Vacation Bible School

June 4-8
6:30-8:45pm
For all children Kindergarten-5th grade.

“Let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven.” Matt 5:16

Welcome Guest Speaker

Trey Etheridge

Student Pastor at Fegenbush Campus of Highview Baptist Church
We give thanks when church staff can have long tenure. We have recently had two of our ladies give their resignation to the church to take other opportunities of employment. We are thankful that they and their families will remain an active part of the fellowship of our church. Both Cindy Lowe and Denise Miller have been a pleasure to work with and I am very thankful for their commitment and love for our Lord and His church.

Cindy Lowe served seven years as our Adventure Club Director. Her leadership helped Adventure Club grow in enrollment, employees, and in budget by three times. Cindy also was innovative in giving new program and ministry opportunities to the children. During her time, we experienced many upgrades to our facilities, including a new laminate flooring, gym floor, kitchen upgrades, painting, and more.

Denise Miller worked six and a half years as our financial secretary. Denise exemplified the epitome of reliability, responsibility and confidentiality. She was faithful and accurate in all her bookkeeping functions and reports to the church. Denise had a tremendous duty of helping oversee both the church budget and the Adventure Club budget. Denise also served as our staff representative to the Ministry Involvement, Recreation, Property and Hospitality teams.

I would like to briefly introduce you to new staff serving in the positions of Adventure Club Executive Director and Financial Secretary. First, I want to give a big thanks to our Adventure Club Council and to the church Personnel Team who both handled the interview processes. Both teams have 7 church members with Adventure Club Council being led by Linda Ashby and the Personnel Team being led by Angie White.

Jill Sowder comes to the Adventure Club Executive Director position with much church and children’s ministry experience. Jill previously served 10 years as our Parent’s Day Out Director at our church. She also served three years as a preschool teacher for Adventure Club and two years as part-time church receptionist. We have found Jill to have an excellent leadership and management skill set to lead in this important ministry. Jill and her family have been worshipping with SBC for 18 years.

Christy Riner comes to the part-time (28 hours) Financial Secretary role with 12+ years experience in the accounting and bookkeeping field. She graduated with a bachelor degree in Business administration. We are blessed to have her education and experience in all accounting functions and software systems. Christy and her family have been worshipping with SBC for over two years.

Both Adventure Club Executive Director and Financial Secretary carry tremendously important ministry responsibilities for our church and community. I encourage you to pray for and offer fellowship and encouragement to each of these ladies. We pray they both have a blessed and long tenure of ministry with our church!

Steve Boyd

The Traits of True Christians

Begins Sunday, June 4

(Mt. 5-7) Jesus teaches the defining, universal characteristics for being a disciple in God's Kingdom.
Remembering Ones We Have Lost

Les Bailey
1917-2017

Let’s celebrate what a wonderful life that Les blessed many of us with. I would love to include tributes to him in our yearly History Annual. If you could send me a few sentences on a memory, how he influenced you or an example of his faith, I would be glad to include these. Please include your name and dates if you can. You can handwrite them and give them to me or to Angie in the office or email: amymariegriggs@yahoo.com. Pictures would be greatly appreciated too! Thank you for your participation in this new aspect of the History Ministry.

Amy Griggs, Church Historian

Chronological Bible Reading

Reading The Bible in One Year

| June 1 | Psalm 119:89-176 |
| June 2 | Song of Songs 1-8 |
| June 3 | Proverbs 1-3 |
| June 4 | Proverbs 4-6 |
| June 5 | Proverbs 7-9 |
| June 6 | Proverbs 10-12 |
| June 7 | Proverbs 13-15 |
| June 8 | Proverbs 16-18 |
| June 9 | Proverbs 19-21 |
| June 10 | Proverbs 22-24 |
| June 11 | 1 Kings 1-2, Psalm 37, 71, 94 |
| June 12 | 1 Kings 7, 2 Chronicles 4 |
| June 13 | 1 Kings 8, 2 Chronicles 5 |
| June 14 | 2 Chronicles 6-7, Psalm 136 |
| June 15 | Psalm 134, 146-150 |
| June 16 | 1 Kings 9, 2 Chronicles 8 |
| June 17 | Proverbs 25-26 |
| June 18 | Proverbs 27-29 |
| June 19 | Ecclesiastes 1-6 |
| June 20 | Ecclesiastes 7-12 |
| June 21 | 1 Kings 10-11, 2 Chronicles 9 |
| June 22 | Proverbs 30-31 |
| June 23 | 1 Kings 12-14 |
| June 24 | 2 Chronicles 10-12 |
| June 25 | 1 Kings 15:1-24, 2 Chronicles 13-16 |
| June 26 | 1 Kings 15:25-16:34, 2 Chronicles 17 |
| June 27 | 1 Kings 17-19 |
| June 28 | 1 Kings 20-21 |
| June 29 | 1 Kings 22, 2 Chronicles 18 |
| June 30 | 2 Chronicles 19-23 |

Vacation Bible School Volunteer Meeting

Wednesday, May 31 at 6:30pm
in the Fellowship Hall.
This meeting is for ALL volunteers!
Our Ladies Spring Tea was a well attended fellowship event!
Ladies Bunco Night provided lots of laughs!

