September 2025

New Church Year

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a <u>new</u> creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become <u>new</u>." - 2 Corinthians 5:17

Dear Church Family,

Last month, our Serve NC Project, Missions Rally, and School Prayer Walk were tremendous successes. Now it's "Back to School" time for our young folks. It's also time to get "Back in Sunday School" if you are not already enjoying this important ministry of our church. Small group Bible study is a great opportunity to learn God's Word while building Christian fellowship. Why not begin to attend Sunday School in this new church year?

Our church parking lot will be resurfaced on these dates: Tuesday-Friday, September 2-5. We will not be able to use our church parking lot on these days. Please make your plans accordingly. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

We will observe the sacred ordinance of the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning, September 7, during our Morning Worship service. Please come prepared to solemnly remember the sacrifice of Christ on the cross in our place for our sins.

Please pray for me as I preach Homecoming at Eastside Baptist Church in Tifton, Georgia on Sunday, September 28. Also, please pray for Pastor Warren as he will be preaching God's Word for us here on that day.

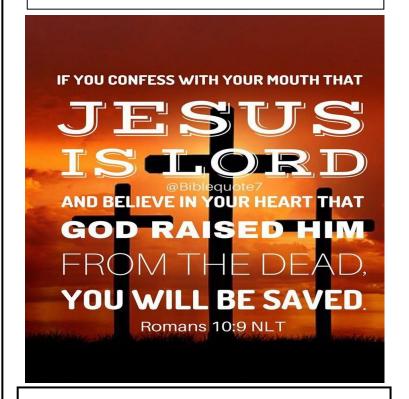
Have a great day in the Lord!

In Christ, Pastor Calvin

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"Jesus is Lord"



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WMU NEWS SEPTEMBER 2025

Can you believe how fast this year is going by? School's starting, football games are beginning and September 22 is first day of Fall (with cooler temperatures, I hope). We've just been so busy doing work for the Lord that the time just flew by!

Our August project for Serve NC was completed and the "Welcome Back to School" crates were delivered to both AES and AMS. Both schools were very appreciative. Then, this past Sunday night, our church members prayed around our schools for safety and a year of learning, for compassionate teachers and aides and a good year for all those individuals involved in caring for our children while they are in school. Afterward, we all enjoyed refreshing ice cream with all the necessary items for sundaes and banana splits.

September is the special offering for NC State Missions. Most of this offering goes to support Baptists on Missions which includes the disaster response teams that our areas in Western NC are familiar with, firsthand. We've set our goal to \$2000 for our church. The BOM (Baptist on Missions) have been so strategic in dealing the devastation from Helene just east of us. And they have answered the call to other areas recovering from floods, fires, etc. BOM activities include international mission outreach to countries such as Armenia and Ukraine. We will collect all the month of September. I encourage our congregation to prayerfully consider giving generously and often to this very special offering for NC State Missions.

God bless,

Helen

NC STATE MISSIONS AFBC SPECIAL OFFERING

GOAL: \$2,000

Helping to support

Baptists On Mission (BOM)



"Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us." Ephesians 3:20

We are excited to share the news Wyatt Lambert is our high school guy that will be delivering our AES kid's food bags. His mom Amanda works at elementary school and will be our contact at the school. They attend Junaluska Baptist Church. Thank you, Julie Rowland, for coordinating this-always going above what is asked.

Shannon Murphy, our Manna coordinator tells us AES, AMS, AHS are on list to receive Manna food bags; first shipment is due September 17, at that time we know a number to share for our supplement bags.

Thank you Junaluska, Second Baptist, Beaver Creek, Rowland's Creek, Andrews First, Dr. & Mackie Garland for caring, sharing and loving.

Thank you, Helen, for placing Sysco order.

Thank you, Gene Craig, for picking up leftover food boxes and pallets.

Thank you, Robin, for ordering HOPE ornaments.

Our OHH site proved to be a blessing for Ms. Dolly Rice's reception. Thank you AFBC for making this possible.

Journey devotional and chocolate "HUGS" to AES principal Kim and AMS principal to Joslyn.

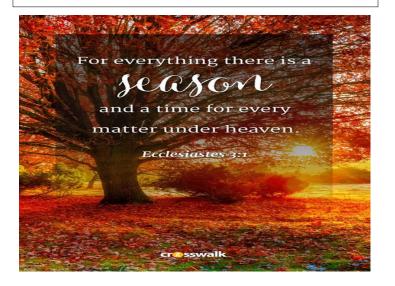
Prayers for Manna Youth Programs manager Shannon Murphy; Email to Tom Stark our transportation contact explaining Kid's Food Bag Ministry in Andrews community. We miss Joe Williams who served this ministry well for so many years.

Plans are coming together for Christmas toy give away. No toy donations needed.

Sister churches partnering in this for community outreach.

Thank you, Lord, for your blessings on us.

Nancy





What a beautiful time of the year we will be entering very soon....Fall Season! This also means we will soon begin learning our Christmas Cantata!

AFBC Music Team Schedule:

Wednesdays:

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.

Sunday:

Solos & Special Music Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

***Come join our music team!

Christmas music begins soon!

