

## Church Workers

Date	Greeters	Nursery - Worship
Aug 6	Shea & Ashley Morton - Sunday Sch. Wiley Little - Worship	Ashley Morton, Sandra Chance
13	Bobby & Renee Watkins - Sunday Sch. Mickey & Vera Robinson - Worship	Lori & Allison Efird
20	Eddie & Linda Arrowood - Sunday Sch. Ronell Taylor - Worship	Renee Watkins Deborah Tucker
27	Matt & Melanie Hudson - Sunday Sch. Deborah Tucker - Worship	Marilyn Huneycutt, Matt & Melanie Hudson
Sep 3	Mandy Smith - Sunday School Gerald & Bonnie Lee - Worship	Danny & Julie Poplin

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Date	Deacon of the Week	Stewardship
Aug 6	Cliff Edwards	Jim Cameron
13	Kevin Floyd	Lynn Edwards
20	Buddy Gaddy	Usher - Jeff Bowers
27	Doug Hinson	
Sep 3	Tracy Lowder	

The Nominating Committee is in the process of finalizing their report to be presented and voted upon on August 13. Please call or email the church office if you would like to serve - or continue to serve - your church in one of the above capacities. Also, if you wish to be removed, call or email. Thank you! Phone: (704) 485-4313, email: [firstbaptistoakboro@gmail.com](mailto:firstbaptistoakboro@gmail.com)

*"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come."  
Proverbs 31:25*

Proverbs 31 Wannabes,  
Meet at the church at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday,  
August 6, to go to the lake for our meeting

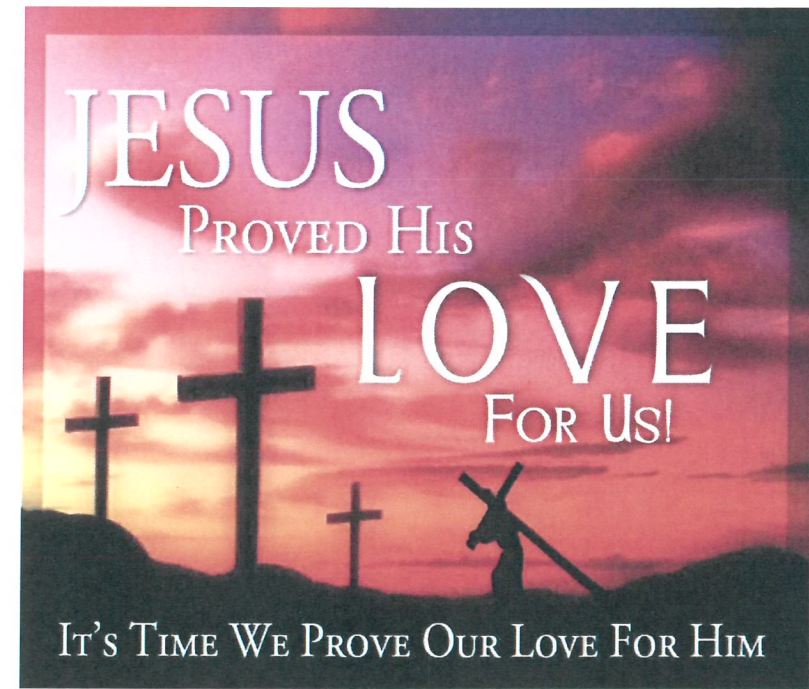
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### In the beginning ...

Those are three words filled to the brim with potential. When we are at a beginning of something, anything can happen. I recently started a series of books. The first few

pages introduced the readers to Clary. If you had stopped there, the things Clary could have done and experienced (over the course of six volumes!) were limitless. Now, nearly halfway through the series, there are some limits in place because she can't un-have any experiences, but I quite literally could not have imagined all she the things she has faced and who her character has become.

That's the beautiful thing about a good story. You could sit and guess at all it might contain within its pages, but the only way you are ever going to really find out what lies within will be to see for yourself.

We are at a beginning together here at FBC. The road that lies ahead of us is absolutely littered with possibilities. But, just like in any good story including the greatest story of all, the author has a particular journey in mind. And, sitting where we are looking out over the road stretching out before us over the horizon, we could not imagine the great things waiting for us when we get there.

