

The Baptist Record

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH EUPORA



Seek to make the most of every day

2014 is already a month old. The excitement of the newness is beginning to wear off. Why does it have to be this way? Most of us answer the question by saying, "That is just the way it is." We could look at it from the perspective that a new month is about to begin and maybe it will be a little warmer. Every seven days we have a new week that begins. In less than 24 hours, we will have a new day. Why don't we seek to make the most of all of them? Could it be that we forget who gives us each and every one of them? Psalm 118:24 says, "This is the day that the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." If we would follow the Lord's direction for our life, the newness would not wear off. Every day with Jesus would be sweeter than the day before. May we be determined to not waste another day.

Sunday was a great day to be in God's house. I'm not one to be on a computer a lot, as some of you know. This week, I did notice some encouraging comments that some of you made about our church. May we seize every opportunity to communicate how great our God is.

On the next two Sundays, Feb. 2 & 9, we will be receiving a love offering to help support Bro. Chris Barrow, his family, and Dawn's Light Church in Ritchie County, West Virginia. Webster County Baptist Association has formed a partnership with this church plant. I challenge you to pray for them and give as God leads. We will be taking a mission trip to help them on June 21-28 as well.

*In Christ's Love,
Bro. Travis*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jan. 30 **Ann Flake**
Jan. 30 **Buddy Hawes**
Jan. 31 **Mary Gates Colvin**
Feb. 1 **Barry Springer**
Feb. 2 **Drew Gray**
Feb. 2 **Matthew Jenkins**
Feb. 3 **Lindsey Hankins**
Feb. 4 **Stephanie Ashley**
Feb. 4 **Andy Pollen**
Feb. 5 **Billy Hill**
Feb. 5 **Ann Young**
Feb. 5 **Lavelle Davis**



FBC Eupora Relay for Life team seeking members

The FBC Eupora Relay for Life team is looking for members! Dues are \$10 and you will receive a team t-shirt. Team members will assist with fundraising activities before and during this year's Relay for Life event. For more information, contact Wendy Cook or call the church office.

Family devotions can lead to interesting discussions

Families, do you have a family devotion time every day? There are many resources available for free that provide tools and encouragement for families to spend time together in worship and devotion. Many of these are available on the Youversion Bible app, which is free for any mobile device. There is also a website, youversion.com, which contains all of the same information. Many of these have video illustrations to help children understand the topics discussed.

One-year Bible devotional books for children are also great resources. Many of these topics can lead to great discussion with your family, and you would be surprised at some of the deep questions your kids can come up with!

Finally, FBC Eupora is participating in a video streaming service that is available to all church members. The website is rightnowmedia.org, and it con-

tains video Bible studies for all ages and topics. There are many videos from teaching conferences as well. Most of the studies have accompaniment printed resources available at a cost, but many of these are downloadable and free. These are great tools for family devotionals, small group Bible studies, or even Sunday School classes to use for illustrations. The possibilities for using this tool are really left to the imagination of the teacher. There is no cost to church members for using this tool, you only have to contact the church office and request an invitation to set up a free account. Once you create a login and password, you can use it anywhere, on any device. Think of it as Netflix for Bible studies. Check it out!

*Have a blessed week,
Bro. Jason*

New youth Bible study to focus on equipping students for God's work

Over the next few months or so we will be starting a new Bible Study on Sunday nights with the youth. *Christian Beliefs* is the book we will be studying. Wayne Grudem is the author of the book and it is the condensed version of his Systematic Theology. The book goes over different questions that every Christian should know the answer to. There are 20 different chapters that each pose a different question. Questions like, what is the Bible? what is man? who is God? and what is sin?, are just some of the questions that Grudem poses

and answers with Biblical references. If you know anyone that is interested in going through this Bible study contact me at the church office so that I can get them a book.

I am so excited for our students to begin to walk through these simple questions that can equip them to be ready to give a defense when needing to. Our students are really showing an interest in reading the scripture daily and living out their faith. I am thankful for men like Grudem who write books for students that aids them in reading the

Bible.

In 2 Timothy 3 Paul says this, "All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work." That is what we want for our students at FBC Eupora— for them to be thoroughly equipped for the good work that they are doing in our community.

*Blessings,
Kevin Barnette*

Sign up for D-KIDS and Summer Camp TODAY! Hope to see you Sunday!

Hey everybody! I want to start out by reminding y'all about Mr. Paul and Mr. Ronnie's challenge to y'all about the goat. You know what I'm talking about.

Also, mark your calendar for two upcoming dates.

D-Kids will be March 29-30. This will be for all kids in first through sixth grades. I will be sending more information as it gets closer. Sign-up deadline will be Sunday, March 23.

Kids Camp will be June 26-29 at Shocco Springs. This is for kids in third through sixth grades. Sign up

deadline will be March 30.

This week in G-Force, we will be continuing our study of the Fruit of the Spirit. We will learn that we should think of what God wants us to do before we act. What spiritual gift do you think that would be? Come Sunday morning and find out! Our story will be from I Samuel 26.

Hope to see you Sunday!

*Love,
Mrs. Anita*

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Thursday, January 30
6:30 Girls' Bible Study @ the Barnette's
6:45 Guys' Bible Study @ FLC
Sunday, February 2
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 G-Force
4:00 Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
4:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
4:45 Adult Handbell Rehearsal
5:15 YOUTH Bible Study
6:00 Evening Worship
Wednesday, February 5
6:45 Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:30 Lifestyles WMU
4:45 Acteens
5:30 MISSION Wednesdays
6:30 Prayer and Praise Service
6:30 YOUTH Worship
8:15 Adult Worship Choir Practice



ITEMS OF THE MONTH WOOL HATS, MITTENS & SCARVES

Bring your OCC
donations by the church office TODAY!

THANK YOU

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank the members of the First Baptist Church of Eupora for their contribution in the lovely memorial service for Elizabeth Middleton. We also want to give a special thank you to the ladies responsible for the reception.

Nona McCaleb, Nora Walker & Anne Vance

SUNDAY SCHOOL RECORD 1/26/14

Adult.....	151
Young Adult.....	5
College/Career.....	5
Youth.....	26
Children.....	18
Preschool/Nursery.....	14
Nursing Home.....	20
TOTAL.....	239

FINANCIAL 1/26/14

Weekly Bud. Rec.....	\$6,679.00
Weekly Bud. Need.....	\$10,368.69
Budget Needs to Date.....	\$41,474.76
Gifts to Date.....	\$38,824.85
Under Budget.....	\$2,659.91

BUILDING FUND 1/26/14

Gifts this week.....	\$270.00
Current balance.....	\$190,415.22

CHURCH STAFF

Travis Gray—Pastor
Jason Carson—Music Minister/Assoc. Pastor
Kevin Barnette—Youth Director
Anita Russell—Children's Director
Yvonne Hitt—Financial Secretary
Marcelle Robertson—Custodian
Kathy Bailey—Librarian
Sara Hitt—Church Clerk
Gwen Sisson—Church Secretary

