

**Prophecy Conference**

**ISIS, ISRAEL & THE END TIMES**

**Fri– Sun, March 4-6**


**Fri**, 7pm; **Sat**, 11am-1pm w. lunch & 7pm; **Sun**, 8:30am, 9:30am, 10:30am & 7pm.

**Led by Dr. John COOK and his wife Dee COOK**

Dr. Cook serves as CEO of Indigenous Ministries with active ministry in India, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. He'll lead the conference along with Dee Cook who will have special sessions just for the ladies.



Dr. John and Dee Cook

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*Greetings in Christian LOVE!*

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**REGULAR CHURCH SERVICES/EVENTS**

**Sunday**

**8:30a**     **WORSHIP**  
**9:20a**     **Breakfast** (*1st Sun, monthly*)  
**9:30a**      **Bible Study/Sunday School**  
**10:30a**     **WORSHIP/Children's Worship**  
**6p**     **Monthly** Last Sunday **WORSHIP**  
**6-8p**     Youth Ministry Mtg. (*wkly mtgs*)  
**7:30p**     Deacons' Mtg. (*usually last Sun of month*)


**Monday**

**5:30p**     🎵 Praise & Worship Team Practice

**Tuesday**

**11a**     Worship Cmte Mtg. (*4th Tues, monthly*)

**Wednesday**

**6:30-8p**     **Kids' Klub** (for grades 2-6)  
**6:30-8p**      **Prayer/Bible Stdy**  
BUSINESS Mtg (*2nd Wed—after Prayer Mtg*)

**Thursday**

**10a**     Choir Practice  
**11a**     Ladies' Prayer Time

**Budget/Attendance**  
**Analysis**

Budget/General Fund  
Weekly Average as of  
1/17/16 (3 wks): **\$3,525.**

Needed Weekly: **\$3,603.**

Budget Status: (\$233)

Average morning worship  
attendance 1/3-1/17/16: **78**

**Lottie Moon Christmas**  
**Offering Received:**  
**\$1,939.**  
**GOAL: \$2,777.**

# The Lamplighter

First Baptist Church of North East

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Newsletter

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*"You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, and  
with all your soul,  
and with all your mind."*

Matthew 22:37

Dear church family,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I have

recently returned from the youth retreat known as "reboot" at our Baptist Retreat Center, Skycroft.

We took 15 youth and adults up on the mountain for a Friday, Saturday and Sunday snow camp. There were 320 in attendance, and 5 churches from our association were there! It was a challenging, spiritual shot in the arm for everyone. All of those in our group responded to an invitation to rededicate themselves to closer walk with Jesus. About a dozen other youth trusted Christ as their personal Savior! It was a great conference.

We kept the kids busy from sun up to midnight—they go to sleep a little easier when they are exhausted (at least I do). We had 5 main worship times of about 2 hours each. There was a lively Christian praise band that sang and a camp pastor who spoke. After the services each church youth group had a private discussion and prayer time. That was such a good way to make it personal and deal with any questions that came up. They also had 3-1 hour "Break-Out Sessions" whereby the kids could go to a number of different subjects of interest. They

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even had some for us who came as counselors. I really liked that. There was time for fun and activities, too. I get right in there with the kids. I showed them a few tricks! Ha, ha. We all sat together for meals, too. That was especially good. Some of the ones who rarely open up will talk around the table. Thanks for letting me go. I was blessed. Pastor Dan preached in my absence, I heard lots of good things about that.

In the next few months the youth will be doing several fun things in addition to our weekly Sunday evening Bible Studies. They are coming over to my home for the Super Bowl. Janet and I are bracing ourselves for that. At the end of February we will have an all night

activity called a “Lock-in” with the Perryville Baptist Church. In March we are going to a gospel night in Philadelphia at a 76’ers basketball game. This summer we plan to go back to Skycroft for a whole week of youth camp called “recharge”. We have a great bunch of kids.

**1 Timothy 4:12—Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.”**

Chrissy Jackson has invested her time with the youth for a number of years now. She organizes the transportation and prayer time for our Sunday night youth group. Craig Hudler and Sharon

Hodanics help out, too. The newest additions to our team are Wendy and Peggy Clough. They have taken over snack time responsibilities. We never know what it will be, but it’s always good! We could use some more adults to help out with chaperoning duties for each of our various activities. If you would be willing to do that from time to time please give me a call.

We continue to search for a director of this important ministry. We have 5 to 15 kids who come to our meetings. They are the future of our church and we only have them for a few years. It is a big responsibility and it takes a lot of time and energy. Please pray that we will find the right man for the job. In the mean time I am having a great time and have come to love these kids and their families. Pray for us, won’t you!?

In His grip,

*Pastor Steve*

Dr. Stephen D. Hokuf

**P.S.** We have an exciting prophecy conference weekend coming in March. PLEASE plan now to attend. See page 4 for details.






birthdays

- 1 Joe Kennard
- 2 Matthew Jones  
Danita Walker
- 3 Sonny Ewing  
Aidan Parsons
- 4 Jane Brandenburg
- 5 Heather Bibey  
Kari Gill  
Lonnie Watson (L.J.), Jr.
- 8 Cheyenne Ewing
- 10 Rachael Jackson  
Matthew Jackson  
Donna Lee
- 11 Garrett Preisch  
Alesha Walker
- 12 Heather Sprout
- 13 Gladys Handy  
Felicia Walsh
- 14 Dylan Parsons
- 15 Kate Galyen  
Brad Grant  
Ron Gray
- 17 Ginny Helsel  
Julianna Rose Musser
- 18 Joshua Ewing  
Emma Short
- 19 Nancy (Carpenter) Carr
- 20 Zed Barton  
Natalie Marvel
- 22 Clint Blithe
- 23 Jenny Hokuf
- 24 Amanda (Leffew) Smith  
Alexandria Walker
- 25 Chuck Ewing  
Riley Hudler  
Laura McGuigan
- 26 Arlee Brown  
Shelly Preisch
- 27 Judy Clemons  
Dusty McKinney  
Sarah Ann Veasey
- 28 Larry Thornton

anniversaries

- 9 Danny & Judy Clemons
- 11 Nathan & Esther Porch
- 14 Roy & Jane Crouse  
Ken & Vickie Henry
- 15 Chris & Laura (Hokuf) Moyer

February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10:30a SBA Pastors'/ Wives' Fellowship, Towne Bapt	3	4	5	6
7 9:20a Breakfast  6-10p YOUTH Super Bowl Party, Dr. Stephen Hokuf's	8	9 10:30a SBA/ Exec Bd Mtg, SBA office	10 11a Church COUNCIL Mtg BUSINESS Mtg (after Prayer Mtg)	11	12	13
14   <i>Lamplighter</i> DEADLINE for MARCH	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 11a Worship CMTE Mtg	24	25	26  7p YOUTH LOCK-IN @ Perryville Baptist Church	27 7a YOUTH LOCK-IN concludes.
28 6p DVD Showing  7:30p Deacons' Mtg	29					

Let the morning bring me word of your **UNFAILING LOVE**, for I have put my trust in you. **SHOW ME THE WAY** I should go, for **TO YOU I LIFT UP MY SOUL**. Psalm 143:8 NIV

See page 4 for regular services/events.