

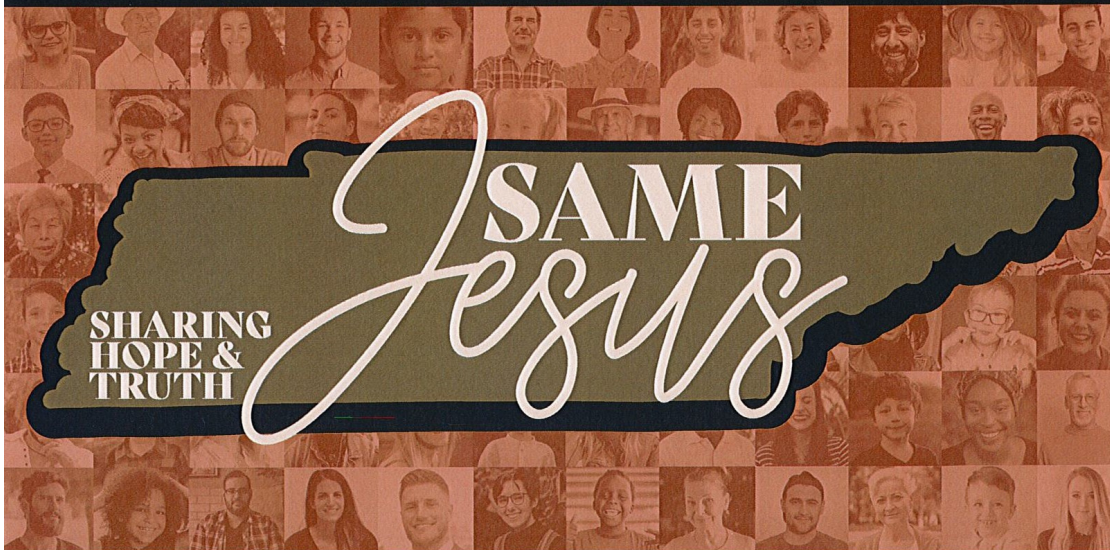
September
2021

FIRST VIEW

Monthly Newsletter



2021-2022 TENNESSEE MISSIONS EMPHASIS



**JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME YESTERDAY,
TODAY AND FOREVER."
HEBREWS 13:8**

GoldenOffering.org



TBM Tennessee Baptist
MISSION BOARD

What is the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions?

- 24 BCMs serving over 350,00 students on TN university campuses
- Disaster Relief responding to multiple state, national and international disasters each year
- A child coming to Christ through Journey Camps
- Meeting human needs through Compassion Ministries
- English being taught to someone from another country and sharing Jesus with them in the process
- Church planting across Tennessee where there is no gospel witness

Why the need for Tennessee Missions?

Tennessee is OUR mission field!

- 4 million unchurched/spiritually lost people in Tennessee
- If current trends continue, 9 out of 10 children born after 9/11 will not accept Christ in their lifetime
- 89 out of 95 counties in Tennessee have double digit poverty rates. 19 counties have a poverty rate over 20%
- Approximately 80% of the population of most counties will not worship in any church this Sunday

History of GOTM

In 1902, W.C. and Mildred Golden challenged Tennessee Baptists to pray for and give to missions within the state and initiated the offering. In 1943 the state missions offering was named after the Golden.

How can you give?

- Online at GoldenOffering.org
- Online with DFBC at dresdenfbc.org/give
- Directly to GOTM, PO Box 682789, Franklin TN 37068

Sunday School 9:45 am
Sunday Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study 6:30 pm
Wednesday Youth Group 6:30 pm
Wednesday Adult Choir 7:20 pm



Connect with DFBC on www.dresdenfbc.org
Live Stream available on facebook.com/dresdenfbc-live
and [www.dresdenfbc.org/Live Stream](http://www.dresdenfbc.org/LiveStream)
on Sundays at 11 am & 6 pm and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
Sunday 11 am Radio Broadcast on 95.1fm
Sunday School lesson 10 am on live stream options

Min. of Education | Bro. Wayne Perkins

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The month of September begins the new church-year of 2021-2022. We are excited about what this year may hold for First Baptist Dresden. While the past year and one-half has been challenging, this next year could be a huge turning point in our church growth. The recently approved building program lends more excitement to our morale. Reaching more people with the Gospel requires many things but providing space for growth is one priority. Here is a quote that I was given by a TBC Sunday School specialist in 1986: "You will never grow to need the space you fail to provide!"

Our Sunday School is one of our major out-reach programs and has always been... it has been called, "the evangelistic arm of the church!" That can still be true but will require muscles from the arm – which is you and me! I encourage all our teachers and faculty to implement action in their classes that will reach outside the classroom for prospects.

