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SHELBYVILLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

August 2020






6th Annual Salute to Shelby County First Responders



SFBC is planning our 6th year of celebration to honor and pray for the First Responder Community of Shelby County. While we are not able to have our typical weekend celebration on our campus due to Covid-19, we still want to recognize, in a safe manner, these men and women who stand ready for us. When we need them, they are always there. To honor their service and the families who stand behind them, our church family plans this annual event to say "Thank you."

While we will miss our typical weekend celebration including an overnight pig roast, community party and BBQ dinner for first responders and their families, we seek to keep everyone safe and look forward to next year!

What We Plan

-  Each first responder will be given a t-shirt to recognize their service and our appreciation for them.
-  Gift cards may be provided to each agency for them to distribute.
-  Pray for the safety of these brave men and women who stand ready for us, the community as a whole, whenever the time of crisis arises.

We Welcome Our New Student Pastor!

We are very excited to welcome Chad, Bethany, Asher and Amelia Montgomery to our family of faith. Chad was called by SFBC as our new student pastor in a special-called business meeting on Sunday, July 12, when he shared his testimony in the service. Chad joins us as full time student pastor. He joined us on Monday, July 27 and he and his family have moved from Georgia to Shelbyville.

Chad has previously served as Youth Minister at Georgia churches and most recently served as a church consultant at Life-way Christian Stores.

We welcome Chad and his family to Shelbyville and look forward to his leadership with our students as we begin this new chapter.



A Note from Chad...

Dear Church Family, Bethany and I want to thank you so very much for your love, prayers and support over these past few weeks during our move from Georgia. Asher and Amelia are adjusting well and I am grateful to all those who have made efforts to make them feel welcome, loved, and accepted. We were told this is a very loving church and you have not disappointed. Please continue to lift my parents up in prayer as they both still have health concerns. Bethany and I can't express enough how blessed we have been to feel and

experience your loving kindness and support and how excited we are to be moving into this new season of ministry with you.

Chad Montgomery & Family



A word from your pastor....

My beloved church family,

On Sunday night, August 9, 2020, at our bi-monthly business session, our faith family approved a job description and announced a search committee for our next worship leader. If you would like to see the job description, please call the church office. We can send it to you digitally or by standard mail.

I am so, so grateful for a group of volunteers who have diligently worked to make worship so very meaningful, especially in light of all the challenges associated with the COVID19 pandemic. In this time of transition, they have done a commendable job of bringing together the best of our traditional heritage along with some of the newer style which often resonates with those less familiar with our legacy of faith.

Now, the time has come to launch the process to find God's man for the next season of ministry. As per our constitution and by-laws and

the personnel manual, the Personnel Committee has selected a search committee. They are: Brad Callahan, Kelsi Edelen, Terry Faley, Jean McMurray, John Shannon, J.T. Stivers, and Ashley Sweeney. Join with me in praying for them. Be patient. This will take typically a number of months to seek out candidates, screen resumes, digitally interview each of the group, and then narrow the focus to one candidate to come before the church. At this point, we must all rest in the providential love of God. Even as He is at work in our midst, there is someone out there with just the right spiritual gifts, skill set and ministerial temperament for Shelbyville First Baptist Church. Join with me as we seek God's face first, and then we as a body will faithfully trust Him to guide us through the journey.



In His Grip,
Bro. Maurice



Missions while sheltering in place!

"Let's not neglect to do good and share what we have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." Hebrews 13:16

26% of Kentucky's children live in poverty. For each of these children, a backpack from KY Baptists may be all they get for Christmas! Many of the backpacks collected will be distributed directly to children living in poverty in KY, while others will go to needy children in our partner SEND City, Cincinnati.

[Bible Study classes or individuals are encouraged to donate.](#)

How to Participate & Pack

- ✍️ Begin with NEW, zippered backpacks. A limited number are available in the church office, or you can purchase your own.
- ✍️ Determine the gender and age for the backpacks.
- ✍️ Fill the backpacks with NEW gifts.
- ✍️ Deliver the completed backpacks to the church office.