We will together encounter new ideas, have new experiences, and explore new directions, while at the same time rejoicing in our heritage, standing firmly on the foundation that has been laid for us, and bridging the gap between old and new. There is much about our way that is presently unclear. We may yet be faced with hard times, painful decisions, and treacherous pathways. Yet what is sure is this: The things God has for us will be beyond our ability to imagine them. We will together look back one day with grateful hearts at the path down which He has led us.

My hope and prayer as we set off down this road is that you will come along for the journey. Lisa, the boys, and I are eager to begin experiencing with you what God has in store for us. Let us together see how this story we are writing will unfold.

*Pastor Jonathan Waits*

### Support Local Ministries



For August, the requested items are **boxed and canned pasta meals**. If you will pick up these items on your shopping trip and drop them off in the basement kitchen area, they will be delivered to Stanly Community Christian Ministries.

### CONGRATULATIONS! CONGRATULATIONS!



*Welcome to new baby girl:  
**Emerie Brett Smith**,  
daughter of Brett & Carla Smith,  
born July 12. Big brothers are  
Braden, Cooper, and Case, and  
proud grandparents are  
Larry & Sherrie Burgess.*

*Proud grandparents Chip & Dot Alsobrooks welcome  
grandson **Isaiah Dean**, born July 22, weighing 7  
pounds, 9 ounces and measuring 20 inches long.  
Wendi & Brent Miller are his proud parents.*

**College Student Addresses:** We need college students' addresses to be featured in the weekly "Student of the Week" section. Please call the office or email Delinda at [dhuneycuttfbc@gmail.com](mailto:dhuneycuttfbc@gmail.com) with the address.



Everyone is welcome to go along to McLeod Farms in McBee, SC for peaches. Since we picked up peaches on our last outing, the group wasn't planning to go there, but NOW we ARE going on **August 9**, leaving the church at 10:00 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you're interested.

If you haven't been on this outing, there is an on-site restaurant with great, home-cooked specials, hand-pattied burgers, other sandwiches and salads – AND delicious peach lemonade!! In addition to boxed peaches, the produce stand offers seasonal vegetables, fresh-baked items, a dessert bar with ice cream and other treats. Another highlight is their free antique museum that features cars, trucks, tractors, signs, bottles, cash registers, cameras and many other items. Come, join the fun!



**Richard's Coffee Shop & Living Military Museum Trip:** On Tuesday, **August 15**, HOPE Fellowship will leave at 9:00 a.m. and venture to Mooresville to see relics from the different wars including some civil war uniforms. This is a meaningful tribute to those who serve, or have served, our country. Admission is free, but bring money to have lunch at Corinne's Café.

These trips are open to ALL ages, but be sure to sign up so we can guarantee transportation and reserve space for lunch!

Also, stay tuned for more details about HOPE Fellowship's September trip to Mt. Airy, as visits to the Mayberry-inspired sites, followed by a trip to get apples are being planned.



**Saturday, August 12 - 8:00 a.m.**

**Leave for US National White Water Center**

You will need to reserve your space and pay the

**\$20 admission by August 9**

See Andy or Julie Castelloe for more info



**August 16 - 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Youth Center Clean-Up Day**

All Youth are Needed to Help Tidy Our Space

**Saturday, August 19 - 6:00-10:00 p.m.**

**YOUTH "Hope" Party**

Pool Party & Bonfire at the Castelloes



**Wednesday, August 23 - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

**Youth & Children**

**BACK TO SCHOOL SPLASH at**

**Oakboro Swim Club**



**Friday, August 25 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Serve Homemade Ice Cream at Cruise-In**



**Wednesday, August 30 - 6:45 p.m. Wednesday Night**

**Youth Resumes!!!**



*"Thank you so much for all the visits, phone calls, cards, food and especially your prayers as mom has been dealing with many health issues. We appreciate and love each of you.*

*Thank you," Tom and Bertha Rogers and Family*

*"Dear OFBC Family,*

*Thank you all so much for allowing me to be the recipient of the Terrell & Janice Watts Scholarship. I can't thank you all enough for the prayers, cards, and endless encouragement that you have given me as I transition from high school to college in the fall. This church family has been a blessing and I will miss all of you while I'm in Boone.*

*Sincerely, "*

*D. J. Poplin*

*"Thank you for allowing me to use your fellowship hall to share our STEM school information with the community. I look forward to working with you in the coming years and appreciate all the support you have shown thus far for Oakboro Choice STEM School. All the best."*

