



# First Baptist Church of Spring Hill

## The Messenger

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Isaiah 43:18-21 says, "Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold I will do a new thing..." In verse 18, God is saying "Don't rely on past victories because I am going to do more for you in the future than I have ever done before." Many Christians are content to live with past victories, but God wants to do more for you in 2020 than He ever did in 2019. He wants us to move on to an enlarged spiritual walk with a greater fullness of the Holy Spirit.



The new thing that God is going to do will "spring forth" (v. 19). It will be spontaneous. If you will open your heart to God and say, "I don't want to live for myself and be controlled by myself; I want to live by faith in Christ," then God's new thing will spring forth in your life. God will make a way through your spiritual wilderness. He will send a river to flood your spiritual desert. Reach out and accept the new thing God wants to do in your life today!

One of the purposes of this new thing is that God might provide for you. God delights in satisfying the needs of His children. When He sees one of us in the wilderness, He delights to put a spring there. God wants to do some productive things in your life and allow you to become all that He has saved you to be.

A secondary purpose for God's new thing is that your life will bring glory and praise to Him. Individually, you and I are to show forth His praise. But also, as a church, we are to show forth His praise. In 2020, God wants to enlarge your prayer life, enable you to be a vocal witness, and increase your faith not only to bless you, but that your life might give honor to Christ.

God also wants to do a new thing in the life of First Baptist in 2020. It would be easy for us as a church to be content with our past victories. It is easy sometimes to just coast along. That would break God's heart. God wants to do more for our church in 2020 than He has ever done before! But in order for us to receive this new thing it will take commitment and work on our part.

Are you ready for the new things that God is going to do in your life in 2020? Don't be content with the former things. If you are satisfied with your spiritual life, you will become stagnant and passive and you will go backward.

God wants to do a new thing in your life. He wants to enlarge your capacity for a great love for Him, for His Word, His church, and His work. Allow Him to do that in your life.

*Bro J*

# Library News

# January Birthdays

## JANUARY – HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Billy Graham wrote this and we thought you would enjoy it. As we look at the calendar to a New Year, we come face to face with the fact that our days on earth are numbered. No thoughtful person can approach New Year's Day without some introspection. We are reminded of the brevity of time. We also look back over our failures, mistakes, and missed opportunities, and vow that we will make better use of our time during the coming year. We should take time to be pleasant, to smile, to extend the small courtesies we often omit – to show love to our family. Psychiatrists tell us that most people are starved for love. Take time for the goodbye kiss; we shall go to work with a sweeter spirit. Let us take time to get acquainted with our families. We are not machines. We are not robots. The secret of a happy home is that members of the family learn to give and receive love. Let us take time to express our love in a thousand ways. Philippians 3:13: *Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead...*

### Here are a few books from our Library...

Living Beyond the Daily Grind by Charles Swindoll. We all have those days when little problems pile up into crises, when our doubts begin to overwhelm our beliefs, when exhaustion hits and happiness escapes – in short, when life becomes a grind. "The grind isn't going away," he warns. The good news is that these short chapters lend themselves to treating "blue Mondays" with pauses that refresh the spirit. They reinforce biblical truth uncovering new wells of spiritual refreshment for the daily grinds of our lives.

Earth's Last Empire by John Hagee. With all eyes on the US Embassy's new home in Jerusalem, the only place on earth called the City of God, the world is witnessing the fulfillment of God's Covenant with His chosen people. This move has escalated the conversation around the US-Israel relationship, including whether peace in that region is possible and what it means for Christians watching these events unfold. The stage is set for most powerful and prophetic book yet from best-selling author Pastor John Hagee.

Yours in Christ, Mary Robertson & Joan Frank

1	Rachel Hester
2	Jerry Price
4	Lily Crawford
	Olivia Crawford
6	Clara Rinehart
9	Dan LaRose
10	Jeff Hudspeth
12	Gail Thomason
	Jay Marcum
13	Jessie Parker
14	Leanne Seiber
21	Ella Huntzinger
23	Edward Brawner
	Sarah Fischer
25	Cora Johnson
26	Jim Fultz

*Happy Birthday  
to You!*

## From the Church Office



**Offering Envelopes:** If you do not have offering envelopes or need more for the New Year, please contact the church office and a box will be prepared for you. Don't forget that you can also give through our website, the **Church Life App**, or text giving. See our church website for details.