**Women of Worth Class**
Sunday, June 11 at 1:30pm
Meets in Room 207
Facilitated by MaryDora Conley, licensed family therapist.

**Quilting Ministry**
June 10
9am
Meet at the home of Veada Metcalf.
115 Lincoln Station Simpsonville

**Women’s Ministry Event**
Saturday, August 5
Featuring author and speaker
Sandy Gross
of Renewing Me Ministries
You Are Potential
Women’s Class
Written by Sandy Gross
Begins Monday, August 7
Facilitated by Theresa Skeeters & MaryDora Conley
Deacon/Yokefellow Selection Procedure
Deacon Selection will be July 16

Biblical & Church Requirements for Deacons and Yokefellows:

- All nominees should be in accord with 1Tim 3:8-13.
- Be involved in Sunday School and Worship regularly.
- Must be a church member for one year.
- Must exhibit financial growth in giving.
- Commit to working the current deacon ministry plan which is working with guests and those not connected with a small group.
- Regularly attend deacon meetings and deacon ministry events. Deacons currently meet the first Sunday of each month at 4pm.
- Deacons commit to serving a term of three years and then must rotate off for at least one year.

Nomination Requirements:

- To be nominated, deacon nominee(s) must be ordained or have served one year as a yokefellow.
- You may not nominate your own family members.
- You must be a member to submit a nomination.
- The eligibility of all nominees will be determined during interviews with the Deacon Chairperson, Assistant Chair or Senior Pastor.

You will find below a list of ordained deacons within our church who are eligible for nomination. Each nominated person must strive to adhere to the expectations of the Bible and the church. For example, a deacon must be a regular attender of Sunday School.

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YOKEFELLOWS:

- Serve in a mentoring role for one year.
- Have the same nomination requirements as deacons.
- Nominations can be made for any individual within the church membership.
- Are not required to be ordained or to have served in the past.

Deacon/Yokefellow Process:

- Each deacon/yokefellow nominee will be contacted by the leadership to notify of the nomination.
- If interested, leadership will schedule an appointment to discuss biblical and church expectations and review the deacon ministry plan.
- After time for prayerful consideration, leadership will contact the nominee to receive answer to nomination.

Please do not nominate these deacons who are ineligible for nomination because they are currently serving or are rotating off for one year.

Lowell Ashby, Larry Baker, Savonna Chhan, Cindy Childers, Andrew Cline, Amy Griggs, Clark Jesse, Chet Miller, Edith McGowan, Bob Perkins, Nathan Sangster, Jill Sowder, Ronnie Sowder, Tony Thomas, Don Vail, Brent White, John White

** Please note:
- All nominations forms and ballots must be printed legibly, otherwise they will be discarded.
- Nomination forms can given to a staff member or placed in the offering plate.
- Parents of children who are members, please consider the magnitude of this process and potential implication upon the outcome when deciding whether or not to allow your children to vote.
- Members may nominate up to two deacons and two yokefellows.

Nomination forms are available at the Welcome Center.
We are always looking for ways to make SBC a little “smaller” so that we all feel like family. We are introducing a new segment in the newsletter highlighting our new families so you can put some names to faces.

Amanda Glasscock
Amanda has participated in some of our Women’s Ministry events. She attends the Women For Christ Sunday School class. Amanda loves to play trivia games.

Anita Hoops
You will find Anita serving coffee in the Coffee Cove during the 8:30am Sunday School hour. She attends the Women for Christ Sunday School class and is an avid fan of The Andy Griffith Show. Her son, Stetson, is in the Air Force.

Kelly Horsley
Kelly loves music and sings in our Celebration Choir. She attends our Truth4Life Sunday School class. Kelly has a son, Josh and a step-daughter, Erica.

Denis & Patti Tocci
Patti is on our Decorating Team and Denis teaches the Barnabas Sunday School class which meets at 11am. Denis & Patti are retired missionaries and they enjoy serving in home-repair ministries.

Brent, Karen & Sylvia Hinton
Brent has been instrumental in igniting our Men’s Ministry. Brent & Susan are currently attending the Kingdom Heirs Sunday School Class. Sylvia attends Male High School and is in 11th grade.

Chris & Heather Kriel
Tristan
Chris & Heather attend our Truth4Life Sunday School class. Chris owns a flooring company and recently participated in our Maytown mission trip with some of his employees. Tristan is going into 8th grade and attends Shelby County High School.

