

Baptist Tabernacle Church

January 2020 Newsletter



Our Memory Verse for January is:

Cause me to hear thy loving kindness in the morning;
for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk;
for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Psalm 143:8 KJV

January 2020 Bible Reading Schedule

Day 1 Genesis 1-3

Day 2 Genesis 4-6

Day 3 Genesis 7-9

Day 4 Genesis 10-12

Day 5 Genesis 13-15

Day 6 Genesis 16-18

Day 7 Genesis 19-21

Day 8 Genesis 22-24

Day 9 Genesis 25-27

Day 10 Genesis 28-30

Day 11 Genesis 31-33

Day 12 Genesis 34-36

Day 13 Genesis 37-39

Day 14 Genesis 40-42

Day 15 Genesis 43-45

Day 16 Genesis 46-50

Day 17 Matthew 1-3

Day 18 Matthew 4-6

Day 19 Matthew 7-9

Day 20 Matthew 10-12

Day 21 Matthew 13-15

Day 22 Matthew 16-18

Day 23 Matthew 19-21

Day 24 Matthew 22-24

Day 25 Matthew 25-28

Day 26 Exodus 1-3

Day 27 Exodus 4-6

Day 28 Exodus 7-9

Day 29 Exodus 10-12

Day 30 Exodus 13-15

Day 31 Exodus 16-18

Baptist Tabernacle, Meetings & Reservations, Holidays in United States

Jan 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 1:5 FACI Lou Carol 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service	30 New Year's Eve 10am - J. Strickland Prayer Grp	31 New Year's Day No Services	1 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	2 6:30pm - Prayer Service-Qtly	3 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	4 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice
5 10am - Sunday School 11am - Communion 11am - Worship Service	6 6:30 Baptist Men	7 10am - J. Strickland Prayer Grp	8 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	9 6:30pm - Prayer Service-Qtly	10 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	11 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice
12 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service 7pm - Robinwood Service	13 6:30 Leadership Meeting 9:30am - BTC Crafters	14 2:3 Levada Driver Circle 7-8 Administrative Team 10am - J. Strickland Prayer Grp	15 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Church Conference 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	16 6:30pm - Prayer Service-Qtly	17 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	18 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice
19 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service	20 1:2 Vera Hocutt Circle Martin Luther King Jr. Day 9:30am - BTC Crafters	21 10am - J. Strickland Prayer Grp	22 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	23 6:30pm - Prayer Service-Qtly	24 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	25 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice
26 10am - Sunday School 11am - Worship Service	27 6:30-7:30 Deacon's Meeting 9:30am - BTC Crafters	28 9:30am - O.W.L.S. Group	29 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	30 6:30pm - Prayer Service-Qtly	31 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice	1 6:15pm - Youth 6:30pm - Bible Study 6:30pm - RA's, GA's, & MF's 7pm - Choir Practice

Upcoming events:

January 15th: Quarterly Church Conference @ 6:30pm

January 16th: Special Prayer Service, Hosted by the Deacons @ 6:30pm

Sunday, February 2nd: "Soup"er Bowl Sunday Fundraiser for Youth @ 12pm

Soup, Chili and Sandwiches available after Worship Service in FMC



January Birthdays

1st	Kathryn Batten	18th	Dana Hocutt
3rd	Joan Hunter	19th	Wanda Batten
	Roy Pope		Sheri Henry
4th	Kathy Mack	21st	Ann Badger
6th	Brian Bailey	22nd	Bob Himmel
	Dale Driver	23rd	Mike Bailey
7th	Sadie Batten	25th	Kathy Ayscue
	Samantha Hunter	26th	Judy Boswell
	Franceline Price		Steven Carlyle
	Rondy Ward		Matt Dillon
	Chris Wright		Cynthia Hudson
8th	Samantha Creech		Shelby Makepeace
	Donna Smith		Logan Whitley
	Allison Staton	27th	Kerry Garner
9th	Jackson Morgan		Ray Guy
	Brandon Pulley		Jennifer Thompson
12th	Wes Privette	28th	Erin Bell
	Glenn Strickland		Patsy Narron
14th	Rickie Driver	29th	Kathy Flynn
	Dylan Melvin		Ashley Maidon
	Mary Lou Richardson	31st	Mackenzie Bell
15th	Matthew Grady		
16th	Christin Hunter		
17th	Brooke Bailey		
	Sheila Stancil		



January Anniversaries

1st	Chris & Shelly Wright
8th	George & Jane Strickland
27th	Jerry & Linda Lee
29th	Dennis & Cathy Lockleair

What are our Ministry Teams up to?

