

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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FROM THE PASTOR

May God mercifully deal with hearts today as Brother Tony preaches this morning and Brother John Melton preaches tonight. Brother Melton is a new face here, but he has pastored in China Grove for nearly 50 years and is a friend to Brother Daniel Jordan. We certainly do not want to miss hearing these brethren today. Please pray earnestly for them. Remember, God wants us to bring in the unsaved, unchurched, or those who do not have a Sunday night service. I am not sure I know of a church I have preached in that God has used and miraculously changed sinners to Christians as much as Tabernacle.

Mom and I went to Calabash this past Monday with Craig and Suzanne and Eddie and Pat. We ate fish Monday night, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, except we ate crab cakes and the Mills ate steak. We were SO TIRED when we arrived home at 8:15 Friday night. The BEST PART of being away is always getting HOME. I hear this from you all, too, and it is so true.

I spent time at the coast this week making a list of the preachers I have preached for over the years. If God gives me liberty next week, I may say more about this.

Preschool Day

“Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord.” (Psalm 127:3)

What a blessing our children are to us! We are so happy to have everyone here for Preschool Day. We are especially thankful for our preschool staff who have invited the children and their parents to participate in this special day. They have also spent time working with them on their songs. We know you will enjoy watching and listening to the children as they sing and introduce themselves today. They are sure to put a smile on our faces!

Children bring so much joy, laughter, and love into our lives. It is a blessing to watch them grow, learn, and begin to understand God's love for them. We are thankful for the opportunity to be a part of their lives and to help plant seeds of faith in their young hearts. Our prayer is that each child will always know how special they are to God, how much they are loved by Him, and that they will come to know Him as their personal Savior at an early age.

Thank you to our parents and families for sharing your precious children with us today. We pray that this will be a special and memorable day for everyone as we celebrate these little ones and the wonderful blessings they are to us. May God continue to bless each child, their families, and our preschool ministry!

Pastor's “Surprise” Birthday Party

We will have a “surprise” birthday party for the pastor in the gym immediately after the evening service. Please plan to stay and celebrate with us, and let our pastor know how much he is loved here at Tabernacle. Ladies, please bring a drink and dessert.

Pray for Us

We are trying diligently to have Brother John Melton here to preach on a Saturday and Sunday to reach our youth and adults. Please pray about this. Brother Daniel said he has the anointing of God and has been so used by God among the youth. Oh, how all of our churches need this. Pray for us as we try to work this in just as God would have it. We wanted to change Brother McGowan, but he already reluctantly agreed to change once, so we left his date alone.

Veterans Day

Please do not forget our Veterans Day service on November 8. We pray that the Lord brings in many men and women who have served our nation that day so that we may honor them with gifts, but more importantly, share Jesus with them. Lord willing, tonight we will give you some more information about our invitation cards. As you meet these men and women of uniform, please let them know how much we would love to have them with us that day.

Ladies' Corner

In Ezekiel 3:18 and 33:8, God warns us that if we do not witness, their blood will be on our hands. **“When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.”** Christians are too concerned with everything else now days except witnessing. No one wants to go on visitation or knocking on doors, but that is where the treasure really is. The enemy knows this, so he works really hard to get Christians busy on other things so they do not see the lost man, woman, or child. **Each Sunday morning, I tell the teen girls, “You do not want to be at the Bema Seat on that day and be empty handed with nothing to offer Christ.”** “Work for the Night is Coming” is a hymn we sing with so much truth. Christians, WAKE UP! Christ is coming! When we see Him, we will regret every day that we wasted on vanity.

New Date for Church Film and Supper

We had to reschedule our church film and supper. The new date to see the film “Great Awakening” will be **Saturday, November 14**. Supper will be provided at 4:00 pm in the church foyer, and the film will be shown in the auditorium immediately following the meal. Please do not miss this event as it is a very inspiring film. **PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER SO WE CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY FOR THE FOOD.**

Front Porch

Please be sure to take a look at our new front porch! We are so thankful to God and to His people for this beautiful improvement to our church. We appreciate everyone who gave of their time, talents, and hard work to make this project possible. It is a blessing to see God's house being cared for and improved, and we are grateful to everyone who helped make it happen!

“LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.” (Psalm 26:8)

TCS

The Tabernacle Rams JV volleyball and varsity soccer won their first-round state playoff games on Thursday and Friday. They advance to the second round this coming Tuesday. Varsity soccer will travel to Durham to play Fellowship Christian, the number one team in the state, at 4 pm. The JV girls' volleyball team will travel to Bessemer City to take on Community Christian at 4 pm. The Rams varsity girls fell to Southview on Friday to conclude their season. Please pray for our teams as they travel.

Teens

The teens will have a **Lego Build Night** with competitions, games, door prizes, and food on Saturday, October 31, from 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the gymnasium. Please plan to come and enjoy this fun-filled evening.

Special Christmas Program

We need a lot of participation in order to have a Christmas play to accompany Mrs. Charity's Christmas musical on December 20. Some have already been approached about helping, but if you are interested in helping or being in the play, please see Brother Stephen today.

Please pray daily for TCS Students and the TCS Staff

Upcoming Events

October 25 am	Brother Max Alderman
November 1-3	Brother Tony Finney
November 8	Veterans Day Sunday
November 14 (4 pm)	Church Film & Supper
November 15	Brother I.E. McGowan
November 23-24	Thanksgiving Revival at Shining Light
Nov. 29 (pm)–Dec. 2	Brother Larry Winkler
December 13	Brother Grady Gregory
February 15-17	Brother Daniel Buchanan

Birthdays

October 21 Pastor Leonard Ashlyn Burnette

Nursery

Oct. 18 am Eden Mangum

Toddler Church

Oct. 18 am Morgan Kiker Emma Griffin

Sunday Ushers for October

Derek Burnette, Tommy Hinson, Rich Howell, Daniel Jordan, John Lipe, and Job Mangum
Substitutes: Mark Jenkins, Jr., and Craig Mills

Wednesday Ushers for October

Elliot Howard, Gideon Howard, Zack Kiker, Samuel Mills, Ryder Ratliff, and Judson Seibel

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
Judy Pressley
Our Elderly
Mary Jo Sumner
Ronnie Morton
Dave Clemmer