

Baptist Tabernacle Church

September 2022 Newsletter

Our Memory Verse for September is:

He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour. Proverbs 21:21 KJV

September 2022 Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Day 1	Psalm 107-109	Day 16	Proverbs 13-15
Day 2	Psalm 110-115	Day 17	Proverbs 16-18
Day 3	Psalm 116-118	Day 18	Proverbs 19-21
Day 4	Psalm 119:1-88	Day 19	Proverbs 22-24
Day 5	Psalm 119:89-176	Day 20	Proverbs 25-27
Day 6	Psalm 120-127	Day 21	Proverbs 28-31
Day 7	Psalm 128-134	Day 22	Hebrews 1-4
Day 8	Psalm 135-138	Day 23	Hebrews 5-7
Day 9	Psalm 139-142	Day 24	Hebrews 8-10
Day 10	Psalm 143-146	Day 25	Hebrews 11-13
Day 11	Psalm 147-150	Day 26	Ecclesiastes 1-4
Day 12	Titus, Philemon	Day 27	Ecclesiastes 5-8
Day 13	Proverbs 1-4	Day 28	Ecclesiastes 9-12
Day 14	Proverbs 5-8	Day 29	Solomon 1-2
Day 15	Proverbs 9-12	Day 30	Solomon 3-4

SAVE THE DATE

O.W.L.S. Upcoming Events:

- Sunday, September 11th, Ivan Parker Singing in Angier
Tuesday, September 20th, Fall Senior Retreat in Princeton
Tuesday, September 27th, Monthly Meeting in FMC

Youth Upcoming Event:

Saturday, September 24th, "Back to School" Celebration @ Bobby & Carrie's Home



September Birthdays

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| 2nd Jay Brannan | 18th Don Farriss |
| 4th Harmon Glasco | Jennifer Mitchell Shipman |
| Ray Hale | 19th Roger Hocutt |
| Alex Michaud | 20th Nikko Bannon |
| 5th John Cooke | Paul Morris |
| Ronnie Faulkner | 22nd Dylan Greene |
| Gene Butler | Phillip Hill |
| 6th Seth Creech | Fannie Holt |
| Jean O'Neal | Miste Liles |
| 8th Susan Andrews | 23rd Rob Himmel |
| Tammy Narron | Ruth Johnson |
| Colby Staton | Chris Walters |
| 10th Tony Alford | Eliza Wheeler |
| Kalea Johnson | 25th Phyllis Andrews |
| 12th Amy Heyward | 26th Samantha Perry Lambert |
| Jordan N. Ashley | Lori Bunn |
| 13th Wayne Creech | 27th Craig Custer |
| Eliza Grady | Ray Hocutt |
| Pam Turner | Kimberly Makepeace |
| 14th Traci Boyette | 28th Ricky Andrews |
| Ray Boswell | Heather Balance |
| Phyllis Edwards | 30th Tiffoney Green |
| Richard Langston | Teresa Morgan |
| 16th Ross Carroll | Tommie Strickland |
| Wayne Currie | Tempie Whitley |
| 17th Emaly Bergeron | Connie Bechdolt |
| Trent Horne | |
| Sandra Weathers | |
| Joey Wheeler | |



September Anniversaries

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| 6th Oscar & Shirley Lane |
| 11th Bobby & Rixie Stevens |
| 12th Ken & Chrissy Hunter |
| 13th Leamon & Lenore Strickland |
| 20th Sonny & Sandy Trippe |
| 21st Wayne & Sharon Creech |
| 26th Denny & Sarah Ide, Jr. |
| 27th Glenn & Chasity Bunn |
| 29th Don & Cathy Farriss |

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SS Teacher Appreciation

- 10am Sunday School
- 11am Children's Church
- 11am Worship Service

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- 9:30am O.W.L.S. Group

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8-12 Fea Market

- 6:30pm Adult Bible Study
- 6:30pm Journey Kids & Youth
- 7pm Choir Practice

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- 10am Sunday School
- 11am Children's Church
- 11am Worship Service

Labor Day

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- 10am J. Strickland Prayer Grp

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8-12 Fea Market

- 6:30pm Adult Bible Study
- 6:30pm Journey Kids & Youth
- 7pm Choir Practice

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FMC Rsvd Wanda Custer

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- O.W.L.S. to see Ivan Parker
- 10am Sunday School
- 11am Children's Church
- 11am Worship Service
- 7pm Robinwood Service

2pm Levada Driver Ctl Grp FMC

7pm Leadership Meeting

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- 10am J. Strickland Prayer Grp

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- 7pm Choir Practice

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- 10am Sunday School
- 11am Children's Church
- 11am Worship Service

1pm Vera Hecutt Ctl Grp

7pm Administrative Team Mtg FMC

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- O.W.L.S. Senior Retreat
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- 10am Sunday School
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7pm Deacons Meeting FMC

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- 9:30am O.W.L.S. Group

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Journey Kids @ Wendell Harvest Festiv

What are our Ministry Teams up to?

