

Baptist Tabernacle Church

August 2020 Newsletter

Pastoral Team (Susan Andrews-Team Leader/Tom Vaughan-Co-Leader):

DEACON ELECTIONS (AUGUST 1-17)

Voting Information:

In these unusual times, the Pastoral Team presented the following method of voting to the Leadership Team for approval in order to move forward with Deacon elections. This proposal was approved by the Leadership Team since the Constitution and Bylaws do not provide alternatives in the event of situations such as the current COVID-19 global pandemic. It is important to the Deacons that our work continue with the least amount of interruption as possible.

***Voting Instructions:**

1. Voting is open from August 1-17, 2020. *Votes received after August 17 will not be counted.*
2. TO VOTE: Call the church office (919-365-5558) (Mon. – Fri. from 11:00-1:00)
3. Give Ashelyn your vote separately for each candidate
 ‘YES’ – agree for the candidate to serve as a Deacon (Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2023)
 ‘NO’ – do not agree for the candidate to serve as a Deacon
4. If you do not vote for every candidate, your ballot will be VOID and will not be counted
 2 candidates = 2 votes, 1 per candidate
5. If you get the voice mail: leave your name, phone number, and your vote for each candidate so Ashelyn
6. If you have questions, call Susan Andrews (919-365-4189)

DEACON BALLOT (AUGUST 1-17)*

CANDIDATE	YES – should serve	NO – should not serve
Olivia Cooke (apprentice)		
Sonny Trippe		

If you know anyone who you think may not be getting a newsletter, please call them and let them know about these Deacon elections so they may also vote. Thank you!

BTC Update

Q: WHEN WILL OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS & ACTIVITIES REOPEN?

A: AFTER NC goes into Phase III with an interior capacity of 100*

***Guidelines for a safer way to gather are being finalized by the Leadership Team**

- WEAR A MASK — WASH YOUR HANDS — WAIT 6’ APART -

NC needs the numbers to come down!

Our Memory Verse for August is:

My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction:

For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth. Proverbs 3:11-12

SAVE THE DATE

Every Sunday Morning: Pastor Glen's Facebook Live @ 10:00 am

Daily: Pastor Glen's Devotions on BTC Facebook page



August Birthdays

1st	Susie Peoples Rixie Stevens	14th	Rachel Baggett Addie Batten
2nd	Jennifer Stevens	15th	Billy Godwin
4th	Lauren O'Neal Pam Rice	16th	Clara Hocutt Brooke Dillon
5th	Tonya Bailey Whitt Garner Landon Mack Jimmie Narron Carolyn Privette Bobby Stevens	17th	Natalia Bailey Jessika Madjar
6th	Al Driver Tammy Edwards	18th	Timothy Hale
7th	Peggy Allmon	19th	Hannah Headrick Ryan Scott
8th	Chrissy Hunter	21st	Kathy Wheeler
10th	Greg Johnson	22nd	DJ Scott
11th	Landon Bailey Melissa Worley Mackenzie Clark Brooke Hargreaves	24th	Joshua Boyette Brandie Denton Pasty Dillon Justin Lane Kenny Worley
12th	George Creech Pat Horton Jackie Hunter Sam Morris Katelyn Whitley	26th	Wayne Hocutt
13th	Mike Harris Jeany O'Neal Leamon Strickland	28th	Kaylyn Parker
		29th	Dennis Badger Betty Harris Horace Shirley
		30th	Caroline Creech Joyce Creech Katie Moore Amber Pittman
		31st	Connie O'Neal



August Anniversaries

3rd	Brandon & Julie Carroll
4th	Tony & Phyllis Alford
5th	Tony & Allyson Creech
6th	Sean & Suza Bannon
7th	Dennis & Ann Badger
10th	Thomas & Vikki Brock
15th	Ray & Cecilia Gardner
23rd	John & Nita Edwards
24th	Johnny & Brooke Scott
25th	Mike & Betty Harris
26th	Bill & Susie Hinnant
27th	Tim & Judy Davis

What are our Ministry Teams up to?

