



NEWSLETTER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHILLICOTHE, MO

GLOBAL STAGE - ETERNAL IMPACT

The world is coming to Kansas City this summer for the largest sporting event on the planet, bringing with it a unique opportunity for us as a church to live out our mission: to know Him, serve Him, and make Him known.

Our Missions Committee is looking for volunteers interested in joining a team traveling to Kansas City for a Saturday in June during the World Cup to participate with other Missouri Baptists in meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of fans, teams, and other visitors.

Evangelism efforts will be centered around game days, and an overnight stay at one of the local host churches is required prior to the actual day of service. Training will be provided in advance of serving in this very unique opportunity. Our desire is simple and purposeful; to share the hope of the gospel with people from all over the world who may not yet know Jesus. For those interested, please contact Pastor Rob or Dawn Dupy for additional details. An informational meeting will be held May 17th, immediately following the worship service.

In the meantime, we ask you to join us in prayer as a church. Pray for the Lord's clear leading as plans come together. Pray for meaningful conversations and open doors to share the gospel. Pray for softened hearts among those we encounter. Pray for the guidance, boldness, and power of the Holy Spirit. And above all, pray that many would come to know the good news of Jesus Christ.

2026 CAMP DATES

Grand Oaks Youth Camp

Dates: June 1st–5th.
Fee: Early Bird \$85. Late Bird \$95
Reg. Deadline: Early Bird May 1st, Late Bird May 18th

[Camper Link](#)

[Volunteer Link](#)



Grand Oaks Children Camp

Dates: June 29th–July 3rd
Fee: Early Bird \$85, Late Bird \$95
Reg. Deadline: Early Bird May 15, Late Bird June 8th

[Camper Link](#)

[Volunteer Link](#)



Fuge

Dates: June 15th-19th
Fee: \$50
Reg. Deadline: By May 15th
No reg. link, contact Gene ASAP.



RECOGNIZING OUR 2025 GRADS



We want to extend a special congratulations to those graduates in our church body. We are so proud of you, and are praying for you as you embark on this new journey!

Spencer Epperson

Son of Jeremy & Monica Epperson
State Tech. Heavy Equipment Operations & Management.

Lydia Gabrielson

Daughter of Steve & Kelly Gabrielson
Mizzou. Nursing.

Nicole Newton

Daughter of Alicia Klingenberg & Eric Newton
Southwest Baptist University. Psychology.
Neuroscience Research.

Elise Reid

Daughter of Brent & Nicole Gaunt, Charlie & Cori Reid
UMKC Conservatory.
Music Therapy.

Emerson Staton

Daughter of Jeff & Shelley Staton
Metropolitan-Longview.
Psychology.

Luke Thompson

Son of Frank & Holly Thompson
Northwest Missouri State University. Veterinary Sciences.

Elanor Washburne

Daughter of Gene & Candy Washburne
Metropolitan KC. Education. Art Teacher.

Sam Wire

Son of Bert & Ammie Wire
State Technical College of Missouri. Electrical Technology.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, June 8 - Friday, June 12th

Invite your kids to Illumination Station VBS for the brightest week of the year! While many people claim to know about Jesus, many are still in the dark about who He really is. Some see Him as just a person from history, a good man, or a wise teacher—but He is **so** much more.

During this exciting week, kids will be challenged to answer Jesus' question: **"Who do you say that I am?"** As they explore how light brightens, illuminates, reflects, and reveals, they will discover that Jesus is the Light who brings hope to a dark world.

"I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in the darkness but will have the light of life." — John 8:12

Be praying for the kids who will attend and for the workers who will serve and share the gospel. Look for registration information coming soon!

A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

I have a couple of thoughts coming into the month of May that I'd like to draw your attention to. First, our weekly kids ministry, Bible and Missions (BAM), draws its season to a close this month. Thank you to all those who gave to the Lord in this ministry.

BAM's goal is to grow in our children a heart for the Lord and His world. Each week, our leaders have done just that.



Second, the world is coming to our door. Kansas City is hosting four of the most desired World Cup FIFA teams and six matches. Upwards of 650,000 people will be flocking to KC over the course of six weeks. In June, we will take a one-day mission trip to KC to share the gospel with other partner churches from across Missouri. An interest meeting will be hosted in May. Watch for more details.

Lastly, I hope you'll be able to attend the National Day of Prayer Breakfast at the YMCA on May 7. Breakfast will begin to be served at 6:45 am, with the program beginning around 7:00 am. Funds have been raised to cover the costs of this event. Donations will however be taken at the door. All funds raised over expenses go to Operation Help. This annual event is an opportunity to gather with other Christians and pray for our city, county, state, and nation. I also have the honor of delivering the devotion that morning. I hope to see you there.

UPCOMING CALENDAR DATES

May 2nd

Men's Breakfast

May 3rd

Missions Committee

May 4th

Monthly Staff Meeting

May 10th

Graduate Recognition

May 12th

Trustee Meeting

Deacons Meeting

May 13th

Final Wednesday Fellowship Meal

BAM Concludes

(Pastors Wed. Bible Study Continues)

Business Meeting

May 18th

Golden Heirs Carry In

May 20th

Second Harvest Food Pantry

June 1st-5th

Grand Oaks Youth Camp

June 2nd

Monthly Staff

June 6th

Men's Breakfast

June 7th

Missions Committee

June 8th-12th

VBS

June 9th

Trustee Meeting

Deacons Meeting

June 10th

Business Meeting

June 15th-19th

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June 29th-July 3rd

Grand Oaks Children's Camp

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