

Baptist Tabernacle Church

September 2021 Newsletter

Our Memory Verse for September is:

He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.

Proverbs 21:21 KJV

September 2021 Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Day 1	Psalm 107-109	Day 16	Proverbs 13-15
Day 2	Psalm 110-115	Day 17	Proverbs 16-18
Day 3	Psalm 116-118	Day 18	Proverbs 19-21
Day 4	Psalm 119:1-88	Day 19	Proverbs 22-24
Day 5	Psalm 119:89-176	Day 20	Proverbs 25-27
Day 6	Psalm 120-127	Day 21	Proverbs 28-31
Day 7	Psalm 128-134	Day 22	Hebrews 1-4
Day 8	Psalm 135-138	Day 23	Hebrews 5-7
Day 9	Psalm 139-142	Day 24	Hebrews 8-10
Day 10	Psalm 143-146	Day 25	Hebrews 11-13
Day 11	Psalm 147-150	Day 26	Ecclesiastes 1-4
Day 12	Titus, Philemon	Day 27	Ecclesiastes 5-8
Day 13	Proverbs 1-4	Day 28	Ecclesiastes 9-12
Day 14	Proverbs 5-8	Day 29	Solomon 1-2
Day 15	Proverbs 9-12	Day 30	Solomon 3-4

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Daily: Pastor Glen's Devotions on BTC Facebook page

Sunday Mornings: Sunday School @10:00 am-10:45 am

Sunday Morning Children's Church in Education Building @ 11:00am

Sunday Morning Sermon: Sanctuary, Facebook or Parking Lot on FM 87.7 @ 11:00 am

Tuesday Morning: Prayer Time @ 10:00am in the FMC

Wednesday Morning: Mission Marketplace Open for Shopping @9:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday Night: Adult Bible Study, Youth, RA's, GA's & Mission Friends @ 6:30pm

FMC Floor Resurfacing: Monday, September 6th-Wednesday, September 8th

Levada Driver Circle Group: Monday, September 13th @ 2:00pm in the FMC

Leadership Team Meeting: Monday, September 13th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

Block Party: Saturday, September 18th @ 11:00am to 2:00pm

Administrative Team Meeting: Monday, September 20th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

Deacon's Meeting: Monday, September 27th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

O.W.L.S. to Caswell: Monday, September 27th-Wednesday, September 29th



September Birthdays

2 nd	Jay Brannan	18 th	Don Farriss
4 th	Harmon Glasco		Jennifer Mitchell Shipman
	Ray Hale	19 th	Roger Hocutt
	Alex Michaud	20 th	Nikko Bannon
5 th	John Cooke		Paul Morris
	Ronnie Faulkner	22 nd	Dylan Greene
	Gene Butler		Phillip Hill
6 th	Seth Creech		Fannie Holt
	Jean O'Neal		Miste Liles
8 th	Susan Andrews	23 rd	Rob Himmel
	Tammy Narron		Ruth Johnson
	Colby Staton		Chris Walters
10 th	Tony Alford		Eliza Wheeler
	Kalea Johnson	25 th	Phyllis Andrews
12 th	Amy Heyward	26 th	Samantha Perry Lambert
	Jordan N. Ashley		Lori Bunn
13 th	Wayne Creech	27 th	Craig Custer
	Eliza Grady		Ray Hocutt
	Pam Turner		Kimberly Makepeace
14 th	Traci Boyette	28 th	Ricky Andrews
	Ray Boswell		Heather Balance
	Phyllis Edwards	30 th	Tiffoney Green
	Richard Langston		Teresa Morgan
16 th	Ross Carroll		Tommie Strickland
	Wayne Currie		Tempie Whitley
17 th	Emaly Bergeron		Connie Bechdolt
	Trent Horne		
	Sandra Weathers		
	Joey Wheeler		



September Anniversaries

6 th	Oscar & Shirley Lane
11 th	Bobby & Rixie Stevens
12 th	Ken & Chrissy Hunter
13 th	Leamon & Lenore Strickland
20 th	Sonny & Sandy Trippe
21 st	Wayne & Sharon Creech
26 th	Denny & Sarah Ide, Jr.
27 th	Glenn & Chasity Bunn
29 th	Don & Cathy Farriss

100th Anniversary Committee

We are continuing to meet and discuss activities associated with the 100th Anniversary of the Church. As mentioned in the previous article, the date of the 100th Anniversary Celebration is May 22, 2022. Go ahead and put that date in your calendar so you don't miss the celebration! Again, the Church facilities have been reserved for that weekend for the celebration and we are looking forward to the activities. We are planning on a lunch following the Celebration service that Sunday and possible other activities throughout the year. More to come as we continue to meet.