Pastoral Team (Bobby Sellers-Team Leader/-Co-Leader):

We have three new deacons coming into our Deacon Team beginning September. They are Jimmy Faison, Greg Gidding and Ray Hocutt. Please pray for them and all the deacons for their leadership in our Church.

The Deacons are encouraging you as well as ourselves to become more active in activities involving our Church. Remember we have Wednesday night services including Prayer Meeting, Youth Group, and Journey Kids.

Our Church operates with the assistance of our Leadership Team. We meet monthly to discuss the business and activities of the Church. Are you interested in serving in a Leadership role at Baptist Tabernacle? If so, let any team member know and we will be glad to share our plans with you. Please pray for our Leadership Team to have the divine guidance to lead our Church in the proper direction.

Homecoming will be held October 2. More information will be coming out soon.

This is my last newsletter as Chairman of the Deacons. I want to thank everyone who has assisted in so many ways to get our Church back to where we are now. When we look around at some Churches, we realize how BLESSED we are here at Tabernacle. Thank you to all for your prayers, words of encouragement and suggestions for helping our Church to grow.

We are excited about our new members who have recently joined our Church and are looking towards the next year.

Thank You All, Wayne Batten

Administrative Team (Ricky Watson -Team Leader/David Hughes-Co-Leader):

As we begin the new Church year in September, we thought a summary of the Administrative Team responsibilities would be beneficial to the Church membership. This is especially important since we are coming off the COVID years when the activities of the Church were in such disarray. Also, with the number of new members of the Church, this may be helpful to understand some of the operations of the Church.

The Administrative Team is responsible for all the administrative activities of the Church, including Finance, Constitution & By-Laws, Counting Committee, Church Treasurer, Church Clerk, Church Moderator, and Insurance.

Like all the Ministry Teams, the Leaders of the Administrative Ministry Team are recommended by the current Team Leaders and presented to the church for approval. Leaders then choose their team members and these members are voted on by the church. Length of service is one year.

Following are the areas of responsibility of The Administrative Ministry Team:

Financial

Supervise or assist in the supervision of an accounting system that provides adequate internal controls to protect all funds and workers. This is done through the preparation of an annual church budget with input provided by the other Ministry Teams. We also recommend policies and procedures for receiving, accounting, disbursing, and reporting church monies; implement the policy for special funds that are in addition to regular tithes and offerings; update and maintain guidelines approved by the Internal Revenue Service for the use of all church monies and gifts; and prepare a monthly Financial Report with the assistance of the Church Secretary.

Constitution & By Laws:

Maintain the content for the constitution and bylaws by compiling all written copies of policies and procedures the church has already approved. This includes ensuring that the Ministry Teams understand their responsibilities and implement those responsibilities as described in the Constitution & By Laws.

Counting

Annually nominate a Counting Team to be approved by the Church membership. This team consists of the Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Sunday School Director and Assistant, and Sunday School Secretaries.

Insurance

Ensure that the Church has proper insurance coverage of all church assets and liabilities including the Pastor, contractors, and employees of the Church.

Church Clerk/Assistance Church Clerk

Annually, nominate a church clerk and assistant church clerk to be approved by the Church membership.



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Church Treasurer/Assistant Treasurer

Annually nominate a church treasurer and assistant treasurer to be approved by the Church membership.

Moderator

Annually, nominate a Moderator to be approved by the Church membership.

Note:

Each Church family should have a copy of the Constitution & By Laws. If your family does not have a copy, contact the Church Secretary and she will ensure that you get a copy.

Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):

OWLS-Older, Wiser, Livelier, Seniors (Leaders Olivia Cooke and Patsy Narron):



The O.W.L.S. have been busy and planning on more fun for September. On Sunday, the 28th we had 18 go out to eat and 9 who went to the Wendell Museum, we also made a pit stop for ice cream. Everyone enjoyed and we plan to return to the museum because you can't see it all in one visit. At the regular meeting Aug. 30th there were 22 present. Jimmy Faison did our devotion, it was on Salvation, what a great way to start the day. Thanks to those involved in getting the bus, it was full on Tuesday and had a car load also. We may not have gone far but it was nice and the O.W.L.S. thank you.

