



Forerunner

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Oh give thanks unto the Lord;
FOR HE IS GOOD;
for his mercy endureth
FOR EVER.
1 Chronicles 16:34



I am good and My mercy is everlasting

1 Chronicles 16:34

***Oh give thanks to Yahweh, for he is
good, for his loving kindness
endures forever.***

In the garden of Eden, when Satan tempted Adam and Eve, he was primarily questioning the goodness of God. “Did God really say...” He tried to portray a view of God that was skewed and distorted...That God was insecure and didn’t want the best for Adam and Eve. That God wasn’t good.

The enemy’s tactics are the same today as they were back then. He continues to question the goodness of God at every turn.



Sundays

9:30 am—Sunday School
(Classes for all ages)
11:00 am—Worship Service
(Live on FBC Website & 98.1 FM Radio)
TruNorth Youth & Kids Explorers -
Summer Break—Please see the
Special activities that are scheduled.

Mondays

Bible Study will resume in the Fall 2022.

Wednesdays

(No Devotions for the month of August)
6:30 pm—Prayer Group
6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal



August 3—Kingdom Kids @ 5:30 pm

August 5—Back to School Lock-In at
Power Up Fitness Center @ 7:00 pm

August 6 Mission Yard Sale 6 am—5 pm

August 7—Quarterly Business Meeting
After Worship Service

August 8—13—Good Samaritan Booth
@ the 86th Annual Fiddlers’ Convention

August 9—Women on Mission @ 11:00

August 9—Staff Meeting @ 1:00 pm

August 15—Soup Kitchen
Please have desserts & bread to the
church by 1:00 pm

August 17—Kingdom Kids @ 5:30 pm

August 18 —Loss Support Group 11:30

August 31—Kingdom Kids @ 5:30 pm



My encouragement to you is to simply believe the truth about God and make a declaration to the heavens that He is really good and His love endures forever!

The love that God has for us will not change today, tomorrow or in eternity. It will endure forever! The very foundation of our God and Father’s heart is goodness and love. No matter what happens in life, I would encourage you to not side with the accuser and question your Father’s goodness.

**Romans 8:28
And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.**

In the midst of any storm that you are going through, His love will cause even the worst situation to turn for good. May faith rise up in our hearts to know this on a level that is deeper than we have ever know it before and declare that the Lord is good and His mercy endures forever.

In Christ’s Love—Kevin



**“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”
Ephesians 6:10-11 NIV**

The beginning of the new school year is just around the corner. Store shelves are already stocked, and everywhere we turn, we see people buying school supplies, new clothes, and all of the accessories needed to make the start of the school year successful. In these next weeks, let us be mindful as we go about this business of “getting ready” that we don’t forget to *“put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with prayer.”*

Wouldn’t we see great things take place if we all did that?
- Wendi

*Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
Ye soldiers of the cross;
Lift high His royal banner,
It must not suffer loss:
From vict’ry unto vict’ry
His army shall He lead,
Till every foe is vanquished,
And Christ is Lord indeed.*

*Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own:
Put on the gospel armor,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls, or danger,
Be never wanting there.*

*Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
The strife will not be long;
This day, the noise of battle,
The next the victor’s song:
To him who overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He, with the King of glory,
Shall reign eternally.*

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July was packed with fun filled events for our kids and youth. You may be asking, “What’s up with all this youth stuff?” As you know, our youth are the future of the Church. However, youth are more than the church of tomorrow, they are also the church of today. God is calling us to include young people in the church today! We must strive to grow our youth by offering youth meetings and exciting activities to keep them involved and coming back! Christian fellowship builds God’s Kingdom and by teaching young people to grow in their relationship with the Lord this prepares them to serve Christ in all they do!

**Proverbs 22:6
Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.**

**Friday, August 5th
Back to School Bash Lock-In
@ Power Up Fitness Center
The youth will meet at
Power-Up at 7:00 pm &
spend the night & are to be
picked up by 8:00 am on
Saturday morning.**



JONAH HAD DISOBEYED HIS CALLING TO GO TO NINEVEH AND PREACH. HIS STORY SHOWS US HOW EVEN OUR DISOBEDIENCE IMPACTS OTHERS AND HOW GOD CAN USE IT. HE CAN USE THE ADVERSITY AND THE BAD OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR US, IN HIS FAVOR.