BTC – Ministry Team Leaders 2020-2021*

(These leaders become the 2020-2021 Leadership Team)

Team	Leader	Co-Leader
Discipleship	Bobby Sellers	Cynthia Hudson
Fellowship	Connie Bechdolt	Bob Himmel
Missions	Jeany O’Neal	Annette Ragan
Evangelism	TBD	TBD
Worship	Pam Batten	Dana Hocutt
Pastoral	Elected in September	Elected in September
Administrative	Kelly Currie	Richard Watson
Maintenance	Steve White	Ricky Andrews
Age Specific: Children Youth Sr. Adults	Wayne Batten Christin Brown Olivia Cooke	No co-leaders needed here

**Any BTC member interested in becoming a leader of a team are expected to volunteer to serve as a team member for at least one year, in order to be considered for a leadership position on that team. Contact the Team Leader or the Church Office if you would like to volunteer. Contact numbers are found in the Church Directory. Team members will be provided in the September Newsletter.*

2020-2021 CHURCH OFFICERS:			
Church Clerk Sharon Creech Carolyn Brown (Assistant)	Counting Committee Luna Parrish Robert Earp Susan Andrews Tonya Bailey	Moderator Richard Watson	Treasurer Joyce Creech Joan Watson (Assistant)



The Missions offering for August and September will go to the North Carolina Missions Offering— One of the most visible ministries that NCMO supports is disaster relief thru Baptist Men. Also it helps fund Mission camps in Shelby and Red Springs, NC, outreach and mission activities through the Johnston Baptist Association.

While our church buildings have been closed and face-to-face activities have been suspended, church has not stopped...so what's been happening?

- ◆ Pastor Glen's Sermons are on Facebook Live every Sunday at 10:00 on the Baptist Tabernacle Church page
 - *Special thanks to Sean Bannon, Strickland Funeral Home for the facility for the Live Broadcasts
 - *Special thanks to DJ Scott for being the Executive Producer of the Live Broadcasts
 - *Special thanks to Kayla Scott for being the Director of the Live Broadcasts
- ◆ Pastor Glen's Daily Devotions are posted on Facebook, BTC website, and mailed to homes that don't use technology
- ◆ Musical solos have been posted on the Baptist Tabernacle Church Facebook page
 - *Thanks to Carrie Sellers, Tammy Driver, Ronnie Faulkner & Sandy Trippe
- ◆ Sunday School lessons and activities are being mailed to children each week
- ◆ Children's Church lessons and activities are being mailed to children each week
- ◆ The following meetings are being held online
 - *Administrative Team, Deacons, Leadership Team, Missions Team, and Youth
 - *BTC Crafters meet online each Monday at 9:30 a.m. - contact Susan Andrews to join in
- ◆ Cards, letters, and calls are being sent each week by the Evangelism Team, Deacons, Pastor Glen, and other church members

Lots of prayers have been raised for our prayer lists as well as for all of our congregation
If you know of other things that have been done, please contact the church office and let us hear about them!

Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):

Summer has been a little different for the youth at our church, but we were blessed to have been able to still enjoy a modified Camp Caswell experience. After being away from each other for many months it was so good to spend time together and hit "pause" for a few days as we examined our relationships with Christ. We are still hopeful we will all be able to join back as a group at church soon. Please continue to pray for our youth and leaders as we continue to navigate this time of uncertainty. God Bless, Carrie



Administrative Team (Ricky Watson-Team Leader/Kelly Currie-Co-Leader):

We continued to hold our Administrative Team Meeting via ZOOM again this month. I thought we were getting better with these meetings, but we had some technical difficulties with this last meeting so I'm taking responsibility with the set-up of the meeting on ZOOM. I'll try to do better next month! Anyway, we held the meeting and discussed the Monthly Financial Reports, Administrative Team members for next year, the insurance policy for the Church buildings, and a question from the Leadership Team concerning the Guidelines for use of the Church Facilities. We had good participation and discussion and would like to mention a few of items for the Church information.

Regarding the Financial Reports, we noticed that the June Tithes and Offerings were down from the previous three months. We had mentioned in the last few newsletters how pleased we were with your continued support of Tithes and Offerings and are just mentioning this so that you will maintain your focus and not let your Tithes and Offerings continue to decline. As we have previously mentioned, the expenses of the Church do not drop even if we are not meeting.

Also, at the last Leadership Team ZOOM meeting, there was a comment about an item in the Guidelines for the use of the Church Buildings. We did some research concerning the comment and determined that it was not a concern at all. We mention this just as a reminder that the reason we have a Constitution and By-Laws and various guidelines and operating procedures is that when a question comes up about how we do things, that we have the situation covered. So we just ask that each of you read the Constitution and By-Laws and the associated guidelines so that you are familiar with them. And if there are any questions or comments, please contact one of the members of the Administrative Team so that we can address the situation. We want to make Church Operating Manual a useable document for the entire Church.

We continue monitoring the funds that we have invested with Edward Jones. Although the stock market continues to fluctuate, our funds remain stable with expectations that they will totally recover in the near future.

