



HOPE IS HERE

We wait in hope for the Lord;
He is our help and our shield.
Psalm 33:20



From Pastor Hal



Church Attendance

July 13th

Wednesday Night NA

July 20th

Sunday School 71

Sunday Worship 146

This week, Free Will Baptists from across the globe are meeting in Birmingham Alabama. It's our national convention. And our denominational leaders, pastors, missionaries, chaplains, and a host of other people will gather for some encouragement and edification. The theme of this year's convention is "Go the Extra Mile". Let's pray for our brothers and sisters in Birmingham. May God receive the glory! Great things He hath done!



As for the home front, I personally feel like it's exam week in college. So many last things to accomplish before we open the doors of Bailey Christian Childcare. However, the Lord is opening doors and opening hearts. Last Wednesday someone was kind enough to post on social media the opening of our new ministry. That's all it took. The phone became alive as the office was inundated with calls about the childcare. Poor Ms. Glenda could hardly keep up. By the end of the day, the program was full, and we met some wonderful families who will be bringing their children to B.C.C. The K2/K3 class will have eight children and the nursery will have four children. Please pray that we can make a spiritual difference in the lives of these wonderful families. And pray we don't have any last-minute hiccups from the building inspector this week. Also, please let me know if you would like to serve in this ministry.

On Monday morning the plumber, S.P.C. (a/c), roofer, and electrician were at the church at the same time. I am excited about all the remodeling and repairs.

- Al Pitts has been so helpful in replacing the Air Conditioning units for the church. 6 Units stopped working after the hail damage several weeks ago. He was able to mediate with the insurance company and Farm Bureau paid for four of the units to be replaced. Great job Al and great job N.C. Farm Bureau for all the help.
- Jody Worrell also came to the rescue. He will be replacing the shingles on the roofs of the former sanctuary, the Sunday School wing, the current sanctuary, and the F.L.C. connector. Our prayer is they will be finished Friday with this massive roof repair.
- Last week Mickey Bissette Jr., Mickey Bissette Sr., and Justin Bissette installed a grease trap. This grease trap is mandatory for Nash County childcare. The Bissette's were very kind to our church and did not charge us a lot of money for a very big job. If you see them, please give them a big thank-you and a pat on the back.
- James Perry is coming to connect the kitchen plumbing with the grease trap. James has also been very kind to the church. He has a lot of wisdom that has been helpful with the county code.

As we continue to get the facilities ready for our new ministry, I am reminded of the great team God has placed at White Oak. Brother Tim Keeney, Melisa Belcher, Ms. Glenda, Cindy Jones, Joe Johnson, and Dexter Webb have all been ready to lend a helping hand when needed. A big THANK-YOU to these men and women who have shown their big hearts. We love you! Teamwork makes the dream work.



Please don't forget to mark your calendars. The 2022 Vacation Bible School date has been changed. We are excited to announce that the church will host V.B.S. every Sunday evening in August. To help us get ready for the week; the church has scheduled the following important events.

- July 27-We are asking all V.B.S. workers to attend an information meeting after the mid-week service.
- July 30-This is Decoration Day! From 10 am-12 pm we will be getting the rooms ready for our "Courageous Faith" V.B.S. The church will have donuts and beverages for everyone in the church family that comes to help us decorate. These are very exciting times.



Our business meeting is this Wednesday. Hopefully, you will get this newsletter in time to be reminded. I mentioned Sunday the motions are in the vestibule. But for those of you who missed this past Sunday, I have listed the motions in this newsletter to give you a heads up. God has been so good to our church.



Motions Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Pastor Jones and the leadership team would like to bring before the White Oak Hill church family the following recommendations:

Motion #1: The Pastor and leadership team recommends the church approve the:

- a) White Oak Hill FWB Church 2nd Quarter and Semi-Annual Budget Reports for 2022
- b) Bailey Christian Childcare 2nd Quarter and Semi-Annual Budget Report for 2022

*According to the church bylaws, this motion will require a 51% approval vote by the church membership present at the business meeting.

Motion #2: The Pastor and White Oak Hill Church leadership team recommends the church hire Brother Jonathan Price to continue his internship at the church as he continues to attend Southeastern Bible College the upcoming school year. If this motion is approved, his responsibilities will be to continue teaching the teens, lead in children's church, help with the music program, and assist the pastor wherever needed (e.g., youth program, BCC). Jonathan would work Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day with a compensation of \$250.00 a week.

*According to the church bylaws, this motion will require a 2/3 approval vote by the church membership present at the business meeting.

