



SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Sundays in September will begin with a 3 - week **September Sermon Series** on: "What Does It Mean to be Saved? Salvation in Three Tenses." Dr. Michael Blackwell will join us on September 23rd, and we will also have two very special guests from the past. Dr. Howell will conclude the month on September 30th with a sermon from Genesis 3, "East of Eden."

DR. MICHAEL BLACKWELL and BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA

Our church has a long and dedicated history with Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Dr. Michael C. Blackwell is celebrating his 35th year as President of BCHNC, a remarkable legacy! We are privileged to have Dr. Blackwell visit our church on Sunday, September 23rd. We'll also have two very special guests from the past!

To honor Dr. Blackwell for his outstanding service, we want to receive a special offering for the Children's Home. Please make checks payable to the church and designate your gift for Baptist Children's Homes. We will present Dr. Blackwell with our gift on September 23rd.

Wednesday Night Schedule

September

12th: Fall Kickoff (Covered Dish)
19th: Bible Study (Catered Meal)
26th: Randy Hall SS Class-Family Night

October

3rd: Bible Study (Catered Meal)
10th: Bible Study (Catered Meal)
17th: Rochella Baker SS Class-Family Night

Steeple Talk

Faith Fellowship Mission

FBC AUTUMN AUCTION

An auction, both live and silent, is being planned for Sunday, September 30th at 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will have the following:

Soup and Sandwich Supper
\$5.00 Minimum Donation
Silent and Live Auction
Bake Shop, Crafts, and Games for Children

Our goal for this night is to raise money to get our church budget caught up and to have a night of fun and fellowship. We need people to sign-up for committees and/or to obtain auction items. Sign-up sheets are in each Sunday School classroom and the church office. We cannot erase our debt without your help. Thank you in advance for your help!

Contact Beverly Fulbright at auntbev@lexcominc.net for more information

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Tickets available on Sunday Mornings and in the church office during office hours.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FBC AUTUMN AUCTION

We are looking for quality items, services, etc. for our Autumn Auction on September 30th.

Please Note: This is NOT A YARD SALE

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS IN THE FALL

Our Wednesday night schedule will begin with a Covered Dish on September 12th, followed by a fun-filled night of entertainment and information. Three of our Wednesday nights will be true Family Nights with a lively intergenerational program that everyone will enjoy. We are grateful to the Randy Hall, Rochelle Baker, and Faithful Workers Sunday School Classes for providing the meals on the following nights: September 26th, October 17th, and November 14th. The Children's Fall Festival will be on October 24th and the Crusaders' Class will provide hot dogs.

Reservations will be required for all meals with the exception of September 12th.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jackson McCarthy has recently been appointed Director of Youth Ministry at First United Methodist Church in Hendersonville, NC.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

There are several great opportunities for Bible Study each week for the First Baptist Family. Bible Study begins each Sunday with our Sunday School classes. We have a number of outstanding classes to choose from. The Monday night/Tuesday morning Bible Study begins on September 24th and 25th. Dr. Howell will be teaching the early chapters of Genesis. The Monday night class is at 7 p.m. and Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Howell will also teach a 4-part Bible Study on Messianic Prophecy on Wednesday nights, September 19th, October 3rd and 10th, and on November 28th. Men are invited to the Men's Bible Study at the YMCA each Thursday morning at 7 a.m. Women are invited to the Women of the Word at First Presbyterian Church Monday nights and Tuesday mornings beginning September 10th and 11th. And our FBC Women's Fellowship will meet again on Saturdays, September 29th and October 27th at 9:30 a.m. You can also find many excellent Bible Studies on Right Now Media.

MEMORIALS

General Fund: *Thomas Dancy and Lillie Stutts* by Fred and Lynda Belk; ***Edna Honeycutt and Donald Sharpe*** by Nancy Blackburn; ***Jewell Deal*** by Betty Sink, Jim and Debbie Tate and Berti Benfield

MBCC Scholarship Fund: *Roger and Juanita Ransom* by Booty Hilton; ***Roger Ransom*** by Nancy Blackburn, Lewie and Beryl Phillips; ***Jewell Deal*** by Frady/Johnson Mission Group

Bereavement Fund: *Jewell Deal* by FBC Faithful Workers SS Class

Designated Missions: *Scott Price (Worthington)* by Fred and Lynda Belk

Endowment Fund: *Mary Thacker, Lillie Stutts, and Edna Honeycutt* by Peggy Barnhardt