We would love to have you!***

Always at His feet! Jennifer

'Praise ye the Lord: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.' Psalm 147:1

Students, this semester, will be in a sermon series titled

'This Is My Testimony'. We will see the power in personal testimony, how testimony grows us, and how sharing that testimony is a reflection of God's work in our lives. Students will be encouraged to take notes to write their own testimony!



In Christ,

Warren Carlile

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"Let no one despise your youth; instead, you should be an example to the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12



YOUNG AT HEARTS==

August was the month for a field trip! Twenty-two Young at Hearts ventured off in the bus driven by Brandon Allen. We ended up at Circle J Steakhouse in Blue Ridge, GA. We were happy to welcome first timers James and Margaret Bolick, Michael and Jayne Hammond, Marlene Downs and her friend Mary Ann. We are delighted that Bonnie Lloyd has agreed to fill the vacancy left on our committee by Janet Everett. She will bring lots of artistic touches to our meetings.

Next month ~ Thursday, Sept. 18 ~ Denise Cross will make her annual appearance with all her Medicare expertise. A supper of fried chicken will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring some yummy dishes to go along!

One of the sweet things we can participate in together \sim no matter where we may be physically \sim is the fellowship of prayer. There are many who need our continuing prayers, including Mark and Phoebe Jackson, Judy Fitzpatrick, Jim and Jeanette Wilson, Gene and Ronney Craig, Fred West, Terry Lunsford, and Jayne Hammond.

Others continuing to need a touch from our Great Physician include Mack and Jeannie Huscusson, especially since Mack has recently needed assistance from hospice. Also, remember Justin Hensley, Robin Gibson, Pat Sealy, Wanda Beck, Pat Reed, Linda Graham, Bill Mintz, Jackie Higdon, Nancy Huffines, Ruth Cochran, Lee Ellen Rickett, and Ruth Griffing. Remember Jane Birchfield's husband, Lynn, Charlotte Clutton, Louise Phillips and her son, Larry, as her caregiver, Johnnie Brock, Dolly Rice, Darrell Dailey, Tricia Dailey's sister, Michelle, Ronney Craig, Burke West, Kenneth and Priscilla Cope, Shelby O'Neal, Cricket Gray, and Marilyn Raxter. Continue to pray for Jim and Pat Lancaster, as well as their daughter and granddaughter, Teresa and Ray Hyde, Reba Gibson, Kathy Nichols, Barb Jones, and Tim Tyler. If you know of anyone else to be added to our prayer list (or removed from it), please give Ronney Craig a call at 321-5512.

Don't forget to regularly remember Pastor Calvin and his family, our student pastor Warren Carlile, deacons and their families, Jennifer Farr and musicians, teachers and leaders in the various Sunday and Wednesday evening classes, and each one who has a unique part in making Andrews First Baptist Church a lighthouse for Jesus. Pray for the safety of our students and staff as they begin a new school year, also those heading off to college, some for the first time. And always remember our military keeping us safe, as well as our first responders. Pray for our country and President Trump!



Happy Fall Beginnings!

The Young at Hearts Committee Ronney Craig, Jean Higdon, Bonnie Lloyd, Fave Parker, and Jeanette Wilson

Sunday Services & Classes:

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. Mission Friends & Children's Church

(3 yrs.-1st grade)

Evening Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Youth Bible Study

Solos & Special Music Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Services & Classes:

Youth MDWK 5:30 p.m.

Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.



September Birthdays

2. Jeannie Huscusson 2. Paula Nelson 6. Katie Evans 6. Dawn Roper 8. Ann Brooks 9. Priscilla Cope 13. Brooke Postell 16. Louise Phillips 18. Holly Chapman 18. Emily Roper 20. Keith Wood 21. Brysen Newton 22. Jane Birchfield 22. Matthew Wood 23. Sandra Dockery 28. Shirley Milliman 28. Tommy Turner 29. Ray Hyde 29. Carly Scott

September Anniversaries

19. Steve & Dorcas Phillips

Spiritual Awakening Prayer Call

Please remember to select a day to pray during each month of 2025. Pray three times a day like Daniel for spiritual awakening.

Sunday-Sunday: (Every Day of the Week)

Mornings: 9-10 a.m. **Thursday:** Evenings: 7-8 p.m.



To join, call: 562-766-7580

SEPTEMBER 2025 EVENTS

Mon 9/1 Labor Day

Sun 9/7 Lord's Supper

Wed 9/10 WMU Meeting 4:00 p.m.

Thurs 9/18 Young at Heart Dinner 5:30 p.m.

Church Fellowship Hall

Sun 9/21 Deacons Meeting

Mon 9/22 Autumn Begins

Fri 9/26 Game Night 6:00 p.m.

Deacons On Call/September



Keith Wood 828-361.4161 Rocky Scott - 828.541.2788

Home Delivered Meals (Meals On Wheels)

10:00a.m. -12 Noon

Tues. September 2 Volunteer Needed

Tues. September 9 Lane Raxter, Volunteer Needed

Tues. September 16 Sandra Marr, Lane Raxter

Tues. September 23 Volunteer Needed

Tues. September 30 Volunteer Needed

TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, INASMUCH AS YOU DID IT TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YOU DID IT TO ME.

MATTHEW 25:40