

# Baptist Tabernacle Church

## June 2020 Newsletter

WE ARE WORKING TO REOPEN! GUIDELINES ARE IN THE WORKS...

The Leadership Team, being responsible for scheduling the activities of the church, has a sub-team working on guidelines for a phased reopening of our church buildings, activities, and meetings. The sub-team consists of Pastor Glen, Pam Batten (Worship Team), Susan Andrews (Deacons & Sunday School), and Connie Bechdolt (Fellowship Team).

On Wednesday, May 27 the Leadership Team had a called meeting online via Zoom where we reviewed the proposed reopening guidelines. Feedback was provided that the sub-team will use to make modifications to the guidelines. Effective implementation of these guidelines will require a number of volunteers willing to be responsible for various tasks, so please be considering if you are willing to become one of these volunteers. The Leadership Team, after much discussion, unanimously agreed to begin setting up for a phased reopening when the State implements Phase III with up to 100 people in a gathering.

The Leadership Team takes our responsibility for decision-making very seriously because any decision we make affects you and potentially your health. While we are all anxious to get back to our church and its activities, we are not ready to take on the guilt of our church becoming a new hot spot with our population and underlying conditions because we opened too soon. We do not want to be irresponsible decision-makers. We want to open when we can open as close to normal as possible.

In the meantime, please know that we love each and every one of you. So, as Pastor Glen says: "Stay strong, stay safe, and stay focused! The Best is Yet To Be!"

### Our Memory Verse for June is:

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." [Galatians 5:22-23 KJV](#)

### June 2020 Bible Reading Schedule

June 1 1 Kings 4-6

June 2 1 Kings 7-9

June 3 1 Kings 10-12

June 4 1 Kings 13-15

June 5 1 Kings 16-18

June 6 1 Kings 19-22

June 7 Ephesians 1-3

June 8 Ephesians 4-6

June 9 2 Kings 1-3

June 10 2 Kings 4-6

June 11 2 Kings 7-9

June 12 2 Kings 10-12

June 13 2 Kings 13-15

June 14 2 Kings 16-18

June 15 2 Kings 19-21

June 16 2 Kings 22-25

June 17 Philippians 1-4

June 18 1 Chronicles 1-3

June 19 1 Chronicles 4-6

June 20 1 Chronicles 7-9

June 21 1 Chronicles 10-12

June 22 1 Chronicles 13-15

June 23 1 Chronicles 16-18

June 24 1 Chronicles 19-21

June 25 1 Chronicles 22-24

June 26 1 Chronicles 25-27

June 27 1 Chronicles 28-29

June 28 Colossians 1-4

June 29 2 Chronicles 1-3

June 30 2 Chronicles 4-6

## Save the Dates:

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

Every Monday Morning: BTC Crafters Zoom Meeting @ 9:30 am

Sunday,  
June 21st:  
Father's  
Day

## **A Father's Day Prayer**

**God,  
Bless all the fathers in the  
world. Father, we ask that You  
guide them to be good role  
models and loving to their  
children. We also ask that You  
help them to be a father like  
You are. Give them grace and  
patience to handle situations  
in a loving way.  
Amen**



### *June Birthdays*

1st	Tara Cooke Dylan Haynes	24th	Christopher Brown David Driver
2nd	Lanie Grace Strickland	25th	Patty Perry Anne Ward
3rd	Gary Hocutt	26th	Carol Bailey David Hughes
6th	Olivia Hargreaves	27th	Pam Batten
7th	Danny Ayscue		
8th	Brooklynn Adams		
9th	Janice Hill Sue Hocutt		
12th	Gary Thompson Joe Temple		
13th	Susan Bennett		
15th	Kara Stewart		
17th	Austin Hocutt		
18th	Brandon Creech Sefton Stevens		
19th	Hayden Hughes Zachary Miller		
20th	Jessica Comeau BJ Smith		
21st	Tristan Cooke Margaret Denton		
22nd	Sue Cline		
23rd	Lance Rice		



### *June Anniversaries*

1st	Ross & Lou Carroll
3rd	Ryan & Caitlin Scott
7th	Whitt & Kerry Garner
9th	Wayne & Pam Batten
16th	Robert & Pam Earp Bob & Marie Shuman
17th	Dan & Nancy Gullifer
21st	David & Annette Ragan
25th	Walt & Patsy Dillon
26th	Brandon & Crystal Baker
27th	Gary & JoAnn Hocutt
29th	Steve & Carol Bailey Ricky & Pam Turner
30th	William & Vickie Hocutt Jimmie & Tammy Narron BJ & Michelle Smith Stacy & Lori Bunn

## 2020 Graduates:

**Kelsey Anne Bunn**—Graduating from East Wake High School where she served as President of the FFA. Kelsey will be attending Wake Tech in the Fall focusing on Hospitality in hopes to become a Flight Attendant.