Motion #3: The Pastor and leadership team recommends the church increase Glenda Carroll's hourly pay rate from \$14.50 to \$16.50 an hour. This requested merit raise is based upon her excellent work and increased workload in helping the Pastor with the administration of Bailey Christian Childcare. If this motion is approved, this increase in hourly wages would begin August 1, 2022.

*According to the church bylaws, this motion will require a 2/3 approval vote by the church membership present at the business meeting.



Please continue to pray for the following individuals:

- **Kay Dew**-Kay is feeling much better. He even went fishing Saturday. But let's continue to pray for Key as he receives treatment for his cancer.
- **Gregg Wall**- Please pray for our dear brother. He will have surgery this Friday to remove an isolated area of cancer.
- **Bobby Dew**-Brother Bobby and Ms. Shirley are recovering from the Covid virus.
- **Patricia Register**-Please pray for her as she continues her dialysis treatment.
- **Tim Riggs**-Please pray for our former pastor. His kidneys are not working, and he is undergoing dialysis.
- **Bonnie Joyner's family**-Bonnie's daughter-in-law had a miscarriage in the 27th week. Please pray for the family.
- **Sue Bryant Bissette**- She is doing better but still needs our prayers for her back relief.
- **Nathan Carroll**-Nathan had his tonsils removed last Friday and is doing much better.
- **Melisa Belcher**-Her procedure went well. She is home on a liquid diet.
- **Bonnie Hayes**-This is Glenda and Christy's aunt. Bonnie was taken to Duke hospital for heart surgery. She is waiting to be seen by an orthopedic doctor for her back before returning home.
- **Billy John Dew**-Billy John had Covid and Pneumonia. He is still a very sick man. Please pray for him and Ms. Rebecca.
- **Bailey Christian Childcare**
- **Glenda Carroll**-Please pray for Glenda. She went to the doctor this week with concerning symptoms, and she will be following up with a cardiologist and neurologist at UNC.

Love in Christ,

Rev. Hal W. Jones III

Pastor Hal
Galatians 2:20

FREE CHRISTIAN RESOURCES

Three Ways to Register at RightNowMedia

Link

This link is easy to access to the church's account:

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/WHITEOAKHILL>

Text Code

This text code is easy to access to the church's account: WHITEOAKHILL can be texted to 49775.

QR Code

This scannable code is easy to access to the church's account.



Schedule of Services

Sunday

In-Person

Sunday School at 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 AM

On-Line

Sunday Morning Online Service at 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Online Service Only at 6 PM

Wednesday

7 PM - Prayer, Praise & Bible Study
Engage Youth, Propel Kids & Nursery

WOH Services can be seen on either:

Facebook - Hal Jones page
White Oak Hill Free Will Baptist Church - Website
White Oak Hill Free Will Baptist Church YouTube

MISSIONS CORNER!

Please pray for these missionaries!

Family News

FREE WILL BAPTIST FAMILY MINISTRIES

SPRING 2022



LETTER FROM
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:
JIM MCCOMAS

Dear Friends,

For more than eighty three years, Family Ministries has existed to share Christ in order to unify and preserve families and provide a loving, caring and secure environment in which to live, work, and grow in the Lord.

It was more than 8 decades ago that Trula Cronk, the first young person our ministry ever served, walked on to our East Tennessee campus after having lost her mother. From that time until now, we have tried to be a friend to the friendless and to try our best to restore and mend the broken.

Today, we have more than 100 young people in our care at any given time. We also now care for more than 100 dear elderly folks in our assisted living centers. We care for thousands of children who come to enjoy our retreat facilities, and we also work to not only save the lives of unborn babies at "The Hope Center", but to support the entire family structure by working to meet not only spiritual but physical needs as well.

This letter is to say a big "thank you" to each and every one of our supporters. None of what we do would be possible without your prayerful commitment of this ministry. We are humbled and truly grateful for standing with us through the years.

Thanks for helping us love and support the broken among us.

In Christ,

Jim McComas

PRESERVING *History*

Historic preservation is a conversation with our past about our future. It provides us with opportunities to ask, "What is important in our history?" and "What parts of our past can we preserve for the future?" Through historic preservation, we look at history in different ways, ask different questions of the past, and learn new things about our history. Historic preservation is an important way for us to communicate our understanding of the past to future generations.