[See this link for backpack gift suggestions:](#)

<https://www.kybaptist.org/stories/christmas-backpacks.2369>

Prayer Warriors Needed

*Are you willing to come
alongside your pastor
in intercessory prayer?*

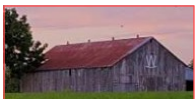
We have launched a daily ministry of intercession in prayer. In this season of COVID19, so much of what we have traditionally done as a church has had to be modified, postponed or cancelled. Some have been able to stay connected via the internet, but others have been very isolated and detached. It has left many people demoralized and feeling helpless to serve our Lord together as the Body of Christ, His Bride, and His Church.

When we pray, do we really pray with expectancy? When God responds, are we spiritually ready to experience His deliverance?

Are you willing to become an intercessor one weekday per week? We will send you a two minute phone message on weekdays, asking you to join with the pastor in praying for what God has laid on his heart that day.

If you are willing to pray wherever you are just one day per week following a quick phone message from Dr. Hollingsworth, please call the church office and ask to be put on the roll call of prayer warriors during this session of COVID19. Our members, church, community, and nation will be affected by the fervent prayers of righteous children of God. Call the church office at 633-1317 and join in this call to pray along with your pastor.





Photography Group

Thursday, August 20, 7:00 p.m.

Our group meetings will resume with an outdoor photo session and social distancing! We will meet at Jene Hedden's home and travel a short distance to a farm which offers amazing sunset views. In case of rain, there is a large barn to practice photographing barn architectural elements. Contact Jene Hedden for details. Join us!



Men's Prayer Breakfast & Work Day

Saturday, August 29, 7:00 a.m.

Men of SFBC will gather for an outdoor Prayer Breakfast followed by a work day around the church. This event is open to men of all ages! We will have a donation jar for contributions. In case of rain, we will socially distance in the gym. Contact Nick Stone with any questions.

Congratulations to...

Kate & Jeremy Tucker on the birth of their second son, Jack. The proud grandparents are Rosetta and Allen Matthews.



We are so grateful for everyone that donated to our Baby Bottle Campaign. From Mother's Day to Father's Day, we collected \$40,726.12 – and we received an additional grant for \$20,000, for a grand total of 60,726.12. We cannot say THANK YOU enough for the tremendous support we received from the churches in the community.

Adrianne Marcum, Site Manager, ALC



Words cannot express my gratitude for all the cards, prayers and well wishes during my surgery and cancer treatments. Your love and support was felt throughout the experience and I can't tell you how much that was appreciated. I am very blessed and thankful to have completed my last treatment in February and now be a "cancer survivor". Praise God!

Sue Gray

We want to thank SFBC for the bereavement luncheon for Susie. She loved FBC and considered it a second family for most of her life. Being a part of this family gave her much joy and happiness. We appreciate your love and kindness.

The Swindler Family

Thank you so much for your prayers and delicious meals during Michelle's two surgeries. We are sincerely grateful for your kind words, encouraging prayers and home cooking.

Todd & Michelle Shipley

Dear SFBC & the Callahans, Thank you so much for the home cooked meal, book and gift card. I truly appreciate it a ton! Thank you so much!

Jack Swindler

Thanks to everyone for the calls, texts and prayers during the loss of my Mom. It means a lot to have such a great church family!

Mike, Cynthia, Marlee & Maggie Pettit

Weekday Preschool News

These are crazy and unpredictable times for our world. After much consideration, we have decided to offer a virtual option



for our weekday preschool and not meet in person through Christmas. We will evaluate in November and December to determine if we could resume in-person classes in January 2021. We feel it would be difficult to keep our preschoolers healthy while following new guidelines, and follow our curriculum and lesson plans in a way that our families and teachers expect.

