

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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FROM THE PASTOR

GOD has done so many things here these 55 years that we have forgotten. In these years, we have never asked anyone for gifts to this ministry. God has given me over 400 revivals, and I have never hinted to anyone for these. God has let me moderate 9 fellowship meetings a year, and I thank God that I never hinted for any of these. Some of them were in Jamestown, Conestee, and Pigeon Forge. God gave us over 100 preachers, and we have experienced the power of God, shouting, and rejoicing. God let me preach for over 200 pastors. Oh, how merciful God is to worms, fleas, dogs, skunks, and just a sinful man such as I am. I have tried for many years to give Him my all, my family, and my home. I have even tried to give this ministry to Him, but OH THE FAILURES, and I REGRET EACH ONE.

Brother Jim Green has asked me to start a revival for him on Sunday, September 21. It will be followed by Brother Ricky Gravely in his revival. PLEASE pray for me. I so miss preaching in other churches. I hope I am able go and preach.

Remember, WHAT A MIGHTY GOD WE SERVE! He is mighty for those who love and serve Him.

Sneak Peek Sunday

Lord willing, we will open the new elementary building for our church folks to take a "Sneak Peek" next Sunday. Some of the teachers have already been in their classes working on their decorations and putting things where they want them; however, they may not be totally finished with their classes by next week (which is why we are calling it "Sneak Peek Sunday"). Teachers come in for Teacher's Orientation on Tuesday, August 19, to get everything in pristine condition for our Open House (Saturday, August 23, from 11 am - 3 pm). We are inviting our school families who would like to see the building early to come be with us for our service next week.

Missionary Russell Bell

Brother Bell passed away Thursday night in his home in Henderson, NC. He was in his early eighties. We have supported him since the early nineties. The pastor preached a revival in his church, Calvary Baptist in Henderson, in January 1990. He was a very respected man of God.

It seems as if our pastor and those his age have two or more friends passing away every week. Thank God they go to be with millions of God's saints in Heaven.

Just last Monday, Reverend Rommie Mullis's wife passed away followed by Missionary Russell Bell on Thursday. We older Christians really do have more friends in Heaven than we have here.



New Elementary Building

We should be getting our TCO (Temporary Certificate of Occupancy) this week. There were a few things that needed to be signed off by the inspectors; however, most (if not all) things have been inspected, and we are now waiting for the inspection department to issue us a certificate to allow us to conduct classes in the building. Lord willing, the awning from the parking lot to the new building will be installed this week. You will notice that the siding and downspouts on the church-facing side of the gymnasium has been changed, also. Nearly all the 48-year-old siding was rusted at the bottom and had large holes in it. We have been painting some of the doors, frames, and baseboards inside the gymnasium as well. Lord willing, there will be much activity going on this week as we prepare for the Open House.

Ladies' Corner

Mark 9:23 says "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, **all things** are possible to him that believeth." This verse is very personal. If you notice, Jesus does not say to "everyone" that believes or to "they" or "them" but to "**him**" that believeth. That means YOU and ME. Whatever you are going through, this verse is a great verse to claim when praying that ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE. It is in His nature to give. He loves for us to ask Him for specific things in our lives. It is good to write down your prayer request and carry it with you so that every time you see it, you can pray for it.

Baby Shower

The ladies will have a baby shower for Danielle Mangum on Saturday, September 6, from 2 - 4 pm in the church foyer. She and Job are expecting their first child, Esther Grace, in October. She is registered at babylist.com. Please plan to come and support Job and Danielle.

Pastor's Grandchildren

God has been very, very gracious to the pastor in regards to his family. Ethan Leonard worked at East Brandywine Baptist in Downingtown, PA, this summer. God let him preach there twice last Sunday. His brother David goes to California this week to Lancaster Bible College where Joey and Hannah Vara live. Their brother Michael graduated from BJU and is now working for Andre Campos and Philip Mangum, two very godly men. Their sister Abigail will go back to BJU today to work on staff.

Another great blessing here is that Summer Faith Griffin went back to PCC to work on staff there. Kennedy Richardson, Elias Griffin, and Mary Mangum are also there as students.