*Kelly Dombrowski*

*"Dear members of the First Baptist Church of Oakboro, Thank you so much for allowing us to visit on graduation Sunday. The breakfast was delicious! Everyone was so welcoming and kind. Also, thank you for helping to fund scholarships for students, as well as awarding me with the Amy Boger Memorial Scholarship. It was such an honor to receive this wonderful scholarship. Again, thank you for everything you do in the community to help others. Love in Christ,"*

*Emily Tucker*

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*"Dear Scholarship Committee, I would like to thank you for selecting me to receive your \$350 scholarship. This money will be put towards books and other expenses. It will assist in me finding my true calling Wingate University this fall.*

*Thank you," Drake Austin*

*"Thank you so much for the scholarship in Alan Smith's honor! I promise to work hard and take me where God leads me. This scholarship will help me buy books and supplies for Wingate. Please continue to pray for me and the path God has prepared for me! Sincerely,"* Conner Edwards

*"First Baptist Church, Thank you for the support through the scholarship you have provided me with. It means a lot and it will be used throughout my journey at Pfeiffer University. Thank you,"* Karie Grace

*"Dear First Baptist Family, Words are inadequate to fully express my feeling. Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, calls and visits during my recent surgeries. I am proud to be a member of such a loving and caring church."*

*Scott Gwyn*

### Tithes and Offerings

<b>Budget Goals - May, June, July</b>	<b>\$81,268.85</b>
<b>Budget Receipts - May, June, July</b>	<b>68,642.66</b>
<b>Budget Goals - YTD</b>	<b>300,069.60</b>
<b>Budget Receipts - YTD</b>	<b>267,189.76</b>
<b>Budget Variance</b>	<b>-32,879.84</b>
<b>Special Offerings</b>	
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>4,520.00</b>
<b>Annie Armstrong Offering</b>	<b>575.00</b>
<b>Mother's Day Offering</b>	<b>150.00</b>
<b>Youth - Ice Cream</b>	<b>361.00</b>
<b>Youth - Donation</b>	<b>80.00</b>
<b>Scholarships</b>	<b>730.00</b>
<b>Van Fund</b>	<b>2,594.00</b>



A donation was given to the Building Fund in honor of **Dana Jenkins** by Mae Brooks.

**In Honor . . .**

In honor of **D. J. Poplin**, a contribution was made to the Youth by Lynn & Cliff Edwards.

The Blessed Assurance Sunday School class made a donation to the Building Fund in honor of **Lonnie Kennedy**.

In honor of **all graduates**, Mae Brooks made a donation to the Building Fund.

In honor of **Wiley & Joyce Little**, a donation was made to the Building Fund by Deborah Tucker.

Contributions were given by Mae Brooks to the Building Fund in honor of **Rev. Dwight & Norma Mabry**.

In honor of **Dianne Hudson's birthday**, a donation was given to the Building Fund by Ted & Jewell Parker.

In honor of **Rev. Jonathan & Lisa Waits**, donations were given by Mae Brooks to the Building & Van Funds.

The Blessed Assurance Sunday School class made contributions to the Building Fund in honor of **Peggy Carey and Elaine Brooks**.

In honor of **Mae Brooks's 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday**, a contribution was given to the Church Van by Buddy & Mary Helen Gaddy.

In honor of **Scott Gwyn**, the Adult Choir made a donation to the Building Fund.

A donation was made to the Building Fund by Mae Brooks in honor of **All VBS Workers for an excellent Bible School**.

In honor of **Joey Goodman**, a contribution was given by Mike McClellan.



**In Loving Memory**

In memory of **Craig Jenkins**, contributions were given to the Building Fund by:

- Deborah Tucker
- Eddie & Linda Arrowood
- Helena McClellan
- James & Dianne Hudson
- Miky & Marilyn Huneycutt
- JOY Sunday School Class

In memory of **Craig Jenkins**, a donation was made to the Van Fund by Jim & Cheryl Cameron.

