives.

We will also not be having youth on the 27th as we will be returning from our Summer Youth Mission Trip planned for June 23-27 (grades 6-12). We will be traveling to Linefork, KY to the Sonshine Children's Center to serve and build relationships with the residents there. The cost for each child is \$125 and covers everything. You can get more information and the required forms by emailing me, sgoatley@fbcgalax.org or from the church office.

Speaking of building relationships, have you ever considered just how much power is carried in the words you speak over your children? Even the offhand snarky comment can have devastating consequences to a child that you never intended. Consider when you build your child up the most. Many times the best or worst words they hear from us are related to something they do. For instance, "You're such a great ball player or dancer! You're the best!" This can easily cause a child to find their value, or lack thereof in what they do rather than who they belong to, our Heavenly Father.

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Your child isn't wonderful simply because they can play ball or dance well, but because God lovingly created and entrusted them to you. The following is an excerpt from the article, ***"The Power of Life-Giving Words in Your Family."*** It is a wonderful article that can provide great insight in how to speak life to your child. If you would like to read the rest of the article, you can visit this link:

<https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/speak-life-giving-words/>

Blessings,
Pastor Steve

Would you rather hear the life-giving words *"that's great"* instead of *"that's dumb?"* What about the word *"yes"* instead of the word *"no?"* Or *"you're fun to be with"* rather than *"you're boring?"* Do you notice a difference in the momentum these words most likely create inside of you? Words can give, shift, and stop the momentum. The power of the tongue to speak life into our families is tremendous. Some words can give life, and some can be life-taking and potentially crushing in a child's mind.

In Genesis, we read about God bringing life through His loving, powerful, relational, and creative words. **God's Word is powerful** and full of love for us! In contrast, we also read about Satan bringing division, deception, and destruction through his words. Satan's words created a momentum of shame and blame as God's people grappled with the destructive deception and sin within their souls. Yet, God's Word brought the momentum of *love* and *life*.

The power of the tongue is incredible. Words can build, and they can destroy. Words carry meaning and momentum within a person and relationships. Speaking life-giving words can bring love, encourage, distract, bring truth, deceive, fill a room, help pass the time, connect, guide, divide, form perceptions, and impact our memories.

Continue reading this article at:
<https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/speak-life-giving-words/>



The Kingdom Kids Bus Ministry Team has been ministering to and serving an average of 50 children and youth during the Wednesday night meetings.

Children and youth have been learning about the life of Jesus; how to be faithful like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; and the obedience and faith of Gideon. Special guest, Officer John Reavis, from the Galax Police Department spoke to the group about safety in the community and making good choices. A Cinco de mayo celebration was held with special food, desserts, and music.

Here are a few quotes said by these precious children: *"I wish I could come to this church every day!"* *"I love your food here!"* *"I love coming to church!"* *"When I am an adult, I am going to come to this church."*



**GREETINGS
FROM OUR
HISPANIC
CONGREGATION!**

We have good news! Pastor Lino Rodriguez and his family are coming to Galax to minister to the Hispanic congregation on June 2nd, and we are praying that the Lord will use them for His glory in the Galax Hispanic community. We still looking for a house for them to rent in Galax, but we know the Lord is in control.

On Mother's Day we had our first time of fellowship since the pandemic began and it was a wonderful time!

We are thankful because the Lord has been faithful to us thus far and we know He will be in the days to come as well. Please keep praying for the Hispanic ministry.

God bless you all,
Daniel Sanchez



A WORD FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

*"Now to the King eternal, immortal,
invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory for ever and ever.
Amen."*

1 Timothy 1:17 NIV

June...what a beautiful time of year! We see the renewal of life everywhere - beautiful blossoms and landscaping all around us and many of our young people graduating and beginning a new chapter of life. We celebrate their many achievements!

