



THE BAPTIST INFORMER

NEWS OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOUR OAKS

October 2018

And the king will answer and say to them, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."
Matthew 25:40 (NKJV)

During the month of October we encourage those who participate in the life of FBCFO to engage in missions - through RAs and GAs, Baptist Men and WMU. We have often participated in a one day missions blitz in the Four Oaks area known as Operation In-As-Much. Again this October we want to encourage everyone to involve themselves in missions.

Mission Statement

The family of First Baptist Four Oaks believes in God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. To fulfill the Great Commission, we will love, serve, learn, and fellowship together.

I do not think any of us could foresee the level of destruction brought on by Hurricane Florence. Yet for many, they are back at square one once again, some 2 years following Hurricane Matthew. And in the same way the church has wonderfully responded to the needs of those affected by the storm thus far, I am sure our response will continue. Though that response may take a different form now that the waters have receded.

We also use this month to highlight the ministry of our Food Pantry. For Baptists, October is designated as World Hunger Month - bringing attention to those around the world who still go to bed hungry. When our young people come to your door trick-or-treating for canned foods, please give as generously as you can. Through September, our Food Pantry has ministered to over 1000 people this year. As well as the Backpack Buddy Ministry provides food for 125 children each month.

October 31st will offer us another opportunity to participate in missions. On that evening (Wednesday) you are invited to come and set-up for Trunk-or-Treat in the church's parking lot. Discipleship Training will be cooking hot dogs for all the families which come through that night. This is a great chance to engage the local community in a caring way. Be warned though - last year at the parsonage we had almost 700 trick-or-treaters.

These are just a few of the opportunities we will have as a church to participate in missions throughout the month of October. Opportunities to share the good news of Jesus Christ with our community in word and deed. To witness to our community that God is love, and God has reached out to us all in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. To proclaim Jesus is our savior and he invites us all to follow him as lord.

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Preschool: 963-2013

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Grace & Peace, *John*

Worship in October

October 7, 2018

Isaiah 11

The Story We Find Ourselves In: Isaiah

October 14, 2018

Service of Deacon Ordination

for

Mrs. Pat Bridgers

October 21, 2018

Service of Dedication for our Ministry Trailer

October 28, 2018

Observance of the Lord's Supper

Wednesdays in October

6:00 PM Dinner Served - Suggested Cost:

\$4.00 per meal

\$2.00 (4-10 years old)

Free (3years old and under)

6:30 PM Prayer Meeting - Adults & Youth

Music/Worship - Children

7:00 PM Discipleship Training

(See Schedule Below)

8:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Discipleship Training Schedule for October

- October 3rd:** RAs/GAs
Youth: *Prayer - Part 2*
Adults: *Disciples Path-The Blessing of Community*
- October 10th:** RAs/GAs
Acteens/David's Dudes
Adults: *Disciples Path - Joining Jesus on Mission*
- October 17th:** **Quarterly Business Meeting** (Churchwide-No classes)
- October 24th:** **Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Packing** (All classes, All groups)
- October 31st:** **Trunk or Treat**

Meal Schedule for October

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| October 3rd: | Dorothy Parker A (Patsy Parker) | Fried Chicken, Vegetables, and Banana Pudding |
| October 10th: | Choir B (Carol Moore) | Hot Dogs and Trimmings |
| October 17th: | Youth (David Little) | Pizza and Salad |
| October 24th: | Agape Circle (Ann Massengill) | Chicken Pastry |
| October 31st: | Discipleship Training | TBD |

Sunday, October 21st Baptist Men's Breakfast

The Baptist Men are sponsoring a Churchwide Breakfast on Sunday, October 21st at 7:45 AM.
The guest speaker will be Chip McGuirt (Disaster Relief Team Leader for NC Baptist Men).

We need a count of all who will be attending breakfast.

Please call the church office to sign up so that we have food prepared for everyone!

We invite all Baptist Men's Cook Teams to come out and help with cooking and setting up for this event.

Little's Little Youth Word

October is probably one of my favorite months of the year. Hockey is back, the NC State Fair, MLB playoffs, football is in full swing, and of course Halloween!

October is also the beginning of the new church year. As we begin the new church year, we look at what the youth group is looking forward to over the next year. It is going to be an amazing year. We will of course continue with Wednesday nights looking at issues that our youth face on a daily basis, as well as our Acteens and David's Dudes.

We will have our Christmas Party and several Mission Projects. We will have some game nights and great fellowship as a youth group. There will be many growing opportunities.

