

Weekly Reports

	6/15	6/22	*MTD
Sunday School Attendance	134	118	
Worship Attendance	171	150	
Budget Offering	\$4,247.75	\$2,529.25	\$28,794.36
Weekly Budget Needs	\$9091.00	*Received Month-To-Date	

MEMBERS IN SERVICE THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 29

Nursery - Melba Hooper, Sue Glenn, Nancy & David Frye, Pat Barnes

Children's Church (Ages 4-1st) - 5th Sunday, No Children's Church

Deacon of the Week - Danny Weeks

MEMBERS IN SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 6

Nursery - Ann Baker, Sue Nelle Ellis, Annette Highley

Children's Church (4 thru 1st) - Mary Ann Partain, Sheila Tope

Deacon of the Week - Thomas Young

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The First Word

A newsletter for family and friends of Greenbrier First Baptist Church **June 27, 2014**



Community Song Service—June 29

We will be gather at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Greenbrier for fellowship and worship Sunday night at 6 PM.

“Turning of the Pig” on July 3rd

Stop by our church booth with your family and friends for a popsicle and some fellowship. The event is from 4-10PM at City Hall.

Independence Day Parade

Enjoy a great seat on our church front lawn for the July 4th parade. Shade and cold water provided! Bring a lawn chair.

School Supplies & Backpack Give Away

Saturday, July 26 from 9:00-11:00 AM

Can you believe it's almost time for school? And time to gather school supplies for students and families in Greenbrier and Ridgetop. Our Dorcas Room is now accepting donations. Give money through the Sunday offering and mark your gift for “School Giveaway” or bring items to the collection bin in the main hallway.

Supplies Needed:

backpacks, washable markers, glue, No. 2 pencils, glue sticks, safety scissors (Fiskar), 2- pocket prong folders, wide ruled notebook paper, composition books, large pink pearl erasers, small cap pencil erasers, wide ruled spiral notebooks, Mead 5-star five subject spiral, binders, Kleenex, graph paper, red & black ink pens, highlighters, colored pencils, 2” 3-ring binders, zippered pencil pouch, hand sanitizer



From Your Pastor - Nathan Washburn

Bringing Home Owen

We are a family of four! Our trip to adopt Owen has gone great so far, and it has been quite a ride. We arrived in Beijing on the 19th and over the next two full days were able to see some great Chinese historical and cultural pillars, such as Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City (home to emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties), and the Great Wall. This was great for us just to get a glimpse of the Chinese culture and people and to help us feel more informed to be able to teach Owen about his heritage. We really enjoyed our time in Beijing.

We left Beijing on Sunday and arrived in Zhengzhou, the capital of the Henan province. It was here that we first laid eyes on Owen. Monday morning we got up and prepared to meet our son. When we got to the main government building where they bring the children who are being adopted that day, we walked in the door and saw him. Our hearts melted. There he was. The son God had led us to adopt and had created for our family in his perfect plan was no longer thousands of miles away. He was six feet away. We knelt down, scooped him up, and have been loving on him ever since!

Our time in Zhengzhou has been great—lots of things to finalize, but it's all been extremely easy and hassle-free. In fact, we've seen God really bless us in unexpected ways. The government is changing the adoption registration fee, but hasn't set a new one yet, so they waived ours—something that hasn't happened for any group before us and probably won't happen after. Our hotel had a snafu with a broken water pipe that left us without water for a period of time and in order to make it up to us gave us a case of bottled water and a voucher for two pizzas to one of their hotel restaurants. And today our agency workers came to us and said that due to a difference in the exchange rates between the time we prepaid one of the fees before we came and the time they actually paid the fee to the orphanage, we would get back some money from that. Little things like these have truly been blessings that have further sweetened the larger overarching blessing of our adoption.

The first few days as a family of four could not have gone any better. We truly thank you all for praying; it is evident that God is working through you all. We are having a great time, but we are really looking forward to coming home. We leave for Guangzhou on Saturday, which will be our last city of business before leaving Hong Kong on July 3, if the Lord wills. We love you all, and look forward to seeing you soon.

NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE: *We are planning to share photos of Owen with his new family during the Sunday morning service this week!*

Women's Malachi Bible Study

All ladies of the church, community and friends are invited beginning July 13th at 4:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall to study for 3 weeks the last words that God spoke to His people for 400 years. There is nothing to buy, no workbook, no homework, just bring your Bible, pen and paper to join in the study of this very timely message from God.

In Sympathy

We express sympathy to Sue Sibley on the loss of her stepson, John Sibley of Florida.

Thank You

In the sorrow and joy of my mother, Nellie Biggs, homegoing, we have been sustained by your many expressions of sympathy and love. Your phone calls, cards, prepared meals and especially your uplifting prayers have filled us with strength in this time of need. We are truly blessed to be part of this Christian fellowship.

Hugh & Marie Nichols

"Turning of the Pig" Booth At City Hall on July 3rd

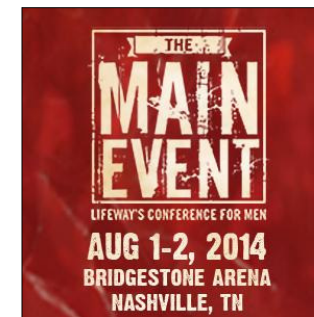
Once again we will host a booth at the annual celebration. If you'd like to volunteer for an hour or two (greeting and handing our popsicles), please call the church office.

TUESDAY JULY 8 at 6:30 PM

BAPTIST MEN'S ANNUAL FISH FRY



This year, the fish fry will be hosted by Flewellyn Baptist Church at 3557 Flewellyn Road in Springfield. The speaker will be Danny Demonbreun with Cheatham County Gideon Camp. All men are invited. This is a great opportunity to bring an unchurched friend. Van leaves our parking lot at 6:00 PM.



**Friday-Saturday
August 1&2
Men's
Conference
Nashville, TN**

This year's line up includes in-person appearances by Pres. George W. Bush, Darrell Waltrip, Bobby Bowden, Michael W. Smith and many others. Our church has three remaining tickets. If you would like to attend, call the church office. Transportation is provided.