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

Join us for worship on January 5th to celebrate Communion.

Also, mark you calendar for January 16th

when the Deacons will host a Church-wide Prayer Service at 6:30 in the Sanctuary.

This event is open to all and we invite you to bring your prayer requests.

Administrative Team (Ricky Watson-Team Leader/Allette Hale-Co-Leader):

Happy New Year from the Administrative Team!

With the beginning of the New Year, we also have the beginning of a new Church year. This includes a new annual Church Ministry Budget that was approved at the Special Called December Church Conference. This gives us all, as Church members, a renewed responsibility. A responsibility to be aware of the budgeted items approved by the Church and to ensure that we follow the approved budget.

We also passed at the called Church Conference revised Church Financial Policies and Procedures allowing items to be purchased without Church approval provided the money spent is within the approved Church Budget. This puts the responsibility of spending and monitoring the money spent on the individual Ministry Team Leaders. By making this change, we plan on keeping the Church Conferences to the scheduled quarterly meetings and reduce the "special called church conferences". As indicated in the Church Conference, the Administrative Team will closely monitor the spending activity, along with the individual Ministry Team Leaders to ensure the revised policy is being followed.

As usual, if you have any questions for the Administrative Team, please feel free to contact any of the members.

Thanks,

Administrative Team

Leaders: Ricky Watson and Allette Hale

Members: Kelly Currie, David Hughes, Billie Faye Wilson, Wayne Creech, Juan Trippe, Tonya Bailey, Joyce Creech (ex-officio)

Evangelism Team (Patty Perry-Team Leader/Jane Strautnieks-Co-Leader):

The Evangelism Team has been sending out cards to visitors as a welcome to our church or to others as a reminder that they are missed. We rely on visitor cards to supply the name and addresses of our visitors. As a congregation member, please invite any visitors sitting near you to complete one of the visitor cards provided in the pew pockets and place it in the offering plate on Sundays. Don't forget about any visitors we may have on Wednesday nights as well. Wednesday night cards are collected on the Communion Table under the Pulpit.

Thank you for assisting the Evangelism Team with gathering information about our visitors!

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

We helped sponsor the Smithfield Rescue Missions Turkey Drive that fed over 200 families.

We pulled 11 names from the Angel Tree at Archer Lodge Middle School and received more from Corinth Holders Elementary School for Children in need for Christmas. We were given the names of 3 local families that we helped furnish Christmas to the Children of these families. Gift cards have been given to members as well as local community families in need of assistance due to illness/injury or loss of jobs, to help with everyday needs.

We have been blessed with the ability to touch people at their point of need and let them feel the love of Jesus through us. May God continue to Bless Us as a Church and as a Family.

Thank you for all you do to help the Mission Team help others!!

Worship Team (Pam Batten-Team Leader/Dana Hocutt-Co-Leader):

We hope you all enjoyed our Christmas Cantata and the Live Nativity. Thank you so much to Sandy, Paul, Sonny and the choir members for a beautiful and meaningful cantata. Y'all did a great job and it was enjoyed by all! The live nativity was absolutely beautiful! Special thanks to Amy Boykin for directing this, and all the participants that made this possible! We would also like to thank Mrs. Stella Boykin and Mr. Jessie Boykin for their food contributions and kitchen help for refreshments after the event! Thanks also to everyone who brought food. Santa was enjoyed by all! Thanks you Santa for stopping by!

We hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas and hope you have a wonderful New Year.

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

Our children visited Coventry House residents before Christmas to present stockings filled with goodies for each resident. It was a blessing to see the children get excited about who was going to meet the next resident. After it was over we were discussing how the residents were blessed by our actions.

Our children asked if we could do something like this more often.

We are discussing making something for residents at one of the area homes each quarter of the New Year.

This fall has been a busy one for the children of our Church. They filled goodie bags for the Coventry House visit and helped the Youth decorate the Christmas Tree in the Family Ministry Center. We have GA's, RA's, and Mission Friends each Wednesday night. Please bring your children to study God's Word with us at that time.

We have a large group of volunteers serving in Children's Church each Sunday. Please bring your children and let them participate in these programs.

We all are looking for an exciting New Year for our Children's programs. Plan to join us every time you get a chance. Jesus Loves the Little Children....

