



From the Pastor's Desk

How many of you remember a country music singer by the name of Glen Campbell? He had a hit song, several years ago, entitled, "Gentle on My Mind." When I think of that song, I am transported back to those dusty dirt roads of my youth that carried us to that special place, on that special day: Homecoming at Church. The barrels were placed in the same location that they had occupied for years, and large sheets of plywood were placed on top of the barrels to create the perfect "extra-long" table to hold all of the incredible food that we would consume.

Shoulder to shoulder, we were packed into the pews of the sanctuary, ready to be fed by God's Word before we were fed on fried chicken and potato salad and pineapple cake outside. Members, former members, family, friends and former pastors were among the "standing room only" crowd that came to celebrate homecoming. It was a special time with precious memories.

After the service was over, we would make our way outside, and begin the process of fighting flies and gnats, while balancing the plate of food on our laps, as we sat on the steps or leaned against a tree. The precious memories of a time past helps me hold the celebration of Homecoming as a uniquely special time. Can you imagine what joy and excitement there will be when we experience that "Great Homecoming" in the air? Jesus said in John's Gospel, chapter 14, verses 1-3: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. That is a homecoming to celebrate. Remember, He is coming! Be ready!

The Best Is Yet To Be!

Pastor Glen

Memory Verse



"Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."

Psalm 119:11 (KJV)

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Food For Thought

Pebble in My Shoe – A Story About Dealing with Problems

Tom and his mentor Dwyer were on their customary weekly walk through the forest when Dwyer sat down on a large rock to take off his shoe. “What are you doing?” asked Tom. “I have a pebble in my shoe,” explained Dwyer. “What are you stopping for? I have a pebble in my shoe as well, but we don’t have time to stop, so stop slowing us down.” “I can assure you Tom, me stopping isn’t holding us back at all, but will end up saving us time and probably pain further down the track.” “Pfft,” said the young man as he turned and walked on by himself, leaving the old man behind to remove the annoying pebble. After about 20 minutes of walking, Tom could hear footsteps behind him and was surprised to see Dwyer making ground on him. “Why are you limping?” the old man asked with a glint in his eye. “You know why? I have a pebble in my shoe!” Tom retorted. “Why don’t you just stop and remove it?” “Because I don’t have time.” They walked side by side for a while, but eventually, despite his best efforts and pride, Tom’s sore foot really started to slow him down and his limp became more pronounced. He was determined not to show any pain, but he was conscious that he was now slowing down his walking partner, so he sat down on a large log and took off his shoe to remove the pebble. When he did, he noticed a small amount of blood seeping through his sock. He removed that too and saw that he had a very sore, bleeding welt where the pebble had been rubbing. He grimaced as he looked up at his mentor who smiled broadly, showing very little pity for his young protégé. “You know what the message here is don’t you? Always deal with problems straight away. You may think that you don’t have the time, but you’ll save yourself a lot of time and pain if you get the pebble out of your shoe before you get too far down the road.” Tom nodded as he put his bloodied sock back on. Life is full of pebbles that find their way into our shoes. They could be relationship issues, financial issues or problems at work.

Let me encourage you today to take the time to deal with problem now before they cause you too much pain and cost you time in the future. Do you have unconfessed sins in your life that are keeping you from the spiritual growth and a relationship with God that He desires of us? Confess it now! May God Bless You...THE BEST **IS** YET TO BE!!!

The Missions Team

Fall Fest is fast approaching on November 14 and the necessary preparations are being made. Please check your bulletins for items needed. We will have a 50/50 raffle drawing this year and tickets will be \$1. Please see Sonny Trippe or Jeany O’Neal to get your bundle of 25 to sell.

We are still taking yard sale donations. So...clean out those attics, closets and garages and we would love to have those items you no longer need or want. See Sonny Trippe if you have large items that need to be picked up.

The Silent Auction is back this year and there will be lots of items up for bidding. Our famous Cake Auction is a great opportunity for you to take home a delicious

homemade cake and as always the Country Store will have your favorite pickles, preserves and sauces. The Bake Shop will have plenty of cakes, pies, & candies for you to enjoy and don’t forget to check out the handmade crafts.

Invite your friends, neighbors and family to join us for a wonderful day of fun, food, fellowship and shopping. Thanks to everyone for all your help in preparing for Fall Fest!

The NC Baptist Children’s Homes will be our Missions Offering focus for the month of November. More information about that will come soon in your bulletins.

