



**Church Family,**

What a wonderful day of worship we experienced together this past Sunday as we witnessed God's glorious grace through six new believers publicly professing Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and presenting themselves before the church for membership through believer's baptism. God is so good, and we give Him all the glory for what He has done!

The psalmist reminds us: *"Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing is on your people."*

**Psalms 3:8 (CSB)**

As a church family, may we be found faithful to pray for these new believers, diligently disciple them, encourage them as they grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and faithfully walk alongside them as they begin this wonderful journey of following Him.

You will not want to miss this Sunday's worship service as we gather to give praise to our Lord and encourage these students as they publicly identify with Christ through the ordinance of believer's baptism.

We will also continue our journey through the book of Esther as we study chapter 6. Together we will see God's providence on magnificent display as He begins to turn the tables on the enemies of His people. What appears to be ordinary circumstances becomes the stage upon which God accomplishes His extraordinary purposes.

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### **Quarterly Business Meeting**

**Sunday, July 26 • 6:00 PM**

**Activities Building (Refreshments Provided)**

Our quarterly Business Meeting will be held on Sunday evening at 6:00 PM in the gym area of our Activities Building. I hope you will make plans to join us as we discuss important ministry updates, celebrate what God is doing among us, and learn about new opportunities to serve Him through the ministries of First Baptist Church.

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### **CentriKid Camp – Linden Valley, Tennessee**

Earlier today (Monday), our campers and adult leaders departed for a week of discipleship, worship, Bible study, recreation, and fellowship at CentriKid Camp. I am deeply thankful for your faithful generosity, which makes opportunities like this possible for the children and families of our church. Through your giving to the ministries and missions of FBC Benton, lives are being impacted for eternity.

Please join me in praying faithfully throughout the week:

- Pray for safe travel to and from camp.
- Pray that each camper will have a receptive heart toward God's Word.
- Pray for spiritual decisions and lasting life change.
- Pray for our adult leaders to have wisdom, strength, patience, and Christlike love.
- Pray for the camp pastors, worship leaders, and Bible teachers as they faithfully proclaim God's truth.
- Pray for the families of our volunteers who are faithfully "holding the rope" while their loved ones serve away from home.

Thank you for being a church that believes in investing in the next generation.

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### **Summer Wednesday Gatherings**

Our final special summer gathering will be:

**Wednesday, July 22 • 6:00 PM**  
**Watermelon & the Word**  
**Pavilion Gathering**

Join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and time together around God's Word. We'll be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, and plenty of watermelon. I hope you and your family will come and enjoy this special evening together.

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### **5-Day Club**

**Monday, July 27 – Friday, July 31**  
**10:00 AM–12:00 PM Daily**  
**FBC Pavilion**

#### **Children Ages 5–12**

We are excited to host a 5-Day Club sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF). Each morning will include engaging Bible lessons, missionary stories, songs, Scripture memory, games, and lunch.

Children must be pre-registered. Registration forms are available through our Children's Sunday School Department and the church office.

Please help us spread the word by inviting children and families throughout our community to join us.

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### **Join Us in Prayer**

**Sunday Prayer Gathering**  
**Sundays • 8:00–8:15 AM • Prayer Room**

Begin each Lord's Day by joining us as we seek God's presence, power, and blessing upon every aspect of our worship services.

## Intercessory Prayer Ministry

**Sundays • 10:15–11:15 AM • Prayer Room**

Each Sunday, faithful intercessors gather to pray during our worship service. If you would like to participate in this important ministry, a sign-up sheet is available in the Prayer Room.

Thank you for your faithful love for Christ, your love for His church, and your continued partnership in the work of the gospel. It is truly a joy to serve alongside you as we seek to glorify our Lord and make disciples together.

In Christ,

**Bro. Todd**

[todd.henson@bentonfbc.org](mailto:todd.henson@bentonfbc.org)

## Music Ministry

Our Worship Choir will rehearse **this Wednesday at 6:15pm** in the sanctuary.

If you love to sing and want to be a part of leading worship with the choir, we'd love for you to join! No audition is required.....just a heart for worship and a willingness to serve. Come lift your voice with us!

*"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!" Psalm 150:6*

See you Sunday, ready to worship and sing!