We are continuing to cook on Wednesday's for our Shut-Ins. Anyone who could help we could use a few more volunteers. Right now around 35 plates are being delivered. It is a blessing to us as well as the person receiving. Ricky Narron has been busy with the fruit basket ministry. If you know of anyone who needs a plate on Wednesday or a basket just for encouragement, let us know. We thank the Mission Team for the financial support for these ministries because without them we could not do it. Opportunities coming up, September 11th- Ivan Parker singing in Apex, September 20th- Senior Rally at Princeton. Check you bulletin weekly for more details or see Olivia Cooke or Patsy Narron. All Seniors are welcome to come join us at our next meeting on September 27th in the FMC at 9:30am.



God Bless,

Olivia Cooke, Patsy and Ricky Narron

Discipleship Team (Jeany O'Neal-Team Leader/Tonya Bailey-Co-Leader):

Sunday School has reopened from 10:00 -10:45 in the following locations:

Children's SS Classes: Education Building

Nursery 1: Ages birth - 2 years (1st Floor)

Nursery 2: 2 - 3 years (1st Floor)

Bible Learners: (Preschool-2nd Grade) (2nd Floor)

Bible Discoverers: (Grades 3rd-5th) (2nd Floor)

Youth: Grades 6th - 12th (2nd Floor)

Adult Classes:

Education Building Assembly Room: Lessons from Lifeway Quarterly
(Various Teachers from Adult Classes)

FMC: Lessons on Miscellaneous Topics

(Various Teachers beginning with Glen Brock and a Book Study from James)

JOY Ladies class: First Floor Education Building Classroom

Anyone willing to assist with temporarily teaching Sunday school for children, youth, or adults please contact Susan Andrews (919-418-8061)(swarha@aol.com) or Tonya Bailey (tjabailey@bellsouth.net).

JOURNEY Update:

JOURNEY is a new Sunday School class focused on young singles and couples. The members of this class will determine the materials that will be studied as well as social events outside of the Sunday School hour. There is a suggestion box located in the Information Center for ideas for this class. We will meet on September 4 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Education Building. Facilitators will initially be Wayne & Pam Batten, and Susan Andrews. Come join us as we create a class that is designed by you!



Property Management Team (Ross Carroll-Team Leader/Steve White-Co-Leader):

1. We are currently in the design and implementation stage of new handrails to be installed at the 2 entrances to the choir loft to make the initial step more noticeable.
2. We are continuing to check off items from the Fire Marshall's re-inspection.
3. When using the kitchen, please do not change the temperature settings on the refrigerator. It has been checked and is working correctly at this time. If you notice issues, please contact the Property Management Team.
4. We hope to start getting bids soon on replacing all of the fluorescent light fixtures in the Sanctuary with LED light fixtures.
5. We are still investigating digital sign options to replace the current outdoor sign.
6. If you see any areas in need of repair or replacement, notify Property Management.

Worship Team (Susan Andrews -Team Leader/Dana Hocutt-Co-Leader)

1. **Worship Service Nursery Workers** are needed! If you are willing to help us by serving in the Birth - 2 yrs old nursery, please contact Susan Andrews at 919-418-8061 or swarha@aol.com. Please leave your name and contact information. We are developing a rotation schedule.
2. **First Responders & Healthcare Workers Appreciation Day** will be celebrated on Sunday, October 30, 2022. We invite all members who are Dispatchers, Firefighters, EMT's, EMS, Law Enforcement and Healthcare workers to join us for this special recognition. The service will begin at 11:00 a.m. If there are members of your family that work in any of these careers, whether they are volunteer or not, please let us know their name and area(s) of service. Please speak to or email Susan Andrews at swarha@aol.com with a subject line of "First Responders Name" so we can be sure to capture all of the people that should be recognized whether they can attend our service or not. As we know, our first responders do work on Sundays also in service to any of us.

Children's Team (Wayne Batten-Team Leader):

Children's Church is GROWING. We are so excited. We recently had a couple of Sundays with 8 or more children attend. We hope to outgrow our room soon and must find a larger room. We continue to study the life of Jesus and have lessons on all the amazing things He did while on Earth. Thanks to all those who assist us. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us.

Our Journey Kids meet every Wednesday night at 6:30. We study foreign missions and learn about what the missionaries do. We also make balloon animals one Wednesday night each month for our Balloon Ministry. BTC Journey Kids made balloon animals on August 2 for the Johnston County Sheriff's Community Night Out. We put smiles on over 100 young people that night and shared some information on our Church to several families. Our next big outing will be at the Wendell Harvest Festival. We have reserved a spot for our kids to showcase their talents and share the word of God. That will be October 1 in Wendell.



