

BIBLE BAPTIST TABERNACLE

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e-News and Notes

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FROM THE PASTOR

Thank you for honoring us with your presence and prayers today. We ask for your prayers on our behalf every day. So many of our friends have heartaches, troubles, and unsaved family members. Earnest prayers and sincere love have corrected so many things the devil has sent into the lives of our family and friends.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of another one of our TCS graduates, Chris Thomas. He passed away early last Saturday morning at 25 years of age. His mother, Joyce Thomas, has always been a great supporter of TCS. His memorial service was this past Friday evening in Mt. Pleasant. It was attended by several TCS staff members, former classmates, and many TCS parents. Please pray especially for Mrs. Joyce.

Brother Terry Stevens will preach to us from the Word of God this morning. Please pray for him and support him with your attention and “Amen’s.”

May we do all possible to please God in helping others and the cause of Christ.

Grandparent’s Day

“Children’s children are the crown of old men.” (Proverbs 17:6a) Today is the nationally recognized Grandparent’s Day, and we are so pleased to make it Grandparent’s Day here at Bible Baptist Tabernacle! How fitting it is to honor those who God specifically mentions in His Word. Many of you have gone out of your way to be here for this special day. We hope that you leave with wonderful memories and a special blessing from your time worshipping our precious Lord Jesus today. At the end of this day, may He alone get all the glory. We have a small gift for our grandparents today. We hope this will help you remember this time together at BBT.

How to Witness

Brother Scott will have a couple of classes soon on Thursday nights on how to witness and reason with people about their souls. He will borrow a lot of material that another pastor has successfully used in his church. We MUST sow the seed of the Word of God! We are not required nor able to save people; however, we MUST tell them about Jesus Christ who ALONE CAN! May the Lord stir our hearts and work in us both TO WILL and TO DO this great work.

Local Revivals

Brother Tony Finney will preach tomorrow and Tuesday for Brother Trent Linville at First Baptist Church in Mineral Springs at 7:00 pm. Please help Brother Trent, Brother Tony, and this church by supporting this meeting.

Brother Jeff Lindsay will have Brother Stephen Aldridge on September 29-October 2, and Brother Kenny Baldwin on October 1-2. Please plan to go support these men and the people of Old Paths Baptist. May our people back up these men with prayer and attendance.

First Week Back at TCS

Our first week back to school was great, but many teachers have expressed that it was exhausting. The Lord has given us over 45 new students this year and that always invites tons of questions and things that must be corrected until the students are fully acclimated. It was great to see so many smiles from the students, parents, and staff. Tabernacle has always been referred to as a place that is extremely welcoming to students who are shunned in public schools. We thank the Lord for that!

Brother Steven Aldridge preached a 2-day school revival. We wanted him to spend all week with us, but he was unable to do that. There was at least 1 student saved and another student wanted to get right with the Lord. We have seen many students make professions of faith through the years. Help us pray that God would use the school to see many children come to Jesus Christ.

Ladies’ Corner

This past Thursday, September 4, Gary & I have been married for 26 years. I told my children recently that when they look for a spouse, they should pray God gives them someone who will be with them through thick, thin, and **thinner**. **Marriage is a covenant and must be taken very seriously** as we will answer for how we treated one another in this life. Gary is the most selfless person I know and puts his family above his own needs. Every morning, I wake up and find him reading his Bible. I have heard him say many times during trials, “There is still a God in Heaven, and He will provide.” When he got shot in 2001, his first words after surgery were, “God is still on the throne.” He sacrifices many hours each week to volunteer at the school and church and always works behind the scenes with no thought of praise or recognition but walks humbly before the LORD. He values his GOD and his family. So many marriages today that have not been through anything, tear each other down with no thought that they will be held accountable for it one day.

Visitation

It was a blessing to have Kim Hood and Cathy Seibel ask us for names of folks they could go see this past Thursday night. We are thankful for those who go visit folks on a regular basis. The Hoods pick up children every week and bring them to church. Oh, may the Lord put it deep in our hearts to be mission-minded STARTING with those around us and then to the uttermost parts of the world.

Tracts

We currently have thousands of "Titanic," "God's Plan Is So Simple," and "This Was Your Life" tracts for you to pick up and distribute to everyone God allows you to meet. Tracts are POWERFUL and have been instrumental in seeing millions receive the wonderful news that Jesus Christ came into the world to save them from their sins and ultimately from an eternal lake of fire. Our church has given out hundreds of thousands of tracts over these 53 years. It is extremely rare for someone to refuse a gospel tract, and even rarer for them to be rude to you for offering one. We have only ONE CHANCE to help people get to Jesus Christ. May we do what we can, while we can.

Ladies’ Bible Study

The ladies will meet this Thursday, September 11, at 7 pm, at the home of Mary Jo Sumner for their monthly Bible study. Crystal Harpe will be teaching this month. Please join us as we continue our study on the life of David.

Brother Tim

Brother Tim wanted to thank everyone for the prayers, texts, and calls. He wanted to encourage folks to sign up in the vestibule for the Fisherman’s Club. He hopes to be able to be back on visitation in a couple weeks but encourages you to get with Tony, Scott, or Stephen in the meantime.

Our Young Adults

Do not forget the college students who are away from us this fall. They would love to get texts or cards from home. Remember to encourage our teens, single young people, and young married couples. They may not express their feelings of gratitude at these times in their life, but be assured, you are making an impact on them.

TCS Athletics

The TCS ball teams will play away across town at Shining Light Monday. They travel to Victory in Gastonia on Friday. Just the soccer team will travel to Woodland in Winston- Salem for their last game of the week.

Baby Shower

Thank you so much for the love you showed Danielle and Job yesterday by supporting the baby shower for little Esther who is due in a few weeks. Our church has always pulled together to support showers, and we thank God for that. We have the promise from God that He WILL NOT forget our labors of love!

The Terrys

It is so wonderful to have Heather's mom and dad, Steven and Gina Terry, with us today! This couple has been faithful to God for many years and has made a significant impact on our church through the Jordan family! Lord willing, we hope to hear from them today.

Treasure Exchange

We will be having a **Treasure Exchange** on Saturday, September 27, 2025, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm in the gymnasium. This will be a fun way to bring our extra things and bless someone else. It will work like a yard sale except everything will be FREE. We will have a coffee table set up and lunch will be provided. This will be a time for shopping, food, and fellowship. The goal of this event is to help our brothers and sisters in the LORD with things they may need. This is only available for Tabernacle people. Please plan to come and “shop” with us. If you have any questions, please see Beverly Griffin.

Upcoming Events

September 27 Treasure Exchange (11 am – 1 pm)

Birthdays

September 11 Isaac Royal
September 12 Eliana Couick

Nursery

September 7 am Crystal Harpe
 pm Faith Mangum

Toddler Church

September 7 am Mia Griffin
 pm Loraine Horne
September 10 Candace Jordan

Sunday Ushers for September

Derek Burnette, Colin Griffin, Chris Hill, Mark Jenkins, Sr.,
Larry Langston, and Jonathan Purser

Substitutes: Ben Hood and Ryan Ratliff

Wednesday Ushers for September

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

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
Ronnie Morton

Steve Morris
Jay & Becky Shannon
Barbara Hayes
Kay Jordan
Tommy Munroe
Carmen Walker
John Hawkins
Our Elderly
Betinna Decker