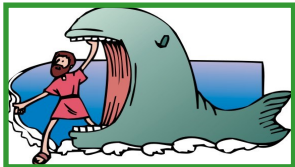
JONAH 1:15 AND THEY TOOK JONAH, AND THREW HIM INTO THE SEA; AND THE SEA WAS STILL FROM HIS FURY. JONAH 1:16 AND THOSE MEN FEARED THE LORD WITH GREAT FEAR, AND OFFERED SACRIFICE TO THE LORD, AND MADE VOWS.

OBSERVE HOW JONAH’S DISOBEDIENCE HAD AN IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF OTHERS AND HOW GOD USES IT IN HIS FAVOR.

VERSE 16 SAYS “.... THEY OFFERED SACRIFICE TO JEHOVAH AND MADE VOWS.” GOD CAN WORK EVEN IN THE MIDST OF DISOBEDIENCE. GOD CAN USE OUR MISTAKES SO THAT OTHERS KNOW HIM. THOSE PAGAN SAILORS PRAYED AND PROMISED TO SERVE GOD.

EVEN AS BELIEVERS WE DON’T OBEY GOD PERFECTLY, YET HE REMAINS COMMITTED TO FINISHING THE WORK HE STARTED IN US THROUGH OUR FAITH IN CHRIST.

**BLESSINGS,
PASTOR LINO**



The Women on Mission’s project for August will be collecting school supplies to help fill shoeboxes in November for the Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child. A box is available near the church office door for collection for these supplies.

- Supplies Include:***
- ***#2 pencils/pens***
 - ***Notebooks***
 - ***Crayons***
 - ***Colored Pencils***
 - ***Note Index Cards***
 - ***Solar Calculators***
 - ***Chalk***
 - ***Glue Sticks***
 - ***Small Adhesive Tape***
 - ***Markers***
 - ***Pencil Case***
 - ***Erasers***
 - ***Pencil Sharpener***

Come join us at 11:00 am on Tuesday, August 9th, for our monthly meeting in the Common Ground Room. We have a wonderful time of fellowship and learning about missions and what we can do to support our community.

-Chrissy



During the month of July, the youth of Kingdom Kids ministry learned more about love and trust. We trust in the name of the Lord our God, Psalm 20:7. Every day each of us trusts in someone or something. Did you trust your alarm clock this morning? Did you trust your phone to alert you of a notification? When you are on the beach, you trust that the ocean will not sweep over the land. Who holds the ocean in its place? God placed the sand as the boundary for the sea, a perpetual barrier that it cannot pass; though the waves toss, they cannot prevail; though they roar, they cannot pass over it, Jeremiah 5:22. How much more we all should trust in God! God made us in His image, Genesis 1:27. He made us and knows everything about us. God knew each of us in the womb! Jeremiah 1:5. Trust in God with all your heart, Proverbs 3:5. The Lord will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right, Psalm 84:11. God knows the plans He has for you. God’s plans are to give you a future and a hope, Jeremiah 29:11 and we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose, Romans 8:28. With God’s power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine, Ephesians 3:20. With all these promises and many more in the Bible, why would anyone trust in themselves, or in money, or in anything or anyone else? Trust only in the Almighty God who showed how much He loved us by sending His only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through Him. This is real love. It is not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His son as a sacrifice to take away our sins, 1 John 4:9-10. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love, 1 John 4:8. Kingdom Kids ministry ended the month of July with a night of food, fellowship, soccer, and a visit from the ice cream lady, Mrs. Liddle!