We want to welcome several new families into our Church and are delighted their children are participating in our programs.

Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):

We are excited for some fall events we have coming up. We are having a "Back to School" celebration on Saturday, September 24th @ 5:00pm at Carrie and Bobby Sellers' home.

Our DNOW weekend is **October 14-16**. Local youth directors from our area and a few outside our area (9 churches all together) are planning a DNOW weekend for our youth. DNOW is a discipleship weekend full of worship, bible study, fellowship, and fun with local youth groups. Hales Chapel is the host church for this event.

Mission Team (Annette Ragan-Team Leader/Sandy Trippe-Co-Leader):

The Flea Market, sponsored by the Mission Team, continues to be a very successful venture towards furthering the kingdom of God through compassion, nurturing, and providing a framework to help those in need. We are open every Wednesday and the last Saturday of each month. Your support through shopping and donations is much appreciated. As we come up on a new planning year, please consider joining the Mission Team. We are always looking for those individuals who feel a need to help others and are full of great ideas. New ideas are needed as we soon will start to plan the November Fall Fest. Fall Fest is tentatively scheduled for November 12th.



On Hold....

Until we can resume normal Church activities, the following Committee is on hold. We will resume this process as soon as we can. Please be in prayer for this area of ministry for our Church:

*Children's Director Search Committee

Recurring Prayer Needs

Bradley Allen	Jane Denton	Oscar & Shirley Lane
Chris Allen	Lewis Denton	June Lanier
Brenda Arnold	Charles Driver	Sandra Leonard
Dorothy Bailey	David Driver	Landon Mack
Mike Bailey	Johnny Earp	Sue Cline Mack
Natalie Bailey	H.E. & Phyllis Edwards	Pam Maynor
Elaine Barham	Charles Flowers	Sam Morris
Nancy Batchelor	Will Fuller	Kenneth Nowell
Addie Batten	William Ray Fuller	John Nowell
Lee Batten	Anita Hales	Mike O'Neal
Shirley Blackley	Randy Hales	Vickie Peters
Traci Boyette	Annette Heffinger	Jeaninene Pratt
Stella Boykin	Beverly Heilig	Joan Privette
Melanie Brock	Mike Himmel	Donald Pulley
Natalie Brock	Elizabeth Hocutt	Randy Raper
Ann Capps	Sue Hocutt	Dale Renfrow
Charles & Jerri Carlisle	William Hocutt	Dolores Renfrow
Wendy Cox	Kaley Holmquist	Chris Richardson
Jerry & Sally Creech	Carl Holt	Libby Seagroves
Michael Creech	Pat Horton	Phillip Smith
Peggy Creech	Nancy House	Nell Stallings
Wayne Currie	Joan Hunter	Linda Stevens
Tim Davis	Summer Hurst	Reegan Tedder
Kimberly Denton	Kenneth Jones	Faye Thorne

New Prayer Needs

Donald Adams	David Hughes
Phyllis Alford	Harrison Hughes
Harold Andrews	Dennis & Cathy Lockleair
Carol Bailey	Janice Mantyc
Freddy Bailey	Larry Price
Joyce Blackley	Annette Ragan
Brenda Bunn	Bobby Richardson
Brian Denton	Patricia West Family
Liberty Denton	Wayne Wingfield Family
Fred Flowers	Unspoken Requests
Jeff Haines	

From the Pastor's Desk:
The Thief Called Anxiety

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” (Philippians 4:6)

Wow! Today's world is full of challenges and anxiety producing opportunities; yet God's word teaches that we are to “Not Be Anxious!” Now, that can be a “Tall Order!” When I was a boy, September was the month that school started back, new experiences were happening, and I had to spend my hard-earned tobacco money to buy school clothes. Who would have thought that those simple days of my youth would be such great memories of a slower and less stressful time? As an adult, the pressures and the negative influences and the attacks from Satan, combine to create an atmosphere of Anxiety and Stress, in my 65th year. Praise God! Jesus offers a way to manage stress and anxiety and we are to embrace it and to actively use it to overcome the stress of the day. So, how do we deal with the stresses and anxiety? Simple: Pray – Ask in Humility – Be Grateful – Ask God Directly!! We must trust God, we must position ourselves and cling to His Promises and be in a posture or position to receive His Power, Provision, Presence and His Peace! Live for today and claim His Promises for Tomorrow! Enjoy September 2022! Do not let Satan, through anxiety, rob you of God's joy and power! May this be the time that your walk with Christ, becomes so strong that fear, anxiety, and worry has no place in your life! Stay Strong, Stay Focused...THE BEST IS YET TO BE!