The Missions Team

From the Administrative Team

A major accomplishment in the life of Baptist Tabernacle Church will be celebrated during our Homecoming Service on October 4th. The final payment on the mortgage for the Family Ministry Center was paid in September and the payoff of the Family Ministry Center will be celebrated with a burning of the note during the Homecoming Service. In 2001, Baptist Tabernacle Church had a vision to build a state of the art Family Ministry Center (FMC) to provide a center for worship, fellowship, and community. The Church entered into a Challenge to Build Program where Church members committed to three year specific donations to fund the initial building of the FMC. The Church Family had already saved \$300,000 and borrowed another \$750,000, based on the commitments made by the Church members to fund the FMC. That vision became a reality in 2002 with the completion of the FMC and it has been serving the Church and Community for 13 years. This building has been a blessing to our Church and community and was truly a blessing from God to Baptist Tabernacle Church as well at the Church community. Please plan on attending the Homecoming Services and celebrate this momentous occasion of burning the note on the FMC!



Beginning October 1st, we will begin working on the

Character of the Bible-Noah

Noah is most famous for building an ark — a giant three-decked wooden box in which he, his family, and a whole bunch of animals ride out a massive flood that God sends to destroy humankind for its disobedience. God chooses Noah and his family to survive the deluge because Noah is "the most righteous in his generation." Noah is important not only because his ark decorates most nurseries in North America but also because, according to the Bible, if Noah hadn't

Church budget for 2016. The Administrative Team passed out budget request forms to the Ministry Team Leaders at the September Leadership Team meeting asking that they be returned at the October Leadership Team meeting. The Administrative Team does not develop the budget in a vacuum and needs input from the Church and the Ministry Team Leaders. What we ask is that each Ministry Team discuss your planned expenses for 2016, along with any plans for fundraisers that you plan to have for the year. Then just turn that information over to The Administrative Team. The forms should include specific information for the expenses, such as; Youth Camp, mission expense, capital needs for the church buildings or specific church maintenance needs, etc., the month planned to spend that money, planned fundraisers with the goal (money planned to raise) and the month of the fundraiser. These numbers are important so that The Administrative Team can ensure, from a cash flow perspective, that money is available when each Ministry Team needs to spend it. If you are involved in developing budget numbers, please take the responsibility serious. The way the Church spends the funds that God allows us to have is important in conducting God's work through the Church.

been righteous, none of us would be here right now. There is a lesson about faithfulness, in the facts about Noah, that we should heed! (Source: [The Bible For Dummies](#))

Youth Happenings

Thank You's...

Thank you to everyone who came out to help support the youth as we begin our journey to Youth Camp 2016! Movie Night is always great time of fun and fellowship! We look forward to providing more opportunities to come together as a church family and enjoy Christian entertainment while supporting our youth!

BAKE SALE

Saturday, October 24th we will hold a Bake Sale in front of Aubrey and Peedie's Grill on Main St. in Wendell from **7:00-1:00**. We would love to

have any donations of baked goodies (whole cakes, pies, cake slices, cupcakes, cookies, muffins, breads, candies, etc.) from our youth and church families. We will be at the church on Friday from 5:00-6:00 to accept donations or contact me if you need to drop off at an earlier time. We will also accept them Saturday morning at Aubrey's if you need to drop any donations off at that time. Thanks in advance for your continued support of our youth!!



Carrie Sellers



Turning The First Spade

The first spade of earth was turned by Howard Driver, Chairman of the Building Committee, in ground breaking ceremonies at Baptist Tabernacle Church Sunday. Also participating in the ceremonies were left to right: Ben Taylor, Rev. Shuford Edwins, Kenneth Nowell, Harold Andrews, Margaret Andrews, and Roddy Jones.



Bible Reading Schedule

Day 1	Solomon 5-8	Day 16	Isaiah 43-45
Day 2	James 1-5	Day 17	Isaiah 46-48
Day 3	Isaiah 1-3	Day 18	Isaiah 49-51
Day 4	Isaiah 4-7	Day 19	Isaiah 52-54
Day 5	Isaiah 8-10	Day 20	Isaiah 55-57
Day 6	Isaiah 11-13	Day 21	Isaiah 58-60
Day 7	Isaiah 14-17	Day 22	Isaiah 61-63
Day 8	Isaiah 18-21	Day 23	Isaiah 64-66
Day 9	Isaiah 22-25	Day 24	1 Peter 1-5
Day 10	Isaiah 26-28	Day 25	Jeremiah 1-3
Day 11	Isaiah 29-30	Day 26	Jeremiah 4-6
Day 12	Isaiah 31-33	Day 27	Jeremiah 7-9
Day 13	Isaiah 34-36	Day 28	Jeremiah 10-12
Day 14	Isaiah 37-39	Day 29	Jeremiah 13-15
Day 15	Isaiah 40-42	Day 30	Jeremiah 16-18
		Day 31	Jeremiah 19-21



Sense of Humor

Little Johnny went to his mother demanding a new bicycle. His mother decided that he should take a look at himself and the way he acts. She said, "Well Johnny, it isn't Christmas and we don't have the money to just go out and buy you anything you want. So why don't you write a letter to Jesus and pray for one instead." After his temper tantrum, his mother sent him to his room. He finally sat down to write a letter to Jesus.

Dear Jesus,
I've been a good boy this year and would appreciate a new bicycle.

