

Weekly Reports

	6/29	7/06	*MTD
Sunday School Attendance	116	129	
Worship Attendance	135	150	
Budget Offering	\$9,224.00	\$7,278.25	\$38,018.36
Weekly Budget Needs	\$9091.00	*Received Month-To-Date	

MEMBERS IN SERVICE THIS SUNDAY, JULY 13

Nursery - Gary Hall, Nancy Johnson, Janice Mann

Children's Church (Ages 4-1st) - April Sanford, Wendy Balog

Deacon of the Week - Tommy Williamson

MEMBERS IN SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 20

Nursery - Mary Ann Partain, Bonnie & Jackie Woods, Linda Crawford

Children's Church (4 thru 1st) - Pat Allen, Rita Worsham

Deacon of the Week - Dennie Brooks

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The First Word

A newsletter for family and friends of Greenbrier First Baptist Church July 10, 2014

School Supplies & Backpack Give Away Saturday, July 26 from 9:00-11:00 AM

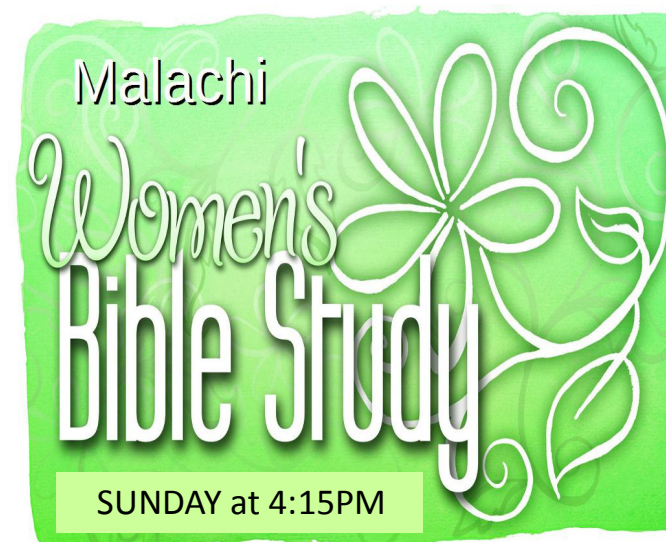


It's time to gather school supplies for students and families in Greenbrier and Ridgetop. Our Dorcas Room is now accepting donations. You can give a monetary gift through the Sunday offering by marking it for the "School Giveaway" or bring requested items to the collection bin in the hallway.

Also, volunteers and helpers are needed for the event. Please arrive at 8:30 AM in Fellowship Hall to get your assignment. We will need hosts, greeters, parking lot directors, etc. Thanks for your great support of this annual event!

Supplies Needed:

- Backpacks
- washable markers
- Glue and glue sticks
- No. 2 pencils
- safety scissors (Fiskar)
- 2- pocket prong folders
- wide ruled notebook paper
- composition books
- large pink pearl erasers
- small cap pencil erasers
- Mead 5-star five subject spiral
- 2" 3-ring binders
- graph paper
- red & black ink pens
- Highlighters
- colored pencils
- zippered pencil pouch



From Your Pastor - Nathan Washburn

On Mission as a Family

Over the last several issues of the newsletter we have been looking at the biblical teaching on the home and family. We have seen that God has designed the family to be built on the covenant between a man and a woman. We've also seen that it is necessary that a marriage have both a man and a woman because each has been designed differently (and equally) and contribute to the family things that only he or she can contribute.

If the husband and wife then have children, we have clear teaching from Scripture on how those children are to be reared. Parents are to teach their children about the Lord and how to love him with the whole heart. "And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children," (Deut. 6:6-7). Parents are also to love their children by disciplining them and personifying mercy and grace to them. "Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord," (Eph. 6:4). In general, they are to create an atmosphere in the home where the children will find it worthy and honorable to obey them (Eph. 6:1).

But what if the children are gone from home? Or what if the couple doesn't have children? Are those couples any less of a family? No, and for that reason, the final aspect of the home and family that we will look at is not parenting or children, but being on mission

together as a family. This is crucial whether you are a family of two or a family of six.

When speaking of marriage and the family, Dennis Rainey, president of FamilyLife, says, "We were married for a mission." In other words, as a family, we are to be moving in a direction. We are to have purpose. We are to be progressing towards a goal. Obviously, for Christian families this purpose would be to have Christ at the center of the marriage, which would have implications both inside and outside the home.

Having Christ at the center of the family will have profound implications for inside the home. Some sort of family devotion or worship time is a great way for everyone to be focused on Christ through the Word and prayer for a few minutes. Praying before meals is a practical way to show gratitude for everything we've received and to recognize that God is the source of our provision. Showing grace and mercy to one another as well as unconditional love also helps to create a home that reflects the nature Christ.

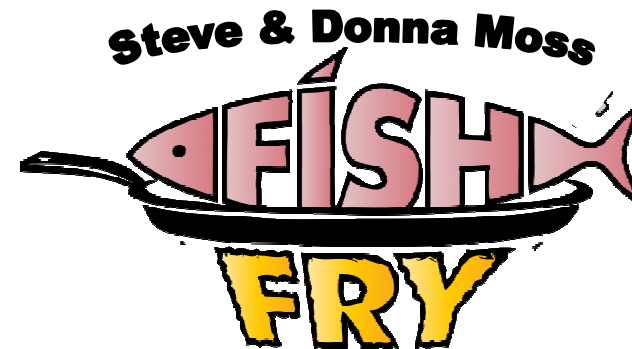
Having Christ at the center of the family will also have profound implications for outside the home. The family will find it extremely beneficial to be an integral part of a local church. It needs to be one that faithfully seeks to worship God in truth and in spirit, and the family should be involved in serving, as well as being served. But being on mission as a family

might also mean that the family has a mission that is unique to their family—one in which they seek to further the kingdom of Christ themselves. They might volunteer at a soup kitchen or crisis pregnancy center together. They might raise funds for cancer research or visit people at an assisted living facility. They might even use their vacation time to go on a mission trip together, just as a family.

God has created the home and family to be a picture of Christ and His bride, the church. Like the church, the family is to be on mission for Christ, advancing the gospel both within and without. May God bless our families as they seek to live for Christ.



**Welcome Home
Owen Washburn!**

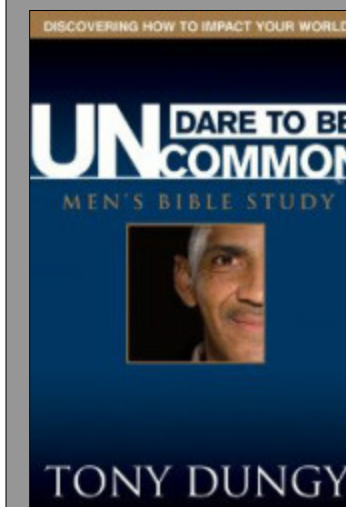


Sunday, July 27

5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall

Enjoy the food and fellowship and invite a friend to join us for this annual event. Thank You Steve & Donna!

Mother's Day Out is Filling Up Quick!
For more information contact
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**COMING
THIS FALL:**

***DARE TO BE
UNCOMMON***

*A Bible Study
for Men*

*Written By
Tony Dungy*