Wayne Batten

Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):

The Youth were officially accepted into Camp Caswell. Camp dates are 7/13/20-7/18/20. We will be staying in a cottage and cooking our own meals. We have 4 chaperones and 17 youth attending. The cost of camp is \$6,258, but that doesn't include food costs. Our plan is to collect 1/2 from each youth and raise the remaining amount through fundraising.

The Youth held a movie night for their first fundraiser on December 6th and raised \$120 to go towards the cost of camp. Our next fundraiser will be held February 2nd. It's our annual "Soup"er bowl soup/chili/sandwich lunch after church.

The Youth enjoyed their Christmas Party at Bobby & Carrie's house this year! We had lots of food, fun, and fellowship. We even made it over to see some Christmas Lights at Christmas Lights on the Farm in Middlesex. A great time was had by all!

The Youth helped the Mission Team decorate the Christmas Tree in the FMC and participated in a Mission Project where we packed "Blessing Bags" for the residents at Robinwood. We are seeking out more missions opportunities for the coming year!

Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):

OWLS-Older, Wiser, Livelier, Seniors:



The Older, Wiser, Livelier, Seniors have been very busy during December. Starting with a trip to Caswell and attending a Christmas show at the Alabama Theatre in Myrtle Beach. On December 9th we met and made a Christmas Craft. We took a trip to the Southern Supreme Fruit Cake Facility in Bear Creek and had a great time. We also went to the Rudy Theatre in Selma to see the Christmas Show, we had a wonderful time of fellowship.

We are making big plans for 2020 so join us as we will be back on schedule with our meetings, the last Tuesday of the Month.

Happy New Year to All,
Olivia Cooke & Patsy Narron

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

A Book Nook has been set up on the first floor of the Education Building for your pleasure. You are invited to sit and read from selections for the season. These books will rotate in and out of this area based upon the season of the year. You may bring a book to add and take a book you are interested in reading. In addition, there is a section of resource books available in the FMC if you would like to do a little research when studying or preparing to teach the Bible.

Come join us for Sunday School each Sunday morning from 10:00-10:50am. We have classes for ALL ages! Find one for you and your family below.

Children's Classes:

Nursery 1: Ages birth - 2 years
Nursery 2: 2 - 3 years
Bible Learners: (Grades Preschool-2nd Grade)
Bible Discoverers: (Grades 3rd-5th)
Youth: Grades 6th - 12th

Adult Classes:

J.O.Y.-Women
Stripes- Women
Growing in Jesus
Mildred Driver Class
The Beginning (New Members)
Andrew Batten/Gary Hocutt Class- Men

Property Management Team (Steve White-Team Leader):

Well another year is gone, hope all of you had a blessed Christmas and will have a blessed New Year.

First thing we can all do is pray for this Country and one another.

We did have a clean up day that went very well. Got several rooms cleaned out and straightened up. The Kitchen was cleaned and items removed that were no longer needed. Thanks to all that helped out with this. We hope to do this again in the Spring. The tile in the FMC Kitchen and Foyer were cleaned, it looks so much better.

Please sweep and mop after each cooking event.

New carpet will be going into the office area (Secretary Office, Pastor Office, Youth Director Office and hallway) also in the breezeway between the Sanctuary and the FMC. This should be the remaining carpet needing to be replaced in the Church. This is to be done after painting has been completed in these areas. Painting should be begin as you read this newsletter.

Kevin Creech fixed a gutter outside the breezeway between the Sanctuary and the FMC that was causing a leak in that area. Kevin has done a lot of repairs at the Church and accepts no pay. If you see him, please thank him for helping with the up keep of this Church.

Our budget for 2020 was approved at a called conference on December 18th. You will see a \$50,000 increase in capital improvement. The \$50,000 will not be an improvement but a badly needed repair. If you have been outside to the back of the FMC you would have noticed the asphalt pavement cracking and crumbling. Sink holes have begun around the man holes. Be careful when driving into this area. We had an engineer assess the area and his recommendation was to tear up and remove all asphalt and replace with six to eight inches of compacted stone, then a layer of no less than one and one half inches of asphalt. He believes the job was not done right the first time. We will be contacting highly recommended asphalt companies to estimate repairs needing to be done. Hopefully this will be done in the next few weeks.

We will continue to work for the upkeep of this church and the Glory of GOD. May he bless us all.



