

FIRSTLIFE

HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM OUR MISSION PARTNERS!

BY RACHEL BELL



Happy New Year! ...Well almost. This has been an exciting year in the life of First Baptist, as well as an exciting year in the life of our mission partners. As you may know, we have relationships with missionaries and organization who are impacting areas all over the globe. We are so thankful for these partnerships, and we look forward to another year together.

Let's take a look at what has happened with just a few of our partners: Black Sea Ministries, the Wyatts, and Missy Angalla!

Black Sea Ministries

In November our friends with the Black Sea Ministries opened the doors to their newly built church building. They had been working towards this day for the last half year, and we are thrilled to celebrate the occasion with them.

Their church is the only building of it's kind in the country, and it is a gift from God that the government allowed them to build and operate out of it. About 130 people attended the first service. Be praying for this mission partner so their church can remain open and ministering to the community. See all the pictures on our blog!

Marc & Kim Wyatt

Marc and Kim have had a very busy year in the Research Triangle. They opened Welcome House Raleigh, Hope House Durham, and Welcome House Winston. They partnered with a local church to produce a children's book about prayer. They produced four CBF promotional videos. The list goes on. Check out the rest on our blog.

Missy Angalla

At the beginning of December, eight women graduated from Missy's shelter rehabilitation and empowerment program. They spent the previous 4-9 months healing, gaining educational skills, and learning they have value and purpose. Missy is hosting a special series on her Facebook called This Is What Hope Looks Like, and the graduation is just one in the series of blessings in her ministry. Check out the rest on Facebook: [@MissyInUganda](https://www.facebook.com/MissyInUganda).

Want full updates on these partners? Check out fbcknox.org/firstlife-blog.

WEEKLYUPDATES

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday School	199
First Community	90
11:00 am	280
Deaf	30
Worship Total	400
Christmas Eve	625

Thank You for Your Prayers!

An updated Prayer List can be picked up in the Welcome Center or in your Sunday School class.

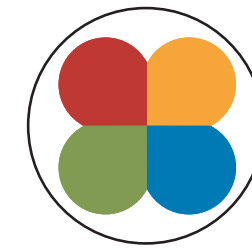
If you would like to receive the Prayer List by email, contact Kim Pieratt at kpieratt@fbcknox.org.

Monthly Budget	Oct '17	FY 2017/18 YTD
Unified Expenses	\$174,797	\$651,600
Unified Receipts	\$157,229	\$574,542
Offering	\$140,599	\$489,150
Transfer from Designated	\$6,580	\$48,787
Kitchen	\$3,450	\$10,206
Parking Lot	\$6,600	\$26,400
Estate Gifts	\$0	\$0
Less: Money moved to Missions	(\$6,875)	(\$27,500)
Total Receipts	\$150,354	\$547,042
Excess/Deficit	(\$24,443)	(\$104,558)

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Susan Tatum, Minister with Children & Families
Dave Ward, Minister Emeritus
Ben Winder, Minister with Youth & Families



FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

11:00 AM | DECEMBER 31, 2017

Order of Worship

Prelude Brandon Coffey

"I Saw Three Ships"
arr. Joseph Martin

Choral Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir

"His Name Is Called Emmanuel"
Ralph Vaughn Williams

Rejoice, and lay aside your fear. Rejoice, the Holy One is here.
 God is with us! Alleluia! Lift up your voices, come and sing.
 Come worship Christ, the newborn King.
 God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Responsive Call to Worship Wendell Boertje

Leader: Let us go, in heart and mind, to see what has come to pass. Let us go with the shepherds:

Congregation: Let us go to find the Savior!

Leader: Let us go with the wise ones:

Congregation: Let us go to find God's Promise, born for us!

Leader: Let us go with the poor and humble:

Congregation: Let us go to find our King, born in a lowly manger.

Leader: Let us go with all the world, with all the peoples of the nations. Come, let us worship; come, let us adore him:

Congregation: Christ the Lord!

*Hymn 103 Congregation

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
ADESTE FIDELES

Welcome Ben Winder

Children's Sermon Pam Neal

[Four year-olds and Kindergarteners who are attending Passage (Children's Worship) will be escorted at this time to the Kids Connection hallway.]

