



The Path

Louisa FBC Newsletter



September 2026

So the men marveled, saying, "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?" - Matthew 8:27

From Pastor Chuck's Desk

Sunday School?

This Sunday, someone asked a big sister if her younger brother was going to school this year. She responded, "Sunday School."

Sunday School has always been a part of our lives and hopefully always will be until we go home to be with the Lord. Although Sunday School is not mentioned, the idea of teaching the Word of God is found all over the Bible. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." Parents have the responsibility of teaching their children the Word of God. Schools are not responsible for the education of our children, but parents are. Sunday School is a tremendous resource to help us grow in Christ.



Israel was told to teach their children the Word of God. Deut. 6:4-7 "Hear, O Israel: [a]The Lord

our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." Israel was told to gather everyone up and teach the Word of God. Deut. 4:10 'Gather the people to Me, and I will let them hear My words, that they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.'

The Jews have Yeshiva, which is a school for teaching the Torah, the first five books of the Bible. It begins when the child is three years old. This is probably where we got the idea for Sunday School. However, Sunday school is not just for children. Proverbs 27:17 "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." We are lifelong learners, and we need each other along the way.



Hebrews 10:24-25 reminds us: "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another all the more as you see the Day drawing near." Every one of us still has so much to learn about our Lord. Proverbs 1:5 "let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance."

Discipleship is a lifelong mission of following the Lord. Our hearts' desire should be that we are disciples who make disciples that make disciples. An old preacher said that discipleship is not a cruise ship, but it is a battleship. We know that being a disciple and making a disciple are not optional; they are essentials in our faith. Sunday School is a great way to do the work that the Lord has asked us to do.



Are you going to School this year? Sunday School!

May His face shine upon you!

Pastor Chuck Price



Kids Korner

Dear Worship KidStyle Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for entrusting your children to the Worship KidStyle team each week. It is a joy and privilege to partner with your family as we help your children learn, grow, and make much of Christ.

As part of our ongoing commitment to caring well for every child, WKS is making a few updates to our structure and safety procedures. These changes are intended to help us provide a secure, consistent, and welcoming environment for all of our students.

Beginning Sunday, August 31st, children are not permitted to leave WKS on their own to go to the gym. **WKS will dismiss at 12:10 p.m. each Sunday, and a parent or guardian must pick up their child(ren) in the café.** Please plan to meet your child there after the service. We appreciate your help in following this procedure and ensuring that every child is safely reunited with their family.

The same pickup procedure will apply on Sundays when a baptism is scheduled. Please pick up your child in the café at dismissal, and then your family may return to the sanctuary together to participate in and celebrate the baptism.



About Worship KidStyle



Worship KidStyle serves children ages 4 through 12. Each week, we use The Biggest Story curriculum to help children see the Bible as one unified story centered on Jesus Christ. We also use The New City Catechism for Kids to teach the foundational truths of the Christian faith through simple questions and answers.

Each September, we will celebrate our graduating WKS students. Children who are 13 years old by the first Sunday in September will graduate from WKS and be commissioned to join their families in the regular worship service. Children who turn 13 after that date will remain in WKS until the following September.

Because we want to encourage every member of the church to serve the body of Christ, graduating WKS students will also have the opportunity, if they choose, to return and serve with WKS once each quarter. And we eagerly look forward to serving the Lord with them!

Thank you for your continued partnership, patience, and support as we make these updates. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve your family and to help your children grow in their love for Christ and His church. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at any time.

In Christ,

Tim & Ashontae Ellis
Kate Cecil
Leanne Spry
Darlene Staniford
Tanya Thompson
Allison Arbaugh
Caleb & Marina Copley
Lee & Jennifer Cox
Joe & Kayla Collins



Children in Action



Even in a place built for fun, people can sometimes carry hard things in their hearts. During the month of August, our Mission Friends & Children in Action groups have been praying for Joey Buck, a missionary at a theme park in Tennessee. People here may be missing family, feeling worried or facing sickness or loss. Joey Buck serves as chaplain here, caring for both employees & guests. He even leads weekly Bible studies for the workers.

Our children have ridden virtual roller coasters and made paper roller coasters, when discussing the ups and downs of life and how God carries us through. Thanks to Miss Emma & Miss Joyce, they got to experience delicious funnel cakes. We've played carnival games together while working to assemble our memory verse & have had prayer walks, to pray for specific needs in Joey Buck's ministry.

- Susan Little

Come join us in the cafe' on Sunday nights at 6:00!



September 6th begins a new Sunday School year! No matter your age or stage of life, we have a class for you.