-Penny Adams & Jealynn Coleman

July 2022
Attendance Records

	<u>07/03/2022</u>
Evening Attendance	51
Sunday School	89
11:00 am Worship	165
Hispanic Worship	47
Total Attendance	352

	<u>07/10/2022</u>
Evening Attendance	23
Sunday School	88
11:00 am Worship	156
Hispanic Worship	47
Total Attendance	314

	<u>07/17/2022</u>
Evening Attendance	52
Sunday School	80
11:00 am Worship	141
Hispanic Worship	49
Total Attendance	322

	<u>07/24/2022</u>
Evening Attendance	0
Sunday School	83
11:00 am Worship	164
Hispanic Worship	45
Total Attendance	292

	<u>07/31/2022</u>
Evening Attendance	0
Sunday School	66
11:00 am Worship	128
Hispanic Worship	52
Total Attendance	246



Royce Easter, Juan & Beverly Rios, Wanda Harris, Imogene Frye, Benny & Shirley White, Ashley Wyatt, Bill & Elaine Widner, Chuck Thompson, Tracy Hasbrouck, Joyce Fender, Bill Cox, Bill Dunn, Steve & Larkin Conley, Audrey Merrill, Doris Bedwell, Ava Rhodes, Tammy Mashburn, Sam & Nancy Blair, Betty Parks, Donald & Katherine Martin, Denton Taylor and Tony & Ginny Mays.

Martha Combs—Hillsville Health & Rehab—Room 116
Glenn Morris-Waddell Nursing & Rehab- Room 118B,
Charles Larowe—Waddell Nursing & Rehab—Room 217
Nancy McKenzie-Hillsville Health & Rehab—Room 116.
Praise Report: Gwendolyn Seay is home.

Pray for our Country & the US Military & other coalition forces.

Condolences to Ruth Hall & Family for the passing of her brother, Wade Neugent, Jr., on July 3, 2022.
Condolences to Sam & Linda Bartlett & Family for the passing of Sam's mother, Mrs. Nellie Rutherford Bartlett on July 7, 2022.

In Loving Memory

James & Linda Riddle—Flower Fund
In Memory of Lowell Gardner Brannon

James & Dianne Marshall—Fran Creggar Fund
In Memory of Lowell Gardner Brannon

Billy & Goldie Sizemore—Fran Creggar Fund
In Memory of Lowell Gardner Brannon

Bill & Bobbie Brannon—Fran Creggar Fund
In Memory of Lowell Gardner Brannon

Frank & Jackie Ceary—Fran Creggar Fund
In Memory of Lowell Gardner Brannon

CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Kevin Rosenfeld.....Senior Pastor

Mrs. Wendi Pemberton.....Minister of Music

Ms. Barbara Bourne.....Administrative Secretary
Mrs. Marie Combs..... Financial Secretary
Mrs. Nancy Hazelwood..... Organist
Mrs. Patty Davis..... Pianist
Mrs. Marian Porter..... Weekday Preschool Director
Mrs. Sara Hall..... Preschool/Extended Session
Mr. Kevin Spurlin..... Sunday School Director
Mrs. Penny Adams..... Bus Ministry Director
Mrs. Martha Easter, RN..... Volunteer Health Nurse
Rod Hale..... Sexton

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Monday—Friday 8:30—5:00 Friday—8:30—1:00

AUGUST TEAM VOLUNTEERS

NURSERY

August 7 To Be Determined
August 14 Jay & Jennifer Newman
August 21 Erica Testerman
August 28 Sara Hall

SECURITY TEAM

August 7 Terry Anders & Phil Helms
August 14 Dick Cooley & Scott Hall
August 21 Basil Carpenter & Jack Edwards
August 28 John Patterson & Johnny Dickson

WELCOME CENTER

August 7 Linda Cooley
August 14 Cindy Fitzgerald
August 21 Patricia Edwards
August 28 Sarah Keatley

TECH SOUND

August 7 Trevor Anders
August 14 Mike Stevens
August 21 Gary Ballard
August 28 Bryan Dillon



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Cathy & Marty Parks
Dick & Linda Cooley
Phil & Gay Helms
Basil & Nancy Carpenter

TECH PROJECTION

Jessica Whitaker
Trevor Anders
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Trevor Anders

AUGUST

Pastor Kevin's Sermon Series

August 7—"Servant"