*Hymn 122 Congregation

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"
IN DULCI JUBILO

*Hymn 143 Congregation

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
GO TELL IT

Pastoral Prayer Tom Ogburn

*Hymn 114 Congregation

"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"
KINGSFOLD

Scripture Reading (Philippians 2:1-11) Paul Ivie

Offertory Prayer Jama Mosher

Offertory

“Jesus Came to Dwell Among Us”
Benjamin Harlan

Sanctuary Choir

Jesus came to dwell among us, full of truth and full of grace;
sent with gifts of love and mercy for a wayward human race.
Costly gifts of gold and incense offered at the baby’s birth
were as dust beside the treasure which the Father sent to earth.

Wondrous thought that this small baby held the promise of God’s love,
bringing mortals hope and healing from God’s treasure house above.

Alleluia, praise the baby, praise the life He came to live!
Alleluia, praise the Father, praise the gift He chose to give!

He came to dwell among us, full of truth and full of grace;
joyful tidings stirred the heartstrings of a waiting human race.

Alleluia, praise the baby, greatest gift of all was He!
Alleluia, praise the Father, His the gift which set us free!
Alleluia, praise the Father, His the gift which set us free!

Sermon

“Now What?”
Philippians 2:1-11

Tom Ogburn

*Hymn of Response 165

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”
SCHULZ

Congregation

Sharing of Public Decisions

*Spoken Benediction

Tom Ogburn

*Choral Benediction

Sanctuary Choir

“His Name Is Called Emmanuel”
Ralph Vaughn Williams

His name is called Emmanuel, more wonderful than words can tell.
God is with us! Alleluia! Born in our darkness, He is Light;
born in our weakness, He is Might.
God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Postlude

“Another Year Is Dawning”
Mary McDonald

Rhonda Carpenter

*Congregation is asked to stand as you are able.

SERMONNOTES

SUNDAYANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month;
we will receive our Community Care/Benevolence Offering,
which allows us to meet the critical needs of those in our community.



Tickets On-Sale TODAY

175th Kick-Off Celebration: January 21, 10:30 am | \$5/person, \$20 max/family
The Celebration will begin with a unified service at 10:30 am. There will be no Sunday School or First Community. Afterwards, we will head to Trentham Hall for a church-wide luncheon. Tickets go on sale TODAY for \$5/person with a \$20 max for families. For updates, sign up for our special 175th Anniversary Email at fbcknox.org/175.

End-of-Year Giving

Ends TODAY, give.fbcknox.org
Any gift given before noon today will count toward your 2017 charitable giving tax deduction. For a list of ways you can give, check out fbcknox.org/yearendgive.



Inclement Weather Policy

If Knox County Schools close on a weekday, we cancel all activities that day, including meetings. For weekend activities, we will make decisions based on conditions and post closings or delays on local television stations, fbcknox.org, and our Facebook (fb.com/firstbaptistknoxville). The 11 am service will be held each Sunday.



Pray for the CBF Winter Youth Summit

Pray for our youth and adult leaders as they attend this summit in Huntsville, AL next weekend.

Be On Our Security Team | Orientation Meeting

January 14, 12:15 pm, 242, Lunch Provided
In the wake of the church shooting in Texas, we would like to enhance our Security Team and invite anyone who would like to be involved to this orientation meeting. We have multiple ways you can serve, some of which can be done while sitting in worship. RSVP to Pam Neal at pneal@fbcknox.org if you are interested in attending.

Women on Mission on Tuesday

February 6, 2018, 10:30 am, 302, Lunch to Follow
There will be no WOM meeting in January, but please join us for our next meeting in February to learn how to be involved in the mission work of First Baptist.



A Special Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you have joined us today! We invite you to the Welcome Center following the service, where we have a gift for each guest and more information about First Baptist Knoxville.

Worshipping with Children

As a family discipling church we desire to come alongside families, enabling them to raise their children to be all God is calling them to become. We welcome your family to worship together!

All Children are invited to worship using the children’s bulletin, which is available at all entrances, and to come to the front of the Sanctuary for the Children’s Sermon during the service.

Children 3 and under may attend Preschool Extended Session on the Education Building 1st floor.

Children age 4 – Kindergarten may attend Passage, our children’s worship experience on the Education Building 2nd Floor following the Children’s Sermon.

Restrooms are located in the hallway directly behind the choir loft.

Hearing devices are available in the Reception Office courtesy of the Senior Adult Ministry.