Children's Classes



Nursery
4yr olds & Kindergarten
1st & 2nd Grade
3rd-5th grade girls
3rd-5th grade boys
Middle School
High School



Adult Classes

College & Careers
Ladies Class
Men's Class
The Upper Room
God's Golden Girls
In His Steps
The Master's Men
The Sanctuary Class

September Potluck is Wednesday the 2nd

Men's Breakfast

Saturdays @ 9am
Down Home Grill



Sunday Greeters

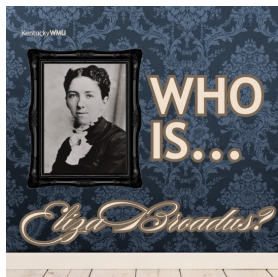
9/6 - Greg Stepp Family
9/13 - Cheryl Roe Family
9/20 - Rick Staniford Family
9/27 - Jim Gray Family





Welcome September! A month filled with football, cooler temps, falling leaves and vibrant colors!

September also brings us an emphasis on missions in Kentucky and the designated offering for that need is named in honor of a woman named Eliza Broadus.



WHO IS ELIZA BROADUS?

Eliza Somerville Broadus was born in

Charlottesville, VA in 1851. In 1877, after

moving with her family to Louisville, KY, Miss Broadus joined Walnut Street Baptist Church and became a member of the church's missionary society. In 1878, Kentucky formed a Central Committee and Miss Broadus was elected to serve on that committee as

the representative from the Walnut Street Society.

She served as an active member of that committee, later known as the Executive Committee, for 50 years. In 1888, when Woman's Missionary Union was organized in Richmond, VA, though not present, she was nevertheless elected Vice President from Kentucky. She made valuable contributions to WMU work through her years of service both in Kentucky and in the work of national WMU.

Her abilities were undergirded by a deep spiritual life. It was written of her "Eliza Broadus woke, worked and slept with God in her thoughts...He was the solution to all problems and the unfailing shoulder against which she leaned....She served in the station to which God had assigned her, cheerfully, lovingly and effectively."

She died in October 1931, after being struck by a truck on Lexington Road near the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. In 1975, the Woman's Missionary Union of Kentucky appropriately named its annual offering

for state missions in Miss Broadus' honor, starting in 1976.

This year's State offering goal is \$1.25 million. Our church goal is \$1,000.

WOMEN ON MISSION

Twelve ladies met on August 12th for the monthly meeting. The program and refreshments were centered around chaplain ministry at theme parks, in particular Dollywood. Serving with Passion was also a topic of discussion. Prayer time for specific missionaries was observed as always. Charlotte Coffey told her heart filled STORY of her life and testimony of how God has worked in her life throughout the years.

A good quantity of diapers have been donated and will be delivered to Two Hearts Pregnancy. Future projects were discussed. There will be a meeting on October 22 from 10-2 at the LC Extension Office to learn how to make sleeping mats for the homeless from plastic bags. This will be open to anyone interested.

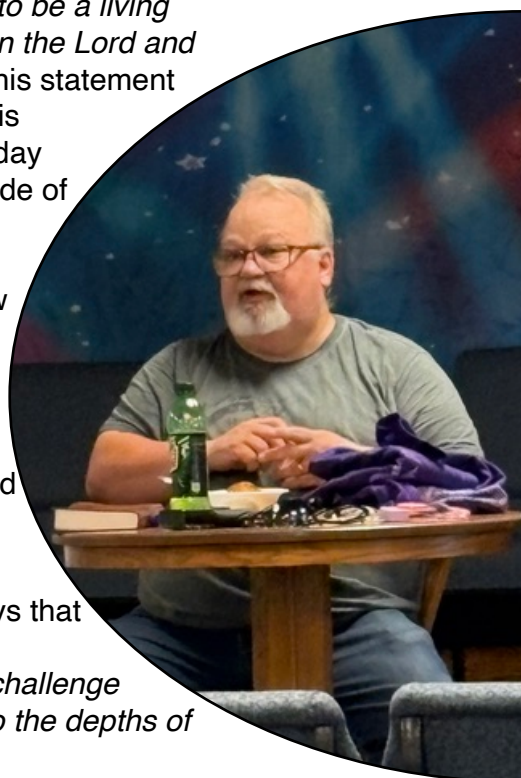
Betty See

Music Ministry's quick monthly meeting will be Sunday 9/27 after the 11am service

Meet Our Sunday School Teachers

"It offers me an opportunity to be a living illustration of dependence on the Lord and God's redemptive grace." This statement sums up **James Ellis** and his motivation for teaching Sunday School. After about a decade of absence, the College and Careers class returned in 2025 with James as the new teacher. An adult class that meets in the youth room and is open to anyone past high school, it is mostly comprised of young men and women from college age up through their 20's.