Thanks again for your financial support of the Church. Please continue to support the Church through your tithes and offerings during our time away from Church Services. We also want to thank Pastor Glen for his daily devotionals and weekly sermons on Facebook Live. They are a daily blessing to the Church membership and continued incentive for each of us. Your continued financial support and the use of the Baptist Tabernacle Church Facebook page is greatly appreciated.

Regarding the Baptist Tabernacle Church Facebook page; please remember that it is intended to promote God through the worship and fellowship activities of Baptist Tabernacle Church. Church activities, prayer needs, and praise announcements are welcome; however, opinions and editorials are better suited to your personal Facebook page. Thanks!

Please continue to provide your tithes and offerings to our post office box, at Baptist Tabernacle Church, PO Box 981, Wendell, NC 27591, Attention: Luna Parrish or to the Church address.

Your patience is appreciated as we continue to look forward to meeting together again. Just remember, the Leadership Team must be diligent and deliberate so we can gather as safely as possible for all involved! Remember, in the words of Pastor Glen – "The Best is Yet To Be!"

Again, if you have any questions for the Administrative Team, please contact one of us.

Property Management Team (Steve White-Team Leader):

Hope this finds everyone doing well. Let's go to Church.

All the paving got done around the Church, even between the new and old cemetery. ABC Paving did a great job.

Please NO doughnuts in the parking lot.

That's all for now. May God Bless All of You!



Children's Team (Wayne Batten-Team Leader):

Please be on the lookout for other Children's events once we all get back to a normal schedule. Pam and I are still making packets for Children's Church participants and mailing to them. We hope your children like them. Please do these activities as a family and consider posting photos to our Church Facebook Page. Jesus Loves the Little Children....



Discipleship Team (Cynthia Hudson-Team Leader/Bobby Sellers-Co-Leader):



Hello everyone,

Sunday School materials are continuing to be mailed to the students. The adult Sunday School materials have been delivered. We hope to be together soon.

"Any Sunday School Teacher that would like to offer their Sunday School lesson via Zoom, please contact Susan Andrews."

Cynthia Whitley Hudson

Mission Team

(Jeany O'Neal-Team Leader/Sonny Trippe-Co-Leader):

We hope you are all continuing to stay safe in this ever changing world we are living in right now. Yes, we are still in place and working on church and community needs as they arise. We are pulling together the current group of team members and trying to confirm who wants to remain on the team and if there are any new volunteers who wish to join us. We have chosen our Chair and Co-Chair leaders for the upcoming vote at the next church conference and will have the team members in place very soon as well for 2020-2021.

The Team does have a request that we need to share with all of you: **The team would like to request that no new yard sale items be delivered to the church after Aug 1, 2020.** We will update you in the next few newsletters as to when you can begin bringing items again, but at this time the basement is at capacity and there is no more room to be made until we can have a sale (Hopefully FALL FEST in NOV). Team members are working diligently to place and tag all the items we currently have on hand at this time. We also have the concerns from the fire marshal when we have this much inventory in the basement space as well; so for safety and space concerns we make this request.

Thank you for your cooperation and again if we can help with a urgent need please reach out to Preacher Glen or to Sonny Trippe or Myself.

GOD BLESS and STAY SAFE!

Evangelism Team

(Allette Hale-Team Leader/Jane Strautnieks-Co-Leader):

We look forward to seeing everyone again soon. We anxiously await going back to church and welcoming any visitors we might have each Sunday. Praying for everyone's health and happiness. Hope to see you soon.

Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):

OWLS-Older, Wiser, Livelier, Seniors (Leaders Olivia Cooke and Patsy Narron):



Missing you and I hope everyone is well. Let us be in prayer for each other as we stay isolated as much as possible.

I encourage each of you to call and check in on each other, some of our members can't get out at all and would love a phone call...until we meet again start thinking of new things to do and places to



On Hold....

Until we can resume normal Church activities, the following Committees are on hold. We will resume these processes as soon as we can. Please be in prayer for these areas of ministry for our Church:

- *Bus/Van Committee
- *Children's Director Search Committee
- *Furniture Committee