**Stuart**

[stuart.terry@bentonfbc.org](mailto:stuart.terry@bentonfbc.org)

## Student Ministry

Please pray for our students and pray that their families will begin attending church with them. Many of our students are dropped off for church and later picked up, but their parents never come inside. My prayer and focus are to see these families not only attend together but grow in Christ together. Please join me in praying that God would use our student ministry to reach entire households with the gospel and build families that worship Him together.

### Upcoming Dates:

- July 13–17 – Kids Church Camp
- July 15 – No Wednesday Night Church
- July 22 – Pavilion Night: *Watermelon & the Word* | 6:00 PM
- July 27 – Kingsway Skating (Christian Music Night) – Youth Ministry Event
- July 29 – No Wednesday Night Church

In Christ,

**Hayden Jaco**

[hayden.jaco@bentonfbc.org](mailto:hayden.jaco@bentonfbc.org)

# Children's Ministry

Join us for "Watermelon & the Word" July 22, 6:00pm. We will grill burgers and have a great time of food and fellowship together.

When you read this, we will have left for CentriKid. Please be in prayer for our campers. Pray their hearts are prepared for the message they will receive. Pray for good weather as well and safe travels.

Have a great week!

**Margaret Siress**

[margaret.siress@bentonfbc.org](mailto:margaret.siress@bentonfbc.org)

## Business Information

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Budget Offering 7/12/2026 | \$17,422.10  |
| Given to date             | \$388,724.60 |
| Budget needs to date      | \$385,430.23 |
| Designated Offering       | \$1,035.00   |
| Building Fund This Year   | \$2,080.00   |
| Lottie Moon               | \$5,893.00   |
| Annie Armstrong           | \$1,575.00   |
| Raymond James/Endow. Fund | \$75,635.78  |

### ATTENDANCE

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| 7/12/26 | 211 |
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## Upcoming News & Events



Please pray for our campers and leaders as they travel to  
Linden Valley for Centri-Kid this week July 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

# Church Highlights



*Diaper Raffle*

BRING A PACK OF DIAPERS  
IN ANY SIZE FOR YOUR CHANCE TO  
WIN A SPECIAL PRIZE

RSVP via text or call  
to katie 2707035823



*Proud parents are Hayden & Jessica Jaco*



*She's ready to pop!*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BABY SHOWER  
HONORING MOM-TO-BE

*Jessica Jaco*

JULY 25 2026

FROM 12-3

*First Baptist Church*

910 MAIN STREET  
BENTON, KY

*Registry on Amazon and Target*

## Welcome New Members

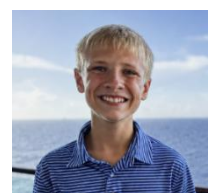
Kayden Blair  
1410 Walnut St.  
Benton, Ky 42025



Willow Duncan  
1224 Brewers Hwy.  
Hardin, Ky 42048



Brady Roberts  
506 Greenhill Drive  
Benton, Ky 42025



Addie Bowers  
966 Dyke Road  
Benton, Ky 42025



Eli Jackson  
1912 Oak Level  
/Elva Rd  
Symsonia, Ky  
42082



Leah Smith  
1410 Walnut St.  
Benton, Ky 42025



# Prayer Request

## Church Family

Karen Brown  
 Kia Crouse  
 Doug Galyen  
 Margie Greer  
 Kathy Harrison  
 Joan Hillen  
 Roy & Joetta Jones  
 Barbara Kinsey  
 Cheryl McCuiston  
 Tommy & Brooks Meyer  
 Gloria Neal  
 Dennis Pierce  
 Ronnie Powell  
 Tristen Prange  
 Ann Riley  
 Edna Riley  
 Wendy Rose  
 Dale Southerd  
 Barb Travis

\* Indicates new prayer request

## Friends & Family

Ed & Jane Alton  
 Anthony Cain  
 Amanda Crittendon  
 Debbie Dowdy  
 Veronica Galloway  
 Shelby Hega  
 Tony Hercula  
 Keith Johnson  
 George & Jane Kickhofel  
 Aaron Peters  
 \*Alecia Powell  
 Sandra Rowley  
 Dorothy Ryba  
 Dennis Southerd  
 Jane Willie  
 Eddy Wild

## Deaf Ministry

*(Patty Sanders' son & family)*  
 Kevin & Jessica Cartwright  
 & Family  
 15213 W 121<sup>st</sup> Terrace  
 Olathe, KS 66062

## IMB Missionaries, SE Asia

*(Martha Lewis's granddaughter & husband)*  
 Trevor & Maggie Grant  
 3806 Monument Ave  
 Richmond, VA 23230

## North American Mission Board

*(Kaitlin Penn's brother & family)*  
 Eric & Brittany Gibbs  
 767 N Castledale Ave  
 Casa Grande, AZ 85194

# Thank You

FBC Benton Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and all your thoughts and prayers! We are so blessed to be a part of this church family!

