

# The Conversation



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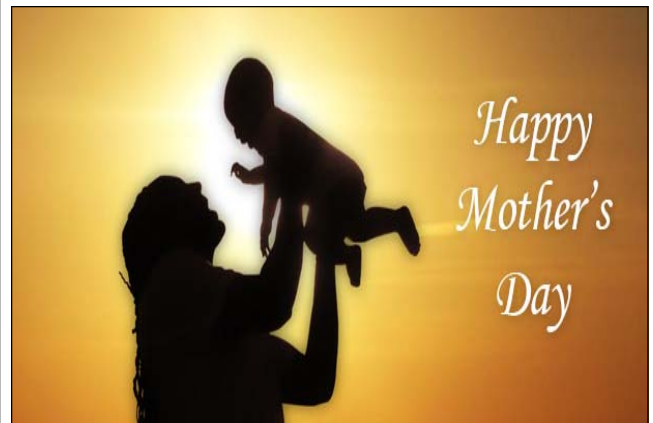
UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH—RICHMOND, KENTUCKY

MAY, 2014

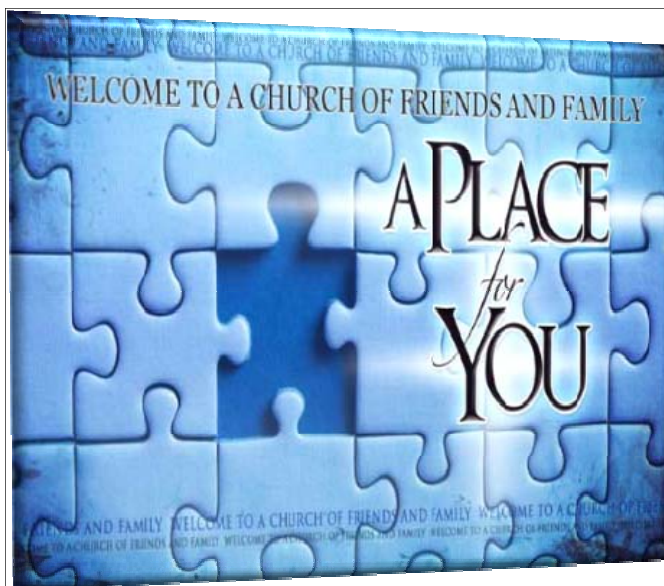


## Senior Adult Day

Our Senior Adults will lead us in Worship on  
**Sunday, May 4**  
All of our Senior Adults are invited to join with us  
on that Morning at 9:30 AM as we serve a  
brunch and express our appreciation for all  
that you mean to our church family.



Join With Us On  
**Sunday, May 11**  
During Morning Worship we will be giving a  
gift to the Oldest, Youngest Mother and to  
the Mother who has the most children with  
them that day. Come and enjoy our wonder-  
ful message also.



Join With Us As We Recognize Our Graduates  
**Sunday, May 25**  
During Morning Worship  
Please share the names of those who are gradu-  
ating from Kindergarten, Eighth Grade, High  
School and College

# From Our Pastor

Dr. D. L. Brewer

I can only stand in awe of all that God is doing within our midst at Unity Baptist. Not only are we growing in numbers of lives being touched by the changeless and eternal love of God but our facilities are also being improved as we provide an attractive and secure place for worship and activities. We have reason to offer Him our praise and thanks. Debbie Vescio has shared with me the following list of facility upgrades and improvements that have been made in the past year.

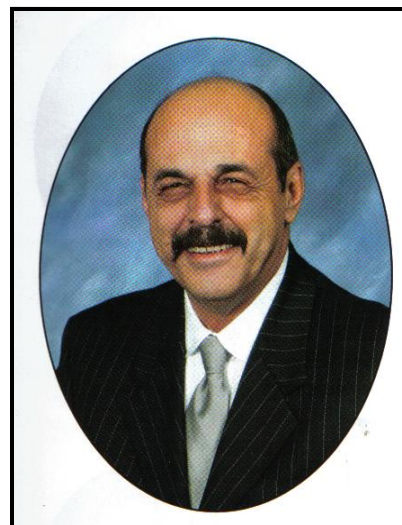
1. cross
2. sidewalk behind church
3. security system
4. cages over units
5. fire alarms
6. computers
7. TVs
8. music equipment
9. flooring in hall
10. chair lift
11. All the fluorescent lights in the church have been changed to T8s. (approximately 100 fixtures, 400 bulbs).. Only T12 lights left are in the mechanical rooms & stairwells.
12. The exit signs and exit lights have been changed and brought up to code
13. All the light switches and outlets in the entire church have been changed
14. Entry Hall lights have been changed to LED
15. Sanctuary lights over choir are now LED.
16. Sanctuary lights in candelabras are now LED
17. Painting is finished:
  - fellowship/kitchen
  - hallways
  - stairwells
  - bathrooms
  - sanctuary
  - media center
  - class rooms (main church, other than nursery, childrens)
  - Office Furniture

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soon to be finished with funds available:

- carpet
- bathroom tile
- bathroom stall partitions.

