



# First Baptist Church

Growing Toward Christ

Whiteville, NC

## THE CONTACT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER JULY 2021, VOLUME 56, NUMBER 7



### Events At A Glance

- July 4, Independence Day—Sunday School Classes Resume, 9:45 a.m.
- July 5, Office closed for Independence Day
- July 6, 13, 20, 27, Children's Music Activity, 10:30 a.m.
- July 10, Church-wide Hot Dog Cookout at the church, 6:30 p.m.
- July 14, Prayer Meeting in the fellowship hall, 6:30 p.m.
- July 17, Church Workday for Playground Improvements, 8:00 a.m.
- July 19, Finance Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- July 20, Deacons' Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- July 28, Quarterly Church Conference in the sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
- July 29, Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00- 6:30 p.m.
- July 30, Family VBS Dinner and Registration, 5:30 p.m.
- July 31, Family VBS, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. with Lunch Provided

*Complete monthly calendar on back.*

To add an event to our calendar,  
please contact the church office:

(910) 642-2139

### "A Walk with Moses"

July 30, 5:30-7:30 p.m.  
July 31, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.



## PASTOR'S CORNER



As we approach July 4<sup>th</sup> of 2021, and celebrate another birthday for our beautiful and blessed nation, AMERICA, I truly pray as we often sing, "God Bless America" that God not only will truly bless and heal our land, but that He also will bless and heal the entire world! We often sing, "Let there be peace on earth . . . and let it begin with me!" May this also be our prayer at this special time as we once again are celebrating the birth of our nation! May God help us all move from the CHAOS and DARKNESS with all the unrest and division in the world into the LIGHT and TRUTH of the Gospel of Jesus Christ! With God's help, let us find the courage to fulfill the instructions found in Micah 6:8 . . . *He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?* PLEASE pray for God to give all of us the compassion to listen to and care for the needs of others . . . to do whatever we can to help in Jesus' Name . . . and also to have the wisdom to know when to allow God to speak THROUGH us to encourage and bring hope to our fellow human strugglers as we pass through this journey of life . . . and also the guidance of the Holy Spirit as to when to be quiet!

I have often heard the statement, "Silence is golden . . . unless it turns yellow!" What those words remind us is that we should be quiet when possible, but we must have the courage to "speak up" at the appropriate time when it is necessary in order to "right a wrong," to correct a mis-statement, or to defend the helpless and defenseless!

I read an article recently which prompted me to remember how much the Bible gives us helpful instructions which can allow us to have peace in our own hearts individually, and corporately as we relate throughout life in our relationships with others. I once heard that God must have been trying to tell us something profound when He gave us two (2) ears and one (1) mouth! It might be better to listen more than we speak! In light of that fact, I would like to share what I found. It is entitled, "When to Keep Your Mouth Shut!"

Don't open your mouth . . .

- In the heat of anger -- Proverbs 14:17
- When you do not have all the facts -- Proverbs 18:13
- When you have not verified the story -- Deuteronomy 17:6
- If your words will offend a weaker brother -- I Corinthians 8:11
- If your words will be a poor reflection of the Lord or your friends and family -- I Peter 2:21-23
- When you are tempted to joke about sin -- Proverbs 14:9
- When you would be ashamed of your words later -- Proverbs 8:8
- When you are tempted to make light of holy things -- Ecclesiastes 5:2
- If your words would convey a wrong impression -- Proverbs 17:27
- If the issue is none of your business -- Proverbs 14:10
- When you are tempted to tell an outright lie -- Proverbs 4:24
- If your words will damage someone else's reputation -- Proverbs 16:27
- If your words will destroy a friendship -- Proverbs 25:28
- When you are feeling critical -- James 3:9
- If you cannot speak without yelling -- Proverbs 25:28
- When it is time to listen -- Proverbs 13:1
- If you may have to eat your words later -- Proverbs 18:21
- If you have already said it more than one time (then it becomes nagging) Proverbs 19:13
- When you are tempted to flatter a wicked person -- Proverbs 24:24
- When you are supposed to be working instead -- Proverbs 14:23

*"Whosoever keepeth his mouth and his tongue, keepeth his soul from trouble."*  
Proverbs 21:23

Gratefully and prayerfully, in Jesus' love,

**Wayne Brown**



# Music Notes



## Is it July already?!

The Music Ministry will continue to offer music activities and events for you to participate in during the month of July. Please see each detailed below and plan to join us!

