

Blue Ridge

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From My Heart

October is here and while fall began in September, we don't start to feel it until October (usually after the state fair). There is a change in the air, and it is refreshing. The leaves begin to fall, and we begin to move toward winter which is usually pretty pleasant in Alabama. Our world goes through this transition every year and we will enjoy another wonderful transition in March called spring. It is all a part of God's wonderful plan for our world. We take it for granted, but it doesn't have to be, it is a miracle. It is a gift of God that keeps the world not too hot and not too cold, it brings spring and new growth and fall and a wonderful harvest. We take it for granted, but it is wonderful and a gift from God.

There is another gift from God we take for granted. It is called salvation. Romans 5:8 says, *"But God demonstrates His love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."* Paul makes it clear He gave us the opportunity to be changed from God's enemies to God's friends. Romans 5:10 says, *"For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of His Son".* What a glorious gift! II Corinthians 5:17 is true! *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"*

One of my favorite verses is Hebrews 4:16 *"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."* Any time you want, you a former enemy of the cross can run into God's Throne room and find his listening ear and all the grace you need to get through any crisis that comes your way. That is amazing beyond measure. It was also so costly to our precious Savior who laid down His life so we could have real and abundant life.

This great gift is something that so many around us do not have. They don't get to experience the cool refreshing breezes of God's grace. What those without Christ experience is a summer with no end that gets hotter and hotter or a winter that sees only dead trees and bitterly cold winds day after day. Our world longs for a change and that change is found in Jesus.

Let's all find a way to share the Good News of Jesus with someone we love and **ALL** the people God drops in our path during these refreshing days of fall. Invite them to church to experience warm fellowship, Bible Study, worship, and a great meal. If we get them in the doors of our church or out in the field with us during Fall Festival we can win their hearts, and God can save their lives.

Everyone wants a time of revival, everyone wants to see miracles happen and lives to be changed, but not everyone wants to pray, serve, and invite the lost to hear the Gospel. Jesus said, *"The harvest is vast, but the workers are few."* (Matthew 9:37) Choose to be a worker and choose to be a part of a movement of God!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart to all who came out and made our **Movie Under the Stars** a great success! We had a lot of kids and made many new friends who promised to be back.



Fall Festival is coming Sunday, October 19th. Get your trunks ready and pray for our best outreach event ever!



Can't wait to see you on Sunday.

In His Love,

Bro. John

Coming October 19th 4:00 to 6:00 pm
Fall Festival and Cookout

The Southern Baptist Convention Announces
Pastor Appreciation Month in October



Pastor Appreciation

Minister	Minister
Shepherd	Prayer Minister
Teacher	Congregator
Administrator	Worshiper
Member	Visitor
Evangelist	

- 5 SBC Pastor Appreciation Month in October- 32 Years of Service to our Lord at BRBC
- 12 Our Monthly Fellowship Meal and Quarterly Business Meeting for our members
- 14 Ladies Crafts Night
- 19 Our Blue Ridge Fall Festival at 4:00-6:00 pm
- 23 Our Lunch Bunch Goes Out
- 26 Our Youth Sweet Creek Youth/Children Fundraiser Lunch

To Our Pastor



IN DEPTHS WHERE THE
LORD SURELY KNEW,
THAT WE WOULD
FIND A PASTOR AS PATIENT, AS
WISDOM AS LOVE OF GOD'S
WORD AND A HEART FOR
HIS PEOPLE, YOU GIVE US
WISDOM, AND YOU
STAND ON THE ROCK.

We appreciate you!

Pastor Appreciation Month

Announced by the Southern Baptist Convention
This month we express our love and appreciation for Bro.
John Carney. He serves selflessly every day of his week
at all hours of the day and night, always on call for you
and your family. He will always be here for you. God
called him 32 years ago and he moved his family to this
field of service at Blue Ridge Baptist Church. He and
Jackie have served in all areas of the church and they
serve with joy and thanksgiving! Please let Bro. John
know of your appreciation for him as he serves as a good
and faithful servant here in his 33rd years



Join us as we bring our favorite Sunday Dinner dishes
and desserts on Sunday, October 12 right after Morning
Worship. Our Quarterly Business Meeting Follows.



Join Us on Sunday, October 19, 2025

4:00-6:00 pm

Fun, Fellowship, Food
Trunk or Treat

Games and Treats at Every Car Trunk

Big Inflatables with Giant Slides

Baseball Air Pitch

Basketball Throw

Hotdog/Chili/Desserts Supper

Lawn Games with Small Inflatables

Church Family, please sign up to
share your car trunks, truck beds, or
a table behind your trunk for your
game and treats. We have plenty of
games or you may bring your own.