We had a great year in AWANA that ended with a messy bang! Thanks to all of our teachers, parents and volunteers that served our children! AWANA will begin again in August.

We would like to introduce you to our Ushers Ministry Team.

Seating Ushers
Our seating ushers are available to help you find seats when the sanctuary is full. Please allow them to assist you if more chairs are unavailable, as safety is a concern.

Giving Ushers
Giving ushers are responsible for counting attendance and securing individuals to collect the offering.

Our seating ushers work in pairs and serves once a month. If you would like to join the team, please contact angie@simpsonvillebaptist.com.
Good Time Travelers had lunch at The Overlook restaurant in Leavenworth IN in May. We enjoyed country cooking with a cool view of a bend in the Ohio River. After lunch, we visited the eclectic General Store in Leavenworth…. good times!

On Thursday, June 22 we will enjoy lunch at The Beaumont Inn, in Harrodsburg.
We will stop at the Kountry Kupboard Amish General Store on the way home.
We will leave from SBC at 11am.
Sign up in the foyer of the FLC.

Master Plan Initiative Team

Last Sunday I had a rather unique experience. First, I had prepared to teach from the lesson notes of Brent Hinton on the book of Jonah as his backup substitute teacher, if needed. Turned out that wasn’t necessary, so I then sat in on Patricia Pace’s teaching on Genesis 20. I doubt anyone has ever tried to pull these two passages together in one common theme or message, but something really jumped out to me after studying these scriptures together. Here’s the theme:

“The Devil’s temptations (sin, disobedience, diversions, etc.) are the greatest at the time, or just before the time God is about to move mightily or do something extraordinary.”

Jonah 1-3: This prophet’s outright disobedience to God’s instruction by going the opposite direction from Nineveh…. causing a great storm…. being swallowed by a great fish for 3 days… being vomited on land… then praying… and saying, “In 40 days Nineveh will be destroyed” … ALMOST caused Jonah to miss one of, if not the greatest revivals in history. God spared the whole city, when the whole city repented… all at once, and Jonah almost missed it! Did you see where Jonah’s evil human tendencies of rebellion and disobedience was the strongest at the time, or just before God spared Nineveh in a mighty way when the whole city repented?

Genesis 20: For years, God had promised Abraham and Sarah with a child, a son, an heir… and from three visitors who had just spoken to Abraham, we know the birth is going to occur within one year! What happens, now? Just before the miraculous birth of Isaac to parents of old age? … Well, Abraham commits the sin (a second time, by the way) of deceiving a king that Sarah was his sister, almost causing the king to commit a great sin. God protected this king at the time Sarah was likely pregnant with Isaac. Then, Abraham’s sin leads him to give 5 different excuses blaming others for his deception! Again, like Jonah, Abraham’s sin came just before God was to do an extraordinary miracle in his life and that of his wife (not his sister). After this we know that God must have finally gotten Abraham’s full attention for he was later willing to follow God’s instructions to the point of nearly killing Isaac, his promised son in pure obedience and faith.

So, how are these stories related to the Master Plan God has for Simpsonville Baptist Church?

We, at Simpsonville Baptist Church are on the verge of a major movement of God by His local church, by His church members and its leadership. I PRAY, EARNESTLY that we are OBEDIENT to God’s calling like we’ve never been before … in stewardship, in sacrifice and in generosity… in fulfillment of God’s Master Plan. But, we can also count on the Devil, the Evil One who will try his absolute best to keep this from happening… giving people doubts (and diversions) and outright obstacles to building a once in a lifetime (or 2 or 3 lifetimes) place of worship and teaching of God’s word in our community. The devil is always about evil, especially right before God is about to move mightily or do something extraordinary. But, OUR GOD is greater, our God is stronger, God you are higher than any other! Prepare yourself to be part of His mighty work.

Lowell Ashby, Master Plan Initiative Team
We are very excited to have several of our college students participating in summer mission trips. Please pray for them as they serve and minister in Christ’s name.

Kirstin Dugle
I will be going to Harbin, China for a Cross Cultural Exchange Program (CEP) at the Harbin Institute of Technology. The goal of this trip is to build relationships with students who are learning English, learn about their culture, and share our American culture with them. Please be praying that through the relationships we build with the students, we will be able to engage in deep conversations with them.

Ryan Renfro
I will be serving in New Orleans this summer with an organization called MissionLab. MissionLab is a ministry of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and facilitates customized mission trips for youth groups. Their motto is: “Learn Missions. Do Missions.” Be a Missionary. As a summer missionary, I will live in New Orleans for 10 weeks and help their summer program run smoothly. My duties will include mentoring students each week from around the country, serving alongside groups at a variety of ministry sites, assisting youth pastors with logistics, and helping behind the scenes with worship events. I attended MissionLab in 2014 with the Simpsonville Baptist Youth Group and I’m very excited to go back and serve with them this summer!