**Calling all children age 3 through 2nd graders!** All children are invited to participate in the Children's Music Activity each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the preschool Sunday School room. You are encouraged to invite community friends to join us. Older children may volunteer as helpers. Please see Eddie if interested.

**Calling all deacons!** Active and inactive deacons are invited to participate in a Deacons' Choir for our worship service on Sunday, July 18. The music will be simple requiring one practice at 10:10 a.m. before worship the same morning.

**The Chancel Choir** will take a rehearsal break during the month of July. They will continue to sing in our worship services as needed this month. Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 18, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Plan to start out the new church year singing with them!

VBS offers the Music Ministry a wonderful opportunity to connect musically with our children (church and community). It gives all of us a chance to work with our children in a fun atmosphere, at the same time providing them with a time of inspiration. We look forward to singing songs about the stories of Moses with the children (and the adults).

**Handbells** will resume as soon as school begins for the Fall. Date, day, and time will be announced later in the summer.

**The Community Band** (which rehearses at First Baptist) will play on Thursday, July 1 for the Fourth of July festivities at South Columbus High School. The band will play at 9:00 p.m. just prior to the fireworks which begin at 9:30 p.m. Other musical groups will begin playing at 6:00 p.m. You are advised to arrive early for good parking.

I'm looking forward to seeing you more this month and throughout the summer!

Eddie

## WE NEED YOUR HELP - PLEASE SEND MORE PICS



We are getting more active as a church family and are creating more opportunities for those "Kodak moments." Please take pictures of our activities so we can "brag" about our church family on our website and our Facebook page. Keep checking our online presence to see what is going on as we share the pictures you are sending to us. Thank you for your help!

Thank you for the pictures we have been receiving.

### July 4, 2021

The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost  
*Happy Birthday, America!*  
Psalm 33:8-12; Proverbs 14:34; Micah 6:6-8

### July 11, 2021

The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost  
*The Prayer of Jabez*  
I Chronicles 4:9-10

### July 18, 2021

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost  
*The Joy of Servanthood versus the Sorrow of Divisiveness!*  
Acts 6:1-7; Romans 16:1-27; I Timothy 3:8-13

### July 25, 2021

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost  
Pulpit Guest Reverend Kevin Morris  
Former Church Planter in Seattle, Washington  
with the North American Mission Board

## JULY SERMONS

## JULY MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

- 4 Tricia Sanderson / Haywood Corbett  
11 Lauren Cole / Donna Prince  
18 Genie Carter / Peggy Underwood  
25 David Carter / Charlie Duncan

### HOSPICE SNACKS

Juanita Stanley

### SOUND & VIDEO

- 4 Mitchell Sauls  
11 Bryce Kronenwetter  
18 Kirby Sanderson  
25 Eric Kronenwetter

### SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

- 4 Clint and Carolyn Grainger  
18 Rose Langston / J. C. Hyatt

### SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY AT LIBERTY

Visitors not allowed inside the facility

### USHERS (Chairman: Joe Hooks)

- 4 Buster Carter / Glenn Waters /  
David Heath / Clint Grainger /  
J. C. Hyatt  
11 Bill Floyd / David Carter / Mitchell  
Sauls / Willis Pinnell / Johnny Britt  
18 Travis Harrison / John Sauls /  
Mel Ray / Kenwood Royal /  
Chris Blackmon  
25 Harry Ward / David Tedder /  
Haywood Corbett / Kevin  
Williamson / Kyle Cook



*"God has given each of you a gift  
from his great variety of spiritual  
gifts. Use them well to serve one  
another."*

*1 Peter 4:10 NLT*

## STEWARDSHIP

May 30, 2021

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$1,520.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$3,829.27
Budget Gifts Operational	\$1,150.00
<b>Total Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$6,499.27</b>