James 1

Communion Sunday

August 14

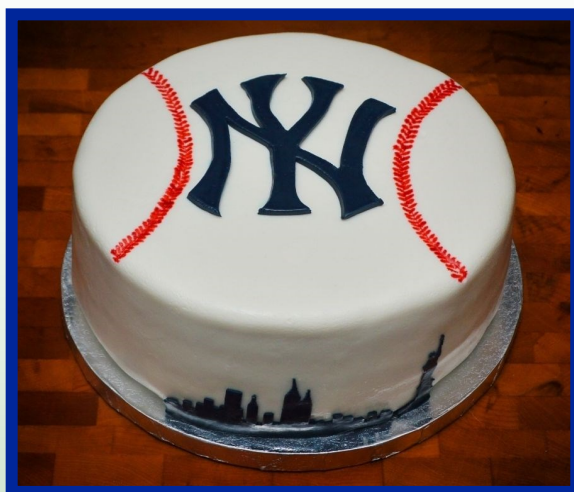
Guest Speaker—Mr. Jeff Combs

August 21—"Trials and Temptations"

James 1

August 28—"Judgment"

James 2



Happy Birthday Pastor Kevin

FUN FILLED YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN JULY

- ♦ Vacation Bible School Celebration
- ♦ God's Pit Crew Children's Play Pail Project
- ♦ River Turtles Baseball Game @ Calfee Park
 - ♦ Kayak Float Down the New River
- ♦ Game Time at Crossroads Social House





**Kayak Float Down the New River &
Youth Game Time at Crossroads Social House in Wytheville**



**Pastor Kevin Cooking Wings with his “Special Sauces”
For the God’s Storehouse Fund Raiser at
Smoke on the Mountain
\$2,300 was raised for this great
feeding the hungry ministry!
“It’s going to be even bigger next year!”**





**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6
6 AM—5 PM**

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**Money raised will be used for the
Macha Mission
to support villagers in Zambia
with hospital needs, educational needs,
and the mother shelter**

**Please bring any donations to the church
and come shop on the 6th!**

Your support is very much appreciated!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH PRESCHOOL PROGRAM AND THE FRAN CREGGAR FUND



The FBC Weekday Preschool Program is an outreach ministry for children in our community. The preschool offers a developmental program with activities planned so the children are provided hands-on, concrete learning experiences; whereby they play, work and are taught through the five senses, according to their own unique abilities, to help them develop spiritually, physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially.

Various resource materials are used to plan activities in the different learning centers: art, blocks, books, puzzles, nature, home living and music.

We strive to teach and model Christian principals and the instruction of God's Word through Bible stories, songs and verses.

The children look forward to chapel each week, led by Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld. Parents are invited to be actively involved in their children's preschool learning experience as well as special events.

Resource people are invited to visit the classrooms to share their occupations with the children.

Examples of the 2022 special visits included a visit from the Galax Fire Department Firefighters during Fire Prevention Week, Farmer Minor & Daisy the Pig, Mark Clampett from the Sioux Tribe, Dr. Author Pemberton, Joshua Rosenfeld & Crust the Pet Turkey, Debbie & Jacob Edwards with the baby lamb & the kid goat from the farm, Kevin Hall, Galax City Police Crime Prevention Officer, and Forest Ranger, Drew Davis. Parents are invited to an annual Christmas program presented by the children and at the end of the school year, parents of graduating four year old children are invited to the Graduation Commencement.

For some children FBC Preschool is the only place they hear Bible stories and songs and learn that God loves them and made them special.

Sharing what they have learned, children can often lead family members to know Christ.

The preschool is open September through May for two, three, and four year old children. Please contact Marian Porter or the church office for more details and to register your child.

The FRAN CREGGAR FUND is a fund that was established in memory of Fran Cregar.



Mrs. Cregar was a Galax resident that passed away on May, 19, 1990.

This fund makes it possible for children to obtain financial assistance to attend the preschool program. Some children would not be able to attend without your help!

