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First Southern Baptist Church  
215 E. Ettels Lane  
Clarksville IN 47129

IN GOD WE TRUST

**Christian Love & Sympathy**

is expressed to Jana, Jeff & Justin Hennis & family in the loss of their dad & grandfather, Forrest Foley.

**Thank you!**

The family of George Coleman gratefully acknowledges and appreciates your kind expressions of sympathy. Our church family has always meant so much to us, but never more than they have in the past few weeks. Thank you for your prayers and continued love and support.

Wanda Coleman & family

Thank you for the cards, prayers, calls & visits during my recent surgery.

Pat Morgan

**Check it out!**

Turn a winter evening at home into a family movie night with a movie from the church library.

**Offering Information**

Budget Needed: \$ 10,636.21  
Offering Received: \$ 9,229.64  
Designated Other: \$ 25.00  
Designated V2V: \$ 70.00  
**Total: \$ 9,324.64**

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	110	AM	171
Youth	21	PM	58
Children	20		
Preschool	18	Discipleship Training	12
<b>Total:</b>	<b>169</b>	Graded Choirs	25
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>37</b>

**Church Staff**

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*Worshiping, witnessing, growing,  
serving...in the name of Jesus  
Christ and for His glory.*

**The Communicator**

of

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**Calendar of Events**

**Sunday, March 3**

Sunday School Workers Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM  
Deacon's Meeting - 7:25 PM

**Sunday, March 10**

Daylight Savings Time Begins

**Sunday, March 10 - Sunday, March 17**

Week of Prayer for North American Missions  
Annie Armstrong Offering - Our goal: \$7,500.00

**Friday & Saturday, March 15 & 16**

GMAA Conference (Youth)

**Sunday, March 17**

Business Meeting - 7:00 PM

**Friday, March 29**

Good Friday Service

**Saturday, March 30**

Children's Easter Event - 10:00 AM

**Sunday, March 31**

Easter Sunday

No Evening Services or activities

**Sunday, April 7**

Sunday School Workers Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM  
Lord's Supper - AM Service  
Graded Choir Cast Rehearsal - 4:00 PM  
Deacon's Meeting - 7:25 PM

## Pastor's Paragraphs

It may not feel like it today, but Spring is on the way. The daffodils and crocuses are pushing their way up through the ground, a simple reminder that warmer days are coming. This is what happens when you plant seeds (or bulbs). There are also seasons of renewal that come to us in our Christian lives and in the life of our church. Spiritual seeds sown will sprout in God's time and through his spirit.

What kinds of seeds are you sowing? Peter talks about how we are born again, not of "corruptible seed," but of "incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever" (1 Pet. 1:23). If we are busy sowing the word of God into our own lives through reading, hearing, studying, memorizing, meditating, and applying the Bible, and sowing it into the lives of others through witnessing and telling the story, we can expect a harvest. Keep sowing; keep watering; keep praying, serving, witnessing, and living for Jesus, and watch and wait for the seed to sprout.

Here are some seeds we are sowing that need the water of prayer. We are looking to partner with IMB missionaries in Mexico to help start churches in an unevangelized region. We are working on new beginnings for the La Respuesta mission here in Clarksville. We are having a spiritual gift emphasis and ministry fair to help direct church members to their place of ministry. Our Sunday school is doing a great job of follow up with the weekly visitors that come to our church. VBS preparations are being made. We are talking and praying about a "servanthood evangelism" focus.

Did you know that there are over 8,000 people within a one mile radius of our church? Stretch the line to two miles and there are 25,000. How many of them know Christ? What do these facts say to us about God's mission for our church?

See you Sunday, *Bro. Ryss*

## The Upcoming Week

### Sunday, March 3

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting  
Sunday School Workers mtg in FLC
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Preschool & Children's Choirs  
Discipleship Training for Adults & Youth
- 6:15 PM Worship Service
- 7:25PM Deacon's meeting

### Wednesday, March 6

- 5:00 PM Youth Choir
- 5:45 PM Meal: Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad
- 6:30 PM Mission Friends, GA's, RA's  
Youth Bible Study  
Adult Prayer/Bible Study  
Worship Choir Rehearsal
- 7:40 PM Handbell Team Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 7

- 8:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's

### Saturday, March 9

- 8:00 AM Men's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

### Sunday, March 10-Daylight Savings time begins

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Preschool & Children's Choirs  
Discipleship Training for Adults & Youth
- 6:15 PM Worship Service



### Mark Your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School - June 23-27, 2013  
Family Fun Night - June 28, 2013

## A Word from Keith

When it comes to music I think most of us have songs that we like to sing or hear but then there are those songs that are really are our favorites. Music is a powerful tool that impacts people's lives. It's amazing sometimes when I will hear an old song and it sparks a memory from my childhood or takes me to a certain time in the past. I am thankful for the impact that Christian music has had on my life and one of my favorite songs is one we sang in the Sunday night service, "In Christ Alone." I wish there was time and space to talk about all of the words but I will list a few below. The message is incredible and I hope you take time to read it and are encouraged. May it remind us of placing our hope in Jesus Christ and of our debt that was paid at such a high price.

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the World by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## Center for Lay Ministries

The Center for Lay Ministries has been in existence for over forty years. Its mission is "to serve with love and kindness, the basic needs of people in Clark County". The programs and services include: In House food Pantry - the pantry gives to those in need once a month and clients can receive emergency food four times a year from Dare to Care resources. Clients must show a photo ID and proof of address.

The food delivery program gives food to any low-income person over the age of 60 or any age individual that is disabled or has limited or no transportation and is a resident of Clark County.

CLM also provides limited emergency financial assistance for utility bills, rent, prescriptions, and other miscellaneous items on an individual basis.

There were 17,047 individuals served in 2012, which was 14% more than the previous year. 21% of those served were over age 60.

CLM is supported by contributions from churches, businesses, and individuals in our community, from grants, fundraisers, etc. It is also a member agency of Metro United Way. There are only two paid staff positions - the work is done by volunteers. CLM is a 501C organization and is eligible to receive contributions deductible as charitable donations for federal income tax purposes.

Our church has a box in the coat room where we collect non-perishable food on an on-going basis. Please continue to contribute. The center states that food continues to be their biggest need.

### Through the Bible in a Year

February 28 Numbers 21-25 & Mark 7:14-37, 8:1-21  
March 1 Numbers 26-27 & Mark 8:22-38  
March 2 Number 28-29 & Mark 9:1-29  
March 3 Numbers 30-31 & Mark 9:30-50  
March 4 Numbers 32-33 & Mark 10:1-31  
March 5 Numbers 34-36 & Mark 10:32-52  
March 6 Deuteronomy 1-2 & Mark 11:1-19  
March 7 Deuteronomy 3-4 & Mark 11:20-33