Designated/Other Funds	\$2,645.65
<b>Total Collections This Week</b>	<b>\$9,144.92</b>
<b>Over Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$65.25</b>

Budget Need to date	\$225,190.70
Budget Rec'd to date	\$226,60.84
Over Budget to date	\$1,201.14

June 6, 2021

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$125.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$5,807.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$150.00
<b>Total Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$6,082.00</b>

Designated/Other Funds	\$1,200.00
<b>Total Collections This Week</b>	<b>\$7,282.00</b>
<b>Under Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$352.02</b>

Budget Need to date	\$231,624.72
Budget Rec'd to date	\$232,473.12
Over Budget to date	\$849.12

June 13, 2021

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$120.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$4,169.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$0.00
<b>Total Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$4,289.00</b>

Designated/Other Funds	\$2,000.72
<b>Total Collections This Week</b>	<b>\$6,289.72</b>
<b>Under Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$2,145.02</b>

Budget Need to date	\$238,058.74
Budget Rec'd to date	\$236,762.84
Over Budget to date	\$1,295.90

June 20, 2021

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$110.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$4,146.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$250.00
<b>Total Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$4,506.00</b>

Designated/Other Funds	\$2,315.00
<b>Total Collections This Week</b>	<b>\$6,821.00</b>
<b>Under Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$1,928.02</b>

Budget Need to date	\$218,756.68
Budget Rec'd to date	\$219,892.57
Over Budget to date	\$1,135.89

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Joanne Wall  
4 Juanita Tedder  
7 J. C. Hyatt  
8 Doris Bullard  
9 Jason Schoolcraft  
12 Gayle Powell  
15 Myrtle Cartrette  
Donna Prince  
20 Delores Harrison  
Grace Mishoe  
24 Jim Warlick  
31 Catherine Cook

*"O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise  
him, all ye people. For his merciful  
kindness is great toward us: and the  
truth of the LORD endureth forever.  
Praise ye the LORD."*

*Psalms 117*

June 27, 2021

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$0.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$8,450.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$50.00
<b>Total Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$8,500.00</b>

Designated/Other Funds	\$549.69
<b>Total Collections This Week</b>	<b>\$9,049.69</b>
<b>Over Budget This Week</b>	<b>\$2,065.98</b>

Budget Need to date	\$250,926.78
Budget Rec'd to date	\$250,816.84
Under Budget to date	\$109.94

## CONTACT INFO

### Ministerial Staff

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## OFFICE HOURS

Church Office Hours 8:30 A.M. — 4:30 P.M.,  
Monday—Friday  
Phone: 910-642-2139 Fax: 910-642-5874

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WMU

**Hospice Snacks for July:** Peggy Norosky

The Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) of Whiteville First Baptist Church has had a wonderfully busy year. With help from many of our church members, we had mission projects each month: **September** – Red Box Ministry and Odom Home; **October** – WNS Drive-through Meal; **November** – Families First; **December** – Lottie Moon / Global Missions Offerings; **January** – Soup Ministry; **February** – WMU Focus & Heck-Jones Offering; **March** – Saving Sons (CRCI); **April** – Baptist Children's Homes Food Drive; **May** – Snacks for SCC students; **July** – VBS Ministry. The **August** project is School Supplies for our city schools.



The WMU will not meet during July and August, but will resume meeting in September with a special meal and/or "Outing." *Happy Summer, Ladies!*

**2020-21 Watchword:** *But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.* Hebrews 10:39

### Our Mission

... is to inform and inspire Christians to influence their world for Christ.

Myrtle Corbett, WMU Director

## SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Happy summer to everyone. I would like to thank everyone who attended Sunday School in the fellowship hall, for keeping our FBC Sunday school alive this past year, and a **Big Thank You** for the teachers who volunteered to teach the classes each month. Beginning July 4, Sunday School classes will resume at 9:45 am in your original classrooms. There will not be any more Sunday School classes held in the fellowship hall. I will need teachers for the nursery, 2 year old class, 3-5 year old class, and 1<sup>st</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> grade class. Please contact me if you will assist with any of these classes. Also, parents please contact me if you have a child who will attend Sunday School. I will see what the demand is for the children's classes to determine the teachers needed. J.C. Hyatt and I look forward to seeing you back in our normal surroundings.