In memory of **Jewell Whitley**, donations were given to the

- Building Fund by
- Ted & Jewell Parker
- Jim & Cheryl Cameron
- Barbara Drye
- Bea & Kim Goodman
- Mae Brooks
- Doug & Ann Burgess
- Blessed Assurance Sunday School Class
- Wiley & Joyce Little
- First Baptist Church, Oakboro

A contribution was made to First Baptist, Oakboro, by Chip & Dot Alsobrooks in memory of **Jewell Whitley and Georgie Osborne**.

Harold & Louise Floyd made a donation to the Van Fund in memory of **Jewell Whitley and Georgie Osborne**.

A donation was given by Mae Brooks to the Building Fund in memory of **June Morgan**.

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In memory of **Jerry Crisco, Barbara Drye** made a contribution to the Building Fund.

In memory of **Georgie Osborne**, donations were given to the Building Fund by:

- Ted & Jewell Parker
- Tom & Bertha Rogers
- Mae Brooks
- Doug & Ann Burgess
- Deborah Tucker
- Wiley & Joyce Little



**ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH are invited to the Oakboro Swim Club on Wednesday, August 23, from 7:00 -9:00 p.m. to celebrate school starting back. Make plans to come and invite your friends to join you!**



*Senior Adult Luncheon*



**SENIOR ADULTS**, Mark your calendars for Sunday, **September 10**, for the rescheduled **Senior Adult Luncheon**.

This happens to be "Grandparents Day," so the children would like to treat and serve you on this day! Another sign-up sheet will be posted in the near future for you to reserve your place of honor at this event.



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# AUGUST

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**August**

- 1 Kelli Coley
- 2 Claudette Love
- 4 Todd Craven
- 5 Dakota Lincoln
- 7 Ryan Furr
- 11 Margaret Tyson  
Abby Lawhon  
Anna Marsicano
- 13 Zack Zimmerman
- 14 Meredith Broadway
- 15 Abby Perdue
- 16 Melissa Eaglen  
Vera Robinson
- 18 Debbie Edwards
- 19 Blake Condray
- 20 Claudia Boger  
Mary Helen Gaddy
- 21 Julie Castelloe
- 22 Bobby Watkins
- 23 Bronnie Hinson  
Tinker Craven  
Amanda VanHoy
- 24 Nicholas Marsicano  
Reagan West
- 25 Daren Stoker
- 26 Tom Rogers  
Sawyer Hathcock  
Carla Smith
- 27 Victoria McEachern  
Chaz Thompson
- 28 Brooks Barnhardt  
Sheila Hinson
- 29 Helena McClellan  
Alan Love

**September**

- 2 Aline Tarlton
- 3 Cameron Stroud

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<b>Weekly Sunday Services</b> <b>9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday School</b> <b>11:00 a.m. ~ Worship</b>			1	2	3	4	5
			6:45 p.m. Mission Groups  7:45 Adult Choir				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
3:00 p.m. <i>Proverbs 31</i> <i>Wannabes Leave for Lake Meeting</i> 4:00 Deacons' Meeting	8:30 a.m. Two or More Prayer Group		6:45 p.m. Bible Study  7:45 Adult Choir			8:00 a.m. Youth Leave for	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
12:00 p.m. <b>Annual Church Conference</b> Vote on Deacons, Budget & Nominations  7:00 p.m. Pastor Jonathan Speaking at Pleasant Grove Revival	8:30 a.m. Two or More Prayer Group	9:30 a.m. HOPE Fellowship Trip to Richard's Coffee Shop & Living Veterans Museum, Then Lunch at Corinne's <b>ALL AGES WELCOME!</b>	4:00 - 8:00 p.m. <b>YOUTH CENTER CLEAN-UP DAY</b>  6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:45 Adult Choir			6:00-10:00 p.m. Youth "Hope" Party	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
	8:30 a.m. Two or More Prayer Group		6:45 p.m. Bible Study 7:00-9:00 <b>BACK TO SCHOOL SPLASH</b> at Oakboro Swim Club  7:45 Adult Choir	 6:00 p.m. Youth Serve Homemade Ice Cream for Cruise-In		 <b>Pool Party &amp; Bonfire at Castelloes</b>	
27	28	29	30	31			
	8:30 a.m. Two or More Prayer Group 9:30 Senior Adult Committee		6:45 p.m. Bible Study Wednesday Youth Group Resumes  7:45 Adult Choir		<b>Sunday Morning Series:</b> <b>A Word on Reality</b> <b>1 John</b>		