Shelby Vogel
I will be attending a Medical Discipleship Training School through Youth With A Mission (YWAM) in Perth, Australia from July-September. I will then be performing medical missions through YWAM in Manila, Philippines from October-December. Prayers for spiritual and physical healing are greatly appreciated!

Katie Vogel
This summer, I will be serving in South Asia with a campus ministry called Cru. My Cru team and I will train in evangelism and culture before traveling to South Asia.

While in South Asia, our main mission field will be college campuses. We will go onto college campuses in an effort to build relationships with South Asian college students. Since we will be there five weeks, our prayer is that these relationships will turn into spiritual conversations and opportunities to share the hope of Jesus Christ with South Asians. I am thankful that the Lord has called me overseas and is allowing me this opportunity be His hands and feet.

Paul Miller
This summer I will be serving with Project Tampa thru Campus Outreach in Florida. I will be working in the community during the day to earn money for the summer and will share the gospel with those I’m working with. In the evenings and weekends I will be doing Bible Study and personal evangelism in the community. I will also mentor and to give supervision two new students in the ministry.
Please be in prayer for our Alaskan Mission Team – June 17-25

Stephen Kovaka, Lisa & Andy McDonald, Tracey Brink, Macey Gowin, Stanalee Gowin

Please be in prayer for Digna Veltenega, and her son Kevin, who will be serving in Guatemala this summer. Digna will lead Vacation Bible School for 75 children.

A big thank you goes out to Becky Straub, Debbie Dupont, Amy Griggs and Tony Sanford for their help in preparing the VBS crafts.

Kendall Optometry Ministry receives glasses from the Lions Club. The glasses are cleaned and measured by volunteers and made available to mission teams who are serving internationally and in Indian Reservations. You can partner with KOM in several ways:

- Measure glasses in your home. KOM provides all the materials and the training. Service expectations: 4-6 hours each week processing a minimum of 150 pairs of glasses.
- Cleaning donated glasses
- Donating your old glasses: regular, bi-focal or progressive lens are accepted.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Stephen Kovaka (stevek@dewater.com) or Angie in the church office (ext.106). Donated glasses can be taken to the Coffee Cove or the church office.

SBC has partnered with KBC and KY Changers to serve in Shelby County. The Joy and Kingdom Heirs Sunday School class members served & provided lunch at a recent KY Changers meeting held at the church.

Our Student Ministry will host several teams of out-of-town students on Sunday, June 11 for lunch and during the week with snacks.

Please be in prayer:
† for those students who have committed to serve our community by repairing homes.
† that the Gospel would be shown to and received by those receiving the home repairs.
† for the student leaders and chaperones.

Thank you to Bob Perkins, Ken Hyde & Bill Wells for their leadership with KY Changers.

Holiday Estates Mobile Home Ministry - Englewood, FL
Bob & Linda Gordon
Thank you to all of our SBC family for their prayers, cards and support. We saw, and to continue to see God at work in a great way, and to Him be all praise & glory. Bob & Linda

Service Summary:
First Sunday attendance -28
Highest attendance -55
13 week average -40
Total of 65 family units attended services

Special ministry to families:
† Home visits with more than 75% of attending families
† Fellowship Appreciation Breakfast prepared by Linda
† We had several residents who experienced the loss of family members while we served.
The SBC Men's Ministry welcomes all level of golfers to participate in the 2017 Golf Ministry.

**Thursday 9-Hole Golf League, Shelbyville**

- Dates are June 1, 15, 29 / July 13, 27 / August 10
- Weissinger Hills Golf Course (2240 Mt. Eden Rd, Shelbyville)
- 6:30 pm tee time
- $15 cart/green fee
- This is very casual. It doesn’t matter if you are a scratch golfer or you have a 28 handicap, the goal is to come out and enjoy the fellowship with other Christian men. No need to confirm participation simply show up!

**Olde Stone Golf Weekend, Bowling Green**

- August 18 & 19
- Three rounds of golf
- 2,200 sq ft Palmer Cottage
- We will grill steaks for dinner.
- This course is as nice and as difficult as Valhalla. Check it out at: www.olde-stone.com.
- Full Trip $385 per person, includes overnight stay & dinner.
- A $135 non-refundable deposit is due no later than FRIDAY JUNE 30 and can be given to Brent Hinton. (Checks made payable to Brent!)

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**MEN’S GUATEMALA SHORT TERM MISSION**

**February 10-17**

Est. cost-$1,600

We will be building a church and doing community evangelism. An info meeting will be held shortly.
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Women’s Summer Bible Study

Begins Monday, June 19 at 10am

"The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance." Psalm 16:5-6

This class is 9 weeks and has no homework.

Listening guide is $5.

Facilitated by Amy Griggs.

Sign up in the FLC foyer.

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