



first baptist church

CHATTANOOGA

GATEWAY

A place to be. A place to serve.

July 15, 2026

401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402

423.265.2257

www.fbcchattanooga.org

Sunday, July 19, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

Worship Care Workers

July 19

for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

Tiffany Cofer, Adam Weaver

Sylvia Colvin

10:50AM

SONGS OF COMMUNITY

JANE LEWIS & ANNE COFFELT

Deacon Greeters

1. Steve Partridge

2. Susan Rouse



Worship at First

Streamed and in-person

11:00AM

Rev. Mike Willard

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Wheat and Weeds??

Our church is evaluating how we communicate with our congregation and community. Your feedback will help us improve our website, strengthen communications, and ensure that members and visitors can easily find information. **Please take a moment to complete the survey** using the QR code on p. 4. You may also pick up a printed copy at the Welcome Center in the Office Lobby and in the Narthex.

Day Campers (younger kids), Overnight Campers (older kids), and Youth all ready to head for a week at Dogwood! (See p 4 for more.)



Church Family Concerns

(Updated from prayer requests and by office staff; not listed in order of priority)

Folks all over the world without food, water, shelter, safety
Innocent people who are victims of war and other injustices
Those with fertility issues; those with health concerns
Local folks in housing without functioning air conditioning
Those participating / helping at FBC Kids / Youth Camps, July 13-18
Family of Shirley Bunn

David Daley

Jessica & Jack Good

Robin Gray

Pollye Gross

Sandy Hood

Brenda Hooper

Linda & Dan Johnson

Barbara Koller

Doug Lewis

Don Manning

Wilbourne Markham

Barbara Nolen

Heather Osteen

Melissa Phillips

Quisenberry family (Thomas on sabbatical)

Annette Spinks

Sue Sisson

Gail Spittler

Imogene Stone (move)

Judy Sullivan

Penny Tullock

Family of Hubert Turner, Jr.

Virginia Wagon (hospice)

Annette White

Sharon Wilkins

Tom Williams, Sr.

Chris and family

Billie Jean, Rose Thomas's sister-in-law

Gerald Bailey, friend of T. McCullough & W. Markham

Ashley, Blake and Wyatt Boerger

Family of Dean Cruce

Mike Duncombe, Wilbourne Markham's nephew

Gladyelle Hamner family

Doris Heath, Grady Worley's cousin

Anthony Henderson's father, Ronald (Anthony, FBC custodian)

Dave Haibach family

Jeff Hudson, Chase Shiflett's dad

Brian Krizan, Cindy Elam's son-in-law

Family of Steve Lewis

Teresa Longer, Sandra & Charlie Longer's daughter-in-law

Skip Markham, Delores & Wilbourne Markham's son

Mark McGowan, Steve Yantis's friend

Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative

Martha Patterson, Cheryl McAfee's sister-in-law

Kelby & Jordan Proctor

Johnny Puckett, Medley class friend

Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend

Charlotte Slaughter, Wilbourne Markham's friend

Jerry Spinks, Leroy Spinks's brother

Gerald Starnes, Rodney Strong's friend

Carol Storey, Carol Prevost's friend

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Lynn & Allen Welton, Wilbourne Markham's relative

Tim Young, Jim Blentlinger's friend

Hospitalized

Ed Fitch – Memorial CVICU

Dan Johnson – Memorial MICU



SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier

Coty Kissinger, Michael Land

Virginia Condry Ledman, Keith Mays

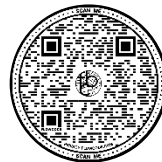
Sydney McDougal, Nathan Skidmore

The two devastating earthquakes in Venezuela have now claimed more than 4700 lives, nearly 17,000 injured, tens of thousands still missing, and so very many displaced. Please include them all, as well as rescue workers, in your prayers. CBF Disaster Response is committed to providing support. You can donate [here](http://www.cbf.net/dr-give).



FINANCE REPORT (for July 15, 2026)

MTD Receipts	\$ 51,025.64
MTD Expenses	\$ 76,892.38
MTD Deficit/Excess	-\$ 25,866.74
YTD Receipts	\$484,802.21
YTD Expenses	\$687,126.04
YTD Deficit	-\$202,323.83



With this QR code, you can donate to our budget, pay for event tickets, give to a mission opportunity, and more. Please contact the church office with any questions.



NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Franklin Davis
1414 Continental Dr #1208
Chattanooga, TN 37405

Sue Doyle
c/o Sarah Andrews
2613 Louis Ave
Brentwood, MO 61144

Dorothy (Dot) Forlidas
2143 Northpoint Blvd #2101
Hixson, TN 37343

July 14 Bobby Walraven (99!)

