



THE BAPTIST INFORMER

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

AUGUST 2021

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.

*There's an opportune time to do things,
a right time for everything on the earth:*

*A right time for birth and another for death,
A right time to plant and another to reap,
A right time to kill and another to heal,
A right time to destroy and another to construct,
A right time to cry and another to laugh,
A right time to lament and another to cheer,
A right time to make love and another to abstain,
A right time to embrace and another to part,
A right time to search and another to count your losses,
A right time to hold on and another to let go,
A right time to rip out and another to mend,
A right time to shut up and another to speak up,
A right time to love and another to hate,
A right time to wage war and another to make peace.*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (The Message)

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Youth News!

Thank you to all the volunteers and for the generous donations for the carwash. The Youth worked really hard and raised a good chunk-of-change for our church's Relay for Life team!

We will **not** be meeting on Wednesday nights in August. We will pick back up in September with some of our normal Wednesday night activities. We have some new things happening in the fall and will share them when we get exact details. We haven't completed all of our projects for the basement quite yet. Hopefully, we can get them done soon. Please excuse our mess J.

Please continue to keep our youth, their families, leaders, and church in your prayers!

Grace and Peace to all,

Jami Champagne

Youth Email: fobcyouth@gmail.com

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Caswell Fall Retreat—Dates TBD (Mid-October)



THE RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR YOUTH FOR YOUR HELP
WITH WASHING CARS AND MAKING ART PIECES FOR THE CRAFT FAIR.
YOUR EFFORTS HELPED OUR CHURCH WITH RAISING MONEY FOR CANCER RESEARCH.

ALSO, A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY FOR YOUR DONATIONS,
PARTICIPATION AND ATTENDANCE AT THE RELAY FOR LIFE CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR.
YOUR SUPPORT WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM

Congratulations!

*Congratulations to Jeff & Christine Stewart on the birth of their daughter Reagon Marie Stewart.
Born July 6th, 2021 weighing 7lbs. 12 ozs. Proud grandparent is Jenny Stewart.*

*Congratulations to Meghan & Zach Webster on the birth of their son William Byrd Webster III (Tripp).
Born July 22, 2021 weighing 7lbs. 5 ozs. Proud grandparents are Connie & Tim Grady.*



Churchwide Missions for August 2021
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 AUGUST 2021:

The Agape Mission Group, Dorothy Parker Group, Lib Canaday Group, will not meet in August. Missions for Christ Mission group will meet on August 12 at 5:00 p.m. for a Business Meeting.

A summer campaign will continue in August 2021, to collect items for the Samaritan Purse "Operation Christmas Child" shoebox for 2021: 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. If we dream big, we can reach 200 shoeboxes again! As you pack your shoeboxes do not forget to include the \$9.00 for postage.

The WMU-NC organization has developed an Age-Level Summer Trainings for Mission Leaders. This program is called "Abound" and is a virtual meet-up for all age-level mission leaders: Preschool Leaders, Children's Leaders, Youth Leaders, Adult Leaders, Churchwide WMU Leaders and Association WMU Leaders. An additional virtual training is offered on August 7 at 2:00 p.m. To register for this training, check out the www.wmunc.org/leadership-development.

JBA-WMU Annual Fall Meeting is **Saturday, September 11** 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.** The items we are collecting are toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, hairbrush, soap, washcloth, deodorant. 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 11** and help represent our WMU-FO.

The **WMU-FO Focus Day** has been re-scheduled to **Sunday, September 26, 2021.**

After careful consideration, a decision was made to reschedule due to COVID-19. This year will be the 100th celebration of WMU-FO. The guest speaker is Amy Pardue Boone, Executive Director & Treasurer – WMU-NC. Mrs. Boone will speak on the WMU theme "Relentless." We need old photos to make a video that will be shown during the morning service. Also, if you are interested in participating on the program during the Focus Day in September let Laura Rogers or Brenda Barnes know.

Carolina Women Retreat at Fort Caswell Conference Center on October 15-16, 2021. Registration is coming out soon on WMUNC website or contact Rebecca Lindhout at rlindhout@wmunc.com.

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 31, 2021, members from Group 1 will be the next group to serve a meal. Kathy Parker, Margaret Baker and Donna Baker are Co-Committee Chairs from Group.

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.



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 Templeton
- 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

Anniversaries

- 01 Chad & Ursula Stewart
- 02 Noah & Catherine Hock
- 23 Jim & Cindy Sumerel
- 29 Bucky & Sabrina Grady

