



# THE BAPTIST INFORMER

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

September 2022



## ***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.*

**We are excited to be participating in  
Operation INASMUCH  
again this year!**

**The planning team has some projects planned,  
but if you know of any other local projects,  
please contact the church office, *Terry Parker,  
Roy Turner, Don Rogers, or Laura Rogers* by  
Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**DATE:**

**Saturday, October 22, 2022**

**TIME:**

**7:00am Continental Breakfast**

**8:00am Work Begins**

**We will work until projects are complete!**

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Parsonage: 963-3199  
Preschool: 963-2013

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## Preschool News

The FBCFO Preschool is off to a great start! We had a large turn-out for Preschool Orientation on August 21, 2022. We had nine students to attend Boot Camp the week of August 22-26 from 8:00-4:00pm. They are ready for Kindergarten!

Our themes for September are All About Me, Apples, Yucky Germs, Family, Cowboys, Cowgirls and Fall.

We have two student vacancies in the four-year-old class. Please let friends and families know about our openings. A special thank you for all the supplies that our church family have provided for the preschool.

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### *Thank You...*

*Dear First Baptist Church, Thank you very much for the Bible and monetary gift. Also, thanks for being so supportive of me during my years in school. It is much appreciated.  
Sincerely, Grant Stewart*

*I thank all of my church family for the cards, visits, prayers, telephone calls, text messages, and the many acts of kindness, who came along side of me and my family, expressing your love and sympathy during the passing of Russell on August 2, 2022.  
As always you folks have been so gracious!*

*Please continue to cover me with your prayers as I continue on without my partner.  
Love and Prayers for You All! Ann Massengill*

*First Baptist Church Congregation, Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers you sent for our mother, Edna Johnson's service. We appreciate you including mother in activities of the church and remembering her with cards during previous years. A special thanks to Team Two who organized and provided the food for the reception in the Fellowship Hall after mother's service. We appreciate all your care and concern. Gratefully, Jennifer, Susan, and Lynn*

# Youth News!

It's time for our regular Wednesday night Discipleship Training to begin again. We will start **Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**. This year's study will be about Biblical Hospitality and being a missional people. We will use the book and work-book *Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition*. We have a new time for **Youth-aged kids 7-8:30pm**. It is extended by 30 minutes for an extra time of fellowship. The youth end up staying a little over to play basketball or hang out after class, but if they need to leave at 8, they will not miss any class time.

We will also start a Youth Sunday Dinner-**Koinonia Youth Dinner**- once a month beginning **October 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8pm**. We will have a Youth dinner with some discussion and some time to fellowship. ***If you or someone you know (maybe a small group) would be interested in providing the meal, please contact me.***

There are several activities for September and October listed below. There are also opportunities to sign up to help with our food pantry Thursdays 12-2pm. Let me know if you have questions about any of the events.

Thank you to everyone who helps to teach, lead, volunteer, and donate. It has been such a joy to see our Youth building relationships with each other and God. If you would like to receive our Youth Weekly Updates to keep up with youth activities for grades 6-12, please email [fofbcyouth@gmail.com](mailto:fofbcyouth@gmail.com).

Grace and Peace to all,

Jami Champagne

Youth Email: [fofbcyouth@gmail.com](mailto:fofbcyouth@gmail.com)

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**Fri., September 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30-9:30pm**—Pool Party & Fire Pit @ Josh and Jami's

**Weds., September 7<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30pm**—Discipleship Training Begins

**Sat., September 10<sup>th</sup> 9:30a-3:30p**—Youth fundraising table @ the Acorn Festival. **1-1:30pm** -Children of the Son @ the Acorn Festival

**Weds., October 5<sup>th</sup>**—First meeting for Acteens/CMITs  
(7-12 grade girls and guys)

**Sun., October 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8pm**—Koinonia Youth Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

**Sat. October 22<sup>nd</sup> 7am-(until work is complete)**— Operation In As Much

**Fri., October, 28 - Sun., October 30<sup>th</sup>**—Youth Caswell Retreat



**Churchwide Missions for September 2022  
WMU/Women's Ministry News**

**WMU Watchword:** "... But we are not those who turn back and are lost.  
We are people who have faith and are saved." (Hebrews 10:39 NCV).

**Scheduled Events for WMU Mission groups in SEPTEMBER 2022:**

**The Agape Mission Group will meet on September 6 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

**The Dorothy Parker Group will meet on September 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**

**The Lib Canaday Group will not meet in September.**

**The Missions for Christ Mission Group will meet on September 8 at 5:00 p.m.**

**A summer campaign started in August 2022, to collect items for the Samaritan Purse "Operation Christmas Child" Shoebox for 2022: A collection box will be placed in the library. The items to collect are toys, hygiene items, school supplies, clothing. Remember items are for girls and boys, ages 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. A detailed list of all items to collect is placed on the bulletin board outside the Prayer Room. As you pack your shoeboxes do not forget to include the \$9.00 for postage. This year offers a new way to follow your shoebox. A label is provided that is scanned and postage of \$10 will identify the country that your shoebox lands. If we dream big, we can reach 200 shoeboxes again!**

**A new theme for WMU will start in September. The theme is entitled "Hope in Christ." It will last for the next 2 years. The watchword is: "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12 (NIV). The Project Help is: Mental Health. The 2022-2023 WMU directories are ready, copies are available at the WMU table (by the Genesis Sunday School classroom) or at the church office.**