James, an FBC deacon, says that he serves in Sunday school because, *"It's wonderful to challenge myself and others to dig into the depths of Scripture."*



The Backpack Program

The Family Resource and Youth Service Centers operate the backpack program in all schools in Lawrence County to assist students with food insecurities. FBC has partnered with Louisa East to provide food for those backpacks on a three-month rotation. We will be responsible for filling the backpacks again in September.



Approximately forty backpacks are filled with a two-day supply of food that is given to the child. Children are given the food each Friday at school to feed them for the weekend. That adds up to 320 days' worth of food in a month.

If you would like to help, you can drop off snacks here in the lobby and label it for the backpack program. Food should be ready-to-eat or something that a child can prepare by themselves. Please don't donate fresh fruit. If possible, please bring items in quantities of at least 40. You may also help through donations of money designated in the offering as Backpack Program. It costs approximately \$375 per week to fill the backpacks.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Workman at 606-615-3755. Thank you for being a giving church that loves its community. He who has a generous eye will be blessed, for he gives of his bread to the poor. Proverbs 22:9

Vital Statistics

From the Life Application Study Bible by Tyndale

Hosea

PURPOSE: To illustrate God's love for his sinful people.

AUTHOR: Hosea, son of Beeri (Hosea means "salvation")

ORIGINAL AUDIENCE: The people of Israel (the northern kingdom)

DATE WRITTEN: Approx 715 B.C., recording events from about 753-715 B.C.

SETTING: Hosea began his ministry during the end of the prosperous but morally declining reign of Jeroboam II of Israel (the upper classes were doing well, but they were oppressing the poor). He prophesied until shortly after the fall of Samaria in 722 B.C.

SPECIAL FEATURES: Hosea employs many images from daily life: God is depicted as husband, lion, leopard, bear, dew, rain, moth, & others; Israel is pictured as wife, sick person, vine, grapes, early fruit, olive tree, woman in childbirth, oven, morning mist, chaff, and smoke, & others.

September 2026 Important Dates

- 9/2 - Potluck (noon & 6p services)
- 9/4 - Ft. Gay HS Reunion (gym)
- 9/6 - Begin NEW Sunday School Year!
- 9/9 - Women on Mission (12p)
- 9/16 - Church Council (6p)
- 9/22 - Grief Sharing Group (6p) conf room
- 9/24 - Dinner Church (6p)
- 9/27 - Music Ministry meeting after church
- *Sundays - The Redeemed Man study (3p) in cafe'
- *Mondays - The Promise of Heaven study (6:30p) in cafe'
- *Meal Delivery - every Tuesday (10:15a)
- *Chair Exercise/Yoga - MWF (10a) conf room



See Bulletin for Weekly Schedule

Nursery Volunteers



9/6 - Team 1 - Natalie Wellman, Sophia Wellman, Lindsey Branham, Kayla Collins, Kelli Dixon, Kate Cecil, Kate Collins

9/13 - Team 2 - Cheryl Roe, Debbie Cordle, Hillary Thompson, Angie Bailey, Leah Wireman, Kara Pannell

9/20 - Team 3 - Brittany Block, Brianna Muncy, Julia Rollins, Kandace Anderson, Jamie Russell

9/27 - Team 4 - Ashley Jordan, Elaine DeSario, Larissa & Angie Skaggs, Kristy Sammons, Jenna Sammons, Alexa Webb Alexa Webb

Tim Time

The old song says, "It's the most wonderful time of the year!" It isn't talking about September, but for me, it is! I love the "Ber" months, and September kicks them off.

We have a busy Fall planned for our youth program. We have just started studying the book of Judges on Sunday nights, and on Wednesdays, we have been learning about the spiritual disciplines.

As the new school year gets into full swing, please pray for our students. Pray that as they journey through the "Ber" months, they will remember what Jesus told His followers before He ascended into heaven. At the end of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:20, He promises:

"And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Whatever new storms this school year may bring, our students are not alone. You are not alone. I am not alone. May we all remember that we have a praying local church and that the Lord goes with us wherever we go.

In Christ's Care, Tim Ellis



GRADUATES

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. — Psalm 111:2

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

— Proverbs 22:6

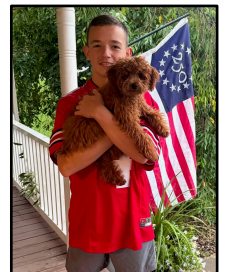
2026 WKS Graduates are:



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Eli DeSario

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