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The Student Has Become the Master

Recently, my father and step-mother came for a visit. We enjoyed seven days of catching up and making new memories. However, my favorite moment of the week came when my father sat down to play a game of chess with my eleven-year-old, Peyton.

Over the past few months, Peyton has not just learned to play chess, but discovered that he has a talent for it and truly enjoys the mental challenge it provides. He and I have played a handful of games together and I have seen him steadily improve. He also participated in a chess club at school that helped take his game to a new level. When Peyton learned that his Granddaddy was coming for a visit, he began to eagerly anticipate getting to show off his new found skill.

And so it happened that late Saturday afternoon, Peyton set up the chess board at the kitchen table and called his grandfather over for a game. Eager to see the outcome, I sat down on the couch and watched from a distance.

I need to quickly pause here and tell you a couple of important pieces of information about my father. First, he's a bit of a know-it-all. I say this with love, but it's true. He's a very smart guy and he loves learning new things, but he also enjoys telling others about the things he knows. Second, he's no chess Grand Master. In fact, it's been a long time since he's played the game. However, due to the first thing I told you about him, he decided to spend time studying some chess strategy in preparation for his big game with Peyton.

Before the first piece was moved, I heard my father say to his eldest grandson, "Let me give you a few quick tips." What ensued what a 15-minute lecture on chess tactics. I sat on the couch thinking, *Dad, you have no idea what you're getting yourself into.* The game finally began and I struggled to contain a laugh when less than ten minutes later I heard Peyton say "Check Mate!" It might be awhile before my dad finds the courage to challenge Peyton to another game.

I'm giving my father a bit of a hard time, but the truth is the apple didn't fall very far from the tree. On more than one occasion, I have found myself becoming a little too confident in the things I think I know and a little too eager to put my wisdom on display. Sometimes, we all need those humbling defeats to warn us against leaning too much on our own understanding. (Proverbs 3:5)

Let us be ones who follow the command of Scripture that says, "Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time." (1 Peter 5:6) I believe that regularly admitting to ourselves and to God how little we know and just how much we need Him, puts us in a wonderful place where God can pour His wisdom into us.

So the next time you find yourself admiring your knowledge or skills, don't be surprised when God sends your grandchild along to teach you a lesson!

Blessings!
Pastor Greg

P.S. - Peyton finally beat me in a game of Chess about six weeks ago and I haven't played him since.

Regular Schedule:	
Sunday	Wednesday
8:00 A.M. Worship	7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track
9:15 A.M. Bible Study	6:00-6:45 P.M. Session 1
10:30 A.M. Worship	Ignite, Small Group(s) Study
Lighthouse Harbor	6:45-7:30 P.M. Session 2
Torchbearers	Ignite; Adult Choir; Prayer Meeting
5:00 P.M. Summer Musical - Drama	
6:00 P.M. Worship	
Activities for May 16 through May 29	
Thursday May 16	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
8:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. EMAA Banquet (gym)	
10:00 A.M. Life PLUS Bible Study	
Friday May 17	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
Saturday May 18	
2:00-4:00 P.M. Graduation Party (conference center)	
Sunday May 19	
Regular Schedule – Lord's Supper – FHS Graduate Recognition	
9:15 A.M. FHS Senior Breakfast	
5:00 P.M. Children's Musical – Drama Rehearsal	
Monday May 20	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
1:30 P.M. CARE "R" Team	
Tuesday May 21	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	

Wednesday May 22	
Summer Schedule	
5:30 P.M. Summer Musical Rehearsal (drama)	
6:00 P.M. Summer Musical Rehearsal (all)	
Thursday May 23	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
10:00 A.M. Life PLUS Bible Study	
Friday May 24	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
Saturday May 25	
Sunday May 26	
Regular Schedule	
5:00 P.M. Trustee Meeting	
Monday May 27	
Memorial Day – Office closed	
Tuesday May 28	
7:30-9:30 A.M. Walking Track	
Wednesday May 29	
Summer Schedule	
5:30 P.M. Summer Musical Rehearsal (drama)	
6:00 P.M. Summer Musical Rehearsal (all)	

Kids Camp

We plan to attend Eagle Sky Camp in Piedmont, MO for this year's children's camp, June 17 -22. Eagle Sky is a new non-denominational Christian camp that has very nice facilities and exciting programs and events for kids. This is a week-long camp and as a result the cost is higher than previous camps. With funds from Trivia Night and from our designated kid's camp account, we will be able to reduce the cost to parents.



