

Each year the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Tennessee presents the Betty Galloway Advocacy for Women in Ministry Award to one individual and one church.

Betty Galloway was the first woman ordained as a deacon in a Tennessee Baptist Church. This year, First Baptist Church of Clinton received the award. You must be nominated for the award, and FBC was nominated by Stan Elliott. Below is a picture of the award and the letter written by Stan.



TCBF Coordination Council,

I would like to nominate the congregation of First Baptist Church of Clinton, TN, as a recipient of The Betty Galloway Advocacy for Women in Ministry Award. The following are some thoughts on why I submit this nomination:

When I began serving at FBC Clinton 13 years ago, it was important to me that support for women in ministry was evident. One of the things that drew me to this congregation was the process they went through to begin having women serve as deacons. Occurring before I came, it was shared with me that the dialogue was honest and included views from many perspectives. In the end, the church voted in favor of women deacons and the whole church embraced the decision.

One of the ways this was demonstrated was in ordination services for new deacons. Though always a highlight, when the new deacon elected was female, the church seemed to turn out in higher numbers for the ordination service.

Also, in support of women deacons, I had the pleasure to serve with two women who served as chair of deacons. What a joy that was!

The staff of FBC Clinton has always supported women in ministry roles. When I arrived, the staff consisted of three full-time males serving (pastor, min. of ed., and min. of youth), and four females, two of which were in full-time ministry positions (music and administrator). Over the years, we grew to a staff of nine which included two full-time males (pastor and youth) and seven full-time women (mission and creative ministry, music, education, children, administrator, family life center, and communications). The last two positions were developed from two of the original staff, as we saw their gifts and hearts. We just celebrated the ordination of the church's female Minister of Missions and Creative Ministries!


Over the years, the congregation welcomed and supported several guest women preachers who filled the pulpit in my absence as well as some who were invited to help us celebrate special events and studies.

I would like to recognize Pastor Emeritus Sam Dean, who served the congregation for many years, for creating an atmosphere of support for women in ministry. I was able to lead in ministry in our community with women because of his foundational work.

## PRIMETIME

- **Primetime**  
Monday, June 3  
12:30 p.m.  
Lower Auditorium  
Pizza lunch, watch Tune Share DVD & rehearse for June 9 Worship Service.
- **Primetime/XYZ Singers**  
Sunday, June 9  
10:40 a.m.  
Sanctuary  
XYZ Singers sing in the service.

## YOUTH

- **Youth Refuge**  
Grades 6 - 12  
Wednesdays  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
FLC Youth Room
- **Youth Trip to Atlanta**   
Braves vs. Pirates Game  
Thursday, June 13  
Grades 6 - 12  
Cost: \$20.00 per youth (includes ticket, meal and transportation)

## Youth Uno de Mayo Party




- **St. Louis Mission Trip**  
June 24 - July 1  
Youth will be teaming up with and serving alongside organizations heavily involved in the following areas of ministry: Homelessness, Refugees, Senior Adults, Children, Poverty Relief. A focus of the trip will be how you can take what you've learned and better serve those in your community.

- **Congratulations 2019 Graduates**  
Abbey Swanner  
Zachary Page  
Andrew Shoopman



## MISSIONS

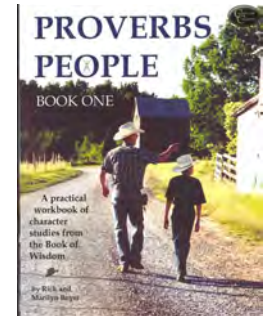
- **reNew Addiction Recovery**  
Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.  
Lower Auditorium
- **Crafts at the Towers**  
Saturday, June 8  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
HELP NEEDED: The craft this month requires hammering nails. If you can help, please contact the church office.
- **Movie Night at the Towers**   
Saturday, June 8  
7:00 p.m.  
Movie: **The Greatest Showman**  
Everyone is invited for movie and popcorn at the Towers!
- **Crafts to Homebound**  
Sunday, June 9  
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- **Western Heights Block Party**  
Sponsored by FBC Clinton  
Saturday, June 15  
10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Baptist Center of Western Heights Public Housing in Knoxville. Crafts, games, snacks, fellowship for children and adults.  
Leave FBC at 10:30 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m. **Volunteers needed call the church office to sign up.**
- **Shepherd's Table**  
Saturday, June 22  
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Family Life Center  
Free Community Meal!  
Everyone is welcome!  
Grilled Hamburgers and Hot Dogs

## KIDS KORNER



**Vacation Bible School**  
June 3 - 7  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

See front of newsletter for more information.



**Proverbs People**  
Thursday Nights  
June 13 - July 25  
(no study on July 4)  
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
This study is for **Rising 6th Graders!**

Our Rising 6th Graders will be in different host homes each week for Games, Bible Study, and Snacks. Remember to bring your Bible.

**Bible Study Locations:**  
June 13 - Betty Kay Pierce  
830 Ridgeview Drive, Clinton  
June 20 - Johanna Whitley  
100 Mariner Point Drive, Clinton  
June 27 - Anita Childers  
109 Oakwood Drive, Clinton  
July 11 - TBA  
July 18 - Monnie Champion  
904 Riverbend Road, Clinton  
July 25 - Albert Earle  
Carriage View Apartment's Pool



## FBC INFORMATION & EVENTS

### Memorial Flowers

The flowers on the altar Sunday, June 2, are in loving memory of **Homer and Bessie Wallace**, whose anniversary was June 3, given by Dorothy Howell and the Wallace family.

