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First Southern Baptist Church  
 215 E. Ettels Lane  
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IN GOD WE TRUST

**Youth Camp Event**

We're going to Crossings in Bagdad, KY July 7th-11th. For more information, you can either contact Nick Scott or visit the website at: <http://www.gocrossings.org/camp2014>.

**New Pictorial Church Directory**

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**Ladies Bible Study**

Coming in April! - A 6 week Beth Moore study on the book of Daniel. Sign the sheet at the Welcome Center if you are interested in participating.

**Offering Information**

Budget Needed: \$ 10,663.00  
 Offering Received: \$ 8,124.64  
 Designated Other: \$ 631.00  
**Total: \$ 8,755.64**

Sunday School		Worship Services	
Adult	85	AM	136
Youth	18	PM	
Children	16		
Preschool	17	Discipleship Training	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>136</b>	Graded Choirs	
		<b>Total:</b>	

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

**The Communicator**

of

**First Southern Baptist Church**

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**Calendar of Events**

**Sunday, March 2 - Sunday, March 9**

Week of Prayer for North American Missions - Annie Armstrong Offering  
 FSBC Goal: \$8,000.00

**Friday & Saturday, March 7-8**

Marriage Retreat at FSBC

**Sunday, March 9**

*Daylight Savings Time Begins*

Set your clocks up 1 hour

**Monday, March 10**

Staff/Leadership Team Planning Meeting

**Friday & Saturday, March 14-15**

RENOWN conference (Youth)

**Monday-Friday, March 24-April 4**

Spring Break

**Sunday, April 6**

Sunday School Workers Meeting - 9:00 AM

Lord's Supper - AM Service

Cast Rehearsal - 4:00 PM

Deacon's Meeting - 7:25 pm

**Sunday, April 13**

Church-wide Sunday school breakfast in FLC - 8:45 AM

(Hosted by Acts, Lydia, MTC & Ruth Classes)

Special Children's Choir Rehearsal, Grades 1-6 - 4:00-6:00 PM

## Pastor's Paragraphs

This is your last opportunity to register for the marriage retreat this weekend. Please see the article elsewhere in this newsletter and sign up today. Space is limited. The benefits are life-long!

Pray for our North American Missionaries. Use the prayer brochure included in your church bulletin last Sunday. Additional copies are available at the welcome desk. This is the week we focus on our united Southern Baptist efforts to reach lost people in North America and Canada. We have set a goal of \$8,000 for the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions. Please pray and give as God leads.

Pray for our students as they attend the 2014 "Renown" conference March 14 & 15 at Southern Seminary. This is an outstanding annual conference that equips our young people to live the gospel and give an answer for their faith. Encourage and pray for them as they attend. Our church will also host Jamie Myers and the students from Huntington Baptist Church that weekend as they also attend. If you are a student, or if you know a student that is interested, please contact our Youth Minister, Nick Scott for more information.

Consider this: *"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing"* (John 15:4, 5 - NKJV).

See you Sunday, **Bro. Russ**

## The Upcoming Week

### Sunday, March 9-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
6:15 PM	Worship Service

### Monday, March 10

Staff/Leadership Team planning meeting

### Wednesday, March 12

5:00 PM	Youth Choir
5:45 PM	Meal: Oven baked fish & chips, coleslaw, greens beans, dessert
6:30 PM	Mission Friends, GA's, RA's Adult Prayer/Bible Study Youth Bible Study Worship Choir Rehearsal
7:40 PM	Handbell Team Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 13

8:30 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's
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### Friday & Saturday, March 14 & 15

Renown Conference

### Saturday, March 15

8:00 AM	Men's Intercessory Prayer mtg
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### **Last Chance for Marriage Retreat 2014**

Register at [www.seindianabaptist.org/marriageretreat](http://www.seindianabaptist.org/marriageretreat) today! or call SEIBA at 812-948-8777 or contact the church office. It is this Friday & Saturday, March 7 & 8, 2014 here at FSBC. The cost of the retreat is \$35 per couple for FSBC couples. The cost covers the retreat itself, couples resources, dinner on Friday night & a continental breakfast & lunch on Saturday. Registration fee is payable to First Southern. Don't miss this great opportunity.

### **Creation Materials Available**

The library has four new videos from Answers in Genesis available for checkout: The Last Adam; Heaven & Earth; Noah's Ark, Thinking outside the Box; The New Answers DVD, Quick Answers to Ten of the Most Asked Questions.

## A Word from Nick

### Why Did God Give Us the Bible?

#### 1) To Teach Us About Himself

God in heaven wants us to know certain things about Himself, and He uses the Scriptures to reveal these things. It is through the Bible that we learn about God's power, justice, mercy, wrath, love, kindness, anger, faithfulness, jealousy, holiness, compassion, etc.

#### 2) To Teach Us About Ourselves and the World We Live In

Scripture is a grand narrative that explains where we came from, why the world is the way it is, and where everything is headed. It explains that we have a sin problem that can only be fixed by God.

#### 3) To Enable Us to Live Godly Lives

Peter said that God's "divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence" (2 Pet. 1:3). God gives us the Bible so that we can be mature Christians who are equipped to do the will of God.

#### 4) To Facilitate a Relationship with God

When we open the Bible we are engaging with God's communication to us. True Bible study must always have intimacy with God as a primary goal.

#### 5) To Exalt Jesus

All of the events in biblical history point to His Son. The law was given to show us our sinfulness and our need for Jesus. Old Testament priests and sacrifices point to our need for the greater high priest and ultimate sacrifice. The Gospels record the loving words and actions of the Son of God. The epistles explain how it is only through His work on the cross that we can be saved from sin and filled with the Spirit. Revelation shows how He will one day return to judge and restore the earth, and reign with His followers forever.

#### 6) To Prepare Us For Our God-Given Mission

This means that when we read the Bible, we need to view it as our marching orders. Rather than coming to the Bible with our own agenda and trying to find verses that support what we'd like to do, we need to allow the Bible to shape our hopes and dreams. Every time we read the Bible, we should understand our mission a little better.

(Content taken from *Multiply* by David Platt and Francis Chan)



**FSBC Goal: \$8,000.00**

### A "Firmly Planted" Opportunity for FSBC: "Eastern Kentucky FamilyFest 2014"

Cooperating with Eastern Kentucky Churches to get the gospel out and love others in Jesus' name. Affordable, accessible, relevant mission trip for families & individuals. July 19-24 - See Opal Bowles for details or click on the link on our church's website for more information.

### Renown Conference (Youth)

The Renown Conference is on Friday & Saturday, March 14 & 15. The **due date** for the payment is **Sunday, March 9th**. For the weekend it is \$65 and for the Saturday activities only it is \$20. Contact Nick Scott for more information.

### Outreach Opportunity

Once again FSBC has an opportunity to Show Christ's Love by getting involved with the local school system by collecting food for students at the Clarksville Community Schools. Deadline for all food items is Wednesday, March 20th. A list of items needed are located on the bulletin board and in the Sunday school classrooms.

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### XYZ Updates

The XYZ group will have a pitch-in luncheon on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 12:00 PM in the FLC. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.