Join with me as we offer God our praise and thanks and as always, if you ever have need of me, don't hesitate to call.



**Pastor Dennis Brewer**  
**582-2495**  
 cell phone number  
**624-9464**  
 church phone

## DEACONS FOR MAY



**WESLEY FRAZIER**



**FRED DODD**

**DO YOU RECEIVE OUR PASTOR'S DAILY DEVOTIONAL?**  
 SHARE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS AND YOU WILL BE ADDED TO THE DAILY MAILING LIST TO RECEIVE DEVOTIONALS AND PRAYER CONCERN UPDATES AS WELL AS CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Melissa Lowery
- 1 Hazel Turner
- 2 Kenneth Taylor
- 3 Micah Colley
- 5 Amber Lara
- 5 Frankie Miller
- 6 Jacob Cecil
- 6 Gina Slone
- 7 Warren Ball
- 8 Jackie Taylor
- 9 Kaci Caudill
- 9 Rebekah Jarvis
- 10 Bonnie Skidmore
- 10 Joni Weber
- 11 Abigail Johnson
- 13 Teresa Knight
- 14 Bo Brewer
- 14 Charlotte Morris
- 14 James Nolan
- 15 Adam Buckley
- 15 Andrew Buckley
- 15 Chris Doolin
- 15 Steven Turley
- 16 Sandy Gray
- 17 Christopher Willoughby
- 19 Donna Lim
- 20 Genna Vescio
- 21 Cathy Robinson
- 22 Celeste Byrd
- 22 Victor DeSimone
- 22 Art Turner
- 23 Brenda Childers
- 23 Brandon Marcum
- 25 Travis Byrd
- 25 Ann Puckett
- 25 Billy Sexton
- 26 Joshua Reffner
- 27 Crystal Kincaid
- 28 Ashley Cropper
- 29 Andy Lowery
- 30 Nikkie Lowery
- 31 Josh Ernst

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Waydell & Michelle Garret
- 2 Neal & Darlene May
- 5 Scott & Carolyn Basham
- 16 Tom & Tami Bugbee
- 19 Fred & Judy Dodd
- 22 Ray & Kerry VanWinkle
- 30 David & Donna Lim

If we do not have a correct record of your Anniversary or Birthday or, if a birthday should be added to our list, please let us know by speaking with the Pastor or by e-mailing him at

[dennislbrewer@bellsouth.net](mailto:dennislbrewer@bellsouth.net)



## UNIFIRES SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Phil & Linda Brashear, Directors

### SPRING HAS ARRIVED!

Well, it's finally spring, and the UniFires have been able to get out and about again. In March, we had dinner at Michael's (in Irvine/Ravenna), and in April, we had the opportunity to go further afield. On April 12, we had a great day for touring central Kentucky. We got a bus and driver from Foothills Express and visited Old Fort Harrod (in Harrodsburg) and My Old Kentucky Home State Park (in Bardstown). Between visits, we had lunch at Cici's in Danville. (Yes, we "old folks" love pizza, too!). We intended to visit the Trappist monastery near Bardstown, but the tour at My Old Kentucky home took longer than we planned. (And believe me, we were glad to get back to Richmond.) We owe a big THANK YOU! to the church for providing the bus.



### Our plans for the rest of the year include:

**May 17:** Big Bus Tour of Indiana Amish Country  
(Sorry, no more seats available)

**June 21, 6:00pm:** Summer Pot-Luck

**July 19:** Riverboat Cruise (Newport/Cincinnati)  
(\$35 per senior adult – ticket information available soon)



**WANT TO KNOW A  
SECRET?  
THEN MAKE PLANS TO VISIT THE  
BETTY JAMES GRIGSBY MEDIA CENTER  
FOR BOOKS AND VIDEOS.**

THE CENTER ALSO HAS PRINTED COPIES OF MANY OF THE MESSAGES DELIVERED BY OUR PASTOR AND THEY ALSO HAVE SERMONS BY THE PASTOR ON CD. THE MEDIA CENTER IS OPEN EACH SUNDAY BEFORE MORNING WORSHIP HOUR.