With this in mind, I enjoyed reading Robert J. Morgan's **THEN SINGS MY SOUL** (2011 edition, pg. 427). He tells the story of **"Lead On, O King Eternal,"** a "regal prayer that has been sung at graduations around the world every year since 1887 when Ernest wrote it for his own graduation [from seminary]." He "envisioned his fellow seminarians marching for their diplomas singing a great prayer for God's guidance on the rest of life." Very appropriate, don't you think? He went on to be an ordained minister and work tirelessly, "his life the embodiment of his hymn; yet nothing he did was as enduring to history as that hymn."

Now for the tune **LANCASHIRE...** Henry Smart planned to study law, but "he was unable to get music out of his heart, [so] he switched professions and became a self-taught organist and composer." "...Unfortunately he worked so hard at his music that he damaged his eyesight beyond repair." Eventually he went completely blind.

*Lead on, O King eternal, the day of
march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy
tents shall be our home.
Thro' days of preparation Thy grace
has made us strong,
And now, O King eternal, we lift our
battle song.*

*Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's
fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper the sweet
Amen of peace.*

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*For not with swords loud clashing,
nor roll of stirring drums,
With deeds of love and mercy the
heav'nly kingdom comes.*

*Lead on, O King eternal, we follow
not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us, we
journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest: Lead
on, O God of might.*

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... to David Banks on the death of his father, **Warren Bolt**, who passed away on Sunday, May 9, 2021.



MARSHALL BOWEN LEONARD

We extend our congratulations to Robert and Barbara Leonard on the birth of their grandson, **Marshall Bowen Leonard**, born May 17, 2021, weighing 8 lbs., 9 oz. Proud parents are Dr. Anthony and Emily Leonard.



All the ladies are cordially invited to join us during our next regular meeting at 11 AM Tuesday, June 8th, in the Common Ground Classroom. We have a wonderful time of fellowship and learning about missions and what can do to support our community.



The 2021 Baby Bottle Campaign

ends on Father's Day, June 20. The bottles will be due back on this day. These will then be delivered to the Tri-Area Pregnancy Resource Center. This is a local missional effort and your participation is appreciated. Baby bottle return box will be located at the church office. Thank you for your support for this amazing resource that is for our community.

Wednesday Night Prayer Group: Summer Schedule 6:30 PM

During the summer months, beginning June 2nd, our Prayer Group will meet in the Common Ground Classroom at 6:30 pm on Wednesday evenings under the leadership of Sam Blair. Everyone is invited to attend this wonderful time of fellowship and prayer.



First Impressions Team



June 06 Johnny & Karen Dickson
June 13 Tony & Sonia Truitt
June 20 Phil & Gay Helms
June 27 Marty & Cathy Parks



Security Team Schedule

June 06 John Patterson / Paul Walker
June 13 Terry Anders / Basil Carpenter
June 20 Scott Hall / Gerald Cox
June 27 Jack Bryant / Royce Easter

CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	05/02/2021	05/09/2021
Evening Attendance	97	31
Sunday School	115	108
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	129	128
Hispanic Worship Service	31	28
Total Worship Attendance	160	156

BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,384.04	\$ 9,384.04
BUDGET RECEIVED	14,326.57	9,911.13
REQUIRED TO DATE	168,912.72	178,296.76
RECEIVED TO DATE	175,951.03	185,862.16
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	5,850.57	1,821.91
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 20,177.14	\$ 11,733.04

% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	104%	104%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	153%	106%

Facebook Views

11:00 A.M. Worship Service	397	253
Bible Study/Prayer Mtg/Other	178	143

	05/16/2021	05/23/2021
Evening Attendance	112	-
Sunday School	106	116
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	101	119
Hispanic Worship Service	41	42
Total Worship Attendance	142	161

BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,384.04	\$ 9,384.04
BUDGET RECEIVED	7,201.05	6,051.29
REQUIRED TO DATE	187,680.80	197,064.84
RECEIVED TO DATE	193,063.21	199,114.50
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	558.02	10,634.87
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 7,759.07	\$ 16,686.16

% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	103%	101%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	77%	64%