July 16	Ethan McGrath Ben Pickett Jessica Pickett Ivy Terrell
July 17	Josh Carter Richard Hewitt Barbara Nolen
July 18	Felix Thibault
July 19	Sylvia Colvin Steve Partridge
July 20	Jay Casavant
July 21	Lottie Erickson
July 22	Margaret Phillips
July 24	Jason Sepulveda
July 26	Betsy Kammerdiener Jacob Long
July 29	Karen Henderson
July 30	Bob Batson, Jr.
July 31	David Myers
Aug. 1	Mary Earl
Aug. 4	Mac Tester



For our July Habitat workday, we arrived at 2113 Davenport Street to find the site had been excavated, the foundation poured, the block walls completed, and the floor beam set. The next step would be sealing the interior and exterior walls as a moisture barrier. Unfortunately, lots of trash and building materials which had accumulated within the crawl space had to be removed. We bagged and discarded all the trash and scraps of building material. All of the

rocks, chunks of cement, and fragments of blocks filled the cavity that will be under the front porch. It wasn't exciting work, but it was a task which had to be done. Such is being part of a team. The next group will be laying the floor joists. We are always looking for more help. If you are willing to assist one Friday a month, contact Jim McAfee (423.802.5011).

We'd love to share our books with other folks. Please check your shelves / stacks for **FBC Library/Media Center items** and get them back to us if you are finished with them. No fees – even if they're late!



New
Gaga
Ball Pit
at
Dogwood!



ON THE CALENDAR, JULY 16 – JULY 29

Thursday, July 16

Day Campers Meet - Office Entrance	9:00AM
FBC Kids & Youth Camps - Dogwood	
Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Finance Committee Mtg via Zoom	5:00PM
Day Campers Return - Office Entrance	5:00PM

Friday, July 17

Day Campers Meet - Office Entrance	9:00AM
FBC Kids & Youth Camps - Dogwood	
All Kids Campers Return - Office Entrance	5:00PM

Saturday, July 18

FBC Youth Camp - Dogwood	
Youth Campers Return - Office Entrance	12:30PM

Sunday, July 19

Summer Choir Rehearsal	8:45AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship	11:00AM

Tuesday, July 21

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
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Wednesday, July 22

First Friends Council	1:00PM
Committee on Committees	7:30PM

Sunday, July 26

Summer Choir Rehearsal	8:45AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship	11:00AM

Monday, July 27

Preschool BAM Camp	9:00AM
Music & Arts Camp	9:00AM

Tuesday, July 28

Preschool BAM Camp	9:00AM
Music & Arts Camp	9:00AM
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM

Wednesday, July 29

Preschool BAM Camp	9:00AM
Music & Arts Camp	9:00AM
Music & Arts Camp Celebration	5:00PM

SUMMER CAMPS

Ages 3-5 Preschool B.A.M Camp \$40.
July 27-29 9am-4pm

Limited number of spaces remaining.
Register soon!

Members' Message Board

Are you looking for a way to serve "the least of these," something to do while you watch TV, or a new way to serve Christ? We have an opportunity to serve our homeless friends in a unique way at no or very low cost. We can **make sleeping mats from clean grocery bags**. They are made by hand with a simple crochet stitch. They will provide comfort and protection from wet ground. Anyone and everyone, young or old, can make these mats by hand at home or in small groups over a cup of coffee. It's simple to do and training will be provided by a local church. For more information, call Jane Everett (706.224.2908)



Our congregation partners with the
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net



FBC Ministerial & Office Support Staff

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor	
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music & Worship	
Rev. Kelly Kurf	Interim Minister of Youth & Children	
David Daley	Facilities Supervisor	423.648.2548
Lila Knauth	Financial Associate	423.648.2547
Patty Spells	Church Administrative Assistant	423.265.2257
Lizzie Alford	Education Administrative Ass't	423.648.2542
Frances Marandi	Music Administrative Assistant	423.648.2543
Caroline Shoop	Summer Intern, Youth	
Tilson Boshears	Summer Intern, Children	
Lucy Herrod	Summer Intern, Children	

Help us to better connect our community!

At First Baptist Church Chattanooga, people are at the heart of everything we do. As we evaluate our website and communications, your feedback will help us better share information about worship, ministries, events, and opportunities to serve.

Whether you're a member, former member, visitor, or friend of First Baptist Chattanooga, your perspective is important to us.

You can complete the survey by visiting the church's website at www.fbcchattanooga.org or by scanning the QR code below.



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Thank you in advance for helping us strengthen the ways we connect, communicate, and serve our church family and the greater community.



Youth
Camp

