



THE BAPTIST INFORMER

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

AUGUST 2020

Christmas in August – Samaritan Purse Collection For 2020

The Samaritan Purse Team (Jack and Marilyn Parker, Don and Laura Rogers) would like to have a Drive-Thru on August 11 from 9:00-12:00 p.m. to collect items for the 2020 Samaritan Purse Shoebox Project. So, on August 11, the team will be at the breezeway of the church to collect items for packing the shoeboxes for this year. We have included a list of suggested items that would be good to pack in a box. The goal is 200 shoeboxes, so with everyone helping to collect we should be able to reach this goal.

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.

JANUARY

small toys (all small items: car, frisbee, Etch-A-Sketch, yo-yo, tennis ball, flashlight, jump rope)

FEBRUARY

Toothbrushes

MARCH

washcloths, (bar of soap, small blanket)

APRIL

small stuffed toys, slinky

MAY

hairbrushes, hair ties, combs

JUNE

clothing items, (socks, underwear, T-shirt, flip flops)

JULY

coloring/picture books (stickers, hacky sack, glue stick, sticky notes)

AUGUST

boxes of crayons/colored pencils

SEPTEMBER

pens/colored pencils/sharpeners/mechanical pencils, small calculator

OCTOBER

\$9.00 shipping to mail shoeboxes - give to Jack & Marilyn Parker or Don & Laura Rogers

NOVEMBER

Pack the shoeboxes (Pack on a Wednesday night in early November)

Church: 963-2102
Parsonage: 963-3199
Preschool: 963-2013

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Youth News!

Youth are continuing to meet on *Zoom* every Friday @ 11am. The Youth Committee met this week via *Zoom*. We are making plans for future Youth fellowship times in small groups, of course, maintaining safety guidelines. We are having a prayer time for Youth parents one Sunday evening before school starts. There will be an in-person and virtual option. We are also looking into a “Welcome” Youth event that would include rising 6th graders, in August. All details and information will be sent out to Youth parents. Please be in prayer for our Youth and their families as we/they navigate a constantly changing world.

If you have any questions or have something you would like to share, don't hesitate to contact me.

EVENTS TO REMEMBER:

Youth Zoom Zone--Every Friday 11am

Facebook Live--Sunday 11am Worship & Wednesdays 7pm Romans Bible Study

Youth Parent Prayer Meeting--One Sunday evening in August *TBD*

Youth Welcome Event-- Friday or Saturday evening in August *TBD*

Congratulations

To Caleb and Cameron Thornton on the birth of their daughter, Eliza Carr Thornton, born on June 19th. Eliza weighed 6lbs. 12ozs and was 20.5 inches long. Congratulations also to Lee and Debbie Carr, Sam Thornton & Jenny Gayle Beard the proud grandparents!

Preschool News

Welcome to the 2020/2021 School Year! After lots of prayers, lots of zooms, lots of phone calls, and texts, preschool will start on Sept. 1st. Our teachers are so excited! There will be new protocol and precautions but we are so blessed by the support we have received.

Instead of Yucky Germs on the second week of school, this year we will learn all about Yucky Germs on the FIRST week back to school. It is a great time to learn about washing hands, cover your sneezes and not put toys in your mouth. This year it is more important than ever!

Second week of school we will learn about “All About Me” and “Your Family” The third week is “Senses” God gave us things to see, hear, touch, smell and taste. The fourth week is Cowboy and Cowgirl week. Mule Days was cancelled but not at preschool. Yee-haw! The last week is “Fall” Preschoolers will look for falling leaves and hope for cooler days.

Big News! We have added another teacher to our 2 year old classes. Her name is Bridget Whittington. Her little girl Lyla came to MMO last year. Bridget has 14 years experience teaching at Elementary School. She loves Art, Glitter and Themes! Ms. Bridget will be teaching with Mc. Dulce in the younger twos class. Ms. Tina and Ms. Allie will be back in the older twos class. The 3-yr old class will be taught by Ms. Kay, Ms. Annette and Ms. Betty Jean. Ms. Cindy and I will be back in the 4 yr old class.

We are looking for another teacher to assist in the 4 year old class to work with small groups. If you know someone who loves kids, please send them our way. They can text or call Carol at 919-300-9301. The hours would be Monday—Friday, 7:55-12:25.

Please pray for our little preschool, our children, our teachers and this church as we come back under one roof.

Carol Adams
Director



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Missions for August 2020

WMU/Women's Ministry News

WMU Watchword: "... My dear friends stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile." (1 Cor. 15:58 CEV).