The flowers on the altar Sunday, June 9, are given by Jim and Kay Hannah in loving memory of Jim's parents, **J.E. and Edna Hannah**, and grandparents, **Frank and Inez Hannah**.

The flowers on the altar Sunday, June 16, are in loving memory of these special dads: **John Cobb and Leonard Williams**, given by Beth and Connie.

### Christian Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Dorothy Simpson** (5/8), to the family of **Samuel Dean**, Pastor Emeritus (5/9), to family of **Eunice Norman** (5/16), to the friends of **George Osborne** (5/20), and to the family of **Les Swann** (5/24).

### It's Twin Boys!

Congratulations to Ben and Ashley Neal on the birth of twin boys, Ezekiel Amos and Samuel Asher, born Thursday, May 16. Also, congratulations to big brothers, Max and Malachi, to grandparents, Alan and Lynn Neal, Aunt and Uncle, Lauren and Matt Neal, and cousins, Fischer and Piper Neal.



### 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Honoring Mike & Carolyn Cook  
**Saturday, June 8**  
**Drop In 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
Family Life Center, Hearth Room  
RSVP by June 1  
to 1stephaniecook@gmail.com  
No gifts please, only your presence.

### Prince Love Offering

Envelopes are available in the pews for any one that would like to give a Love Offering to Michael & Brenda Prince for their services to First Baptist Church during the interim.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry Thursdays

**5:30 p.m.**  
Family Life Center

### Prayer Service and Bible Study

**Wednesdays**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
Lower Auditorium  
(Business Meeting 3rd Wed. Mthly)

### Wedding Shower

for Courtney Fritts & Parker Ford  
**Sunday, June 9**  
**Drop-in 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
Family Life Center, Hearth Room  
Courtney & Parker are registered at Target, Bed Bath and Beyond and Pottery Barn.

### Business Meeting

**Wednesday, June 19**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
Lower Auditorium

### Deacons Meeting

**Sunday, June 30**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
Lower Auditorium



### Patriotic Day & Church-wide Cookout

**Sunday, June 30**  
**10:40 a.m. (Combined Service)**  
In the Sanctuary  
No 8:30 service.  
Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m.  
**Lunch following in the FLC.**  
**Hamburgers & Hotdogs provided.**  
Please bring a side dish or dessert.

## FRIENDLY FIGURES

### April Financial Summary

Budget Receipts	\$ 56,352
2019 Receipts/Wkly Avg.	\$ 15,934
2019 Weekly Budget Req.	\$ 16,339
Budget Expense	\$ 65,420
April Deficit/Income	(\$ 9,068)
2019 Deficit/Income	\$ 10,315
TOTAL April 30	\$ 1,247

### BUSINESS MEETING

The April Minutes and Financials were approved. Methodist Health Systems will be the drug testing vendor for the church. The church will collect a "Love" offering for Dr Michael and Brenda Prince for their service with us. Keyboards at Christmas will be held in the church Sanctuary on December 15, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Cost of moving pianos and tuning will not exceed \$3,400.00 which will be raised by members of the church so as to not impact the budget. Sanctuary window repair will be completed for a price not to exceed \$700. Angela Hamby has been added to the church roll by letter from South Clinton Baptist Church. Anita Childers has volunteered to represent First Baptist Church at the CBA meeting on Tuesday, May 28 at 6 p.m. to vote on the new Director of Missions.

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### Special Called Business Meeting Sunday, May 19

The vote results to call Dr. Danny Chisholm as Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church were 227 yes votes and 3 no votes.

Dear friends at FBC Clinton,

This note is to let you know of a change in our lives. Since January of this year, my mother's health has been in a steady decline, resulting in a short hospital stay a few weeks ago. My sister, brother, and I have been in dialogue about what our options are related to her living situation. We have all come to the conclusion that she can no longer live by herself. Lydia and I came to the realization a few weeks ago that we were the best option for providing care for her, and have decided to leave Milton Hershey School and move to Columbia, TN, to care for my mom.

At first, it was a shock to us to even think about this option, but the more we listened, the more we were at peace with this decision. For forty years, we have taken care of a lot of people. It is now time for us to go and care for my mother. God has provided a job for Lydia, who will be teaching 8th grade language arts at E.A. Cox Middle School in Columbia. I am pursuing teacher's aide jobs, with an interview scheduled soon. We are grateful for both opportunities.

We know you may have questions. Please feel free to contact us at 865-809-6743 or 865-809-4840. Our new address will be 1317 Crofton Park Dr., Columbia, TN, 38401. We covet your prayers as we once again embark on a new journey to a very familiar place...home.

Much love, Lydia and Stan Elliott

## Friendly Guide



## ROAR into fun at VBS!

## Vacation Bible School

**June 3 - 7**

**9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church  
Family Life Center**

**Age 3 - 5th Grade**

**Kids will deepen their  
friendship with a mighty,  
loving, and good, good  
God who empowers them  
to boldly face life's  
challenges.**

**Pre-register online  
@ fbclinton.org**