Graduation Sunday

This Sunday, May 19, we will honor our graduating seniors! We are asking

our graduates to meet in the prayer room with their cap and gowns at 7:45 A.M. to be honored at the 8:00 A.M. worship service. After the service, the graduates and their parents are invited to a breakfast in the gym. Following breakfast, the graduates will quickly be honored during the 10:30 A.M. service, and then be dismissed to get ready for graduation.

Youth Mission Trip Pre Meetings

All students and adults going on the youth mission trip are expected to be at the following pre-trip meetings:

1. Monday, June 3 at 6:30 P.M.
2. Monday, June 10 at 6:30 P.M.
3. Monday, June 17 at 6:30 P.M.

"Danny and the Shacks"

Children's Summer Musical

Rehearsal for our summer children's musical have begun and although we had a great turnout we could use more children! Directors, Jeanie Griffin and Barb Towler invite all children, grades K-8, to participate in this delightful musical. Check out the website for more information.

Wall of Donations

Have you seen our wall of donations yet? It is located on the brick wall in between the offices and the Sanctuary. We invite you to take an envelope of the wall, fill it with the dollar amount that is on the envelope and put it in the collection container. All money collected will go towards our youth mission trip and children's camp this summer. Write your name on the donation envelope as you turn it in if you would like your donation to be counted on your end-of-the-year giving statement. Let's see if we can get all of the envelopes off the wall!

You are the Light Family Mission Project



Ten reasons why you would want to participate in our Family Mission Project, June 24-28, 7:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

1. You will develop a closer relationship with the members of First Baptist Church.
2. You will have the opportunity to share your talents and skills helping others.
3. You will develop new skills you never knew you had.
4. You will have the opportunity to share lunch with other church members for a week.
5. You will have the opportunity to get to know families in Farmington you did not know.
6. You will be able to exercise in ways that you normally don't.
7. If you work outside you will be able to experience the heat of Missouri summers.
8. You will have the opportunity to share the Gospel with the families we are helping.
9. You will develop new friendships.
10. You will be able to let your light shine so shine that they may see your good works and glorify the Father in heaven.

To volunteer please complete one of the green enrollment forms which can be found in the front lobby, your Sunday school department, or the church office.

Canvas Painting Party

The GLOW canvas painting party, led by Bridget Peeler, is rescheduled for Friday, May 31 at 6:30 P.M. in the gym. Bridget will walk each participant through the steps to paint a fun, custom, canvas painting to take home. The cost is \$15 and must be paid in advance so we can have adequate supplies available.

Thank You

A note of "thanks" to my precious church family! Your cards, prayers, and visits have gotten me through a very rough time. The blessings I have received from all of you is overwhelming at times. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

In Christian Love,
Jinny LeDuc

A BIG thank you to David, Maryann, Lizzie, Olivia, Lillie Rhives and Terrie, Antonio, Annabelle Devoto for coming out Sunday afternoon and cleaning up leaves, twigs and tree limbs that had accumulated in my yard. They did a wonderful job for me since I have been unable, due to a physical condition for the last two months, I haven't been able to do any yard work. Thank you again for all the work you did for me. God bless.

Neil Parrott

Thank you for the fit you gave to the Missouri Baptist Children's Home in memory of my Mom. Our church family is such a blessing to us.

David and Maryann Rhives
Lizzie, Olivia, Lillie

Thank you for the lunch provided at my wife's funeral. Also appreciated the visitors from the church stopping by and those who had us in their prayers.

Ivan Tucker and family

Thank you to everyone who helped make "Loads of Love" such a success. To those who gave words of encouragement, prayed, and gave monetary donations to help others in the community, THANK YOU. A special shout out to Connie Fain and Ally Hahn in giving of their afternoon and making those connections with others around the community.

Karen Moore, GA Director



BLOOD DRIVE

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Fellowship Hall/Gym
210 North A Street
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Saturday, June 8, 2019
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Come to give May 1-June 10 to support trauma patients and get a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card* by email. *Restrictions apply, see amazon.com/gc-legal. Terms and conditions apply; visit rcblood.org/together



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Prayer List:

Jeanie Rosa, Shirley Harrington, James Ward (brother of Mary Ann Parker), Bud Sparks (neighbor of Ruth Gollaher)

Christian Sympathy:

- To Janis Tinnin and family in the death of her grandson, Michael Ragusa.

Sunday, April 28, 2019

Our Church Studying: 256

Financial Statistics for:

May 5, 2019

Budget Requirements (wkly)	\$ 18,591.00
Budget Receipts (5-5-19)	28,321.21
Requirement (wk 31)	576,321.00
Receipts (wk 31)	590,043.79
STB-BTS (from Oct)	38,007.00