

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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FROM THE PASTOR

May God be so merciful to us until He is willing to save the LOST here. It seems as if we are not getting the results for God as we have in the past 55 years. Pray more earnestly. Pray louder as Spurgeon said.

We have a great, tender video message by Brother Jimmy Rose we will show soon, or perhaps Tony can send it to your phone. It is a very powerful message out of Esther our Spirit-filled missionary preached in 2003. Do not miss getting this from Brother Tony. We may show this some Wednesday night, Lord will.

My body has recently experienced some problems due to age. I feel it is best to have others in the pulpit while I try to recover every way God will touch me. Do pray for me as this is the first time in these 86 years and 55 years here that it has been this way. GOD HAS BEEN GOOD TO THIS WORM AND FLEA.

God bless you for being faithful to God and His church. All His people think He is coming SOON.

Independence Day

Is it wrong to use our Independence Day celebration to have cookouts, parades, fireworks, and joyous activities when so many men risked their fortunes and gave their lives to give us this freedom? Absolutely not! Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence, and John Adams, our second President, shared the same desire, that the posterity of those patriots would be able to do these very things in recognition of that great moment in history! Give glory to God and openly thank HIM for this blessing. Remember that freedom is not free. Guard our liberties with your vote and support of godly values, but CELEBRATE!!! Celebrate the gift of FREEDOM!!!

Special Offering Today

Dear Sister Beverly DeWeese (Renee's mother) flew in from Houston last week. She has been an unbelievable blessing to all of us. Today we want to receive an offering to help cover her plane fare.

Next Sunday, we want to receive an offering for Susan Helms as her husband Terry has been out of work with his heart trouble for some time and will soon have surgery. May we ask God to help us give.

Brother Ben Hood

Brother Ben Hood's dad passed away this past Thursday. He was about one year older than our pastor. Ben's mom has been in a rest home for some time now, and Ben's dad and the entire family has stayed right by her side. Please pray for and support our dear friends during this time. We will let you know of the arrangements as soon as possible.

New Elementary Building

The video of the new building did not do it justice. The pastor, his wife, and daughter went through it this week. It is so spacious, beautiful, and will be used mightily by God. Brother Tony designed it with MCT Buildings who have built many other school buildings. We will all love it this fall when we walk through it.

This week, the toilets, bathroom partitions, and all the locks in the room doors have been installed. White boards, bulletin boards, classroom tables, and chairs were delivered this past week. This coming week, the handicap parking lot should be poured and the cabinets and countertops should be installed. In the next couple of weeks, we hope to see the lockers installed and the landscaping finished. Please pray for us as we prepare for an exciting 2025-2026 school year.



Ladies' Corner

I ran track in high school and had several races each week. In this sport, there are a lot of strenuous practices on hills, techniques on how to breathe, and a strict diet. My coach would always remind me that when you are in a hard race and get near the finish line to LEAN IN as it is important to see who gets across the finish line first. This technique can be used in our lives. When things get hard, lean into it and do not quit or try to run away from it but go toward it. Some do not like to handle problems but pass them on to someone else. Life might get too hard with their jobs or dealing with people, so they just quit. No matter what the issue is, small or great, lean into it and ask the Father for help and guidance. Do not RUN from it but LEAN IN!

Teen Extreme

This week, the youth went to Pensacola Christian College for Teen Extreme. We had 21 to attend. The speaker was Pastor Kurt Skelly. He taught the teens twice per day and had a special session for the adult workers, also. The theme was *Be Strong and Courageous*. His messages included:

- Message #1: *You can't run from God but run to God.*
- Message #2: *You need to learn how to preach to yourself sometimes* (This was about when David had to encourage himself in the LORD.)
- Message #3: *You love Jesus, prove it!*
- Message #4: *Importance of Friendships.*
- Message #5: *Be the One*

All these messages were powerful, and the teens expressed to us how these messages so helped them. Yes, we take these teens to camp each year so they have a week to focus on God's Word, but it is so vital that the teens' fathers are teaching them daily by living right and guiding them as well.

A Special Thank You

We want to say a special thank you to all the sponsors for camp this past week. We appreciate Gary and Beverly planning this for our teens. We also want to thank Dennis and Mary Royal for taking off work so Brother Dennis could drive for us. Parents, thank you for allowing your teens to go with us. We pray God made a difference in their lives.

Summer Ball

The men and their families have been so enjoying the softball fellowship on Monday nights. Several grandparents come to watch along with school age children. The younger girls and boys play out under the trees while Brother Tim grills hot dogs and hamburgers! If you have not come out yet, join them this Monday (weather permitting). May we dwell together in wonderful unity and fellowship.

The junior baseball and T-ball teams will take a break this week as we celebrate the Fourth of July! Lord willing, we will pick back up next week.

TCS

The school has already been out for over a month of summer break. It is hard to believe, but in one more month, the ball teams will begin practicing once again. The new building and all the excitement it brings will cause these days of summer to be faster than the blink of an eye. Make sure you do not miss the moments with your family and children. Keep your heart focused on eternity!

Ushers

We will begin to use our Sunday ushers and Wednesday night ushers for an entire month beginning in July. If you will be out for any of your scheduled services, please let Brother Terry Stevens know as soon as possible. The July ushers will be listed in the News & Notes next Sunday.

Family Pictures

Next Sunday, we will have pictures of Gary and Beverly's family on a table in the vestibule. Our church always enjoys these very much. We hope God will lead many of our families to participate in putting out pictures of your family for whom you are so thankful. Please let us know if you want to do this one Sunday.

Nursery Workers Needed

We need a few more workers in the infant nursery. This is such an important ministry as it allows young mothers to sit in the service and hear the message without tending to their baby. If you can help, please see Sharon Mangum.

Brother Larry Langston

Brother Larry Langston was rushed the Monroe hospital (URMC) yesterday and had surgery to reattach his esophagus to his stomach. He is doing much better. Please keep him in your prayers.

Upcoming Events

July 2	Brother Josiah Couick
July 6 am	Brother Scott Couick
pm	Brother Tony Mangum
July 13	Brother Terry Stevens
July 21-23	Vacation Bible School

Birthday

June 29	Anna Aldridge
July 5	Megan Robinson

Spiritual Birthdays

Rory Hood	June 30, 2018
Tracy Rodriguez	June 30, 1993

Nursery

June 29 am	Faith Mangum
pm	Eden Mangum

Toddler Church

June 29 am	Beverly Griffin
pm	Beverly Griffin
July 2	Ginger Couick

This Week's Ushers

- Sunday Morning:** Colin Griffin, Tommy Hinson, Rich Howell, Jonathan Purser, Albert Rached, Freddy Rodriguez
- Sunday evening:** Robert Baker, Ben Hood, Larry Langston, Job Mangum, Jeff Seibel, and Rolf Storz
- Wednesday Ushers for July:**
Jack Griffin, Samuel Mills, River Ratliff, Ryder Ratliff, Lincoln Richardson, and John Royal

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