**FOR OTHER HOURS, SPEAK WITH PEGGY WESTON OR JUDY DODD**



**DEACONS  
FOR THE  
MONTH**



# MAY



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>EACH SUNDAY</b> 9:00 AM—Coffee & Donuts 9:30 AM—Sunday School 10:00 AM—Radio Broadcast—WCBR 10:45 AM—Morning Worship 6:00 PM—Evening Worship	1	2	3	
4 <b>Senior Adult Sunday</b> Church Council @ 5 PM	5	6	7 Midweek Programs	8	9	10 Men's Second Saturday Breakfast @ 8 AM Ladies Breakfast @ 8:30 AM
11 <b>Mother's Day</b> Youth Committee 5:00 PM	12	13	14 Midweek Programs	15	16	17 <b>Sr. Adult Indiana Amish Tour</b>
18	19	20	21 Monthly Business Meeting	22	23	24
		<b>Church Pictorial Directory</b>				
		<b>Baptist Associational Emphasis—Hamp &amp; Sandra Valentine Offering for Associational Missions</b>				
25 <b>Graduate Recognition Day</b> Deacons & WMU Meet @ 5 PM	26 Memorial Day	27	28 Midweek Programs	29	30	31

# SERVING THIS MONTH

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS (PSALM 100:2A)



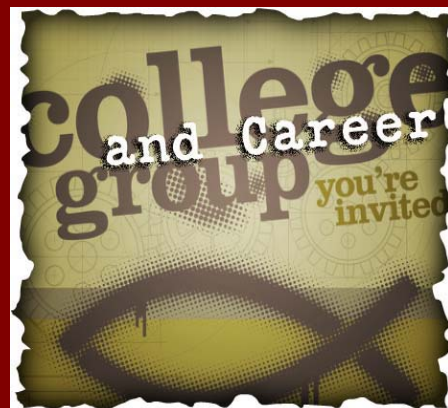
DATE	USHERS	AM NURSERY	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP	PM NURSERY	GREETERS
<b>MAY 4</b>	Bobby Samples Newt Newlin Lamont Leary Ed Robinson Jamie Moscrip Clay Wilson	Angela Gabbard Jennifer Moscrip	Holly Long Lucille Brewer	Lucille Brewer	K Gamble Phil & Linda Brashear Cora Willoughby
<b>MAY 11</b>	Mitch Arms Brandon Smoot David Saylor Charles Long Cliff Mead Sean Brewer	Judy Dodd Linda Renfro	Tammy Simpson Carol Reeves	Peggy Weston	Art & Hazel Turner Phyllis Burns Lamont Leary Dell Robbins Bobby & Mattie Samples
<b>MAY 18</b>	Shannon Noland Tom Bugee Phil Brahear K Gamble Wesley Morgan Andrew Mason	Cathy Robinson Stacy Taulbee	Lois Morgan Ima Dell Lowery	OPEN	Andy & Juanita Anderson Jamie & Jennifer Moscrip Wesley & Lindsey Morgan
<b>MAY 25</b>	David Arms Drew Wilson Andy Anderson Bill Adams Rodger Mason Duard Hamm	Louise Ball Carol Reeves	Sherri Wilson Mildred Robinson	OPEN	David & Patty Saylor Clarenetta Watters Clara Mieres
<b>JUNE 1</b>	Bobby Samples Newt Newlin Lamont Leary Ed Robinson Jamie Moscrip Clay Wilson	Angela Gabbard Jennifer Moscrip	Holly Long Lucille Brewer	Lucille Brewer	Newt & Doris Newlin Shannon & Opal Noland Sean & Shannon Brewer



Saturday, April 12  
8:00 Am  
Ryan's Restaurant



Saturday, April 12  
8:30 Am  
Frisch's Restaurant



Each Sunday Afternoon at 4:30 PM  
For More Information speak with  
Charles Haynes

*Invite your friends to join with you for this time of fellowship and good food.*



*We Love our Youth!*

***Do not believe me unless I do the works of my Father. But if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father.” John 10:37-38***

I enjoyed a wonderful Saturday and Sunday week before last, outside all day in sunny and wonderful weather, and then woke up Monday morning with snow on my vehicle. What a winter. I think it is actually over now but who knows, we do live in Kentucky.