**Save the Date: September 19 at 5:30. A seashell mosaic class is being offered by Judy Boyette and Jane Roberts. The workshop is located at 339 Page Street, Clayton, N.C. Cost of a resin seashell mosaic is \$50. Materials will be provided, or you can bring your own seashells that you have collected over the summer beach trips. Carpool can be arranged from church. Let Laura Rogers know if you are interested at 919-219-4528.**

**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 August 3, 2022, members from Group 1 will be the next group to serve a meal: Margaret Baker, Donna Baker and Kathy Parker are Co-Committee Chairs from Group 1.**

**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 Young At Heart will meet for lunch at the  
Four Oaks Restaurant  
Tuesday ~ September 20th  
11:30 AM

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Baptist Men's Breakfast  
Sunday ~ September 18th  
7:45 AM



# SEPTEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<i>*Designates each week</i>						
				1 <b>*12-2:00 PM</b> Food Pantry open	2 <b>6:30-9:30 PM</b> Youth Pool Party/ Fire Pit	3
4 <b>*10:00 AM</b> Sunday School <b>*11:00 AM</b> Worship <b>7:00 PM</b> Deacon Board meets –Rescheduled for Sunday, Sept. 11	5 <b>Office Closed</b>   <b>Labor Day</b>	6 <b>10:30 AM</b> Agape Mission Group meets in the FH	7 <b>*7:00 PM</b> Discipleship Training classes for all ages	8 <b>5:00 PM</b> Missions for Christ Mission Group meets in the New Century Class <b>7:00 PM</b> Lib Canaday Circle <b>Cancelled for September</b>	9	10 <b>Acorn Festival:</b>  <b>9:30 AM - 3:30 PM</b> Youth Booth @ Acorn Festival  <b>1:00 -1:30 PM-</b> Children of the Son sing
11 <b>5:00 PM</b> Preschool Comm. meets  <b>7:00 PM</b> Deacon Board meets	12 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bldg. and Grounds Committee meets	13 <b>7:00 PM</b> Dorothy Parker Circle meets	14	15	16	17
18 <b>7:45 AM</b> Baptist Men's Breakfast	19	20 <b>11:30 AM</b> Young at Heart meets for lunch at Four Oaks Restaurant	21	22	23	24
25 <b>7:00 PM</b> Called Business Meeting- 2022-2023 Church Budget	26	27	28	29	30	



## Birthdays

- 01 Lila Rose Parker
- 02 Tina Toothman
- 03 Yorke Johnson
- 04 Jenna Johnson  
Rickie Boyette
- 06 Macie Kearney  
Carl Langdon
- 07 Terri Barbour
- 08 Samuel Elliott Driggers
- 09 Logan Combs  
Gloria Lick  
Chad Stewart  
Caroline Tucker
- 10 Chris Rigsbee
- 12 Wayne Hamilton  
Gracie Hatch
- 13 Emilia Fogleman
- 14 Wendy Barbour  
Michael Santoro
- 15 Jaxon Barbour  
Jenny Stewart
- 16 Amelia Toothman
- 17 Joleeyn Webb
- 18 Nolan Fogleman  
Ranelle Johnson  
Temi Sharp
- 20 Michael Lee
- 23 Trigger Byrd
- 24 Morgan Bass  
Ellen Boyd
- 25 Don Champagne

- 26 Harper Barrett Sumerel
- 27 Caleb Thornton
- 28 Jessica Johnson  
Cameron Thornton
- 29 Eric Fogleman  
Sarah Mobley
- 30 Justin Champagne  
Amy Evans



## Anniversaries

- 02 Ned and Marian Walsh
- 03 Roger and Pam Price
- 07 Chris and Wendy Heritage  
Roy and Sandra Turner
- 12 Jamie and Lynn Williams
- 15 Linwood and Patsy Parker
- 25 Frank and Carol Moore



<i>Cradle Roll (Worship)</i>		<i>First Baptist Contacts</i>	
<i>September 04</i>	<i>Amanda Strickland</i>	Pastor	Rev. John Norman, Jr.
<i>September 11</i>	<i>Vicki Grimes</i>	Minister of Music	Mrs. Phyllis Toothman
<i>September 18</i>	<i>Brenda Strickland</i>	Minister of Youth	Mrs. Jami Champagne
<i>September 25</i>	<i>Tally Jackson</i>	Secretaries	Mrs. Cheryl Chicki
			Mrs. Deirdre Parker
		Organist	Ms. Annette Langdon
		Pianist	Mrs. Summer McLamb
		Preschool Interim Director	Mrs. Kay Surles
		Deacon for the Month	Mr. Frank Moore
<i>2 - 5 year old Church Nursery (Worship)</i>		<i>Worship</i>	
<i>September 04</i>	<i>Amanda and Lela Jo Strickland</i>	<i>During Worship in September we will be reading Numbers 13 about the Israelites spying out their future home.</i>	
<i>September 11</i>	<i>Tally and Everette Jackson</i>		
<i>September 18</i>	<i>Brian and Hollie Winters</i>		
<i>September 25</i>	<i>Chris and Wendy Heritage</i>		
<i>Children's Church</i>		<i>Flowers</i>	
<i>September 04</i>	<i>Josh Champagne &amp; Robbie Adams</i>	<i>September 04</i>	<i>Available</i>
<i>September 11</i>	<i>Melanie Autry</i>	<i>September 11</i>	<i>Available</i>
<i>September 18</i>	<i>Mary Jon Barefoot</i>	<i>September 18</i>	<i>Available</i>
<i>September 25</i>	<i>Allison Tucker</i>	<i>September 25</i>	<i>The Grady Family</i>



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