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2016 Deacon

Nomination Information

is included in this issue of the Courier.

Ballots will be included in the next issue of the Courier and on the atrium desk beginning June 1st.



BETHANY ARNOLD
DAVISS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

class of
2015

Bethany Arnold
is a
19 year old Senior at
Daviss County
High School
and will be
graduating
June 5, 2015.

Bethany's parents are Kevin & Karla Arnold.

Her brother and sister-in-law are Chaz & Blaire Arnold.
Her grandparents are Glenn & Virginia Greene,
the late James T Arnold, and Carl & Brenda Goodman.



DR. CHARLIE LOVAN
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Dr. Charlie Lovan, son of
Ron & Susan Lovan of Union, KY,
and grandson of Lena Lovan,
graduated from the
University of Kentucky
College of Pharmacy with a dual degree:
Doctor of Pharmacy and a
Masters in Business Administration.

Dr. James K. Byrd ~ Senior Pastor

Summer is approaching and our Wednesday night programs are winding down. Jan and the kids will continue to meet through the last Wednesday in May. Jan and the folks that volunteered have done a wonderful job. I do not know how you ever judge the value of a program like our Children's Ministry. We will never know how many kids were positively impacted through the ministry. The volunteers were terrific and made this ministry a big success and the heartbeat of our church.

The success of this ministry has caused our youth program to grow.

We are having 20+ youth on Wednesday nights. Wes and the volunteers do a great job. I am so proud of our staff and church for the ministries being done for the children and youth.

Our music is always good but the last couple of weeks have been very rich. Thank you David, choir, handbell choir, soloists, Stacey and Shirley.

We were given a generous donation from the estate of Lucy McIntyre. She was a wonderful lady and loved Third Baptist Church.

The Lord's Supper is Sunday, May 24th.



Chasing Sunsets by Karen Kingsbury. This is the second book in the "Angels Walking" series.

Visits to Heaven and Back, Are They Real? by Mark Hitchcock. Mark uses the Bible to clearly lay out the teachings about heaven and the heavenly experiences that are found there and the amazing promises about what heaven will be like.

Wes Roberts ~ Minister to Youth

It's hard to believe that this school year has come and almost went but it sure has. We have had a great semester in our student ministry. I want to thank all those that make it possible to have our Wednesday night programs as we seek to teach and lead our students. I want to thank my wife, Karen and also Court and Jenny Lewis who teach, lead and volunteer their time each week to our students. I want to thank our worship leaders Taylor Dooley and Travis, who guide us to the throne of God each Wednesday night as we sing praises and lift our voices to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. There is no way I could teach and lead our students without the help of many great volunteers and I thank each of you with all my heart.

It seems as if some weeks we take huge leaps forward and only the next week to take 12 steps backward as we teach the fundamentals of what it means to follow Jesus. I have seen though, many strides in students this semester as they are doing better in school, making better choices and doing their best to live for God. This is all we can ask for because it is often said, if we are not moving forward then we are going backward, because there is no standing still.

I ask that you please pray for our students this summer, that they continue to grow in their love for Christ and that they make wise choices this summer !!

Thanks 3bc for all your support of the Student Ministry!

Joe Bob Pierce Spiritual Formation

I met with someone not long ago who has begun a practice of what he called 'praying the scriptures.' This person complained that he tended too often to think negative, pessimistic thoughts which often made him depressed and angry. "Now, when I start to dwell on something or think about something that I shouldn't, I recite the Bible verse I have chosen for that day and dwell on it, and the negative feelings slowly melt away," he recently told me.

Naturally, there are some emotional issues that need to be talked about and understood thoroughly before we can make them better, but if you are one of those folks that tends to obsess about things that bother you, praying the scriptures can sometimes bring a ready relief. Here's a good one to start with: "Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me; O Lord, be my help. You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy," *Psalms 30:10-11*

The Seniors (55 and older) have made arrangements with CaJen Travel to organize a few day trips for everyone 55 and older!

- * **June 25:** Bowling Green Day Trip - \$55 per person - Visit the Corvette Assembly line that includes the Corvette Museum and the Corvette City antiques. Lunch at Raffety's Restaurant.
- * **October 10:** "Spirit of Jasper" Train Excursion to French Lick. Take a 2-hour train ride through Southern Indiana to French Lick. Take a tour of the beautiful West Baden Springs Hotel, go shopping and explore the area before re-boarding the train for the ride back.

These day-trips are open to all so invite your friends, other church members and members of other churches! The more the merrier!

Call Carl Sparks @ 270-229-4676 for more information!