**Tristan Cooke**—Graduating from Corinth Holders High School, he has been active in racing and is looking forward to getting back to racing.

**Austin Ray Hocutt**—Graduating with Honors from East Wake Academy. Austin has been taking courses at Wake Tech working towards a degree in Criminal Justice, he plans to continue attending Wake Tech working on a degree in Business Management before transferring to NCSU to complete his Criminal Justice Degree. Austin hopes to become a Game Warden.

**Katherine McKenzie Lewis**—Graduating from Corinth Holders High School where she served as a JROTC cadet. She has also been serving as a cadet with Johnston County EMS and has earned her EMT Credential. Katherine plans to attend Johnston Community College focusing on her Associates Degree in Emergency Medicine. She hopes to have a dual credential as an Registered Nurse and Sonographer.

**Michael Brown**— Graduated from the Fire Academy at Johnston Community College and serves a volunteer fire fighter with Corinth Holders Fire Department.

**Seth Creech**—Graduated from the Fire Academy at Johnston Community College and is a member of the Corinth Holders Fire Department.

**Austin Robert Himmel**—Graduating from Greensboro College with a Major in Exercise and Sport Science with a minor in Health. Austin has made the Dean’s List every semester as well as being a member of the football team. Austin will applying to programs to pursue a PHD in Physical Therapy.

**Kara Jean Stewart**—Graduating from Western Carolina University with a Bachelor of Science in Emergency Medical Care. Kara plans to pursue a career as Paramedic.

Check out the Seniors  
Video collage on our  
Church Facebook Page.

Thank you Susan Bennett!

Graduation  
Blessings!

CLASS OF

2020

Your word is a lamp for my  
feet and a light for my path.

Psalm 119:105

## What are our Ministry Teams up to?

Are you interested in volunteering? Consider becoming a part of one of our Ministry Teams...  
Contact Susan Andrews (919-365-4189 or [swarha@aol.com](mailto:swarha@aol.com)) if you need more information.

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

June is the month we solicit your nominations for the Deacon Board. Persons are elected for a 3-year term. We will be collecting your nominations from June 1 - June 21. To submit a name for consideration, please call or email Lou Carroll (919-365-3354 or [LHCarroll@bellsouth.net](mailto:LHCarroll@bellsouth.net)) or Ricky Andrews (919-365-4189 or [rhaeco@aol.com](mailto:rhaeco@aol.com)). Reference the Constitution & Bylaws, Page 17-18 for the Deacon Election process and Page 39 for Deacon Qualifications and Responsibilities. Deacon prospects will be contacted in July and elections are scheduled for August with terms beginning in September.

Current Deacons (not eligible for nomination): Susan Andrews, Tom Vaughan, Lou Carroll, Aaron Johnson, Ray Hocutt, Paul Brown Jr, Wayne Creech, Wayne Batten, Ricky Andrews



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

Again, we want to thank all the Church members for continuing to support the Church through your tithes and offerings during our Stay At Home Orders. Also, we appreciate Pastor Glen for providing us with daily devotionals and weekly sermons on Facebook Live. The ability to have these daily devotions and hear the word being preached by Pastor Glen weekly is a great blessing and incentive for each of us. This continually helps each of us get through this time without becoming physically affected by the Covid -19 virus. Your continued financial support and the use of the Baptist Tabernacle Church Facebook page is greatly appreciated.

For those that are concerned about mailing your tithes and offerings to our mailbox, the Church has acquired a post office box mainly for the purpose of mailing in tithes and offerings. So, if you want to mail them to the church, please mail them to: Baptist Tabernacle Church, PO Box 981, Wendell, NC 27591, Attention: Luna Parrish

The Administrative Team met via a ZOOM meeting in May to review the financial reports and discuss other items. One of the items we have been discussing is revising the Church Buildings rental policy. We will present at the next Church Conference a proposal to revise paragraph A.3.e of the rental policy as follows:

There is no fee for the use of the church facilities by church members; however, a refundable deposit, as listed below, is required at the time of reservation. All donations to offset expenses will be appreciated.

Refundable Deposit	
Sanctuary	\$100.00
Family Ministry Center	\$100.00
Education Building	\$100.00
Two Buildings	\$200.00
Three Buildings	\$300.00

We hope that this will be less burdensome on our members and will improve the overall rental experience of our Church facilities.

