

WEEKLY BUDGET OFFERING

Weekly Ministry Costs \$6159

Weekly Giving to God

06/07/26	06/14/26	06/21/26	06/28/26
\$6109	\$3310	\$3513	\$4580



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



August 2 Yui Clagg
Betty McMahan
8 Wilma Crenshaw
10 Kere Clagg
15 Christine Garrison
16 Joette Rule
18 Kenlie Conner
Richard Schulman
23 Mike Clark
28 Josh Squire

FUSION STUDENT MINISTRY

Fusion will have an Open House on Wednesday August 12 from 6-7pm. Parents are invited to register their student(s) for the new year at this time.

CHURCH STAFF

Keith Pierce, Interim Pastor
Jack Abbott, Associate Pastor
Josh Squire, Associate Pastor
Judy White, Ministry Assistant
Rudolph Nemeth, Pianist
John Puckett, Custodian

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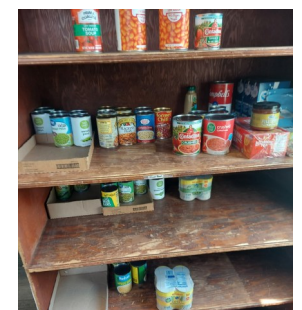
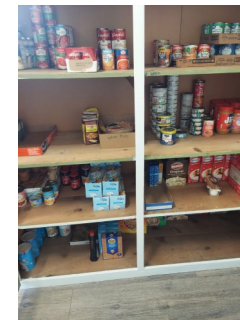
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MISSIONS UPDATE



Briceville Friendship Center: Here are pictures of what the food bank looks like. Thanks to your contributions my trunk was full! It is such a blessing to see what a giving spirit our church has. Many have been blessed because of you!

Tennessee Baptist Children's Home: The home in Oakdale has added three new children. Two brothers ages 7 and 10 and a 6 month old girl. They are needing our prayers as this makes 10 children in their care. It is especially hard for them as there is a big difference in age from 6 months to 17 years old. Be in prayer for guidance as they have many situations to deal with. Scott and Melody are the makers of the bookmarks that we gave out at our 80th anniversary celebration. They did a wonderful job on them.

In His Service,

Betty McMahan, Missions Director

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your faithfulness during this season. Thank you for praying fervently. Thank you for making yourself available and stepping up in many areas during this time of transition. We were blessed to have Joe Lovell, the comptroller for the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board (TBMB), give us a great evaluation of the finances of Robertsville Baptist Church. His services were paid for by the Cooperative Program giving of the Southern Baptist Convention and by TBMB. One of his first jobs out of college was working as an analyst for Oak Ridge just up the hill from the church building. He went on to serve with the International Mission Board with the Southern Baptist Convention over the finances for the entire country of the Philippines, then served in the same role in several Asian and Middle East mission endeavors. Then he transitioned fully to be over the finances of the International Mission Board in Richmond, Virginia. He has worked for TBMB for about three years now. He shared with our finance team that we are not on life support, but we need to adjust. Our budget is 70% staff, a little over 26% operations, around 4% ministry. A healthy balance would be 50% staff, 25% operations, and 25% ministry.

We are praying through many things right now. I am going to ask you soon to join me in a season of prayer and fasting for the future of Robertsville Baptist Church.

In Christ,
Keith

A WORD FROM JOSH

In John 13:34, Jesus says, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another." A few days ago, I gave Harrison and Hailey the last two of the Fourth of July cookies we had bought. Harrison looked at me and said, "Daddy, where's yours?" I told him that there were only two left and that I let him and Hailey have them. A few moments later, Harrison broke off part of his cookie and gave it to me to have. A few moments after that, Hailey broke off part of her cookie and gave it to Harrison to have. It was such a sweet moment. Jesus has loved us with such a sacrificial love that we, as His children, want to love Him back and show that same love to others. Let's love others the way Christ loves us!

A WORD FROM JACK

Our Fusion students had an incredible week at Snowbird Summer Camp! This year's theme was **"God With Us,"** and we experienced the truth of that message throughout the week. For most of our group, this was their very first trip to Snowbird, and for several students, it was their first church camp experience. Through worship, biblical teaching, small group discussions, and time in God's Word, students were challenged to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ.

One message that especially stood out reminded us that when Jesus died, the curtain separating the Holy of Holies was torn in two, giving believers direct access to God through Christ. Another meaningful reminder came from the Prayer Chapel: **"The very first step in studying your Bible is making the decision to be the type of person who reads it every day."** What a powerful challenge for all of us!

The greatest highlight of the week was seeing **three of our students make the decision to follow Jesus Christ.** We praise God for the life-changing work He is doing in our students' lives.

Thank you to Wendy and Rich for faithfully serving our students throughout the week, and thank you to everyone who gave and prayed to make this trip possible. Your generosity is making an eternal difference!

CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC

The Adult Life Group invites the entire church family to a potluck picnic at Clark Center Park on Saturday, July 18 at 1:00PM.



We plan to gather at the shelter near the swimming area (picnic tables are first-come, first-served). Bring a lawn chair, a covered dish to share, and your appetite! We'll enjoy good food, fellowship, and fun activities for all ages.

Please sign up this Sunday in your classroom for food items (main dishes, sides, desserts, drinks, etc.) and to help us with a head count. Questions and suggestions? Contact Bart Smith 865-806-0802.

Let's make some great summer memories together!