Contributions may be made to the Fran Cregar Fund, and you can make a contribution in honor or memory of a loved one.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNEDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<u>1</u> <i>Elesha Robinson</i>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> <i>Sara Hall</i> <i>Marlen Robles</i> <i>Pastor Kevin Rosenfeld</i>	<u>5</u> <i>Marie Combs</i> <i>Joe Soles</i>	<u>6</u>
<u>7</u> <i>Ann Carol Roberts</i>	<u>8</u> <i>Bruno Zatarian</i>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> <i>Johnny Dickson</i>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> <i>Dick Adams, Sr.</i>	<u>13</u> <i>Arthur Pemberton</i> <i>Ana Zatarain</i>
<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> <i>Travis Robinson</i>	<u>16</u> <i>Juanita Jones</i>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> <i>Mike Coomes</i> <i>Kayleigh Robinson</i>
<u>21</u> <i>James Deboe</i>	<u>22</u> <i>Joseph Adams</i>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> <i>Larkin Conley</i>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> <i>Debbie Harris</i>
<u>28</u> <i>Benita Bryant</i>	<u>29</u> <i>Debbie Lineberry</i>	<u>30</u> <i>Cobey Adams</i> <i>Kathy Cox</i>	<u>31</u> <i>William Bowles</i>			

<div>  <div> AUGUST 2022 SERVICES & ACTIVITIES </div> </div>						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u> 6:30 Choir Rehearsal Prayer Group 5:30 Kingdom Kids	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> 7:00 pm Youth Back to School Lock-In at Power Up Fitness Center in Galax. Spend the night!	<u>6</u> 8:00 am Pick-up from Power Up Fitness Center 6 am - 5 pm Yard Sale for Macha Mission Trip
<u>7</u> 9:30 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship & Communion Quarterly Business Meeting After Worship	<u>8</u> Good Samaritan Booth @ the 86 Annual Fiddlers’ Convention 8th—13th	<u>9</u> 11:00 am Women on Mission 1:00 pm Staff Meeting Good Samaritan Booth @ the Fiddler’s	<u>10</u> 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Prayer Group Good Samaritan Booth @ the Fiddler’s	<u>11</u> Good Samaritan Booth @ the Fiddler’s	<u>12</u> Good Samaritan Booth @ the Fiddler’s	<u>13</u> Good Samaritan Booth @ the Fiddler’s
<u>14</u> 9:30 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	<u>15</u> Soup Kitchen Please have rolls & desserts to the church by 1:00 pm	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Prayer Group 5:30 Kingdom Kids	<u>18</u> 11:30 am Loss Support Group	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>21</u> 9:30 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Prayer Group	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> Fellowship Hall Reserved
28 9:30 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> Preschool Teacher Work Day	<u>31</u> 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal Prayer Group 5:30 pm Kingdom Kids			



**Monday
August 15**

**Please have bread &
desserts to the church
by 1:00 pm**

**FBC GOOD SAMARITAN BOOTH
86TH ANNUAL
FIDDLERS' CONVENTION
AUGUST 8TH-13TH**



**Sign-Up Sheet is outside the
Church Office or see Gerald Cox**



August 9

@ 11:00 am

**See Chrissy Sumner
For More Information**



**Loss Support Group
August 18**

@ 11:30 am

**See Debbie Adams
For More Information**



**NO Devotion for the month of August
Choir Rehearsal & Prayer Team
6:30 PM**



**YARD SALE FOR MISSIONS
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6
6:00 AM—5:00 PM
@ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Donations needed & come shop!**



**August
3rd-17th-31st
@ 5:30 pm**

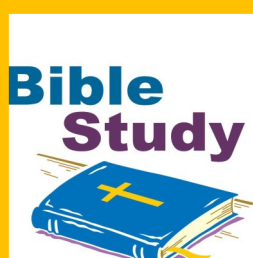


**NO Tru-North Or Kids Explorers
Sunday Evening Meetings
During the Month of August**

**Friday, August 5th @ 7:00 pm
Back to School Lock-In
At Power Up Fitness Center in Galax
Pick Up By 8:00 am
On Saturday Morning, August 6th**



**SUMMER
BREAK
No Paper Pals
June/July/ August**



**SUMMER
BREAK
No Bible Study
June/July/August**