

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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FROM THE PASTOR

May God mercifully and graciously work in all our hearts and lives today. We all probably need a work done in our lives by our Lord. Let's open up to Him and also seek Him for this. (II Chronicles 7:14)

God has been much better to us than we ever dreamed or imagined. Bible Baptist Tabernacle is over 56 years old, and Tabernacle Christian School is over 54 years old. We have paid for \$9 million in assets, had nearly 25 men called to preach, and had about 200 folks saved and living for God. We have a good staff, good school, good income, and a beautiful block of land. Oh, please give Him ALL the praise! This week, my wife and I rode around our property weeping as we thanked God for this block. Please join us in thanking God.

Let's join together and give our dear Lord all we are and all we have. He deserves that and will give us far more back than we could ever give. "What a Mighty God We Serve!"

"Just keep on praying 'til the light breaks through."

Brief BBT History

This church started long ago with 12-14 adults and 10 children. Brother Gary and Helen Howard, Brother Sam and Virginia Collins, Brother A.B. and Bernice Armstrong, Sister Pearlene Langston, Sister Peggy Bonner, and Sister Gertie Langston were all here in the beginning. There might have been 4-6 more that did not last long. The offering was only \$100 a week. There were no song books and no offering plates, BUT GOD. We believed and still believe if we will be true to our Lord, He always comes through for us, and He has. Only God knows what these few folks have meant to this ministry. Next week, there will be more on the history of BBT, Lord will.

Bring Them In

Nearly every day when our noon prayer meeting is over, the pastor comes out of the prayer room singing "Bring them in, bring them in, bring them in from the fields of sin ..." May the Lord charge all our hearts to do what we can WHILE we can to get people under the sound of the gospel. The eternal consequences are horrifically too great to just let people meet God without trying to get them under the sound of the gospel! We all know people who are unchurched or lost. May the Lord burden our heart and give us the boldness to do all we can to get them to Jesus.

Vacation Bible School

Brother Gary Griffin will preach tonight as we kick off our week of VBS. Please be sure to have your children here Monday through Wednesday from 6-9 pm as we head back to the beginning to "Genesis Park." We will have three nights of dinosaurs, time travel, games, crafts, and discovering the truth found in Genesis. We know it will be lots of fun. Pray for the workers this week as we minister to our children. Our greatest desire is to see these children saved at an early age.

We Need Church

Thank God we have a church that loves to have church! So many of us so look forward to coming with the joy David had when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD." (Psalm 122:1) There may come a time when you are UNABLE to come. A few months ago, one of our dear, faithful ladies was unable to come to church for almost 3 months due to sickness. She stated, "I miss church so much. I hope we can get back soon." That made me think of "My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD." (Psalm 84:2)

In his later years, the Apostle Paul stated, "Not forsaking the assembling of OURSELVES together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." (Hebrews 10:25) May the Lord help us guard against developing the "manner of some" (habit) of neglecting such a great opportunity that God has provided to aid in our spiritual growth, abundance of peace, and joy!

Treasured Saints

The Treasured Saints plan to go to the Sullenberger Aviation Museum in Charlotte on Tuesday, August 18. They will leave the church at 9 am. They plan to stop for lunch after visiting the museum. Please plan to go and enjoy this day with us.

Substitute Sunday School Teachers

Class	August 9
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	----
Loraine Horne	Kim Hood
Job Mangum	Colin Griffin

We need more who are willing to teach occasionally. Are you willing for God to use you? Please give your name to the pastor if God leads you to do so.

Medical News

Brother Brian Gurley received a medical report regarding his recent scan and did not receive good news. The radiation did not work and the tumor has grown and become more aggressive. They will discuss another treatment plan this week. Please continue to keep this family in your prayers.

Dawn Robinson Creech is also struggling with her cancer. We understand that the doctors have said they have done all that they can do. Please pray for Dawn and her family.

God gave Brother Craig Mills wonderful news. He does have diverticulitis, but some feared the news might have been much worse.

Vickie Little is seeing some improvement each day. Please continue to pray for her and help her out whenever you can do so.

Please pray daily for these dear ones.

Men's Softball

The men's softball group was able to get a game in this past week, despite low numbers. We will likely take a break this week due to VBS and have possibly the last game next Tuesday. These days of fellowshipping around the ballfield leave lasting memories for both the men and their families. During these times, the ladies talk and the children play as Brother Tim and Brother Keith cook up delicious hamburgers and hotdogs for everyone to enjoy. If you cannot play, you can still come help us make these memories more precious. Please join us.

Church Group Texts

Staying connected is important to us. If you would like to start receiving our weekly text updates—or if you have noticed you suddenly stopped getting them—please let Brother Tony know. He will be happy to add your number or help troubleshoot any system glitches.

College Students

Elias will be coming in and joining his sister Summer this week for VBS. It is so wonderful to have our college young people come back in for a visit every time they can. David should have one more week at the Wilds, while Ethan has until August 5 at his summer internship. They will all be here a few days until they must return for college classes and work. Please pray for them most of all, but also encourage them with your love and support.

Upcoming Events

July 26 pm	VBS Kickoff Brother Gary Griffin
July 27-29	VBS
August 23	Terry Stevens
September 17 6:30 pm	Rory Hood's shower (Amazon and Walmart)
October 25	Brother Max Alderman

Sunday Ushers for July

Robert Baker, Chris Hill, Ben Hood, Philip Mangum, Jeff Seibel, and Rolf Storz
Substitutes: Colin Griffin and Freddy Rodriguez

Wednesday Ushers for July

Reagan Griffin, Benjamin Hood, Elliot Howard, Zach Kiker, Rhett Ratliff, and Judson Seibel

Birthdays

August 1
Alivia Burnette
Rebecca Hill

Nursery

July 26 am Cindy Malone

Toddler Church

July 26 am Wren Richardson
Phebe Royal
pm Closed for VBS

Don't sacrifice the eternal on the altar of the temporal.

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