David Roberson ~ *Minister of Music*

Thank you to the Handbell Choir for playing Sunday. They did an outstanding job. We played in both the First Christian and Third Baptist worship services and they did great in both. The pieces we did Sunday morning are difficult to play and are made even more difficult by the fact we are playing with less ringers than we need. So thanks to this group who are asked to do the "superhuman" and pull it off admirably.

The Handbell group will start meeting again in

September and we will need several more ringers. I hope you will consider joining this group. Reading music is not necessary but helpful and by reading music I mean the ability to play rhythms and follow a line of music. You CAN do it!

Thanks also to Elaine Williams and the choir for the beautiful anthem, "Angels Unaware" this past Sunday. Elaine sang beautifully and the choir also. (We can always use new singers in choir also!)

Jan Lampkin ~ *Children's Minister*

This is a crazy story about me. I like comfortable. I like life the way I like life. What's crazy is that God doesn't want me to be comfortable. "Don't long for 'the good ole days.' This is not wise." *Ecclesiastes 7:10.*

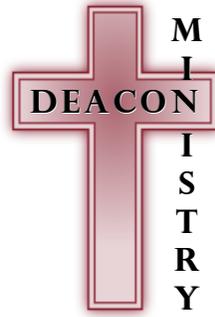
When it comes down to it, none of us really like change. Our natural desire is to drift somewhere it is comfortable. That's why I tend to get bent out of shape when someone challenges my thinking. My personal preferences are sacred. "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." *Isa. 43:18-19*

TBC, our congregation, and my future is yet again changing. The steps God gives me are not always easy. They are steps that can only move me to a higher ground where I can live above confusion.

When T.L. McSwain baptized me at TBC, I was 6 years old. I had no idea that God would keep me at TBC doing His work and living in His faith. Actually my faith in Jesus Christ has grown stronger through each change I have experienced in my church life. I have grown spiritually by the new challenges that change does bring. Change has definitely strengthened me. As we face new things at TBC, I look forward to new influences and how it will help me grow in wisdom and continue to live in the center of His will.

Help me Lord to take an honest look at the seeds that I allow in my heart. Help me to embrace change because God wants to change me. Please continue to pray for our children and their families. Blessings!

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it." *Proverbs 22:6*



The 2016 Deacon Election will begin in June. Nomination Ballots will be available June 1st in the next issue of the Courier and in the Atrium. The goal is to elect 6-8 deacons each term to help ensure we have adequate resources to cover 52 weeks, and also serve as one of the team members on our Harvest and Hope Teams. Listed below are those who will be serving on the Deacon Election Committee (DEC). These include the Vice-Chair and all third-year deacons rotating off the council. They are: Pat Settle, committee chair, Cissy Bishop, Sam Lee, Judy Dixon, and Jesse Rhodes. The Church Bylaws state that two members-at-large are also requested to serve on the DEC. Let us know if you would like to serve on the DEC!

Qualifications to serve as a deacon include: 1.) Must be 21 years or older; 2.) Member for minimum of six months 3.) Regularly attend services 4.) Supports the Organizations of the Church 5.) Faithful steward, consistent witness, and good example in church fellowship.

The Principal Duties are: 1.) Serve with the pastor and staff, proclaim the gospel, care for church members, lead and participate in church fellowship, witness, education, and ministries. 2.) Serve as a council for advice on the welfare and work of the church.

Method of Election:

- June: Any member may nominate up to 8 eligible members and place ballots in the a ballot box.
- July-August 15: DEC will contact each nominee with the most votes and work in a descending order until 8 have agreed to serve.
- August 15-September Business Meeting: Anyone not previously ordained will meet with an Examining Council for recommendation to be ordained or not ordained. If anyone is found not acceptable, the DEC will contact the next eligible nominee. This shall continue until at least 6 qualified nominees have been found that are willing to serve. The DEC may choose to continue until 8 qualified nominees are found willing to serve, provided that the process shall be completed before the September Business Meeting.
- September Business Meeting: Church shall be presented with the names of the deacons.

Interim Vacancy: 1.) The deacons shall recommend to the Church a previously ordained person who has not been a member of the deacon body for at least 12 months to fill a vacancy. The Deacon shall serve the remaining portion of the unexpired term. 2.) The Deacon shall be eligible for re-election provided the special term of service was not more than 18 months.

Deacons currently serving in addition to those listed above:

Terms expiring December 31, 2015:

Cissy Bishop, Judy Dixon, Sam Lee, Jesse Rhodes, and Pat Settle.