**2019 Contribution Statements:** Jim Fultz and his helpers will be distributing Statements January 12<sup>th</sup>. All statements that have not been given out by January 26<sup>th</sup> will be mailed on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

The church office needs your help. If you are not receiving emails from the church (prayer requests, announcements, newsletter, etc.) and wish to receive email notifications, please let me know. The church, by law, cannot send you unsolicited emails – we must have your permission, so new members are not automatically added to email lists. If you or someone you know wants to receive emails, please send an email to the church or call during normal business hours and you will be added to the email lists. **If you previously received emails, want to continue receiving them, but for some reason, you**

**are not getting emails now, contact the office so that we may troubleshoot the problem. Please let the church office know about it. If I don't know, I can't "fix" it – we want for everyone to be informed. Thank you for your help.**

**Updating your information:** Do you have a new phone number? Email address? Have you moved? A new member or regular attender? It's a New Year and a great time to update the information in our data base. There are update forms on the table in the lobby – Please fill one out for each member of your family (Yes, babies & children living in your household, too), fold them in half and place them in the box on the church office door. We want to have all information as correct as possible. Thank you!



Happy New Year!

*Paula*





# Our Church in Action



**Cracker Barrel Fellowship**  
**Wednesday, January 8,**  
**10:15 am**  
**Everyone is Welcome!**  
 (The Crossings, Spring Hill)

## GREETERS SCHEDULE

**January 5:** Jane Love & Paul Smith  
**January 12:** Dan & Jan LaRose  
**January 19:** Willie & Shirleen Mangrum  
**January 26:** Tammy & Caroline Lovely

Thank you for your wonderful response to the food needs for The Well.



**Current High Needs Grocery List:** Canned vegetables & fruit, tomato sauce, Boxed goods (brown or white rice, mac & cheese, instant potatoes, Jiffy cornbread mix, Ramen Noodles), dried beans (all varieties), pasta sauce, applesauce, ketchup, mayo, mustard, syrup, PEANUT BUTTER (most needed item!)

(Boxes are located in Sr. Ladies Classroom/Library)

**Let's keep filling the boxes to overflowing!!**



**Sanctity of Human Life Day**  
**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Annual Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the Pregnancy Centers of Mid TN begins on January 26<sup>th</sup>.**



**Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

Learn how this branch of the TN Baptist Mission Board can assist in your financial planning needs ([www.tbfoundation.org](http://www.tbfoundation.org)).



**Lord's Supper**  
**Sunday, January 12**  
**6:00 pm**  
**(Evening Service)**



**Future Growth Funding**  
 \$18,786.62 in a Construction Acct.  
 at First Farmer's & Merchant's Bank  
 \$340,023.39 in a Building Fund  
 at the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

## KidCentral News...



### Schedule

**Jan. 5:** Julie Crotzer & Shavonnah Easterling  
**Jan. 12:** Tom & Linda Hagerty  
**Jan. 19:** Zach Albert & Holly Durham  
**Jan. 26:** Aaron & Amy Easton



Childcare Available

### Nursery Desk Schedule

**Jan. 5:** Phillip Pullen  
**Jan. 12:** Marvin Bailey  
**Jan. 19:** Brent Johnson  
**Jan. 26:** Barry Huntzinger

### AWANA Schedule



**January 5:** Regular Night  
**January 12:** Inside Out / Backwards Night  
**January 19:** Regular Night – Grand Prix Sign Up Night  
**January 26:** Picture Night

### **Background Checks**

Everyone who works with children age birth through 18 years old **must complete a background check**. Please contact the church office or Josh Howland so that you may be sent the link to complete the check online. You fill out the request and the office is notified when the check is complete. NO sensitive information is kept on file in the office. We only see the results so that your privacy is protected.



- ENCOUNTER – every Sunday evening at 6 pm. Luke 12:34 says, "For where your treasure is, there will be your heart also." Join us this month and learn what the Bible says about giving and living like Jesus.
- Saturday, January 11, 10 am – Noon, Mini-Retreat for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Boys will be in the fellowship hall; Girls will be in the youth house. Join us for food, fun, and a special devotion time. Sign up is required by January 8<sup>th</sup>, and this event is FREE!!
- Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm, Youth Council Meeting
- SUMMER CAMP – We are headed to Student Life Camp July 20-24 in Underwood, Indiana. \$60 deposit and sign up is due by January 31<sup>st</sup>.