Recurring Prayer Needs

Johnny Ammons	Robert Earp	Shirley Lane	Marie Shuman
Dennis, Ann, Vondell, & Dennis, Jr. Badger	Fred Flowers	Robin Langley	Gary Smith
Addie Batten	Lonnie Fox	Jimmy Lewis	Heather Smith
Freddie Batten	Molly Gant	Sharon May	Luke Smith
Mildred Beasley	Chris Gay	Pam Maynor	Kessler Sorrell
Bruce & Judy Brantley	Jenny Gay	SPC Patrick McCann	Angie Stallings
Melanie Brock	Ben Green	Beth McNeil	George Strickland
Mark Byrd	Dan & Nancy Gullifer	Megan Missineo	Bobby Stevens
Taylor Capps	Ron Hart Sr.	Scarlette Missineo	Linda Stevens
Christina Chamberlain	Brian, Katrine & Dylan Haynes	Tommy & Christie Moore	John Sutton
Brenda Champion	Elizabeth Hocutt	Pam Narron	Jerry Watkins
Brandy Crawford	Robert Hocutt	Steven Narron	Nancy Watson
George Creech	Sue Hocutt	Kimberly Padgett	Billy Faye Wilson
Steve Currin	William Hocutt	Garland Price	Joann Young
Gydelle Denton	Carl Holt	Larry Price	
Charles Driver	Joan Hunter	Shaun & Joy Price	
David Driver	Becky Ives	Rebecca Ragan	
Doris Driver	Lee Johnson	Spencer Ragan	
Tony Driver	Abbi Kennedy	Bethany Scott	
		Natalie Shirley	

New Prayer Needs

Sgt. Dakota Bennett	Emma Maidon	Frances Ramsey
Ricky Bunn	Glenn Moore	Dolores Renfrow
Beverly Briggerman	Kenneth Morgan	Ray Smith
Christin Brown	Teresa Morgan	Gary Tant
Russell Capps	Kenneth Nowell	Sgt. Joey Wheeler
Sue Cline	Jeany O'Neal	Unspoken Requests
Faye Creech	Danny Ray Parrish	
Jammie Creech	Jimmy Peck	
The Daniels Family	Lamar Pender	
Judy Davis	Othell Price	
Ron & Jan Diehl	Joan Privette	
Bill Driver	David Ragan	

From the Pastor's Desk:

Are You Fully Stressed? Let's Find Some Rest... *"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."* (Matthew 11:28-30)

Do you sometimes feel that life happens too fast and that you are always in a hurry? Do you feel overwhelmed with the demands and pressures of life? Do you feel exhausted? Have you lost your sense of excitement about living every day? Are you discouraged? Are you bombarded by a sense of worry or fear? Do you feel that you are carrying a heavy load and you feel like you can't take it anymore? God invites us to experience peace amidst the mess and chaos in our world. God offers us rest amidst our burdened, tired, and exhausted daily lives. Stress is a part of life. The question is NOT "why do we experience stress?" The question is "what do we do when stress happens in our lives?" We live in a very stressful world. Stress happens when there are tensions, pressures, threats, or demands, that you feel you are unable to cope with. These tensions, pressures, threats, or demands can come from outside you or from within you. We know we are stressed when we feel anxious, uneasy, tense, fearful or panicky just thinking about unpleasant situations, people or events. God has provided an answer to our stress. God has provided a pattern to follow, in order to deal with the stress that comes from actually living, here on earth. *"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest!"* We are, every one of us, stressed about the Coronavirus and the riots and the political unrest and the attacks on our civil and religious liberties and the "anti- American" demonstrations and the "anti-Christian" attitudes that are being promoted and embraced by those who are committed to the destruction of our American way of life! What are we to do? We are to claim God's promises and embrace His love and keep on growing and serving and living our lives so that others can see our commitment to God and so that we can make a difference in this Evil and Depraved world. God's plan for mankind is set and we are not going to alter the events that are going to lead to His return, so, hunker down and pray more, read the word more, share Jesus more and continue to claim the promises of God concerning you and your life. *"COME QUICKLY, LORD...COME QUICKLY...PLEASE!"* Remember: THE BEST IS YET TO BE!

Pastor Glen

August Bible Reading Schedule

Day 1	Job 39-42	Day 17	Psalm 54-57
Day 2	1 Timothy 1-3	Day 18	Psalm 58-61
Day 3	1 Timothy 4-6	Day 19	Psalm 62-65
Day 4	2 Timothy 1-4	Day 20	Psalm 66-68
Day 5	Psalm 1-5	Day 21	Psalm 69-72
Day 6	Psalm 6-10	Day 22	Psalm 73-76
Day 7	Psalm 11-15	Day 23	Psalm 77-78
Day 8	Psalm 16-20	Day 24	Psalm 79-82
Day 9	Psalm 21-25	Day 25	Psalm 83-86
Day 10	Psalm 26-30	Day 26	Psalm 87-89
Day 11	Psalm 31-34	Day 27	Psalm 90-93
Day 12	Psalm 35-37	Day 28	Psalm 94-97
Day 13	Psalm 38-41	Day 29	Psalm 98-102
Day 14	Psalm 42-45	Day 30	Psalm 103-104
Day 15	Psalm 46-49	Day 31	Psalm 105-106
Day 16	Psalm 50-53		