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Seenoo Rao
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



May 2026 Newsletter

Genesis 6:9-11

These are the family records of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among his contemporaries; Noah walked with God. And Noah fathered three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with wickedness.

The children of Noah faced a significant decision. They lived in a world where everyone blatantly disregarded God. Wickedness was the norm. In a world rampant with ungodly attitudes and every form of wicked behavior, they were fortunate to be Noah's sons. Sounds a lot like the day we live in doesn't it? When their father invited them to spend the next hundred years building an ark in obedience to a word from God, Noah's sons had to choose whether to believe those around them or to trust their father. They chose to join their father. What a wonderful testimony of Noah's godly influence in his home! How fortunate for Shem, Ham, and Japheth that their father refused to compromise his integrity, even though everyone else in his society had done so.

Your life has an influence on those around you as well. Your spouse and your children are profoundly affected by your choices. Your coworkers, your neighbors, and your friends will all be impacted by your life. As the world tries to persuade people to follow its standard, your life should stand in stark contrast as an example of a righteous person. Your life should convince those around you of the wisdom of following God. Do not underestimate the positive effect that your obedience will have upon those close to you.

Let it be Jesus!
Bro. Brian





Upcoming Announcements

- May 3-17 – Silent Baby Shower for Dawson & Savannah Akers.
Diapers, wipes and gift cards can be left in the box at the top of the stairs.
- May 5 – AHG Mom and Me Night from 6:30-7:30 pm
 - Monarch Earn While You Learn class at 6:00 pm
- May 6 – Awana Derby Car Races. The Adult Bible Study Group will be joining in support of the kids.
- May 10 – Mother’s Day Breakfast at 8:30 am for the whole family.
 - Graduating Senior Recognition during the morning worship service.
 - No evening services.
- May 11 – Men’s Breakfast at 6:30 at The Station in the upstairs room.
 - WMU Ladies will meet at 1:00 pm in the fellowship hall.
- May 13 – Baccalaureate Service at 7:00 pm at the Fredericktown Middle School Gymnasium. There will be no Awana, Youth or Ault Bible Study. Everyone is encouraged to go and support our graduating class of 2026.
- May 17 – Business Meeting at 6:00 pm
- May 19 – Monarch Earn While You Lear class at 6:00 pm
- May 20 – No evening services.
- May 24 – No evening services.
- May 25 – The church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.
- May 27 – No evening services.
- May 31 – 250 Years of Freedom Celebration at the Gipson home.

The church office will be closed May 11-15. If you are in need of assistance please contact a Deacon.

The First Baptist Blessing Box will be up and running soon! This box will be managed by our American Heritage Girls group. Anyone wishing to donate items will be welcome to do so. If you are in need, you may take items as well. A great big thank you to Savannah Akers and the Fredericktown High School Ag Structures Class for the beautiful job!!



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We are saddened to learn of the passing of Brent Moran. Brent was a friendly guy and part of our church this last year. Our prayers are with his family.

Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for all the many acts of kindness shown to our family at the passing of our wife and mother, Janet Bales. A special thank you to Bro. Tom, Bro. Brian, Graham, Christy, and Denise for all you did to honor her during the service, and to the many ladies who helped to provide such a wonderful meal. We appreciate you all.

The Leonard Bales Family



- June 8-12 Youth Camp
- June 14-17 Vacation Bible School
- June 25 – Senior Adult trip to Fitz
- July 5-9 Girls Camp
- July 20-23 Boys Camp
- July 24-25 St. Louis Mission Trip

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENTS

Let's Celebrate

250 YEARS

OF FREEDOM IN AMERICA

And Most Importantly...

OUR FREEDOM in Christ

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST
6:30 PM

THE GIPSON HOME
1441 MADISON 220

FOOD | WORSHIP | FIREWORKS

- ★ HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS & DRINKS PROVIDED.
- ★ PLEASE BRING A LARGE SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE.
- ★ WE PLAN TO HAVE LOTS OF GUESTS.

★ BRING A LAWN CHAIR! ★