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**Business Meetings**

In last month's business meeting, our church decided to have business meetings every other month rather than monthly. The meetings will begin in February each year. Our next business meeting will be June 16 at 7:00 p.m. (right after the evening worship service).

**VBS Workers Meeting & T-shirts**

The VBS workers meeting will be on Sunday, May 19th at 5:00 PM in the FLC. The VBS workers t-shirts are in and will be handed out at the meeting. Workers can plan to pay for their shirts at the meeting. S-XL - \$8.00, 2XL-3XL - \$11.00, 4XL - \$12.00. Please make checks payable to First Southern Baptist Church.

**XYZ Update**

The XYZ group will have a picnic at the home of Gerry & Sharron Richards on Tuesday, May 21st at noon.

**Offering Information**

Budget Needed: \$ 10,636.21  
Offering Received: \$ 6,751.79  
Designated Other: \$ 2,299.00  
Designated V2V: \$ 130.00  
**Total: \$ 9,180.79**

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	100	AM	169
Youth	17	PM	48
Children	19		
Preschool	18		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>154</b>	Ladies Bible Study	18

**Church Staff**

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**Calendar of Events**

**Saturday, May 18**

Graduation Open House for Hayley Livers in FLC - 2:00-4:00 PM  
Youth Choir sings at Westminster Village - 6:30 PM

**Sunday, May 19**

Graduate Recognition in Morning Worship -10:45 AM  
Senior luncheon in FLC - 12:15 PM  
VBS Worker's Meeting in FLC - 5:00 PM

**Saturday, May 25**

Graduation Open House for Rebecca Woolsey in FLC - 1:00-3:00 PM

**Monday, May 27**

Memorial Day - Office Closed

**Saturday, June 1**

80th Birthday Celebration for Ella Sorrels in the FLC - 1:00-5:00 PM

**Sunday, June 2**

Sunday School Workers Meeting in FLC - 9:00 AM  
Family Nights Begin

Deacon's Meeting - 7:15 PM

**Tuesday-Saturday, June 4-8**

Add to Your Faith Conference

**Tuesday-Wednesday, June 11-12**

SBC Conference

**Thursday, June 13**

Mock Red Cross Shelter - 5:00-8:00 PM

# Pastor's Paragraphs

I hope everyone had a happy Mother's Day. The services and the fellowship here at FSBC were great. God is good!

Next Sunday promises to be a great Sunday. During the morning service, we will honor our graduates. What a milestone! Graduation is a significant step in life and a notable achievement in the lives of these young people. Please plan on coming and celebrating with them and encouraging them in their walk.

Then, Sunday night, the Mexico Mission team (James Borengasser and me – I call it the “Power Team” – Ha!) will give our report. I took over 288 pictures. James took a bunch, too. Don't worry; we won't make you look at all of them. We did learn some very important things about the Mexico mission to the state of Queretaro and some ways our church can help. We want your input and ideas, however. We view our task as informing the church and seeking out those who are led of God to participate. This partnership is in God's hands, and in your prayer closet. Will you pray about it? The plan is for American churches to partner with Mexican churches for three years or so, and help with various outreach projects. That's about all I can say in the confines of this newsletter. There is so much more I want to tell you about it. I will do that Sunday night.

Think about this: *“And daily in the temple, and in every house, they [Christians] ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ”* (Acts 5:42).

See you Sunday, *Bro. Russ*

# The Upcoming Week

## Sunday, May 19 - Graduates Recognition

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service -
- 12:15 PM Senior Graduates/Parents luncheon in FLC
- 5:00 PM VBS Worker's meeting in FLC
- 6:15 PM Worship Service
- 7:25 PM Deacon's Meeting

## Monday, May 20

- 9:00-11:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Leadership Team Meeting in Youth Room

## Wednesday, May 22

- 5:45 PM Meal: Pulled Pork BBQ, baked beans, banana pudding
- 6:30 PM Mission Friends, GA's, RA's Adult Prayer/Bible Study
- Youth Bible Study
- Worship Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, May 23

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

## Saturday, May 25

- 8:00 AM Men's Intercessory Prayer Meeting
- 1:00-3:00PM Graduation Open-house for Rebecca Woolsey in the FLC

## Sunday, May 26

- 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Worship Service
- 6:15 PM Worship Service

## VBS Craft Needs!

The VBS craft team expresses their thanks for all the collected water bottles. They have more than enough for the VBS crafts this year. Thanks again.! Also, if anyone has an old fashion looking Popcorn machine cart that the VBS team can borrow for VBS, please contact either Tracey Coke or Robin Miller.

# A Word from Keith

We live in a world of constant change. Some things may change daily and others we don't notice until one day we look back and realize that our lives, circumstances, and even people have changed over the years. Our culture is even in constant change from something as irreverent as fashion to something as important as trying to define what is right and wrong. Isaiah 40:8 states, “The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.” I read this verse earlier in the week and it reminded me that no matter what changes come, no matter what society tries to convince us is right and wrong, we need to remain faithful and stay truthful to the Word of God. One of the key ways of doing that is we need to know what God says about right and wrong. It does not mean taking verses out of context to condone wrong. It does not mean only accepting certain portions of the Bible and cutting out what we don't like. It does not mean compromising to the point of condoning wrong doing. As born-again believers we have a responsibility of being “salt and light”.

Heb. 13:8 “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

God Bless,  
Bro. Keith

## Graduation Celebration

Be sure to be present this Sunday, May 19th during the morning worship service as we honor our 2013 graduates.

- Hayley Lievers  
Christian Academy of Indiana
- Kendall Rains  
Clarksville High School
- Jessica Robinson  
New Washington High School
- Austin Vessels  
Jeffersonville High School
- Rebecca Woolsey  
Ridgeway Academy

## Graduation Open-house Receptions

Hayley Lievers on Saturday, May 18 - 2:00-5:00 PM in the FLC. Everyone is invited to attend.

Rebecca Woolsey on Saturday, May 25 - 1:00-3:00 PM in the FLC. Everyone is invited to attend.

Kendall Rains on Sunday, June 2 - 2:00-6:00 PM at 1020 Longfield Drive, Clarksville. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Through the Bible in a Year

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| May 16 | 2 Kings 15-17 & John 6:1-21     |
| May 17 | 2 Kings 18-19 & John 6:22-44    |
| May 18 | 2 Kings 20-22 & John 6:45-71    |
| May 19 | 2 Kings 23-25 & John 7:1-31     |
| May 20 | 1 Chronicles 1-2 & John 7:32-53 |
| May 21 | 1 Chronicles 3-5 & John 8:1-20  |
| May 22 | 1 Chronicles 6-7 & John 8:21-36 |

## Zambia, Africa Mission Trip

Rachel Borengasser will be traveling to Zambia, Africa this summer, July 18-30, with a small group from Louisville, Kentucky to spread the Gospel and encourage the believers in Africa. They will be assisting IMB missionaries, Steve and Rita Schwarz, in their work through outreach events and discipleship of believers. Prayer and support for this trip is much appreciated. You may provide support through the church by making checks payable to First Southern Baptist Church, marked "Zambia mission trip."