



July 22, 2026

401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402

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Sunday, July 26, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

Worship Care Workers

July 26

for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

Emily & Drew Laseter
Tina Shoop



Deacon Greeters

1. Alishea Hixson
2. Sylvia Colvin



Worship at First

Streamed and in-person

10:50AM

SONGS OF COMMUNITY

LUCY HERROD & FRANCES MARANDI

11:00AM

Rev. Betsy Kammerdiener

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

*The Kingdom of God Is Like...
an Elephant*

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** which is easily accessed on our website (fbcchattanooga.org). You may also pick up a printed copy at the Welcome Center in the Office Lobby and in the Narthex. We need and appreciate each person's input!



There will be a churchwide covered-dish lunch **after Worship on Sunday, August 2, as we welcome Thomas Quisenberry back** from his sabbatical. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a wonderful time together. The church will provide chicken tenders. We need you to bring lots of side dishes, plenty of salads, and don't forget the desserts! Folks will be at the Office Entrance and the Fellowship Hall Entrance to receive your food from at 8:45-10:55AM.

Many thanks to these guys for supplying the muscle in our Truck Ministry! They've helped with 19 moves this year. Four have been in the last two months. The Truck Ministry works in partnership with Hamilton County Schools to help move families into homes.

IT'S A BOY!

Hunter Shepherd Reed

was born Thursday, July 16, 2026
to Katie & Will Reed



Hunter weighed 7 lbs.13 oz. and was 19" at birth.

Cooper and Parker are the ecstatic big brothers. April and Keith Maynard are the thrilled grandparents. Aunts, Kirsten Navani and Allie Neubert, along with the extended family, are pretty excited, too. Welcome to God's beautiful world, Hunter!



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 Preschool BAM and Muxic & Arts Camps

David Daley

Ed Fitch

Pollye Gross

Sandy Hood

Brenda Hooper

Linda & Dan Johnson

Barbara Koller

Don Manning

Wilbourne Markham

Barbara Nolen

Heather Osteen

Melissa Phillips

Quisenberry family (Thomas on sabbatical)

Annette Spinks

Sue Sisson

Imogene Stone (move)

Judy Sullivan

Penny Tullock

Virginia Wagnon (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

Glaydelle Hamner family

Doris Heath, Grady Worley's cousin

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

Jeff Hudson, Chase Shifflett's dad

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

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

Family of Johnny Puckett

Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend

Charlotte Slaughter, Wilbourne Markham's friend

Jerry Spinks, Leroy Spinks's brother

Cindy Storey, Carol Prevost's friend

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Cindy Thomas

Lynn & Allen Welton, Wilbourne Markham's relatives

Tim Young, Jim Blentlinger's friend

Hospitalized

Dan Johnson – Memorial 5131



The two devastating earthquakes in Venezuela have now claimed more than 5300 lives, over 16,700 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 22, 2026)

MTD Receipts	\$ 62,093.80
MTD Expenses	\$ 87,881.71
MTD Deficit/Excess	-\$ 25,787.91
YTD Receipts	\$495,870.37
YTD Expenses	\$698,115.37
YTD Deficit	-\$202,245.00



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.)

Emma Gohr
1100 Gateway Ave #6087
Chattanooga, TN 37402

Patti Gross
671 Alexian Way RM 614
Signal Mtn, TN 37377

Maggie Hansel
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Chattanooga, TN 37415

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier
Coty Kissinger, Michael Land
Virginia Condry Ledman, Keith Mays
Sydney McDougal, Nathan Skidmore

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
Aug. 6	Judy Hudson
Aug. 7	Monica Calderon Cordelle Terrell
Aug. 8	Terri Lowe Nancy Meyers
Aug. 9	Robert Brown Jakob Bruner Rebecca Bruner
Aug. 10	Maggie Quisenberry Cord Terrell
Aug. 11	Molly Terrell
Aug. 12	Warren Bowles Weston Hammond

Ann-Marie had a lovely visit with Annette earlier this month. Annette misses us and would love to receive **cards and visits** from her FBC friends. Contact the church office for her new address.



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!

Often people ask, "How can I help with the **shower ministry**?" We have an opportunity to help in a unique way: **making sleeping mats** that can be used to keep out the damp and soften the hard ground.

The mats are hand woven or crocheted from clean, (previously used) **plastic grocery bags** which have been cut into strips. Each mat needs around 700 bags which are made into 3 feet by 8 feet pad to be given to people who come to the shower ministry. The mats can be made at home or in small groups - any bunch of folks who want to get together to work and fellowship.

All ages can help by gathering the bags (color doesn't matter). And lots of bags are needed! Bags need to be flattened, smoothed, and layered in a box for storage. You can then bring them to church to be stored until needed by a group for making a mat. Groups will be given instructions. If you have questions or are interested in helping, call Jane Everett (706.224.2908).



ON THE CALENDAR, JULY 23– AUG. 12

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

Thursday, July 30

Shower Ministry	2:00PM
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Sunday, August 2

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, August 4

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
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Wednesday, August 5

FBC Serves at the CHATT Foundation	11:00AM
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Sunday, August 9

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
Missions Committee Meeting	12:15PM

Tuesday, August 11

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Investment Committee Meeting	5:00PM
Tuesday Book Group	6:00PM

Wednesday, August 12

Summer Celebration (Churchwide)	
House & Grounds Committee Meeting	7:15PM

From Love to Laughter

MCEWEN CHAPEL
8/2 @ 2PM





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Members'
Message
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Our congregation partners with the
 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
 and CBF of Tennessee.

FBC Ministerial & Office Support Staff

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Caroline Shoop	Summer Intern, Youth	
Tilson Boshears	Summer Intern, Children	
Lucy Herrod	Summer Intern, Children	



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important
feeding of
the
campers
and helpers!



Thank you,
Ned and
Melissa!



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