

# BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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## FROM THE PASTOR

May our Lord bless everyone who comes to His house today here and elsewhere. God has done wondrous things here these 55 years, and I do not think He will stop until the rapture of His church when he catches away His saints. Most believe the rapture is soon...anytime. However, we will work until Jesus comes.

I have asked the staff to meet with our men several times each year to give them all the news possible about the church and school, answer any questions, and take ideas from our men. I asked Tony to head up this meeting.

I have not been a total failure in my prayer life, my knocking on doors, my weeping over the lost, my Bible study, my nearly 500 revivals, nor my 100 preachers' meetings I moderated. However, I have been a near failure in getting and using information from our dear folks. I do not know how it happened, but I am sure it is ALL MY DOING. God has given us SO MANY brilliant minds here.

Our staff will do well with godly Tony leading. Help them and offer your thoughts prayerfully.

### Missionary Dave Clemmer

Brother Dave returns to Peru tomorrow, Lord will. He is so loved here. He was saved here, called to the mission field here, and has been supported here. He will have the preaching time tonight. You will not want to miss this service.

### Lord's Supper Tonight

Lord will, we will have the Lord's Supper (Communion) during the evening service. We are thankful to Crystal Harpe for taking care of this for us.

### Leters to All

Most people who get a letter from us will likely read it whether they are a friend or a foe. The pastor has sent many letters to the houses on the streets around Sutton Park, Secrest Avenue, Broome Street, Frances Street, Walkup Avenue, Mason Street, and more. The envelope had only the addresses on them as we do not know who lives in these houses. These letters are prayed over and will be honored at the Bema Seat. May we join this effort for Jesus' sake.

### Treasured Saints

The Treasured Saints enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party yesterday afternoon. Terry and Debbie Stevens and Scott and Ginger Couick spent hours cooking, decorating, and shopping for gifts for all our dear Treasured Saints. There was a great crowd who came to enjoy the abundance of food, the fun games, and the devotion by Brother Greg Pierce. Thank you so much, Terry, Debbie, Scott, and Ginger, for the heart you have given to our Treasured Saints for years.

### Brother Tommy Baucom

Brother Tommy was buried Friday at the cemetery near the church he pastored for 30 years. He had been in the hospital for 3 weeks and passed away about 7:30 Monday morning. Please continue to pray for the family.

### Sunday Night Promotions

The pastor is unsure how our promotions fell through the cracks. We do not want that. There are SO MANY PROMOTIONS we can have with TCS and our church. We can have school children singing, daycare night, relative night, neighbor night, coworker night, TCS night (We have many TCS families who never go to church and many who are lost.), and 25-50 more special promotions. In the past, God has given us some great folks through promotions. Sunday night promotions will not cut into other churches who are closed on Sunday nights.

### Ladies' Corner

We are quickly approaching a new year, and that sometimes brings unexpected changes. Changes can be good and sometimes bad. The great thing about our LORD is that He is in our tomorrows, so no matter what may lie ahead in our lives, He will not leave us to face it alone. Our God is merciful, loving, and forgiving. The Bible says, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8) Our best days are ahead when we see HIM.

Let this Christmas season be about HIM in your homes. Even if you have no one to celebrate it with, you have HIM. Spend some time telling HIM how much you love HIM. Holidays can be very busy, but if we include HIM in all our planning and going, it can be the best Christmas ever. One time, I went on vacation and diligently prayed months before we were to leave over every detail. It was the BEST vacation I ever had. Include HIM in this Christmas season as this season is about HIM.

### Special Offerings

Most of us have more means to help our Christian family than ever before. We want to start by receiving a Christmas offering for our dear friend, Pastor Eddie Zimmerman. He is 86 years old and has been a godly friend of our pastor, his family, and this church. He had his power cut off 4 times because he did not have the money to pay his bill.

Others need our help. We will let Scott inform us who needs help each month. He knows better than anyone here what godly folks need our help. Let's stand by God's family.

### God's Beautiful Church

We feel Bible Baptist Tabernacle and Tabernacle Christian School should be the nicest and best kept place anywhere. Gary and Beverly Griffin, John and Characci Lipe, Chuck and Crystal Harpe, Cindy Malone, and more must feel the same with all the work they do here. Pray for them and others, and help any way you can. Let's keep God's house the best possible.

### Heaven's Bank

What an opportunity we have every day to put something into the bank of Heaven! We somehow get our minds confused as to where the best dividends, interest, and return will be and invest our time daily into things here on earth. No interest here can ever compare to the return we will receive for even a cup of cold water given in Jesus' name! It is as simple as speaking His name in a public place or to one another. Oh, the doors God will open if we are willing to just attempt to share Him wherever we go!

### Ladies' Winter Party

The ladies will have a winter party on Saturday, January 10, 2026, at 11:00 am. This will be held in the vestibule of the church. We hope all our ladies will make plans to attend.

### Baptism

If there are folks who have not been scripturally baptized (by immersion) since you were saved, that is the first step in obedience to God. Please let the pastor, Brother Tony, or one of the other men on staff know if you want to be baptized.

### TCS Athletics

The school has no more home games until January, but they will play several away games. This coming week they will be in Gastonia on Monday and in Pageland on Friday. We are very possibly postponing the alumni game from December 19 until the end of January, but that decision will be made Monday or Tuesday of this week. Alumni will be notified on social media and the school app as soon as a final decision is made.

### Sunday School Teachers

On **Sunday, December 21**, Ethan Leonard will teach Brother Mark Boyce's Sunday school class. The high school classes and all the adult classes will meet in the auditorium to hear Brother Ken Harbin. Please pray for them as they prepare.

## Upcoming Events

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December 7 pm                      Brother Dave Clemmer

### Sunday Ushers for December

Colin Griffin, Larry Langston, John Lipe, Jonathan Purser, Jeff Seibel, and Chris Hill

Substitutes: Mark Jenkins, Sr. and Michael Leonard

### Wednesday Ushers for December

Jack Griffin, Gideon Howard, Samuel Mills, Adam Minter, River Ratliff, and Ryder Ratliff

## Birthdays

**December 11**      Charleigh Richardson

**December 12**      **Ken Harbin**  
**Amelia Howard**

**December 13**      **Jack Griffin**

## Nursery

December 7      am Faith Mangum  
Pm. Debbie Stevens

## Toddler Church

December 7      am Madison Howard  
pm Ginger Couick

December 10      Beverly Griffin

## Prayer List

**Pastor & Mrs. Leonard**  
**Bible Baptist Tabernacle**  
**Larry & Lucy Langston**  
Tommy & Elaine Baucom  
**Beverly DeWeese**  
**Taylor & Titus Boyce**  
**Sam Caudle**  
**Terry & Susan Helms**  
**Trish Williams**

**THE UNSAVED**  
**Judy Pressley**  
**Sam McCaskill**  
**Jacob Maye**  
**Judy Rae Harbin**  
**Tommy Mangum**  
**Curtis Ciampo**  
Eddie & Pat Zimmerman  
Ronnie Morton

**Gary & Helen Howard**  
**Ken & Michelle Harbin**  
Joe Morgan  
Tommy Munroe  
Arnold & Janice Jackson  
Bettina Decker  
Dawn Creech  
Pastor Benny Helms

**Jay & Becky Shannon**  
**Barbara Hayes**  
Kay Jordan  
John Hawkins  
Pastor Bobby Helms  
**Our Elderly**  
**Mary Jo Sumner**  
**John and Tammy Kelly**