Love,

Sarah Robertson & Allison Hooks



# Volunteer Schedules

|                                           |                                |                                 |                         |                                             |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Nursery</u></b>                     |                                |                                 |                         | <b><u>Welcome Center</u></b>                |
| <u>SS only</u>                            | <u>Worship only</u>            | <u>SS &amp; Worship</u>         | <u>SS &amp; Worship</u> | <b>7/5</b> – Brian Doss, David Maddox       |
| <b>7/5</b> – Kia Crouse<br>Jessica Jaco   | Wendy Rose<br>Tammy Willie     | Kathy McCurry                   | Devan Willoughby        | <b>7/12</b> – Clayton Crouse, Kevin Jackson |
| <b>7/12</b> – Vicki Wynn<br>Vicki Tynes   | Amy Northcott<br>Heather Yates | Megan Robinson                  | Lori McGregor           | <b>7/19</b> – Clayton Crouse, Coye McCurry  |
| <b>7/19</b> – Rita Hawes<br>Patsy Doom    | Karen Postma<br>Karen McKean   | Dara Smith                      | Stacey Malone           | <b>7/26</b> – Bud Langlois, Gary Allen      |
| <b>7/26</b> - Kim Sharp                   | Wendy Rose                     | Jessica Jaco<br>Dana Marsteller | Mya Acord               |                                             |
| <b><u>Audio – Video</u></b>               |                                |                                 |                         | <b><u>Camera Room</u></b>                   |
| <b>7/5</b> – Jeff Siress, Keagan Owens    |                                |                                 |                         | <b>7/5</b> - Paul & Karen McKean            |
| <b>7/12</b> – Joe Jackson, Miranda Mathis |                                |                                 |                         | <b>7/12</b> - Andy Lepisto                  |
| <b>7/19</b> – Billy & Terri Thorpe        |                                |                                 |                         | <b>7/19</b> – Dave Puckett                  |
| <b>7/26</b> – Grant & Devan Willoughby    |                                |                                 |                         | <b>7/26</b> – Gary Allen                    |
| <b><u>Offertory Prayer</u></b>            |                                |                                 |                         | <b><u>Wednesday Evening</u></b>             |
| <b>7/5</b> – Mike Donohoo                 |                                |                                 |                         | No classes during summer break              |
| <b>7/12</b> – David Cassity               |                                |                                 |                         |                                             |
| <b>7/19</b> – Austin Beck                 |                                |                                 |                         |                                             |
| <b>7/26</b> – Brian Doss                  |                                |                                 |                         |                                             |



We would like to encourage members and non-members to log in to the church directory and make any updates to your profile. The directory is a great way to get acquainted with our church family.

Call the church office with any questions. 270-527-7575

[members.InstantChurchDirectory.com](https://members.InstantChurchDirectory.com)

# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## July 2026

| Sun                                                                                                         | Mon                                                              | Tue                                     | Wed                                                                | Thu                                                           | Fri                                                                                                         | Sat                                                   |
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|                                                                                                             |                                                                  |                                         | 1<br><i>Miranda Mathis<br/>Chase Hill<br/>Bro. Todd<br/>Henson</i> | 2<br><i>Linda Tolbert<br/>Abby Putney</i>                     | 3                                                                                                           | 4<br><b>Independence Day</b><br><i>Teresa English</i> |
| 5<br><i>Kevin &amp; Tammy<br/>Willie</i>                                                                    | 6<br><i>Ted &amp; Barbara<br/>Kinsey<br/>Mark &amp; Kim Peel</i> | 7<br><i>Sherri Riley</i>                | 8<br><i>Debbie Beck<br/>Lily Bowers</i>                            | 9<br><i>Paul<br/>Robinson<br/>Dara Smith<br/>Donnie Young</i> | 10                                                                                                          | 11<br><i>Saylor Bryant</i>                            |
| 12<br><i>Maryde Fullington<br/>Betty Patterson<br/>Mark Allen<br/>Megan Robinson<br/>Hunter Jaco</i>        | 13<br><i>David Maddox</i>                                        | 14<br><i>Mary Jo Sprouse</i>            | 15<br><i>Paxton Gipson<br/>Payton Gipson</i>                       | 16                                                            | 17<br><i>Hope Cartwright<br/>Sheila Crowley<br/>Vicki Wynn<br/>Judy York<br/>Brian &amp; Darla<br/>Doss</i> | 18<br><i>Grayson<br/>Jackson</i>                      |
| 19<br><i>Edna Riley<br/>Owen Mathis<br/>Kevin Jackson<br/>Mark Peel<br/>Jarrett &amp; Stacey<br/>Malone</i> | 20<br><i>Darcy Locker<br/>Doug Wynn</i>                          | 21<br><i>Joe Dodd<br/>Kelsey Sallee</i> | 22<br><i>Gary Travis</i>                                           | 23<br><i>Dale &amp; Judy<br/>Southerd</i>                     | 24<br><i>Ann Riley<br/>Jon Noles<br/>Kaitlin Penn</i>                                                       | 25<br><i>Carolyn Borders<br/>Dixie Mecke</i>          |
| 26                                                                                                          | 27<br><i>Debbie Heuer<br/>Finley Owens</i>                       | 28                                      | 29<br><i>Coye McCurry</i>                                          | 30                                                            | 31<br><i>Steve Mathis<br/>Jim &amp; Karen<br/>Postma<br/>Jody &amp; Wendy<br/>Rose</i>                      |                                                       |

Birthdays in **RED**

# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

| August 2026                                |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                                          |                                                        |                                                                                                   |                                                        |
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| Sun                                        | Mon                                                                      | Tue                                             | Wed                                                                      | Thu                                                    | Fri                                                                                               | Sat                                                    |
|                                            |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                                          |                                                        |                                                                                                   | 1                                                      |
| 2<br>Joe Jackson<br>Jarrett Malone         | 3<br>Breanna Carnine                                                     | 4                                               | 5<br>Holly Moore                                                         | 6<br>Irma McClain<br>Brent Lanier                      | 7<br>Brian Alexander<br>Danny Maxberry<br>Eric Penn<br>Tamie Hodges<br>Clifford &<br>Sherrie Penn | 8                                                      |
| 9<br>Marisa Smith<br>Jessica<br>Cartwright | 10<br>Tammy Anderson<br>Eleanor Pogue                                    | 11<br>Richard McLeod<br>Todd & Amy<br>Northcott | 12<br>Becky Auten<br>Hayden Jaco<br>Clark Pullen                         | 13<br>Susan<br>Sedlock<br>Mark &<br>Debbie Heuer       | 14<br>Debra Edwards<br>Sarah<br>Robertson                                                         | 15                                                     |
| 16                                         | 17<br>Todd & Kelly<br>Henson                                             | 18<br>David Record                              | 19<br>Steve & Cynthia<br>Cary                                            | 20                                                     | 21<br>Judy Southerd<br>Ken Toby                                                                   | 22<br>Carolyn<br>Donohoo<br>Danny & Lockie<br>Maxberry |
| 23<br>Brooks Tynes<br>Tessa Powell         | 24<br>Cathy Maddox<br>Steven Bowers                                      | 25<br>Danny Owens                               | 26<br>Savannah<br>Hairgrove<br>Karen McLeod<br>Pam Rye<br>Karsyn Warmath | 27<br>Tommy<br>Sedlock<br>Mike &<br>Carolyn<br>Donohoo | 28<br>Nate Moore<br>Annie Malone                                                                  | 29<br>Natalie<br>Thurmond                              |
| 30<br>Erin Mathis                          | 31<br>Tommy Meyer<br>Cheryl McCuiston<br>Dusty Kombacher<br>Jill Spencer | ANNIVERSARIES IN RED                            |                                                                          |                                                        |                                                                                                   |                                                        |