You will be blessed as you bless
others! Many families who came to
our Movie Night told us they already
have our Fall Festival on their family
calendar. We have the best,
sweetest, loving church family to be
found anywhere! Thank you, Lord
Jesus! Happy Fall Y'all!



Thank you, Church Family!
 You worked so hard to move everything outside to set up an outdoor movie and supper and a lot of outdoor inflatables (thank you, Buddy for your air pump!) as we received the Lord's blessings on our efforts. It was a great event enjoyed by all ages. We had friends from nearby, out in Northern Wetumpka, Mulder Cove, and from out along Jackson Road come out to enjoy a great movie all about our Savior Jesus. We all enjoyed good old-fashioned family fun time. Thank you to all who came early to help, those who prepared the food and grilled hotdogs (YUM!), and those who stayed late to bring everything back inside. Bless your name and heart! We had a great crowd, and the movie presented Jesus's life and sacrifice for us and our sins.

Youth/Children Fundraiser Lunch Sunday, October 26



Bring Your Family and Friends and join us for our Sweet Creek Fundraiser Lunch after Morning Worship. Our Youth Family brings delicious side dishes and desserts. We appreciate them and YOU for your participation. You may make a donation for your plate and your plates to go. This helps our young people in their activities.



Our Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Adam and Mary Ryals and Zack, Kacy, Brooklyn, and Blake Hall, Bonnie Ryals, and all the family in the passing of Mary Ruth Ryals, their Grandmother (Nanny) and Mother-in-Law.



October Children's Ministry

S: Tammi Stevenson 12: Susan Bass
19: Tammi and Jackie 26: Jackie Carney



5	Emily Riddle
14	Jim Harris
21	Dan Bass
24	Joel Johnson
26	JJ Cannon
28	Bailey Shaw
30	Wendy Aldridge

BLUE RIDGE MISSIONS

Fall Is Here! Winter is On the Way!



It's Closet and Drawer Cleaning Time for the cooler months, and choosing clothing you can share with those in need. Coats, Socks, Shoes, Cold weather clothing for men, women, and children are needed by those who cannot afford to provide for their family or themselves. New or worn clothes in good condition are needed. No stains or tears, please.

Also, please bring food items for the Food Pantry.



Thank You, Friends

We thank our special friends from God who faithfully remember their church here at Blue Ridge with their gifts and tithes and offerings. You help keep our many ministries going! Thank you to James and Jody Mallonee, Drs. Corey and Marcia Stanley, Mrs. Brenda Chambliss, Harold and Mabel Haddle, Ken Brock, and Lt. Col. Don and Emily Roney, and others who give anonymously.

We thank God for you and keep you in our prayers.



The Armor of God Men's Bible Study

Bro. John will hold an exploratory meeting to see the interest in beginning an evening class for all men at the church. We will check out the best time and day of the week you can attend. Bro. John has books for you to pursue. Our Ladies Class is doing this study and it has been well received and attended. Come Wednesday, October 1 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



We love and appreciate you, Bro. John Carney. Congratulations on Your 32nd Anniversary serving God at Blue Ridge Baptist Church!

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Fellowship Lunch October 12th at Noon
Fall Festival, Trunk or Treat, Inflatables and Cookout Sunday, October 19th 4 to 6 PM



Join us every Sunday for Worship at 11:00 AM at Blue Ridge or on YouTube!
 Go to our Website www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net and click on the link.

How to Give Online

Unleash your generosity by giving through our safe and secure GiveThree65 digital platform.
 Visit www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net and click on the Secure Donations Page to begin the process.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Counting and Lock Up David Funchess		Check out The Armor of God 10/1 at 6:00 pm	Prayer & Share 5:00 pm Men's Study 6pm	Invite your friends & family to Blue Ridge!		
Galatians Bible Study Sundays at 5pm	Visitation 7:00 pm	WBS 9:00 am TOPS 5:30 pm	Prayer & Share 5:00 pm			Who will you invite to Fall Festival Oct 19?
Fellowship Lunch Business Meeting	Visitation 7:00 pm	WBS 9:00 am TOPS 5:30 pm Ladies' Craft's 6:30	Prayer & Share 5:00 pm	Lunch Bunch 10:00 am		Study the Kings Wednesdays at 5pm
Fall Festival 4-6 PM	Visitation 7:00 pm	WBS 9:00 am TOPS 5:30 pm	Prayer & Share 5:00 pm			
Youth BBQ Lunch	Visitation 7:00 pm	WBS 9:00 am TOPS 5:30 pm				Coming Up Move your clocks back one Hour Saturday, Nov. 1 Operation Christmas Child

Visit us at www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net to see events, pictures, sermons, and a private, secure giving site, all done by our Webmaster, Jim Harris. There are so many pictures to see and information to gather. Thank you, Jim, for an excellent website. It is always up to date!