I am writing this on the eve of Easter and again I have enjoyed a wonderful day. I am always excited about Easter service, I think it is Brandon's favorite service of the year and he has always enjoyed sunrise services. It's a special day where many will come to remember a risen Savior. One of my occasional readings is from a blog called Seedbed and recently Matt O'Reilly a pastor of First United Methodist Church in Union Springs, Alabama wrote this about why the resurrection matters, "Because the resurrection of Jesus is everything!" It is central and essential to the apostolic gospel. It permeates scripture. It's the first work of God's new creation. Resurrection validates our faith, guarantees our hope, and defines our living. And without the resurrection, there would be no Christianity of which to speak. Resurrection is everything. And resurrection is everything because Jesus is everything, and Jesus has been raised from the dead" Amen, enough said.

We still want to have a Wednesday night dinner each month and are looking for individuals or groups that are interested in providing assistance in cooking for these. If anyone would like to host this dinner in the future please let me know.

I hope everyone had an opportunity to see the movie "Gods not Dead", we took the youth on a Sunday evening and I can tell you it was an awesome evangelistic opportunity. The movie is doing much better than the secular world had expected. We should all thank Larry Baker and the Tates Creek Association as they fought to get the Richmond theater to bring the movie to Richmond, a guarantee of 500 tickets had to be purchased by the association office. I am sure the theater was glad that they caved in as the night we were there I noticed that several showing were sold out. The last several weeks have seen additional theaters nationwide added. If you have not seen it, please find time to. I am following up the movie for the next three Wednesday nights with lessons following the movie.

Our Sunday morning lessons over the next month will be focusing on Jesus' Miracles. Initially we will begin with

discussing why Jesus performed miracles and the fact that those miracles had a divine purpose, secondly we discuss how these miracles show His authority over all things, there is no limit to what Jesus can do, thirdly, how can people see miracles and still not believe and the reality that some people refused to see Jesus for who He really is and lastly we are going to discuss the fact that God's purpose is more than miracles and that miracles happen according to God's purpose and not ours.

I am glad to say that our Sunday school church wide has grown somewhat and that's a good thing. If you are not involved in our Sunday school hour I ask you to pray about that. If you don't see a class that seems to be for you then maybe you can start one that interests you, I bet there are others that would be glad to come. Pray about it.

As always, thank you for your support and prayers for our youth, our church and us personally.

Blessings!

Rev. John



**Sherri Wilson, Director**

WOW - we have such an amazing church family! The nursery was in need of a rocking chair because one of them broke. We ended up with three and the broken one repaired!! How awesome is that?

Because God is blessing us with a growing nursery, we are now in need of more help. Please let me or Lucille know if you would be able to help out during the morning or evening services.

Thank you for all your help with the Easter breakfast and egg hunt. The children get so excited about this annual event that is only possible because of so many giving of their time and resources.

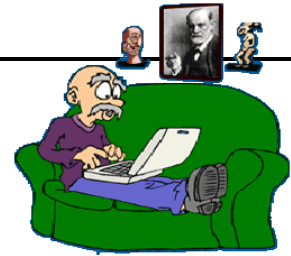
VBS will be June 8-12, from 6:00-8:30. The theme this year is Agency D3. As special agents, the children will be examining eyewitness reports, physical proof and biblical accounts to uncover and defend the truth about who Jesus really is.

Let me know what area you would like to help out in. We will be getting together soon to go over all the specifics. This definitely looks to be an exciting VBS!

Thank you,  
Sherri

# Parcel's Page

IN LOVING MEMORY OF UNITY'S,  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, PARCEL FLANNERY



## Mother's Dictionary of Meanings

**Dumbwaiter:** One who asks if the kids would care to order dessert.

**Feedback:** The inevitable result when the baby doesn't appreciate the strained carrots.

**Full Name:** What you call your child when you're mad at him.

**Grandparents:** The people who think your children are wonderful even though they're sure you're not raising them right.

**Hearsay:** What toddlers do when anyone mutters a dirty word.

**Independent:** How we want our children to be for as long as they do everything we say.

**Puddle:** A small body of water that draws other small bodies wearing dry shoes into it.

**Show Off:** A child who is more talented than yours.

**Sterilize:** What you do to your first baby's pacifier by boiling it, and to your last baby's pacifier by blowing on it and wiping it with saliva.