Events for WMU Mission groups in August 2020:

Agape Mission Group, Dorothy Parker Group and the Lib Canaday Group will not meet in August. Materials for The Missions for Christ Mission Group August meeting will be sent out in the mail in preparation for the Fall schedule. We will begin to collect information for the new 2020-2021 WMU directory. If you have new group listings for the WMU directory, please submit to Laura Rogers.

Beginning in January 2020, we will start collecting items for the Samaritan Purse shoebox for 2020: A collection box will be placed in the library. The item to begin collecting in August is colored pencils and crayons for boys and girls. Remember ages are: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. If we dream big, maybe we can reach 200 shoeboxes again! As you pack your shoeboxes do not forget to include the \$9.00 for postage.

WMU-NC Red Box Inmate Christmas Ministry is due on November 2 to the JBA office. This year the item for collection is chapstick. The chapsticks should be in an individual ziplock bag. If you purchase multi-packs, they should be separated. The goal is 600 this year. This is a good time to begin collecting during the summer sales. A WMU Red collection box is located at the WMU bulletin board.

WMU-NC is offering August training sessions online to introduce the new theme for 2020-2021. The theme is *Resentless* and the watchword is *Hebrew 10:32-39*. Supplies can also be order on line at WMU.org for the new year.

WMUNC will offer a **Virtual Summer Camp 2020 on August 8 10:00-3:00 p.m.** At 1:00 p.m. a LIVE zoom talk with our missionaries: Matt & Michelle Norman from Spain. Videos will be found on the WMUNC Pre-school and Children Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/WMUNCpreschooland children/>

Autumn Journey Mother-Daughter Retreat is November 6-8. Check on www.campmundovista.com for updates.

Johnston Community College (JCC) and Johnston Baptist Association are partnering together to offer "Adopting an International Student" program. There are approximately 175 international students attending JCC. Kelton Hinton, JBA Associational Missionary is requesting that any family interested in providing a "family-oriented meal" once a month to contact the JBA office at 919-965-9450 and show your interest. This project will start back in the Fall 2020 schedule.

The 2020 Freda Parks Creech Woman of the Year award will be announced at a Sunday morning worship service during the Summer.

Re-Scheduled JBA-WMU Annual Fall/Spring Meeting is Saturday, September 19 at First Baptist Church Four Oaks. The theme is "**Reach Out to Foster Program (REACH).**" Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and program will begin at 9:00 a.m. Guest speaker for this meeting is Susan Hales Stem from Smithfield First Baptist Church. Ms. Hale will give updates on her commitment with the foster children of Johnston County. To further help these foster children please bring hygiene items for girls and boys of all ages. A collection box will be available. All ladies of our church are invited to attend this event and asked to share ideas on mission projects. Refreshments will be served during the morning break time. Door prizes will be announced. Make plans to attend on **September 19** and help represent our WMU-FO.

The newly revised Funeral Food Committee sheets are available on the WMU bulletin board. We have tried to keep this updated to better serve everyone. As of July 1, 2020, members from Group 2 will be the next group to serve a meal. Dianne Heritage, Rosa Pell and Kay Surles are Co-Directors from Group 2.



Birthdays

- 01 *Meghan Barham*
Lela Strickland
- 02 *Lin Byrd*
- 06 *Karen Coats*
Karen Hemingway
- 07 *Wyatt Lassiter*
- 08 *Jon Driggers*
- 09 *Gloria Massengill*
- 10 *Anthony Price*
Cassidy Baker
- 11 *John Norman*
- 12 *David Toothman*
Charlie Templeton
- 13 *Steve Chicki*
- 14 *James Rabon*
- 15 *Randy Combs*
- 17 *Allison Faith Toothman*
- 20 *Eden Olivia Barbour*
Kyle Toothman
- 21 *MacKenzie Rigsbee*
- 22 *Allison Tucker*
Wendy Heritage
- 23 *Emily Vann*
- 24 *Kathy Parker*
Stephanie Fish
- 26 *Belle Whittington*
Pat Earp
- 27 *Kathy Britt*
- 28 *Julie Wood*
- 30 *Jody Penny*

Annniversaries

- 01 *Chad & Ursula Stewart*
- 02 *Noah & Catherine Hock*
- 20 *Thurman & Belle Whittington*
- 23 *Jim & Cindy Sumerel*
- 27 *Johni & Jody Penny*
- 29 *Bucky & Sabrina Grady*