Terms expire Dec. 31, 2016 are:

Frank Beller, Stan Napper, Harold Wilson, Wayne Lovell, Carole Anne Barrass, Mike Morrow, Gary Kirtley, and Becky Baker.

Terms expire Dec. 31, 2017 are:

Larry Catron, Chris Holbrook, Chris Hunt, John Lampkin, Court Lewis, and Barry Spinks.

Deacon Emeritus not eligible for election are: Ken Adkisson, Jim Gordon, Russ Page, Ken Russell, and Wendell Walker.

SUNDAY, MAY 24

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:15 AM FCC using Fireside Room
 10:45 AM Morning Worship

MONDAY, MAY 25, MEMORIAL DAY
Offices Closed**TUESDAY, MAY 26**

5:00 PM FCC - Centennial Room
 6:00 PM KYC Rehearsals
 6:30 PM Recovery Group

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
 9:00 AM Knitting Group, Nursery
 5:00 PM Children & Youth Program
 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 28

9:00 AM Finance Mtg., Game Room
 1:00 PM FCC Bible Study
 5:00 PM Community Meal

FRIDAY, MAY 29

5:30 PM Capps/Paulsen Rehearsal

SATURDAY, MAY 30

5:30 PM Capps/Paulsen Wedding

SUNDAY, MAY 31

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Worship, Lord's Supper
 2:00 PM FCC Music Recitals

MONDAY, JUNE 1

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
 1:00 PM Stretch Aerobics

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

10:00 AM Senior Adult Fellowship
 6:30 PM Recovery Group

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
 9:00 AM Knitting Group, Nursery
 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

5:00 PM Community Meal

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

12:00 PM Kids Farm Fun Day

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

9:00 AM Atrium Social
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:45 AM Morning Worship
 2:00 PM Fireside Room Reserved

DEACON INFORMATION**May 24**

Chris Hunt, Frank Beller

Hope and Harvest Team

Judy Dixon, Jesse Rhodes

May 31

Gary Kirtley, Cissy Bishop

Hope and Harvest Team

Cissy Bishop, Pat Settle

SUNDAY VAN DRIVERS

May 24 Scott McFarland

May 31 Frank Beller

PRESCHOOL PRAISE

May 24 Susan & Erin Rouse

May 31 Misty Hernandez

SUNDAY NURSERY WORKERS

May 24 Terry Derrossitt

May 31 Ruth Belcher

WEDNESDAY VAN DRIVER

May 27 Susan Dewitt

MEMORIALS

Contributions to the church have been made *in memory of Tish Gilbert* by Mrs. Louise Hartsough, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Napper; *in memory of Elizabeth Pendley* by Mrs. Louis Hartsough, Barbara Payne & Becky Burns, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Webb, Beverly McCandless, Allen Moffett, Ron Kuegel, Sue Fariss, Louie Whitaker, Jean Rodgers, Coy Ball, Jake Valdez, Mrs. Nancy Gordon, Mr. & Mrs. Barry Spinks; *in memory of Warren Hartsough* by Mrs. Lena Lovan, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Midkiff; *in memory of Patti Rhodes* by Mr. & Mrs. Stan Napper, Mrs. Louise Hartsough, Mr. & Mrs. Tony Delack, Mr. & Mrs. Robbie Miller, Mr. & Mrs. Barry Spinks; *in memory of Netta Harris* by Mrs. Louise Hartsough, Mrs. Lena Lovan, Shirley Wilkerson, Mrs. Nancy Gordon, Mr. & Mrs. Barry Spinks, John & Sandy Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Napper; *in memory of Robert Crabtree* by Mrs. Jean Lampkin.

SYMPATHY

The Church expresses its deepest sympathy to *Joyce Webb and her family* in the loss of her brother; to *Jenny Lewis and her family* in the loss of brother-in-law; and to *Jackie Peveler, Sherry Lee, Ted III and their family* in the loss of her husband/father, Ted Peveler, Jr; and *to the family of Mr. & Mrs. Roger Cowen*, former minister of music for TBC (both killed in a car accident this week.)

THANK YOU

Thank you TBC family for your prayers, support, visits, love, food, memorial donations, and cards. Sincerely,

*The Harris Family,
 Robert, Kent, and Jeff*

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary May 10th were in memory of *Mrs. Frances Evans* and were given by her family.

Just Older Youth

*Senior
 Adult
 Fellowship*

**Tuesday, June 2
 10:00 AM**

Lunch will be meat loaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, cooked apples, and dessert! Cost is \$6.00 per person.

Atrium Social

May 24:

FCC Fa Ho Lo Class

May 31:

Another Look and
 Friends in Faith



Sunday School
learning to live the life