



Highland's Child Development Center
We are excited about our Valentine's Day
Party this month, remembering God
loved us first! As we study the letter V for
Valentines, our Bible verse is "Verily,
Verily I say, whoever believes in me has
eternal life" (Jesus) John 6:47

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

6:45 AM - 5:30 PM Monday - Friday

PRESCHOOL AGES 3-5

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Celebrating
55
YEARS

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THE CONNECTION

February 2025

This year, we are celebrating our church's 75th Anniversary. Our church council, as well as some others, will be putting together some things to help us celebrate this milestone in the history of our church. Over the next several months, I want to share with you what has been and will continue to be the foundational building blocks that our church needs to continue building on as we enter the amazing future that God has planned for us. Those building blocks can be seen in Acts 2:41-47, right after the early church in Jerusalem saw 3,000 people baptized as followers of Christ. This passage offers a model for what the church should look like and highlights four key "building blocks" that should form the foundation of any church.

The first building block is Proclaiming the Word of God, whether that's from the pulpit or the Sunday School classroom. The early church prioritized preaching and proclaiming God's Word, which ought to be central in any church today. The Word of God is the core of spiritual nourishment; when you're Bible-based, you'll be Bible-blessed. When you come to church, you should hear what God has to say, and when we proclaim God's Word, it shouldn't be shallow or absent of biblical truth. As Paul told Timothy, churches must "preach the word." In many places today, there's a "famine" of biblical teaching, even in places like the Bible Belt, where churches may neglect to deliver the truth of God's Word.

The second foundational building block is Promoting fellowship. The Greek word for fellowship, "koinonia," means to "have in common," and it emphasizes a deep, relational connection rather than just superficial gatherings. The early church's fellowship involved sharing lives, caring for each other, and providing for one another's needs. Fellowship isn't just about socializing; it's a bond that mirrors the relationship with God. The more we fellowship with God, the more we'll naturally desire to fellowship with one another. The church was never meant to be a building where you sit, sing, listen, learn, and leave. A church should be a place where love and care are seen, people feel welcomed, and the hurting find comfort. The key to fellowship with others is fellowship with God. The closer we are to God, the closer we'll be to each other. Did you know that the more you fellowship with God, the more you'll want to fellowship with God's people, and the more you fellowship with God's people, the more you'll want to fellowship with God? The world needs to see that we love each other so much that they'll think to themselves, "If they love each other like that, maybe they will love me like that."

The third building block is Praising the Lord. Praise and worship were integral to the life of the early church, and that ought to also characterize the modern church. Churches should be filled with enthusiasm and joy as they celebrate God's goodness. The early church was alive with excitement, and that spirit ought to continue today. A church that praises God is a church where God's presence is felt.

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The fourth building block is Proclaiming the Gospel. The early believers were committed to sharing the message of salvation through Jesus Christ, both inside the church and outside of it. This wasn't just the responsibility of the pastor but of every member of the church. When people come to this church, they should not be able to leave without knowing how to become a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ. But this shouldn't be the only place, and the pastor shouldn't be the only person proclaiming the gospel. As the church grew, people took their faith and witness into the world, resulting in people being saved daily. We need to be a people who leave on Sunday and begin on Monday to take God-given opportunities to point people to the cross of Jesus Christ through our worship and witness. Proclaiming the gospel is central to the church's mission, and it's essential for us as believers today to not only hear the gospel but also share it with others.

These four building blocks—preaching the Word, promoting fellowship, praising the Lord, and proclaiming the gospel—serve as a timeless guide for what a healthy church should prioritize. The early church's focus on relationships with God and each other provides a model for how churches today should operate, emphasizing a commitment to faith, community, worship, and outreach. The foundation of the church begins with Jesus Christ, and every aspect of church life should reflect this central truth. So, let's begin the celebration as we continue laying the foundation.

Pastor Jim Norman



TennesseeWMU
MISSIONS
GET-TOGETHER


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APRIL 4-5 * FIRST BAPTIST DICKSON
DICKSON, TN

Missions Get-Together is an event for women 18 years of age and older that features general sessions, breakout sessions, and a Missions & Ministry Fair with WorldCrafts store and a Silent Auction!

If you are interested in attending the Missions Get-Together, please contact Rema Bell. Early Bird registration ends on February 28.


Visit TNWMU.ORG for Event Schedule, Breakout Session Topics & Leaders and other event details!



HBC Collected YTD-

\$6,580.00

Thank you to everyone who has given towards our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering church goal of \$8,000.00. If you haven't given, but want to, there's still time to give.



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Deacon of the Week

February 1-7

Paco Prince

February 8-14

Johnny McBride

February 15-21

Roger Williams

February 22-28

Bradley Rogers

Deacons for 2024-2025

Group	Deacon
A-BO	Steve Stone
BR-DOU	Johnny McBride
DUN-F	Tommy Griffin
GA-HEN	Jimmy Gaddis
HES-JOR	Bradley Rogers
KI-MOF	Ben Murray
MON-RAY	Mike Stringfield
RID-SM	Paco Prince
SN-V	Jason Robison
W-Y	Jonathan Sipe
DEACONS	Roger Williams

Greeters- February 2025

February 2- Johnny/ Gayle/ Brian

February 9- Linda/ Samanthia

February 16 - Jimmy/ Kristy

February 23 - David/ Diane

Deacons

Johnny McBride
Steve Stone
Tommy Griffin
Jason Robison
Paco Prince
Jonathan Sipe
Mike Stringfield
Ben Murray
Jimmy Gaddis
Bradley Rogers
Roger Williams

Security Partners

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Linda Miller
Scarlett Carpenter
Keith Bailey

Please sign up on the bulletin board to be a security partner .