Sincerely,

Kirby Sanderson, Sunday School Director  
910-840-1856

## MISSIONS COMMITTEE

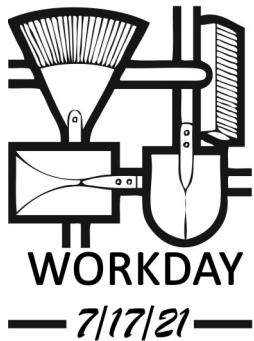
Please mark your calendars for the following events:

- 1.) **American Red Cross Blood-Drive**—First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall—**Thursday, July 29, 2021 from 1:00– 6:30 p.m.**
- 2.) **Operation Inasmuch**—**Saturday, October 2, 2021.** Please be considering projects in which you would like for us to participate. Check with your committees, Sunday School classes, WMU, Baptist Men, Choir, Youth, and Children's groups for ideas. Try to think outside of the box and see if we can meet some of the needs in our community. Please, call the office (910-642-2139) or any member of the Missions Committee with your ideas. Lauren Cole, Mary Hooks, Bobby Hensley, Haywood Corbett, Geoff Hopkins, or Martha Senter. Thank you!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHURCH-WIDE HOT DOG COOKOUT

**Saturday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.** the Family Life Committee invites the whole church to a Hot Dog Cookout. There will be hot dogs, ice cream, and fun & games for the whole family. Please join in the fellowship!



**WORKDAY**

"All hands on deck!" We have a workday for playground improvements scheduled on **Saturday, July 17 at 8:00 a.m.** "The more the merrier" would apply here. Maybe even "many hands make light work." Come out, make a difference for our children, and enjoy some fellowship. Thank you for your help in making our playground better for our children to enjoy.

## FAMILY VBS



This year our Vacation Bible School theme is "A Walk with Moses." It is also going to be a Family Event for all ages.

**Friday** afternoon beginning at **5:30 p.m.** we will have VBS registration and dinner. Then on **Saturday, July 31**, from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**, Vacation Bible

School continues with "A Walk with Moses" with classes for all ages. Lunch will be provided. We want to invite families to join us. Please help us spread the word in the community. Invite friends and family to share with us during VBS!



*Moses in the  
bullrushes*



*Moses at the  
burning bush*



*Moses and the  
Ten Commandments*



## THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for honoring me again with a generous scholarship to further my education. I recently graduated from Southeastern Community College with my Associate of Science Degree. I will be attending N.C. State in the Fall to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition Science and then furthering my education with a Master's Degree and becoming a Registered Dietitian. I am grateful for the love, support and prayers from my church family. Please continue to pray for me as I begin this new chapter of my life.



Sincerely,  
Leah Sanderson

# JUNE 2021 FISH FRY

**A good time was had by young and old alike. Thank you deacons for all your hard work. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped make this a successful evening.**





	July 2021					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 p.m. Columbus Community Band playing at SCHS	2	3
4 Independence Day  9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Morning Worship 	5 	6 10:30 Children's Music Activity	7	8	9	10 6:30 Church- Wide Hot Dog Cookout
11 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Morning Worship	12 9:30 Finance Meeting  1:30 Staff Meeting	13 10:30 Children's Music Activity  6:30 Deacons' Meeting	14 6:30 Prayer Meeting	15	16	17
18 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Morning Worship	19 1:30 Staff Meeting	20 10:30 Children's Music Activity	21	22	23	24
25 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Morning Worship with Pulpit Guest Rev. Kevin Morris	26 1:30 Staff Meeting	27 10:30 Children's Music Activity	28 6:30 Quarterly Church Conference in the sanctuary	29 1:00-6:30 Red Cross Blood Drive In the fellowship hall	30 5:30-7:30 Family VBS Registration and Dinner	31 9:00-1:00 Family VBS with Lunch Provided

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