Update from our Bus/Van Committee

(Bobby Sellers-Chair, Olivia Cooke, Wayne Batten, and Jeany O'Neal)

At this time the bus search committee is still in the process of researching the most appropriate solution for the needs of BTC. As of now the focus will remain on a 15 passenger bus due to the fact that any higher capacity vehicle would require a Commercial Drivers License (CDL). This would limit the amount of qualified drivers legally allowed to operate it for BTC. The bus committee asks that each team within BTC would provide a list of members willing to drive a 15 passenger bus for use with specific teams outreach and transport needs. Please provide this list to any member of the bus committee. Thank you.



Update from the FMC Furniture Committee

(Pam Batten-Chair, Susan Andrews and Allette Hale-Co-Chairs)

We will be meeting with our interior designer from Whitley Galleries this month to look at furniture options for our foyer and vestibule areas. Our interior designer will give us a proposal to present to the church after we make some selections.

Thanks,

Pam Batten & Committee



Update from the Children's Director Search Committee

(Wayne Batten-Chair, Juan Trippe, Susan Andrews, Pam Batten, Glenn Bunn, Kennette Stewart, and Traci Boyette)

We have obtained job descriptions from several church for similar positions and started looking at them.

We will write our job description and develop a salary package in January and pursue Church approval for the position. Once approved we will post the position and collect resumes and applications from applicants and begin the search and hiring process. Please be in prayer for this area of ministry for our Church.



Scholarship Opportunity

All High School Seniors, if you have been an active member of our church for the past four years, you are eligible to apply for the Rayford and Lillian Driver Scholarship. Pick up applications from Ashelyn, our Secretary.

Applications are due by January 31, 2020.

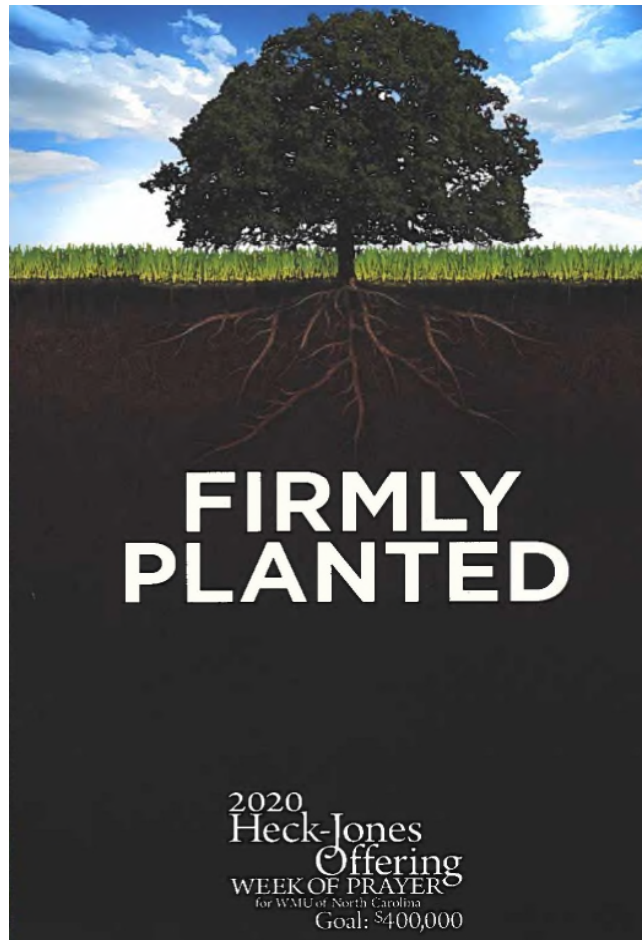
January & February Monthly Missions Offering

Heck-Jones Offering

This offering is named for Fannie E. S. Heck and Sallie Bailey Jones, two beloved leaders and founders of WMU of NC.

They spent their lives serving God through the missions and ministries of WMU.

Today the missions and ministries of WMU NC are supported entirely by your gifts to the Heck-Jones offering.



From the Pastor's Desk:

One of the most important parts of our spiritual growth involves the reading and studying of God's word. It is extremely difficult to know what we are supposed to be, and do, when we are ignorant of the teachings and directions that God has provided through His divinely inspired written word. 2 Timothy 2: 15, tells us to "*study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*" Let us commit, in 2020, to study and read and memorize God's word, so that we will not be ignorant and that we will be able to "*rightly divide the word of truth!*" Each month, there will be a daily Bible reading schedule that will allow us to read through the entire Bible in one year. The monthly memory verse will also be in the newsletter. As you develop your "resolutions" for the New Year, please include the reading and memorization of God's word, on a daily basis.

Remember, THE BEST IS YET TO BE!!!!

Pastor Glen