Facebook Views

11:00 A.M. Worship Service	305	237
Bible Study/Prayer Mtg/Other	114	-



Monday - Thursday

8:30 to 5:00

Friday

8:30 to 12:00

CHURCH STAFF

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We Believe In The Power Of Prayer



Judie Gauvreau; David Roberson; Bill Cox, stroke; Crystal Anderson, heart attack; Mildred Grubb; Judy Liddle (Jealynn Coleman's aunt); Susan Rorrer (Megan Chilton's Mother); Shirley Melton; Mac Higgins, Titus & Catherine Lane; Steve & Larkin Conley; Nick Marquina, seizures; Max Brown, leukemia (Martha Dozier's great-grandson); Sharon Garrett, cancer; Joe Soles, cancer; Our Preschool Department; Dr. Bill Eddings; Everett Bryant; Judy Hennis; Miles Compton, lung cancer; Hilda Hodges; Cami Gathercole & her daughter (Cami is daughter of Joe & Barbara Sizemore); Stanley Armstrong, cancer; Johnny Hodges, cancer (Hilda Hodges' brother); Chad Trent, cancer (Linda Riddle's nephew); Barbara Baxley; Laila Cox; Alice Hasbrouck (Susan Honaker's sister); Kim Kinser, cancer (Mary Dotson's daughter); Mike McMillan; Juan Rios; Geraldine McMillan (Rhonda McMillan's mother); Fran Halsey; K.T. Carico; Betty Walker, Stage IV cancer (Penny Adams' sister); Stanley Meador (Marie Combs' son); Nell Bartlett; Judy Fayne, cancer (Eugene Fayne's daughter); John & Debby Stringer; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Our Country; The Unemployed; USA Military and other coalition forces

NURSING HOMES: Hillsville Health & Rehab - Martha Combs, Rm 203 (Dennis Combs' Mother); **Waddell Nursing Home** - Glennis Morris, Rm 118

Dad's Hands

By Mary Fairchild



Dad's hands were king-size and strong. With his hands, he built our home and fixed all the broken things. Dad's hands gave generously, served humbly, and loved mom tenderly, unselfishly, completely, unendingly. With his hands, Dad held me when I was small,

steadied me when I stumbled, and guided me in the right direction.

When I needed help, I could always count on Dad's hands. Sometimes Dad's hands corrected me, disciplined me, shielded me, rescued me. Dad's hands protected me. Dad's hand held mine when he walked me down the aisle. His hand gave me to my forever love, who, not surprisingly, is very much like Dad. Dad's hands were the instruments of his great big, rugged-tender heart. Dad's hands were strength.

Dad's hands were love. With his hands he praised God. And he prayed to the Father with those big hands. Dad's hands. They were like Jesus' hands to me.

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June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<i>2</i> 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Prayer Group: Common Ground Room	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:00pm-Baccalaureate	<i>7</i> 1:00pm-Soup Kitchen	<i>8</i> 10:00am-Staff Meeting 11:00am-Women on Mission	<i>9</i> 2:00pm-Lions Club Mtg 6:30pm-Prayer Group: Common Ground Room	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service: 6:00pm-TruNorth	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<i>16</i> 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Prayer Group: Common Ground Room	<i>17</i> 11:30am-Grief Support Group	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service <i>Father's Day</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<i>23</i> 6:30pm-Prayer Group: Common Ground Room	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>
<div>Kentucky Mission—Youth Group June 23-27</div>						
<i>27</i> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<i>30</i> 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Prayer Group: Common Ground Room			



June 2

Julie Schultheis

June 3

Kimberly Leming

June 4

Beulah Harris

June 5

Steve Conley

Bobbi Sizemore

June 6

Isai Perez, Sr.

June 13

Marian Porter

June 15

Virginia Newman

Lib Russell

June 16

Marcus Blevins

David McPherson

June 20

Patty Davis

Amanda Montoya

June 22

Horacio Acencio

June 24

Mimi Banks

Moises Gonzalez

Juana Ibarra

June 27

Elijah Rosenfeld

Tom Whittle

June 28

Nancy Blair

June 29

Julia Blevins