

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

(The Digital Edition)



e-News and Notes

August 16, 2026

FROM THE PASTOR

Welcome to God’s house today! We pray the Lord will graciously meet with us today as we worship Him. We hope you came to church expecting God to do great and mighty things in our services today.

Pastor and Mrs. Leonard went to Pigeon Forge for a few days. They have had this planned for a couple months. Please pray for their safety and for a restful few days in the mountains.

Brother Scott Couick will preach this morning, and Brother Tim Griffin will preach tonight, Lord willing. We know God will use both these men to speak to our hearts. Please pray for both of them as they preach.

May the Lord bless you as you go throughout the upcoming week. Remember, God CAN and WANTS to use you this week. Ask Him each day to use you in some way. We may be surprised at what great things He will do with us and through us.

Treasured Saints

The Treasured Saints plan to go to the Sullenberger Aviation Museum in Charlotte this Tuesday, August 18. They will leave the church at 9 am. They will eat lunch after visiting the museum. Please plan to go and enjoy this day with them. If you plan to go, please sign up in the foyer. If you have any questions, please see Brother Terry or Brother Scott.

Medical News

Susan Helms is home after her trip to the hospital. It seems as if she is doing much better. Please continue to remember her in prayer.

Keith Howard is also doing well after his procedure this week. He was even back on visitation Thursday evening.

Mark Jenkins said he has felt much better this week. He has felt better before, and then the next day was a lot worse, so he is thankful for several good days in a row.

Vickie Little said she is getting stronger every day. She is still unable to use her hands very much, but she is now able to walk with a walker, so she is very encouraged about that.

Please keep **Courtney Ratliff** in your prayers as she is having some complications with her pregnancy. The doctors have moved up her delivery date due to several factors. She has been extremely weak and tired for the last few weeks. Please keep her, Ryan, and the children in your prayers.

Dawn Robinson Creech continues to need our prayers. The Lord has allowed her to do some traveling recently, but she has not seen any improvements in her health. Please pray for her.

Beverly DeWeese, Renee’s mother, was diagnosed with liver cancer. She will be receiving chemo. Please pray for her and let her know you are thinking about her. She has let all of us know many times that she is thinking about us.

Tabernacle Christian School

We are getting things ready for the new school year. We have several new students who have enrolled for this year. We are thankful that the Lord has given us two new teachers this year. Kim Kirkley will be in the kindergarten class, and Katerina Pierce will be our fourth-grade teacher. Both of these ladies are very excited to start a new school year with us. Please continuously keep the school in your prayers as we pursue to train children and keep our school pleasing to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ladies’ Bible Study

The ladies’ Bible study will be tomorrow night, August 17, at 7 pm at the home of Mary Jo Sumner. This will be our last lesson on the life of David. Please come if you are able to do so.

Ladies’ Cornier

After Wednesday night’s service, Cathy Seibel said she heard this quote on the radio, “**No matter how far you get away from God, the return trip is just one step.**” This is such a great statement, and it is so very true. That **one step** in our lives will not just change us, but it can impact generations. Romans 14:7 says, “For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.”

TCS Athletics

TCS will start its regular season of soccer and volleyball this week as the team travels to Faith Christian School in Ramseur on Tuesday. They will have their first home game on Tuesday, September 8, as they take on Rockwell Christian School. Go ahead and make plans to come support them this year. They will so appreciate seeing you all in the stands. Please pray for safety as we travel up and down the busy roads this year.

Substitute Sunday School Teachers for TODAY

<u>Class</u>	<u>August 16</u>
Keith Howard	Terry Stevens
Mary Jo Sumner	Crystal Harpe
Tony Mangum	Ken Harbin
Scott Couick	Tim Griffin
Stephen Leonard	Philip Mangum
Beverly Griffin	Charity Richardson
Gary Griffin	Daniel Richardson
Mark Boyce	Tray Rodriguez
Loraine Horne	Kim Hood
Job Mangum	Colin Griffin

We plan to have another substitute teacher Sunday on September 13, Lord willing. If you would like to teach, please let Brother Tony know.

Improvements

Lord willing, you will see a lot of improvements going on our block of land over the next few weeks. There will be a new awning installed behind the old daycare building. There will also be new concrete that will be the same width all the way down the walkway.

We are still going over different plans with the trustees about the front of the church. We hope that this will be underway within the next few weeks. We believe the ideas and designs that have been presented will be a major enhancement to the front entrance.

Also, our parking lot will be resurfaced within the next few weeks, Lord willing. Our current parking lot is over 40 years old and needs to be redone. The contractors will be nailing down the current asphalt and putting a fresh 2½ inches of asphalt down that should last us for several decades.

Please pray that the Lord will be honored and glorified as we try to make improvements to His property.

Upcoming Events

August 16 am	Scott Couick
pm	Tim Griffin
August 23	Terry Stevens
September 17	Rory Hood’s shower
6:30 pm	(Amazon and Walmart)
October 25	Brother Max Alderman
November 1-3	Brother Tony Finney
November 29 (pm)–December 2	Brother Larry Winkler

Sunday Ushers for August

Tommy Hinson, Rich Howell, Mark Jenkins, Jr., John Lipe, Jonathan Purser, and Ryan Ratliff

Substitutes: Derek Burnette and Job Mangum

Wednesday Ushers for August

Jack Griffin, Gideon Howard, Graham Howard, Samuel Mills, River Ratliff, and Ryder Ratliff

Birthdays

August 17 **Laura Burnette**
Adriana Burnette

August 18 **Helen Howard**

August 20 **Tommy Hinson**

Nursery

August 16 am Maria Morris

Toddler Church

August 16 am Morgan Kiker
Emma Griffin
pm Loraine Horne

Please Pray

Please pray for David, Josiah, and Noah as they are “working” in Italy this week. They flew out yesterday and will return next Saturday, Lord willing. Pray they will enjoy their trip, but more than anything, please pray for their safety.

Prayer List

Pastor & Mrs. Leonard
Bible Baptist Tabernacle
Larry & Lucy Langston
Elaine Baucom
Beverly DeWeese
Taylor & Titus Boyce
Tommy & Lorraine Mangum
Susan Helms
Grace Parton
Harold Millican

THE UNSAVED
Judy Pressley
Sam McCaskill
Jacob Maye
Judy Rae Harbin
Mark Jenkins
Curtis Ciampo
Eddie & Pat Zimmerman
Brian Gurley
Vickie Little

Gary & Helen Howard
Ken & Michelle Harbin
Joe Morgan
Tommy Munroe
Arnold & Janice Jackson
Bettina Decker
Dawn Creech
John and Tammy Kelly
Dale Grimmet
Lou Rodgers

Jay & Becky Shannon
Barbara Hayes
Kay Jordan
John Hawkins
Trish Williams
Our Elderly
Mary Jo Sumner
Ronnie Morton
Dave Clemmer
Judy Pressley