We would also like to express thanks to Steve White and the Property Management – Maintenance Ministry for their continued maintenance of the Church buildings and grounds. Some may not notice, but you hardly pass the church during the week that you don't see Steve's truck there where he is performing some maintenance or improvement to the facility or meeting with contractors getting information and quotes on needed maintenance items. That is greatly appreciated. Please review the Property Management – Maintenance Ministry section of this newsletter to keep up-to-date with their activities. And if you get a chance, drop Steve a note, call, text, whatever and let him know that you appreciate his work.

Please be patient as we look forward to the time that we can gather again! 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.

## 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....



## Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):



### Camp Caswell:

We are happy to announce that we got word from Fort Caswell that Youth Camp is still on for this year with some adjustments for safety. Our trip is now shortened to 4 days instead of 7, but we are still thankful we can go and be a part of summer camp at Caswell. We will still be leaving Monday, July 13th, but now we will return Thursday, July 16th. Please be in prayer for our group as we prepare for God to work in a mighty way this summer!

### Youth Meetings on Zoom:

We are still "meeting" each week through Zoom. Our meetings are still on Wednesday night typically at 6:30. We just finished a 4 week study in Philippians where we examined the life of Paul and discussed the topic of "Joy No Matter What". Beginning next week will dive into John with a 5 week Summer series. Links to meetings are posted each week on our Facebook page and sent through email. If you are not on our BTC Youth Facebook page or on our email list and would like to be added please let me know!

Thanks and God Bless,  
Carrie Sellers

## Property Management Team (Steve White-Team Leader):

Property Management has been busy this past month. Some on Leadership team would say "spending Church's money". We will continue to say that the Church is GOD's house and it should look better, cleaner and kept up better than your house and mine. All of us who worship in his house should also think this way.

Now down to business, we have installed a new countertop, sink and faucet in FMC kitchen. A new countertop, sink and faucet was also installed in the Children's Church room along with a new 8 foot cabinet and countertop. The room is also used for Ms. Tempie's Sunday School Classroom.

Thanks to Tom Vaughn and Ross Carroll, Tom for his bucket truck and Ross for his bravery in getting in the bucket to trim some limbs out of trees behind the Church. Ross also cleaned out some gutters that was much needed. All limbs and logs were cleaned up and removed. We did find that for the safety of the Church that 3 trees will be taken down by a tree service company. After an estimate of up to \$5,000, we did get it down to \$2,000. Yes I do treat the Church's money like mine and look for the best deal.

We have now gotten quotes on the needed paving in the back of the Church, along with the rest of the pavement at Church. Andrew Paving Co. and ABC Paving Co. gave quotes. Leadership Team by popular vote, decided that only the back, right side and between that new and old cemetery to be paved at this time. Sometimes it is cheaper to pay now than later. ABC Paving Co. was cheaper and seem to follow more of what the Engineer recommended. ABC was \$7,000 cheaper on back paving, \$2,500 cheaper on right side paving and only charging \$4,800 to grade and pave between new and old cemetery. ABC will also hand lay Rip Rap stone on the ditch (in the back of the Church) close to new asphalt to prevent further washing away for \$1,200. ABC will also remove and replace parking bumpers. They will also do the striping and bring in load of dirt to backfill at the edge of asphalt for the price of \$0. ABC's total for all of this work is \$27,200, their price was very reasonable.

The trees to be removed will be done in about a week and paving will follow.

Let us Thank God that he sees to provide for the upkeep of his house so that we may Worship in it, that we may spread his word so that all sinners can have everlasting life.

GOD BLESS US ALL, that we may return to his house to do just that.



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



Hello everyone,  
We are hoping to be back in Sunday School in a few months. I know we all look forward to seeing one another and learning about God's word.  
VBS is still on hold for now...More information will follow as soon as we know anything.  
I would like to share the Bible verse this month from my Bible Learners class..  
"Be ye kind one to another." Ephesians 4:32.  
Cynthia Whitley Hudson

## Mission Team

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

As soon as we can get back together as a group we will begin to work on our next big fundraiser "FallFest". We have other projects that were in the works that had to be put on hold, but hope to be able to go ahead with these at some point as well. Please remember if you need us just reach out to Pastor Glen, Sonny Trippe, or Myself and we will try to help anyone that we can. Remember to continue to pray for our church family, our Pastor, and all the people impacted by this unprecedented world event. May GOD bless us all and we pray this event brings us even closer as a church and as a nation.



## Evangelism Team

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



We continue to send cards each week to let our members to let them know we are thinking about our church family. We hope these cards will bring a smile to each person that receives one until we meet again.

## Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):

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



We hope all are well and hope to see everyone soon. Our "Christmas by the sea" is still on schedule, Phyllis Elvington is the speaker and we will go to a Christmas show in Myrtle Beach. The dates are Monday Nov. 30th-Wed. Dec. 2nd. We have 12 attending and have room for 2 more. If you have any questions please call Olivia. Our fruit basket deliverer has been busy delivering to those that have been stuck at home due to sickness or injury. God Bless, Oliva & Patsy



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
- \* 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
- \* Youth Meetings are being held online
- \* Leadership Team Meetings are being held online
- \* 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!

## Update from our Bus/Van Committee

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

Until we can resume normal Church activities, the Bus/Van Committee is on hold.

## Update from the Children's Director Search Committee

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

Until we can resume normal Church activities, the Search Committee is on hold. We will resume this process as soon as we can. Please be in prayer for this area of ministry for our Church.

## Recurring Prayer Needs

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

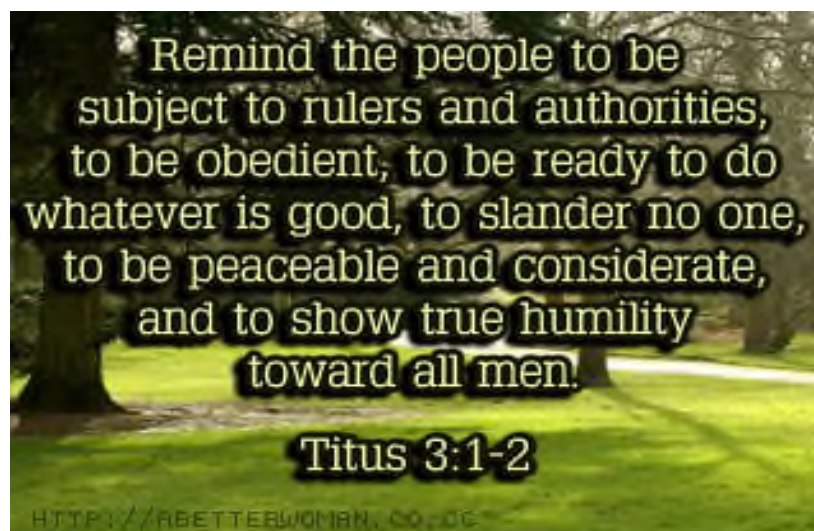
## New Prayer Needs

Sgt. Dakota Bennett	Teresa Faulkner	Glenn Moore	Dolores Renfrow
Ricky Bunn	Jackie French	Kenneth Morgan	Bob Shuman
Beverly Briggerman	Charlie Hairr	Teresa Morgan	Gary Tant
Christin Brown	Mike Himmel	Kenneth Nowell	Sgt. Joey Wheeler
Russell Capps	Tracey Hudson	Jeany O'Neal	Unspoken Requests
Sue Cline	Jackie Hunter	Danny Ray Parrish	
Faye Creech	Beverly Ide	Jimmy Peck	
Jammie Creech	Kenneth Jones	Lamar Pender	
Judy Davis	Sonja Lee	Norman Price	
Jane Diehl	Katie Lewis	Joan Privette	
Ron Diehl	Emma Maidon	David Ragan	

## From the Pastor's Desk:

Amazingly, we are already into June 2020. June is the month that we celebrate "FATHER'S DAY!" As I reflect on my own father, and the words of wisdom that he shared with me, and in light of the present circumstances that we find ourselves in today, I am struggling with the idea of *"throwing caution to the wind,"* and push for opening church services, just as we did before March 16, 2020, and the reality that our church population, just happens to be within the "Vulnerable population" to COVID19. So, how do we proceed? I am praying; I am seeking; I am expecting for God to guide us and to instruct us as to the best way to go forward. My desire is to go back to "corporate" worship as rapidly as is possible, however, using common sense in the process. Reflecting on the process and questioning my own motives, God brought to my mind a passage of scripture that has provided some clarity and comfort in our present dilemma. Titus 3:1-2 NLT says, *"Remind the believers to submit to the government and its officers. They should be obedient, always ready to do what is good. <sup>2</sup> They must not slander anyone and must avoid quarreling. Instead, they should be gentle and show true humility to everyone."* What would Daddy do? He would do what he always did! He would Stay Strong, Stay Focused and he would keep growing in Christ, personally, and he would continue to share Jesus with this lost and dying world, regardless of the circumstances! Do you think that we should do the same? I am committed to God, my family, my church (BTC), and my community and I am going to continue to work towards restoration of our corporate worship and fellowship, with due diligence, and when we do open, I would like to open as close to normal, as possible! Please continue to pray for each other! WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS AND WE WILL BE STRONGER FOR THE EXPERIENCE! I Love You All!!

Pastor Glen



"Thank you to all members & staff as we learn to live with the coronavirus/COVID-19 guidelines.