Free Will Baptist Family Ministries has a deep heritage, rich in history with many facets - and historic preservation helps tell these stories. Sometimes historic preservation involves celebrating events, people, places, and ideas that have resulted in abundant blessings; other times it involves moments in our history that can be painful or uncomfortable to remember. While we have weathered many storms, persevering through flood, fires, tornadoes and high winds - our focus will remain the same - solid in God's word with a clear vision of our mission to serve young people and families, pointing them to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



PRESERVING *Dignity*

The Laurels & Governor's Bend Retirement & Assisted Living Communities are here to serve those that are independent but do not feel comfortable living alone at home, to help maintain their dignity through respectful support from compassionate caregivers. They do not live in our workplace; we work in their home and what a privilege that is.

On a bittersweet note, we bid a fond farewell to pastor & his wife, Jeff & Cathy Sams on their retirement after 15 years of service at The Laurels. A reception was held in honor of this special couple in celebration of their ministry and dedication to our seniors. We extend our appreciation for enriching the lives of all our residents, going above and beyond their call of service.



Visit our websites: laurelsral.com | governorsbend.com



PRESERVING *Life*

Over one hundred guests attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for our maternity home, Honeysuckle Studios, a ministry of the **Hope Center**. Speakers for the event included CEO of Family Ministries, Jim McComas, U.S. Representative, Diana Harshbarger, Advisory Board President, Bob Gay, and CEO of the Greene County Partnership, Jeff Taylor.

Honeysuckle Studios will be a haven for young mothers to be able to learn life and parenting skills and strengthen support networks so that they will be able to progress toward self-sufficiency. The goals are tailored to individual strengths and obstacles, and identify specific steps a woman will take to have a healthy pregnancy, become proficient in parenting skills, complete or continue her education, obtain employment and childcare, and move into viable long-term housing. Residents may enter the program during any stage of pregnancy and stay in the program for up to 18 months. Honeysuckle Studios will house up to five, single pregnant women, with each woman having their own efficiency style apartment.

We respect each individual's personal journey and their history, preserving their dignity and humanity - meeting people where they are.



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*Newlyweds
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Foster*

PRESERVING *Memories*

It is exciting when Family Ministries **Foster Care** receives financial donations and gifts for the youth that come into our care. On one such occasion, an unusual proposal came from my Family Nurse Practitioner on a visit for a routine appointment. We made small talk about our faith-based agency and the Christian team of employees and foster homes. Kayla was intrigued and wanted to find a way to help support our organization.

A few weeks later, I received a personal text message from her that caught me completely off guard to the point I was brought to tears. Kayla Ward was getting married and stated that she and her fiancé, Jonathan, had already been abundantly blessed with all their needs met. They decided as a couple that they would use their wedding gifts to help the children in our Agency's care. Kayla went on to explain that her new last name would be "Foster," so it would be fitting to have the "foster care" theme for the gifts at the wedding. What a unique and selfless act of loving kindness expressed - preserving cherished memories for both the couple's special day and the children who would benefit from their generosity.

The beautiful wedding and reception took place in the fall of the year, and not only did Mr. & Mrs. Foster fulfill their promise, but they delivered! The couple drove their loaded down SUV to the Free Will campus with gifts, clothing, toys, Bibles, gift cards, and a check to purchase new booster and harness car seats for each case manager's vehicle. With the gifts arriving in November, we were able to bless several children just in time for Christmas. We not only appreciate the creative giving from Kayla and Jonathan, but also that of their wedding guests, friends, and family who contributed. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8

Stacey Weaver, Administrator of Foster Care



Visit our Facebook:
**Family Ministries
Foster Care**



PRESERVING *Innocence*



Visit our Facebook:
Camp Creek Residential

"One Thursday on our East Tennessee campus of Free Will Baptist Family Ministries, after my meal time and devotions with our boys in **Residential Care** was finished and I had closed in prayer, one of our newer young men walked up to me and said 'can I have a hug?' He told me he was a Christian and was doing his best to keep God as the number one thing in his life, despite his circumstances. Please pray for our kids." Jim McComas

If only we could help them restore some of their childhood innocence...

PRESERVING *Knowledge*



Visit our websites: fwbfm.com
arkansastruevision.com

The typical path of a foster child – from placement to placement, school to school – denies them a stable foundation. At **Florence Crittenton Home, Maggie House and Young Children's Home**, we strive to provide for the physical, emotional, social and educational foundation of those in our care. Our kids don't just survive, they thrive!!! One example – Young's Home is proud to have one graduating and one with a 4.0 GPA. Our hope is that the knowledge they gained will propel their confidence, empowering them to be successful as they go forward in life.

Seeing kids succeed is its own reward. Consider fostering. We have opportunities in TN and Fort Smith, AR.



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