Fishermen's Club

Lord willing, we will start a Fishermen's Club soon to help us motivate and provoke one another to the good work (and commanded work) of fishing for men. Of course, fishing for men is not limited to men, but includes EVERYONE (women and children included). We failed to have the signup sheet in the vestibule last week for those who would like to be more involved in helping us reach people for Jesus Christ, but there is one there now.

Chip Byrd

We appreciate Chip bringing tomatoes for all our folks to take home. Everyone so enjoyed them. He also put molding around the doors in the office and the copier room. Thanks so much, Chip!

Brother Tim Griffin

Pray for Brother Tim Griffin as he recovers from surgery on his heel. The surgery only took approximately 45 minutes. The spurs were worse than what the doctor had initially thought; however, they expect him to fully recover in the upcoming weeks. Brother Tim wants to thank everyone for the prayers and text messages. Please continue to pray for him.

College Kids

It has been a wonderful joy to have our college students home for the summer. They are as faithful as our staff. In the next couple weeks, this will change. Some have already returned to Pensacola and Bob Jones, and another will go to West Coast Baptist College next week. Several more will be gone after next week as well, and by the end of the month, they will all be hard at work, earning their college diplomas. Charity Rodriguez will join these as she plans to go to college in Greenville this fall for her first time. Let's all encourage them as so many here already do with texts, cards, gifts, but especially prayers.

Upcoming Events

August 13	Brother Nathan Couick
August 17	Sneak Peek Sunday
August 27	Brother Nathan Couick
September 6	Danielle Mangum's Baby Shower
September 7	Grandparent's Day
September 10	Brother Nathan Couick

This Week's Ushers

Sunday Ushers for August

Rich Howell, Job Mangum, Philip Mangum, John Minter, Freddy Rodriguez, and Rolf Storz

Substitutes: Josiah Couick and Daniel Jordan

Wednesday Ushers for August

Reagan Griffin, Benjamin Hood, Wesley Jordan, Zach Kiker, Rhett Ratliff, and Judson Seibel

Spiritual Birthdays

Margie Chambers August 16, 2018

Nursery

August 10 am	Crystal Harpe
pm	Eden Mangum

Toddler Church

August 10 am	Reina Rached
pm	Elizabeth Rached
	Kloey Martin
August 13	Candace Jordan

Revivals

Brother Trent Linville and Mineral Springs Baptist Church have revival on September 8-9, at 7 pm with Brother Tony Finney. They will also have Brother Brian and Bethany Crout and the Daniel Jordan family there to sing. Please pray for this meeting and go and support them, if possible.

Also, Temple Baptist Church in Kannapolis, NC, (Pastor Terry Dietz) will have their annual Jubilee on September 24 – 26.

Back-to-School Youth Event

There will be a Back-to-School Youth Event on Friday, August 29, from 6 – 8 pm in the gym. Please plan to come and enjoy time with your friends.

Men's Softball

We have all so enjoyed the fellowship around the ballfield of softball, hotdogs, burgers, and drinks. This summer activity helps us grow through the fellowship of the brethren. Tomorrow, if the weather permits, we will play the last game of the summer at 6:30 pm. Please come out and enjoy this time of relaxation.

Prayer List

Pastor & Mrs. Leonard
Bible Baptist Tabernacle
Larry & Lucy Langston
Tommy & Elaine Baucom
Beverly DeWeese
Taylor & Titus Boyce
Sam & Jean Caudle
Joe Morgan
Jerry Couick

Terry & Susan Helms
Judy Pressley
Sam McCaskill
Jacob Maye
Judy Rae Harbin
Tommy Mangum
Curtis Ciampo
Dawn Creech
Eddie & Pat Zimmerman

Trish Williams
Gary & Helen Howard
Ken & Michelle Harbin
Cilia Mull
Dink Haynes
Mark Mull
Arnold & Janice Jackson
Pastor Bobby Helms

Steve Morris
Jay & Becky Shannon
Barbara Hayes
Kay Jordan
Tommy Munroe
Carmen Walker
John Hawkins
Our Elderly