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OCTOBER

FIRST SOUTHERN

BAPTIST CHURCH

EVANSVILLE, IN.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7
9:00 - 11:30 p.m.

**Dodgeball is the first Friday of the month.
Come out and enjoy the fun and free food.**



Church Goal:
\$5,000.00
Received to Date:
\$1,239.00

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Words from Bro. David

The fact that the Standard Oil Company discovered oil and is operating wells in Egypt is generally known but the reason for its going to that ancient land to look for oil is probably not so well known.

It is asserted that one of the directors of the company happened to read the second chapter of Exodus. The third verse caught his attention. It states that the ark of bulrushes which the mother of Moses made for her child was

"daubed with slime and with pitch."

This gentleman reasoned that where there was pitch, there must be oil, and if there was oil in Moses' time it is probably still there. So the company sent out Charles Whitshott, its geologist and oil expert, to make investigations, with the result that oil was discovered.

I wish we took the Bible that seriously. The Bible gives us many

instructions and directions for our lives. They are much more important than finding oil or material wealth. In the Bible we know how one is saved and we know how we are to live to glorify God. Let us search the Scriptures daily like the faithful Boreans in the book of Acts. The treasures we find there are the blessings to our souls.

Bro. David

Children's Ministry

During the week of Vacation Bible School in July, each night we had what was called "Missions Moment". This time was utilized to focus on two opportunities to reach out. One of the things that took place was our Penny War to collect pennies for a family who had a very sick child "Baby Ellie". Just recently, God called 3 month old Baby Ellie home to Heaven. Please be praying for Matt & April Hendricks, as they lost their first child a little less than 2 years ago, and now just lost their second child.

Not only did we use the Penny War to help minister to this family, but also collected half of the pennies to go towards Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Ministry. This particular ministry is something we wanted to share not only exclusive to the Children's Ministry, but church-wide. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together

with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Through this ministry, empty shoe boxes are filled with supplies/toys for boys and girls ages 2 up to 14. A donation of \$7 per box is needed to help cover shipping of the box and other project costs. During VBS, we also started collecting specific supplies each night. We were overwhelmed with the response the children had in giving.

We are now asking you to become a part of this. From now until the beginning of November, we need your help for us to reach our goal. Our goal is to fill 50 shoe boxes to send around the world to help spread the Gospel to those children who are less fortunate at Christmas. **November 14-21 is National Collection Week.** There will be a local drop-off location during this time to take all the shoe boxes. The FSBC Children's Ministry will have a "Packing Party" right before this to fill and wrap the shoe boxes. Start saving empty shoe boxes now. We will also be collecting supplies and

toys to fill them as well as taking donations for the \$7 for each shoe box.

If you would rather fill your own particular shoe box, that is great too! The more we get involved the better. We are excited and hope this will be an opportunity for the children of our church to see just how much they can impact children around the world. You will be seeing and hearing more about this project so watch the bulletin for more details to come!



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Luke 18:16

Reggie's Remarks



Our Choir is continuing their good work in preparation for this year's Christmas program. We are blessed with good singers and we are having exciting and encouraging rehearsals. Remember the date for the choir's program is **December 18** in the PM service.

We plan to have Winds of

Worship play several Christmas selections in the PM service on **December 11**. Winds of Worship is another of the many ways that God has blessed FSBC!

Worship Choir, Winds of Worship, and Age to Age always welcome new members. If you would like to serve in one of

these ministry groups, we would love to talk with you!

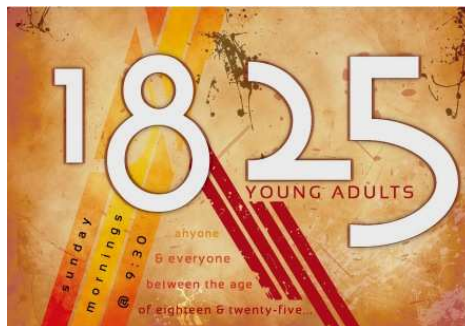
Youth Connection: Get Connected

Are you a middle school student? High School student? Parent of either? Or are you between the ages of 18 and 25? If you fall into any of these categories, we want to let you know about some great opportunities to get connected into the Youth Ministry here at First Southern!

We have just started a new Sunday School program in September. There are classes for middle school girls, middle school boys, high school girls, and high school boys. We have some great teachers leading each class with a great passion to see students grow in their relationship with Christ! In both our high school and middle school classes, we are revisiting the book *Radical* by David Platt along with a great small group Bible study created for students! Sunday School starts at 9:30 every Sunday morning in the Youth Room, located upstairs in the Christian Life Center.

If you're fresh out of high school, a returning college student, or even a young adult out in the work force, we have a Sunday School class for you as well! We have started a new **1825 Young Adults** class specifically for this age group. Statistics tell us that 80% of students drop out of church after they graduate from high school. In this class, we're studying through Scripture along with the book

Dug Down Deep by Joshua Harris. We're looking at the vital importance to digging deep for our foundation, so that our lives are built on TRUTH that will last! We meet at 9:30 on Sunday Mornings in the couch room, located upstairs of the Christian Life Center.



If you're looking for a large group service, we have that too! On Wednesday nights at 6:30, we meet in the Youth Room for Bible Study for students and young adults. Anyone in middle school, high school, or 18-25 are invited to join us for this time of fellowship and worship through God's Word. We are currently going through a study on the Holy Spirit using the book *Forgotten God* by Francis Chan. We're looking at the importance of theology and practical application involving the person, work, and power of the Holy Spirit within

each believer!

Last but not least, we want to let you know about a great opportunity we have each month to hang out with other students and young adults in the community. On the first Friday of every month, we have Friday Night Dodgeball! From 9:00 to 11:30 on these Fridays, the gym is opened and usually filled up! We have constant games of dodgeball going on throughout the night, along with other games like pool, ping pong, air hockey, etc, plus free food! It's a great time to come and hang out, play some dodgeball, meet some new people, and have a great time! Mark your calendar for October 7th, November 4th, and December 2nd for Friday Night Dodgeball!

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Office Hours:

Church Office: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
CLC Office: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Gym: 8:30 - 9:00 p.m. M, T, W, TH, F
Call for reservations



Library Book of the Month

School buses, cooler temperatures, leaves changing to golds and oranges - Fall is finally here, and we're on the countdown to the Holidays. Only 13 weeks until Christmas! I hope you are enjoying this beautiful time of year. With the mindset of giving to others, we offer this month's book:

BOOK OF THE MONTH: *One Simple Act* by Debbie Macomber
Just by doing one small act of generosity, it can affect so many others. Sharing a smile or offering a helping hand lifts the spirit of someone else (as well as yourself). This book tells what happens when people "pay it forward." I think it will open your eyes to some simple things we can all do to make life better.

Please stop in your church library before and after services. We look forward to seeing you.
Brenda Wood, Church Librarian

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 24 Annual Assoc. Mtg. @ Gateway
- Sept. 27-Oct. 5 Keenager Fall Trip
- Oct. 15 Deacon's Breakfast
- Oct. 16 Lord's Supper
- Oct. 19 Business Mtg.
- Nov. 15 Keenager Mtg.
- Dec. 4 Single Saints
- Dec. 18 Christmas Musical

Meals served at Center of Hope

Sept. 25 - Deb Barton's group & the 1825 class are serving.

Oct. 16 - Monte Conrad's SS class is serving.