Dir. of Student Ministries | Christian Carr

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We invite our children and youth to attend our mid-week events every Wednesday at 6:00 for ages 3 yr. old-6th grade and 6:30 for grades 7th-12th.

Every week we have TeamKID for our children where they will learn about God and His Word through weekly lessons, missions videos, music, games, and more! We desire for the kids in our community to come out and enjoy this time of fellowship and interactive Bible study. Kids remember, the more the merrier, so be sure to invite all your friends to join us for TeamKID every Wednesday night at 6:00 in the Family Life Center! Parents, good news! It is not too late to register your child for TeamKID. You can go online and register at dresdenfbc.org. So register them today!

Our church's membership role has become the ripest field for outreach for Sunday School. Last year in a study I did, BEFORE the COVID epidemic hit, revealed that only 49% of our total membership is enrolled in Sunday School. Only 24% of our total membership attended!! These figures also shows that only half of those enrolled ever attend. This study was for the first 11 Sundays of 2020. That is reason enough to first try to reach people in our church who are already members but are not involved in Sunday School.

The fall equinox is upon us and cooler weather, clearer skies, and turning leaves will be evident soon. September used to be the month of hand cotton-picking on the farm. I do not miss that very much, but when I go out on a fall day, it seems I smell those old days. However, fall is a very enjoyable season of the year.

See you in Sunday School and preaching.

Bro. Wayne, M. o. E.

And of course, we cannot forget our youth. Our youth program is for all 7th-12th graders. Every Wednesday we meet in the Truthseekers classroom in the main building from 6:30-7:30. During that time we have missions moments, catechism questions, application games, and Bible lessons. And every month we begin a new lesson series. Our new series begins Wednesday, September 1st. The series title is SPOTLIGHT: Exposing False Teaching. Each week through September, we will look at a false teaching and use the Bible to expose it. There are a lot of false teachings out in the world today and we need to be able to use the Bible to refute those teachings. Parents, your child/youth will truly benefit from these weekly events, so make sure to get them involved and keep them involved through the year!

In Christ,
Christian Carr



CROSS Conference 21

When: Dec. 29, 2021 - Jan. 1, 2022

Where: Louisville, KY

For: 18-25 year-olds who have graduated H.S.

Cost: \$110 plus money for meals.

For more information contact Christian at chracarr@gmail.com or visit the CrossCon site at <https://crosscon.com/>

Register and pay at <https://dresdenfbc.org/>

Min. of Music | Dr. Robert Nanney

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As the old song goes "See you in September....," and we look forward to doing just that as our music ministry seeks to provide opportunities for all ages this fall.

But first – looking back to August, we're thankful that we were able to resume TeamKid music. The children were so excited to again sing praises to God after a year away. Jeanie and I saw many familiar faces. It was gratifying to see that they remembered so well the songs we'd taught them. We appreciate the teachers who yield class time to make sure they have music each week.

We're also thankful that, after a year's delay, we had our morning Homecoming celebration with worship and preaching on Aug. 22. It was such an honor for the Goodtime Singers Quartet to present a mini-concert for our home church. You were so gracious and encouraging to us, as you've been for the past 51 years.



Yet another special event that we had to cancel last year was the annual Choir Banquet. Praise God that we were able to morph it into a Choir Family Fellowship potluck meal on Sunday night, Aug. 15, in the Life Center.

Jeanie Nanney, Hand Chime Choir Director

Although our adult hand chime choir did not play during the month of August, I hope to gather enough chimers to play some time in September. I am so appreciative of all those who consistently volunteer to play, but I also want to encourage others who might be interested to let us know.

I am planning to meet very soon with all of those in grades three through eight who are interested in playing hand chimes. Hopefully, there will be enough interest to put together a youth hand chime choir.



The Older Children Praise Team did an outstanding job of singing "Give Me Oil in Lamp" on August 8th. It was a blessing to open the service with their sweet voices, and we appreciate their willingness to serve.

We want to continue to use our five praise teams as much as possible for our Calls to Worship. It is a challenge to get folks together under the best of circumstances, but it is even more so in the midst of Covid.

At this time, there is a great deal of uncertainty as to what lies ahead in the wake of rising cases of Covid and subsequent quarantines. We are currently in a "wait and see" situation as we strive to do what is best and safest in regard to "Christmas Spectacular 2.0" for all those who are willing to participate. We hope to get some clarity one way or another in the next few weeks.

Jeanie Nanney

Hand Chime Choir Director

Our choir is blessed with excellent cooks, so we enjoyed a spread that would be the envy of any Homecoming feast. Just as important, we had sweet fellowship together and welcomed some folks who are considering joining our choir.