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NURSERY DIRECTOR
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In February, our preschoolers will be learning how people can choose to love. How will you make a difference? What choices will you make? God loves us, so we should love others. 1 John 4:11
Do all things in love. 1 Corinthians 16:14 Kathy Hasty

February Nursery Volunteers

Nursery Director– Kathy Hasty- If you are not able to serve on your assigned date, please call Kathy Hasty at 931-455-0977.

Sunday February 2:

Bible Study: Jennifer Sipe

Morning Worship: Kim Dodson, Kelly Farris, Kathy Hasty

Evening Worship: Samantha Norman, Kathy Hasty

Wednesday February 5: Kim Dodson, Kim Whittemore

Sunday February 9:

Bible Study: Liz Bond

Morning Worship: Kim Dodson, Linda Bolinger, Julie Rogers

Evening Worship: Terri Stone, Kathy Hasty

Wednesday February 12: Kim Dodson, Regenia Rogers

Sunday February 16:

Bible Study: David Inocencio

Morning Worship: David Inocencio, Kim Dodson, Leah Prince

Evening Worship: Steve Stone, Kathy Hasty

Wednesday February 19: Kim Dodson, Kathy Hasty

Sunday February 23:

Bible Study: Liz and Lauren

Morning Worship: Kim Dodson, Rick Miller, Lauren Fults

Evening Worship: Terri Stone, Kathy Hasty

Wednesday February 26: Kim Dodson, Kathy Hasty



Mark your calendars on February 9th for our first VBS meeting this year from 2:30 pm – 3:45 pm. We are ending at 3:45 pm to leave time for those participating in the Women’s Bible Study. Like last year we will need your help to make VBS a success. Start praying once again for the children and parents we get to interact with. One thing the VBS leadership team would like to see is a prayer room full of prayer warriors! The plan is to designate a space devoted only to prayer. It is not to be a hangout

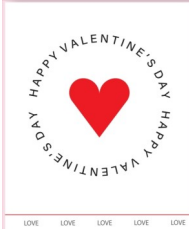
and let’s talk room but a prayer room, praying for the VBS kids, volunteers, and families. If you would like to help coordinate this, please see me.

Parents, if you have a child attending Centrikid this year, please pay your \$75 deposit before February 15th.

April 26th will be our big fundraiser for both Centrikid and Youth Camp. We will be hosting a car cruise-in from 10 am – 2 pm. We have sent letters out to over 200 local businesses to ask for donations to put into the event. Parents, if you have a kid going to camp, we need your help. There will be plenty to do. From helping with food, trash pick-up, welcoming guests, cake walk, helping with raffle prizes, and much more. I will have a job sign-up list on my bulletin board later this month. Even if the signup sheet gets full, there will still be plenty of things to do! Come ready to serve! If you would like a flyer to give out, I can print you some as well!



Matt Koehler
Minister of Youth & Education

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p align="center">Sound Volunteer Schedule– February 2025</p> <p>1/29/25&2/2/25– Ben Murray 2/5/25&2/9/25– Ben Howell 2/12/25&2/16/25– Ben Murray 2/19/25&2/23/25– Andrew Newton 2/26/25&3/2/25– Ben Murray</p>						<p>1 Chili cook-off 5:30-7:00 p.m.</p>
2 Curtis Walters Rodney Harmon	3 Will Stone	4 Mike Durham	5	6 Dr. Marc Lee	7 Lilian Ruyten	8
9 VBS Meeting 2:30-3:45 p.m. Deacons Meeting 4 p.m. Tyler Robinson	10	11 Prime Timers- Noon Jase Pearson Donna Sanders	12 Eliza-Grace Hood	13	14 	15 CentriKid deposits due
16	17	18	19	20 Jason Robison	21	22
23 Sherry Beck Stan Smith	24	25	26	27 Linda Conner	28 Jared Hood	

Highlands Highlights

Counters For February

Linda Conner/Becky Moffat



Deacon's Meeting
 Sunday, February 9, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

February Prime Timers (55 & Better)
 Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at noon. Lunch will be BBQ catered by Purdom's. Please sign up so we know how many to plan for. Everyone 55 and better is invited to attend.



VBS Meeting
 Sunday, February 9th from 2:30– 3:45 p.m.

Women's Bible Study 7 Week Study
 Meeting in the Ministry House
 Two options available
 Sundays 4:00-5:30 p.m.
 Tuesdays– 10:00-11:30 a.m.

February Children's Church Volunteers

- February 2– Karen/Matt/Rylie
- February 9– Joanna/Ryan/Briana
- February 16– Jonathan/Coral/Milly
- February 23– Mark/Ann/MJ

FEBRUARY 2025



Sunday Schedule

Bible Study – 9:15 AM

Morning Worship – 10:30 AM

Children’s Church is available during the Service for children 3 years old– 2nd Grade

Evening Worship – 6:00 PM



Wednesday Night Schedule

**Church– Wide Wednesday Night Supper
5:00– 5:30 p.m.**

(Wednesday Night Supper will not be served May– August)

**AWANA—4 Years old– 5th Grade
5:30– 7:00 p.m.**
(AWANA will not meet May– August.)

**Youth and Adult Classes
All Classes Meet at 6:00 PM**

Youth Group

Youth Dept.

Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study

Sanctuary

Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study is available on campus and online.

Adult Choir Practice 7:00 PM