Your Friend,
Little Johnny

Now, Little Johnny knew that Jesus really knew what kind of boy he was (a brat). So, he ripped up the letter and decided to give it another try.

Dear Jesus,
I've been an OK boy this year and I want a new bicycle.

Yours Truly,
Little Johnny

Well, Little Johnny knew this wasn't totally honest so he tore it up and tried again.

Dear Jesus,
I've thought about being a good boy this year and can I

have a new bicycle?

Signed,
Little Johnny

Well, Little Johnny looked deep down in his heart, which by the way was what his mother was really wanting. He crumpled up the letter and threw it in the trash can and went running outside. He aimlessly wandered about, depressed because of the way he treated his parents and really considering his actions. He finally found himself in front of a Catholic Church. Little Johnny went inside and knelt down, looking around not knowing what he should really do. Little Johnny finally got up and began to walk out the door and was looking at all the statues. All of a sudden he grabbed a small one and ran out the door. He went home, hid it under his bed and wrote this letter.

Jesus,
I've broken most of the Ten Commandments, shot spit wads in school, tore up my sister's Barbie doll and lots more. I'm desperate. I've got your mama. If you ever want to see her again, give me a bike.

Signed,
You know who
- AUTHOR UNKNOWN -

Interesting Bible Facts

The book of Esther is the only book, in the Bible, not to mention the word "God".



Notable Quote

"You are the sum total of everything you've ever seen, heard, eaten, smelled, been told, forgot-it's all there. Everything influences each of us, and because of that I try to make sure that my experiences are positive"

-Maya Angelou



1st	Joe Bailey	18th	Les Brown
2nd	Jan Diehl		Shelley Buffaloe
	Cathy Lockleair	19th	Pastor Glen Brock
3rd	Randy Creech		Bill Hinnant
	Rosie Justice	20th	Charlene Price
4th	Samantha Bunn		Vickie Vaughan
	Randy Driver	24th	Carol Himmel
5th	Sherrie Alford	25th	Tony Creech
6th	Charles Hocutt	26th	Neal Batten
7th	Zackary Worley		Tom Vaughan
8th	Gerald Price	28th	Vance Adkins
9th	Donnie Coley, Jr.	29th	Betty Shirley
10th	Luna Parrish	31st	Wanda Custer
	Ervin Privette		Brad Hales
	Caroline Upchurch		Brian Hales
11th	Bob Shuman		Brennan Hales
12th	Neal Driver		
	Anna Walters		
13th	Jimmy Bergeron		
15th	Olivia Cooke		
16th	Fred Coates		
17th	Tracey Hudson		



October

1st	John & Hannah Headrick
3rd	Aaron & Pam Rice
5th	Jamy & Kathy Wheeler
8th	Robbie & Tammy Edwards
10th	Aaron & Helen Johnson
11th	Ervin & Joan Privette
15th	Tony & Holly Van Tassel
16th	Rob & Carol Himmel
20th	Tom & Vickie Vaughan
29th	Glen & Annette Brock
30th	Danny & Jean Hocutt




BAPTIST TABERNACLE CHURCH

October 2015

Regular Schedule of Ministry Opportunities:

Sunday	10:00am 11:00am	Sunday School Regular Worship
Wednesday	6:30-7:15pm 6:30-7:15pm 6:30-7:15pm 7:15pm	Youth Meet RA's, GA's & Mission Friends Adult Bible Study Adult Choir Practice

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					<div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 5px;">No Events in the Church Buildings in preparation for Homecoming!</div> <div style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 5px;">David Cleaning Windows</div> <div style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 5px;">Pastor Glen on Vacation 9/24-10/3</div>		
4 Homecoming	5 6:30 Baptist Men 7pm Kay Nowell BW		6 10am Triple L- prepare meal	7 Regular Schedule	8	9	10 Sanct. & FMC RSVD-Stan Pruden
11 Communion Regular Schedule 7pm Pastor Glen at Robinwood	12 7pm Leadership Tm Mtg	13 10am Judy Strickland Prayer Group/Sanct.	14 Regular Schedule	15	16	17	
18 Regular Schedule	19 1pm Vera Hocutt Circle at Patsy Dillon 7pm Administrative Tm Mtg	20 10am Judy Strickland Prayer Group/Sanct. 7pm LDBW	21 Regular Schedule 6:30 Church Conference	22	23	24 7am-1pm Youth Bake Sale/Aubrey's/ Wendell	
25 Regular Schedule 2-5pm FMC RSVD- Ken Nowell	26 7pm Deacons Mtg	27 10am Judy Strickland Prayer Group/Sanct.	28 Regular Schedule	29	30	31 Halloween 	

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Saturday,
October 31
Time -TBA

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OF
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Candy, Prizes, Games, Face Painting, Cake Walk & more. Invite your neighbors and friends. Join us. Everyone welcome.