

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

(The Digital Edition)



e-News and Notes

May 31, 2026

FROM THE PASTOR

Welcome to Bible Baptist Tabernacle! Thank you for joining us as we worship God together.

God let me have 100% of the human effort in Brother Rick Baker's call to Mint Hill as Brother Belk called me asking if we had a man who could candidate at Faith. I also had 100% of the human effort in Brother Arnold Griffin's call to Wilmington as I was by my fireplace when Brother Bill Reagan called me for a prospect there. We sent a small monthly gift to Steve and Debbie for 5 months and 12 months to Brother Arnold. We have no regrets, and we wish we had done more. Brother Arnold borrowed some money from his company for us for a short time while we had \$400,000 owed to us by parents in TCS who were struggling.

God mercifully gave me over 400 revivals and 100 fellowships to moderate, and I never asked or hinted for one. At nearly 88 years old, the wicked devil tells me I am finished as few walk the aisles now sobbing to God as earlier in the ministry. Oh, I pray he is wrong.

God has let me preach recently in Albemarle, Lansing, Michigan, Mt. Airy, and Shelby. This week God has me near Raleigh for one night. Thank God for calling over 20 men to preach out of here. God is so good to His worms, fleas, and skunks.

If this is truly the LAST DAYS, please pray we shall be FAITHFUL UNTIL THE SHOUT FROM HEAVEN!

God Remembers Us

On May 31, 1970 (56 years ago today), God let a few (22) folks meet at the pastor's home in Marshville to start what He has given to us—a 6-million-dollar campus, debt-free, on Walkup Avenue. It is led by a worm and followed SO FAITHFULLY by good, godly men and women. There is not a more beautiful property in Union County. We struggled many years with huge amounts of money owed to us, BUT GOD knew the future and today. Oh, we drive over this property often weeping with thanksgiving.

Treasured Saints

The Treasured Saints will be going to a fellowship meeting at Teays Valley Baptist Church in Hurricane, West Virginia. They will leave Monday, June 15, and will return on Wednesday, June 17. This is the last day we will leave the sign-up sheet in the foyer, so please sign up today if you are interested in going with us. We need to be sure we have enough hotel rooms reserved and enough transportation. We hope you can join us.

Satan's Attack on the Old

As an older pastor, I have attacks by Satan as never before in my life. It may be because I am weak, cold on God, backslid, or just old. He tells me we are not getting anything done for God now and never will.

God gave me revivals and preaching opportunities in North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Arizona, Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Brazil, Mexico, Israel, and Hawaii. I have preached for over one hundred preachers in these sixty years. Seventy of them have already passed on to Glory. God let me help in twenty-five of their funerals. God has blessed me.

Please pray for me and our staff daily or even more often. PLEASE.

Graduation Sunday

We will have Graduation Sunday on June 14. Please invite families to come as we recognize each young person who graduated from college or high school. Parents, please bring your pictures to Mrs. Beverly in order for her to prepare a table of recognition for our seniors. They will also receive a Bible from the church that day.

College Students

Many of our college young people have gone elsewhere to work for the summer. Please do not forget them. Shower them with letters, texts, and calls. Maybe they will get so homesick that they will want to come back home to stay.

"The purpose of prayer is to reveal the presence of God equally present, all the time, in every condition." ~Oswald Chambers

Ladies' Corner

If you only read the first four words of Genesis 1:1, that would be enough. It says, **"In the beginning GOD** created the heaven and the earth." From the beginning of Creation, everything started with GOD. In the first six days, God created everything, including man, and created everything for man. We would not even exist if it had not been for HIM. I love the fact that God knows we can do nothing on our own, and He loved us enough that He did not just create us, but then sacrificed His only Son for us so that we could live with Him throughout eternity. He has seen us, but we have never seen Him, but one day we will.

Day of Prayer

The church will have a Day of Prayer on Saturday, June 13. We would like our members to sign up for a 30-minute or 1-hour time slot from **6:00 am to 9:00 pm**. That means our requests will be prayed over in the church auditorium for a solid 15 hours before the LORD. Many have already signed up, but we have a few time slots left. You will be given a list of requests. **We need your prayer requests.** If you would like to pray and/or have a request, please let Beverly Griffin know.

Sign

We need a beautiful digital church sign to replace the one that is 56 years old. We have lots of godly, brilliant, successful men here that can help Brother Tony pick it out, and all of us can help pay for it. Let's go with it.

Covered Pews

Brother Scott has found an excellent means to help our auditorium be improved for our Lord. Please pray and back him up in this.

Young Preachers

At Wayside Baptist in Lexington, the young preachers would preach in homes of old or poor folks, on streets, in jails, in rest homes, and on their jobs. Our preacher "boys" are encouraged to find a place and preach. God will see your effort.

Ark Encounter Meeting

Brother Gary Griffin will meet with all who plan to go to the Ark Encounter immediately following the evening service. If your young person is planning to go on this trip, please be sure to stay for this meeting.

Father's Day Service

Please join Brother Tim Griffin as he heads up our special Father's Day service on Sunday, June 21. Please invite your fathers, grandfathers, children, and grandchildren to help celebrate this day by coming to church with you. Please pray for this service.

Bridal Shower

Mary Mangum's bridal shower will be Thursday, July 16, at 6:30 pm in the church foyer. She is registered at Walmart, Target, and Amazon. Please mark your calendars so you will not miss this opportunity to support her and show her how much we love her.

TCS

Students and staff enjoyed their first week of summer break this past week. Although no regular classes will be in session, there will be plenty of things going on around the school this summer. Please continue to pray for our students and for the upcoming school year.

Upcoming Events

May 31	Brother Terry Stevens
June 2	Midweek service changed to Tuesday
June 3-5	Youth trip to the Ark
June 7	Brother Terrell Rose
June 15-17	Treasured Saints Trip
June 18	Midweek service changed to Thursday
July 16	Mary Mangum's shower
July 27-29	VBS

MIDWEEK SERVICE is TUESDAY @ 7:30 this week

Birthdays

June 1 Eden Mangum

Nursery

May 31 am Cindy Malone

Toddler Church

May 31 am Beverly Griffin
pm Beverly Griffin

Sunday Ushers for May

Colin Griffin, Rich Howell, Mark Jenkins, Sr., John Minter, Ryan Ratliff, and Freddy Rodriguez

Substitutes: Tommy Hinson and Jeff Seibel

Wednesday Ushers for June

Jack Griffin, Gideon Howard, Wesley Jordan, River Ratliff, Lincoln Richardson, and John Royal

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
Sam Caudle
Curtis Ciampo
Eddie & Pat Zimmerman
Brian Gurley
Mark Jenkins

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

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