There will also be chances for our youth to show their leadership and skill sets. We will slowly be integrating our youth more into worship. They will be leading in our prayers, reading scripture, and using their various talents. We hope many of these chances will allow our youth to grow in their faith but also help others grow in their faith.

I am so excited for all these things coming up over the year. While October may be my favorite, this year will prove that great things happen year round.

Dates to Remember

October 17 - Youth will be serving Wednesday Night Meal

December 5 - Youth Christmas Party



Churchwide Missions for October and WMU-FO News

WMU Mission: “...is to inform and inspire the Christian woman to influence her world for Christ.”

Events for WMU Mission Groups in OCTOBER 2018:

Agape Mission Group meets on Tuesday, October 2nd at 10:30 AM at the home of Mary Keene.

Dorothy Parker Circle meets on Tuesday, October 9th at 7:00 PM in the Prayer Room.

Lib Canaday Circle meets on Thursday, October 11th at 7:00 PM in the library.

Missions for Christ Mission Group meets on Monday, October 1st at 6:00 PM in the FH with Laura Rogers.

Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Packing

Wednesday, October 24th has been set as the date to pack our shoeboxes!

We will do this during Discipleship Training

The Johnston Community College Campus Ministry on Wednesdays throughout the fall . .

Each week this ministry needs at least \$75 towards purchasing food and drinks for the weekly Bible Study. (Attendance last fall averaged 39 in the Wednesday meetings). If you are able to help with this, please let Kelton Hinton or Tonya Grice know at the JBA office. This is the largest campus college ministry in the state, so please try and support these students.

The **SECU Hospice House in Smithfield** is requesting that area church groups make meals for those individuals who have a family member staying in Hospice. The coordinator of this project is asking for desserts on Wednesday nights and a lunch on Saturday or dinner on Sunday nights. This would entail **15 individually wrapped desserts on Wednesday** and **Saturdays/Sundays** would require **15 lunches or dinner plated items wrapped**. A schedule for the **2018 year** was sent out by the church office. Anyone or group interested in working on this project contact Laura Rogers for a sign up date or Wanda Johnson at Hospice in Smithfield with your selected date and menu item.

CHECK OUT THE WMU BULLETIN BOARD LOCATED ACROSS FROM THE PRAYER ROOM FOR ANY 'NEWS ITEMS'. ACTEENS AND GIRLS IN ACTION GROUPS ALSO HAVE SPACE FOR ITEMS AVAILABLE. The newly revised Funeral Food Committee Sheets are available on the table. We have tried to keep this updated to better serve everyone.

In His Hands Life Ministry, Inc. Pregnancy Support Center's 10th Annual Fundraising Banquet is Thursday, October 4th at 6:30 PM at the Farm (215 Batten Road, Selma, NC 27576). This is a great opportunity to show support for all of Ann Ernest's, (Director of the Center) hard work over these ten years. First Baptist Church is hosting a table this year and 8 people can sit at the table. If you would like to contribute to the fundraiser and attend the banquet, please contact Laura Rogers by September 25th.

WMU-NC Red Box Inmate Christmas Ministry is due on October 26th to the JBA office. This year the item for collection is **chapstick**. The **chapstick** should be regular shaped. If you purchase multi-packs, they should be separated. The goal is 900 this year. This is a good time to begin collecting during the summer sales. A WMU Red Collection Box will be in the Genesis classroom.

Everyone is invited to the Johnston Baptist Association WMU - Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on Monday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pine Level Baptist Church, 110 South Peedin Avenue, Pine Level, N.C. The theme this year is "Arise & Shine." When We Rise Up, He Shines Through. Praying, Giving, Singing, Sharing, Learning. There is a special ceremony for the church representing the most members present this year. Make plans to attend on November 5. There will be a carpool leaving the church at 6:15 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE: Camp Mundo Vista's 50th Anniversary Celebration will be on June 1, 2019.

Relay for Life News

This year our Relay for Life Team had the best year so far!

We hit the "Platinum" level by raising a total of **\$7,633.00**.

The 2018-2019 year has begun and the website is open for registration: www.jcnc.relay.org

This is Johnston County's 25th year and the theme is "Through the Decades."

Some Dates to Remember:

Saturday, October 6th

Relay for Life Bark For Life at Clayton Municipal Park

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Saturday, October 13th

"Miss"ter JOCO Relay-Hunks in Heels at WJ Barefoot Auditorium in Benson

7:00 PM

Look for flyers on the Relay Bulletin Board or call Marilyn at 919-300-1426.