Undesignated Memorials: *Jim Phillips* by Richard Reece, Dave and Kristi Thornhill, The Law Office of Perry R. Safaran; ***Paul Houser*** by Dave and Kristi Thornhill

HONORARIUMS

General Fund: *Renee Sink and Don and Gale Lanning* by Brenda Hipp

Small Jobs: *Lane Gilliam* by Hazel Frady

THANK YOU

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you for all the prayers on the loss of my dad. The ongoing care, support and love I have received since my parents have passed away this year have been such a blessing. This has been the most difficult year of my life but I know with prayer and God's love I will get through this storm. I cannot express enough how grateful I am to work for such a caring church.

Sincerely,

Sherri Salinas

SUMMER 2019

Vacation Bible School June 24th - 27th

Passport Kids June 30th - July 3rd
(3rd - 6th Grade Children)
Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC

Passport Missions July 8th - 13th
(6th - 12th Grades)
Furman University, Greenville, SC

Passport Reservations must be made by September

To all my church family,

I want to thank you from the deepest part of my heart for the many prayers, cards, gifts, phone calls and meals. They have been very much a part of my healing as were the two surgeries or medicine.

Sincerely,

Rena Dewey-Morrison

TULLIA HOOVER'S 100TH BIRTHDAY!

Tullia Hoover will be celebrating her 100th birthday on October 6th. We will be collecting birthday cards for her special day and they will be delivered to her. There will be a container at the front desk of the church office for you to drop off your cards. You can also send them to the church. Please send them to: First Baptist Church, PO Box 436, Lexington, NC 27293, % Tullia Hoover.

EXTENDED SESSION

DATE	BED BABIES	2 - 4 YEAR OLDS
Sept 2	M/M William Fulbright (336) 956-6390	M/M Josh Boyle (336) 769-6552
Sept 9	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams(336) 956-1821	Donna Sink (336) 239-2691 Ben Bishop Ann Bishop
Sept 16	M/M Jon Myers (336) 248-6550	Catherine Pyle(336) 224-2458 Adriana Ortiz (336) 406-1071
Sept 23	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams (336) 956-1821	Ray Nance Howell (336) 239-3344 Brenda Hipp (336) 476-0965 Anna Raye Tate (336) 472-8269
Sept 30	M/M Greg Briggs(336) 731-8031	Margaret Ann Maddox (336) 250-8527 Whitney Brooks (336) 479-8191
Oct 7	M/M Brian Lancaster (336) 238-3046	M/M Dale Lambeth (336) 752-2083

FINANCIAL UPDATE

July

Budget Received: \$54,636.81

Expenses: \$ 48,048.32

Surplus: \$ 6,588.49

Year to Date

2018 Projected Budget: \$717,837.00

Budget Received: \$ 331,353.45

Expenses: \$ 356,393.05

Shortage: \$ 25,039.60

Weekly Budget Required: \$17,567.00

CAN YOU HELP?

Jim Barton has several yard decorations he would like to donate to the church auction, however, they need some touch-up paint. He will need some help and would like to enlist a few volunteers to help. Adults and youth are welcome. This would be a great project for some of our youth. If you can help, please call Jim at 336-247-3015. Thanks!

BUDGET TIME!

It's about time to begin the process of formulating the annual Church Budget. If you are a committee chairman, and you have a budget request, please contact Jim Skotthy in the church office to arrange a meeting during September. The budget committee will begin its work in early October. Please keep them in prayer as they take on this critical task for the benefit of our church.

BACKPACK PROGRAM

The Backpack Program serves all children at South Lexington and South Lexington Developmental Center experiencing food insecurity. This population is comprised of Pre-K, Kindergarten and profoundly delayed students ranging in ages from 3-22. Each week a bag of kid friendly food goes home with students to ensure they have food for the weekend and holidays. Tax deductible monetary gifts are welcomed and can be made to South Lexington School noted for Backpack Program. These can be mailed to the school in C/ O Julia Dunn or given to me at church. The following food items are needed on an on-going basis: Canned Pasta with Protein, Individual Cups of Fruit and Applesauce, Pudding Cups, and Chicken Noodle Soup. This program has been successful only because of the generosity of individuals and groups who care and donate to the needs of hungry children.

With gratitude,
Julia Dunn, School Counselor

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