**Top Bunk:** Where you should never put a child wearing Superman jammies.

**Two-Minute Warning:** When the baby's face turns red and she begins to make those familiar-grunting noises.

**Whodunit:** None of the kids that live in your house.

## Sent to Bed

A small boy is sent to bed by his mother...

[Five minutes later]

"Mom..."

"What?"

"I'm thirsty. Can you bring me a glass of water?"

"No. You had your chance. Lights out."

[Five minutes later]

"Mom..."

"WHAT?"

"I'm THIRSTY...Can I have a glass of water??"

"I told you NO! If you ask again I'll have to spank you!!"

[Five minutes later]

"Momm..."

"WHAT??!!!"

"When you come in to spank me, can you bring me a glass of water?"

## Grandma on the Plane

For two solid hours, the lady sitting next to a man on an airplane had told him about her grandchildren. She had even produced a plastic-foldout photo album of all nine of the children.

She finally realized that she had dominated the entire conversation on her grandchildren.

"Oh, I've done all the talking, and I'm so sorry. I know you certainly have something to say. Please, tell me... what do you think of my grandchildren?"

## Church Pictorial Directory Sign-Up

We will be having a new church directory made. The pictures will be taken May 20,21,22. The picture times will be between 2:00-9:00 P.M. each day. We will be signing up for time slots on May 4 immediately after church. Be looking at your calendars to see which day and time best suits you and your family. Plan to sign up early so you can get the time you want.. You can also call the Church Office or speak with Clarenetta Watters. She can be reached at: [clarenetta@roadrunner.com](mailto:clarenetta@roadrunner.com)

We need you to make our Directory Complete.



**CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

Dr. D. L. Brewer, Pastor  
 Charles Long, Associate to the Pastor  
 Sam Sowder, Associate Pastor  
 Mark Williams, Minister of Music  
 Rev. John E. Smoot, Minister to Youth & Education  
 Sherri Wilson, Children's Ministry  
 Phil & Linda Brashear, Senior Adult Ministry  
 Steven & Deana Frazier, Refresh Ministry  
 Lucille Brewer, Interim Secretary  
 Gary Hickey, Custodian  
 Judy Dodd, Financial Secretary  
 Larry Morgan, Chair of Deacons  
 David Saylor, Chair of Trustees  
 Fred Dodd, Chair of Ushers  
 Phil Brashear, Clerk  
 Ima Lowery, Assistant Clerk  
 Debra Vescio, Treasurer  
 Rhojalia Rhodus, Sound Room  
 Peggy Weston, Media Center Director  
 Rhojalia Rhodus, Sunday School Director  
 Clarenetta Watters, WMU Director  
 Lindsey Morgan, TeamKid Director  
 Charles Haynes, College & Career Director

**ACTIVE DEACONS**

Larry Morgan, Chair

Charles Long	Rodger Mason
Tim Simpson	Art Turner
Wesley Frazier	Glen Renfro
Fred Dodd	



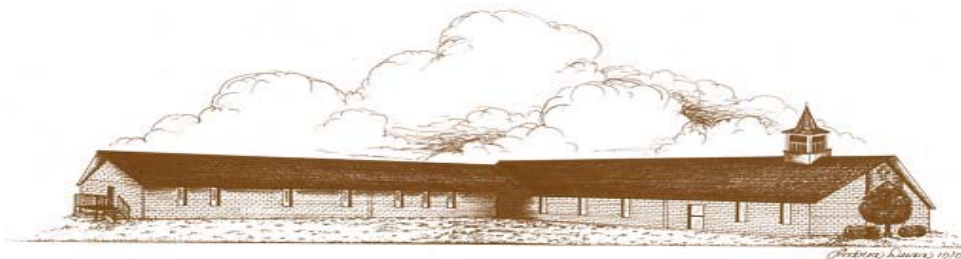
**THE NEW SECURITY SYSTEM** has been installed in the church. Cameras will monitor outside and inside of the buildings.

Our thanks to the Security Team as they take steps to provide for the safety of each of those who visit our facilities.

**Can You Help**

Our nursery is growing and we are in need of one additional worker each week to meet the needs of our little ones. If you can help with our Nursery or Extended Care programs of the church, please let us know. Speak with Sherri Wilson or the Pastor.

**Come Join Us!**  
*(we really do have all the fun)*



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Dr. Dennis Brewer  
 Pastor

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