We are exploring a virtual option that will be about 30 minutes daily, Monday-Friday. There would be a minimum cost and we would need a minimum number of students to participate to make this a reality. Videos and activities would be posted through a Google Classroom and could be watched anytime throughout the day. We are continuing to finalize these details as we determine interest.

If you might be interested in a virtual learning option for your preschooler, please complete the survey at this link by Monday, Aug. 17 and one of our teachers will contact you.

<https://forms.gle/K7Y6P52UabxKi1xm9>

Please know, we struggled with this decision and we are praying for our families. If you have any questions or anything that we can help with, please contact Chad Lynn.

I can't say thank you enough for all the cards, calls & visits from so many of our church family. You are all awesome and have made me feel so special.

Ruth Kemp

Thank you Angela Brown and Andy & Tracy Donahou for your service during Covid 19. "No greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13. Grateful, Thankful, Blessed,

Elaine Harrison

We want to thank everyone very much for all the ways you have ministered to us in our homebound status. We have appreciated the encouragement and prayers. God has cared for us through our church family. We feel blessed to be a part of this congregation. We are grateful for the cards, food and prayers and especially the visits. We have appreciated the ministerial and secretarial staff. Please continue to pray for us. Our new address is: Twin Oaks Assisted Living, 98 Adams St., Apt. 17, New Castle, KY 40050

Ed & Nina Orem

I want to thank each and every one for sharing God's love with me during my recent surgery and recovery. The prayers, calls, cards, notes and visits have meant so much, not to mention the meals & food prepared for us. I am so blessed to have such a precious church family. You have made me feel so loved during this time. Thank you again for everything.

Raenell Marston

Thank you for the cards, calls and texts during my surgeries. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and prayers. It's wonderful to have a caring church family.

Patti Griffin

Mission Statement: "To Live by Faith, To be Known by Love, To be a Voice of Hope"

August 2020

Thank You

Our tenure with you as we served together at FBC these past twenty years has been a time of great joy and accomplishment for the Kingdom of our Lord. You, our church



family, serve with great zeal and loyalty to the ministry of FBC and to our Lord. We pray that you continue to serve in the same manner in the days to come. Our final day to serve with you in the Music Ministry was filled with love, celebration and praise to our God. Thank you for being a part of that worship experience.

Following the worship service, you honored us with a lovely retirement reception in the Fellowship Hall. We were simply overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and the large attendance of many of you at the reception. You presented us with engraved mint julep cups and a most generous monetary gift. Your generous gifts lifted our spirits as we said goodbye to a warm and loving church family. Thank you! Love, *Gene & Joanna*

New Members

- ♥ Patty Carey Cain
- ♥ Matt Ueltsky
- ♥ Elizabeth Smith
- ♥ Chad, Bethany, Asher & Amelia Montgomery



Building Debt
Balance as of July 31, 2020
\$272,678.45



BSF Resumes Thursday, Sept. 17 Thursdays 9:30-11:00 a.m.

BSF women's Bible study will resume by Zoom on Sept. 17. All women are welcome to join us to study the book of Genesis. Members will be contacted by their leader. Contact Lynn Martin if you would like to join.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



Congratulations to **Chad Lynn** for eight years of service as Children & Recreation Pastor and Weekday Preschool Director as of June. Chad has filled many roles over the past year and we don't know what we would do without him. Thank you Chad!

Many thanks to **Marlene Gash** for five years of dedicated service this month. Marlene serves as administrative assistant to the Senior Pastor and Worship Pastor, and is always willing to help wherever there is a need. We appreciate all you do Marlene!



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Budget Report:

Current Budget Need: \$633,019
Current Budget Receipts: \$531,333

The Church Offers Condolences to the families of



- † Jo Carol McGavic
- † Kitty Harrod
- † Allen Clark
- † Bill Flowers
- † Alois Lewis, sister of Mary David Myles
- † Donna Taylor, mother of Becky Clark

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