Looking ahead to September, we are looking forward to continuing all other phases of our music ministry, from the Adult Choir to the praise teams, hand chimes choirs and those bringing special music. We also will be preparing to launch rehearsals for our Christmas cantata for adults and our Christmas Spectacular for children, youth and adults.

All of this is, of course, subject to change, depending on the covid numbers in our area. We will always exercise all due caution as we strive to lead in worship. Pray for us as we join others in serving Him.

God bless you all!

Robert Nanney

Minister of Music



JOY met Tuesday, August 17, 2021 with 30 in attendance. Our number was low due to Covid concerns and general illnesses. David Worley from Greenfield gave a very timely devotion that fit perfectly with our program for the day. After a delicious meal of salad and loaded baked potatoes we enjoyed the program given by Penny Gallimore on the Baby Jack Gallimore Foundation. What an awe inspired testimony by Penny and a well presented informational program on what the Foundation does for families and children who die of SIDS. The fundraiser for this Foundation will be Saturday, October 9, 2021 in the FBC Family Life Center and Sanctuary. Food will be served and an auction will be held. If you have not attended this event in the past it is one of the most moving experiences you will ever have. Make plans to attend this event this year. If you have questions contact Penny or Jerry Gallimore, Dennis or Pat Moon, Emily or John Gallimore or the church office.

Our next JOY day will be September 21. Please please contact the church office and let Janet know you will be attending. This is a catered lunch and we must pay for the number we give the caterer. If you don't attend we still have to pay. 364-2212. Call by Thursday before each meeting so this month that will be September 16. We will be enjoying a lunch of pork tenderloin, green bean casserole, corn and ding dong cake. Our program is Kenny Presley. You DO NOT want to miss this. We look forward to seeing you then.

Love to all

Kelley & Sheila Swearingen, JOY Co-Directors

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Christian Carr, Student Minister

Becky Anderson, Nursery Director

Janet Robinson, Ministry Assistant

Lisa Harris, Custodian



Deacons elected to serve a new term are Jake Bynum, John Johnson, and Clint Lowry. Our prayers for the Pastor, Deacon Body, and leadership of our church.

5th Promotion Sunday
6th Labor Day - Office Closed
7th WC Backpack Program
11th Men's Breakfast
12th Golden State Offering for TN Missions
12th Women on Missions
12th Deacons Meeting
18th Bridal Tea for Lexie Greer
19th Business Meeting
21st JOY
27th - 29th Lively Ones Fall Jubilee

Happy Birthday

1st Betty Smith

2nd Bart Laws

3rd Tammy Brundige,

Janet Robinson, Rozanna

Robertson

4th Hannah Wilhite

5th Don McCulley

6th Barry Scronce

7th Rachel Winstead

Sheryl Alford

8th Keely Mathis

9th Jay Oliver

13th Chris Poole

15th Carrie Scronce,

Alyssa Bynum

17th Becky Anderson

19th Richard

Hutcherson, Madelynn
Laws

20th Brenda Biggs

22nd Nancy Poole, Mary
Myrick

23rd Davis Leach

25th Shawn Oliver

26th Paula Robertson

27th Grey Forrester,

Andy Mangum

29th Diane Parsley,

Leanna Slusser



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In Memory of Ronnie Stoker by: Agape SS Class, Gertie Sheffield

In Memory of Elmer Nevil by: Don & Judy Cleek, Kelley & Sheila Swearingen, Richard & Barbara Ferrell, Pastor's SS Class, John & Melanie Johnson

In Memory of Dian Sellers by: Kenneth & Janice Gatewood, Staci Harris Painter, Joyce Hurt, John & Melanie Johnson

In Memory of Donald Davis, Joe Joyner by: Kenneth & Janice Gatewood

In Memory of Tammy Dunn by: Carol McBee, Joyce Hurt, Gertie Sheffield

In Memory of Butch Strickland and Buck Hurt by: Joyce Hurt

In Memory of Joe Joyner by: Gertie Sheffield, John & Melanie Johnson

In Memory of Tony Rogers by: Gertie Sheffield

In Memory of Jimmy Winstead and Bill Winstead by: Gene & Robbie Perkins, Kelley & Sheila Swearingen, John & Melanie Johnson

In Memory of Bill Winstead by: Pastor's SS Class

In Memory of Al Powers (Aug. 16 birthday) by: Patrick & Jackie Powers

In Memory of Jimmy Dilday by: Edith Dilday

In Honor of Gail Rogers by: Gertie Sheffield

On behalf of the Jack Gallimore Foundation a contribution was given to the Nursery Fund

Thank you cards to the church family are posted at Information Station Board