OCTOBER 2018

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

***Designates each week**

	1	2	3	4	5	6
*10:00 AM Sunday School	6:00 PM Missions for Christ Mission Group meets in the FH with Laura Rogers	10:30 AM Agape Mission Group meets at the home of Mary Keene	*6:00 PM Fellowship Meal *6:30 PM Prayer Meeting Ch./Youth Choirs 7:00 PM RA's/GA's Youth: Prayer-Part 2 Adults: Disciples Path-The Blessing of Community *8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	*12-2:00 PM Food Pantry open at church		
*11:00 AM Worship	Oct. 1st-3rd Camp Caswell Adult Retreat					
7 6:00 PM Preschool Committee meets 7:00 PM Deacon Board meets	8 7:00 PM Bldg. and Grounds Comm. meets	9 7:00 PM Dorothy Parker Circle meets in the Prayer Room	10 7:00 PM RA's/GA's Acteens/David's Dudes Adults: Disciples Path-Joining Jesus on Mission	11 7:00 PM Lib Canaday Circle Group meets in the library	12 6:30-8:00 PM Bible Journaling in the FH	13
14 Deacon Ordination	15	16 11:30 AM Young at Heart-Lunch at Char-Grill in Benson 7:00 PM Worship Comm. meets	17 7:00 PM Quarterly Business Meeting (Churchwide, No classes)	18 6:00 PM Personnel Committee meets	19	20
21 Communion 7:45 AM Baptist Men's Breakfast	22	23	24 7:00 PM Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Packing	25	26	27
FH Reserved				FH Reserved		
28 6-8:00 PM Prayer Vigil in Sanctuary	29	30 7:00 PM Outreach Planning Committee meets	31			



Birthdays

- 01 Denise Hamilton
Emma Ruth Parker
- 03 Jonathan McLamb
- 04 Grimes Stewart
- 05 Michael Mobley
- 06 Delilah Sharp
- 07 Michael Fish
Vicki Grimes
Allen Parker
- 08 Terry Parker
- 09 Greg Jackson
- 10 Anda Abrams
- 11 Elizabeth Fish
- 12 Myrtle Lassiter
Frank Moore
- 13 Josh Champagne
- 14 Sam Gregory
Adam Norris
- 16 Alexander Britt
- 17 Susan Sloan
- 20 Jerry Durham
Mary Leigh Hamilton
Charley Johnson
- 21 Effie Dunn
- 22 Julia Moore
Mary Hunter Olive
- 23 Luke Clothier
Roy Turner
- 24 Zeke Sharp

- 26 Lydia Carberry
Jaxon Combs
- 30 Jimmy Coats
- 31 Kara Britt
Keith Coe



Anniversaries

- 03 Stephen and Tanya Carberry
- 05 Tim and Terri Barbour
Michael and Wanda White
- 07 Jason and Vicki Lee
- 09 Craig and Elizabeth Boyd
- 12 Tim and Connie Grady
- 15 Cliff and Jessi Sharp
- 22 Bobby and Judy Creech
- 23 Carl and Nancy Langdon



Cradle Roll

October 7th *Wendy Heritage*
 October 14th *Logan Baker and Vicki Grimes*
 October 21st *Michele Norman*
 October 28th *Debbie Blackmon and Tally Jackson*

First Baptist Contacts

Pastor	Rev. John Norman, Jr.
Minister of Music	Mrs. Phyllis Toothman
Minister of Youth	Rev. David Little
Secretary	Mrs. Deirdre Parker
Organist	Ms. Annette Langdon
Preschool Director	Mrs. Carol Adams
Deacon for the Month	Mr. Sam Thornton

Nursery (2's & 3's)

October 7th *Yorke and Thomas Johnson*
 October 14th *Allison and Trent Tucker*
 October 21st *Donna and Logan Baker*
 October 28th *Carol and Robbie Adams*

Acolytes

October 7th *Eden Barbour*
 October 14th *Mario Hamby*
 October 21st *Daniel Pineda*
 October 28th *Lily Johnson*

Children's Church

October 7th *Josh and Jami Champagne*
 October 14th *Josh and Jami Champagne*
 October 21st *Josh and Jami Champagne*
 October 28th *Josh and Jami Champagne*

Flowers

October 7th *Available*
 October 14th *Available*
 October 21st *Jack and Marilyn Parker*
 October 28th *Church*



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