We are still looking for any historical pictures of the Church or any documented historical events of the Church, the committee would love to "borrow" them to update the historical documents that we have. On the back of the item, please identify the activity, and put your name, phone #, and address so we can return them to the owner. Also, several years ago a historical video was made of the Church and later updated into a CD. We are looking for a copy of the CD, so that it can be copied and updated. If anyone has any of these items, please get in touch with one of the committee members so that we can update our Church's historical documents.

Additionally, we are in the process of interviewing some of the "long time" Church members for their historical perspectives of the church. Any special memories they have of the Church, any special occasions they remember from the Church, or other thoughts that they have about the Church since its beginning. If you are contacted, please take some time to talk to one of the committee members. Again, the committee consists of: Vance Adkins, Connie Bechdolt, Pastor Glen Brock, Ronnie Faulkner, Lou Holland, Elaine Holmquist, Jeany O'Neal and Joan and Rick Watson.

We are also working on updating the history of the church, planning the celebration service and program, and planning other activities throughout the year.

Please be in prayer for these activities and for the 100th Anniversary of Baptist Tabernacle Church.



What are our Ministry Teams up to?

Pastoral Team (Wayne Batten-Team Leader):

September begins a new year for all our teams at BTC. As I begin my year as Chair of the Deacons, I ask you to do several things to assist us. #1. Pray each day for guidance and leadership in our Church Ministry Programs. #2. Pray each day for our Pastor and his family as they lead us in our daily lives. #3. Tell us what we can do better and let us know if we are doing things right. #4. Consider taking on more responsibilities at our Church. We currently have several teams that need additional leaders and workers. Everyone has talents. Don't hide them under a bushel. We begin this year with many new Deacons. Some are seasoned veterans and others are new to the ministry of Deacon. Please pray for us to work together as a team and let us know of any needs you or the community might have.

Administrative Team (David Hughes-Team Leader/Ricky Watson-Co-Leader):

The Administrative Team meeting for August was held in the FMC with the following items being addressed:

- We reviewed the information from the Leadership Team items that related to the Administrative Team.
- We reviewed the July Financial Report. Our focus in this review is that we are still receiving funds that keep up with the expenditures. We also review the expenditures to ensure that the Ministry Teams are not spending more than they are budgeted. We also look at recurring expenditures to see if we have the funds to meet the continually increasing items. Please keep this in mind when considering your tithes and offerings. There are several recurring expenses that continue to increase, so we are looking into them to see if there are alternates that we can use.

We also review at each meeting the "savings" accounts that we have at Edward Jones to ensure they are meeting our expectations. Just remember that those funds are fluctuating with the market and have some ups and downs throughout the year. Please realize that we are monitoring those fluctuations and are working with the Edward Jones Team to achieve our desired results.

- Again, we recognized two members that are leaving the Administrative Team, Wayne Creech and Tonya Baily. We are so appreciative of their dedication to the team for the last few years and for the expertise they added to the team. They will be missed. We also welcome new "former" member, Allette Hale back to the team beginning with the September meeting. Again, her expertise in the administrative functions of this team will be welcome to the group and we look forward to having her back on the team.

We continue to remind everyone to watch your complacency relative to the COVID-19 virus and the current surge of COVID cases due to the Delta Variant and the number of individuals that have not taken the vaccine. Please keep this in mind when attending Church activities and wear your mask to be considerate of our Church membership.

Thanks for your continued participation.

Currently we are asking you to wear your masks, maintain social distances, and wash your hands when attending any activity at the Church. We are also encouraging everyone to **get the vaccine**. The more that get the vaccine, the quicker we will be able to return to our "normal" routines! Just please stay safe!

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

Property Management Team (Ricky Andrews-Team Leader/Ross Carroll-Co-Leader):

Hope this finds everyone well. Nothing new to report at this time for property management. God Bless Us All!



Discipleship Team:

Sunday School has reopened from 10:00 - 10:45 in the following locations:

Children's SS Classes: Education Building

Nursery 1: Ages birth - 2 years (1st Floor)

Nursery 2: 2 - 3 years (1st Floor)

Bible Learners: (Preschool-2nd Grade) (2nd Floor)

Bible Discoverers: (Grades 3rd-5th) (2nd Floor)

Youth: Grades 6th - 12th (2nd Floor)

Adult Classes (Adults choose 1 of 2 locations to provide for Social Distancing):

Education Building Assembly Room: Lessons from Lifeway Quarterly (max 28)

(Various Teachers from Adult Classes)

FMC: Lessons on Miscellaneous Topics (max 60)

(Various Teachers beginning with Glen Brock and a Book Study from James)

Anyone willing to assist with temporarily teaching Sunday school for children, youth, or adults please contact Susan Andrews (919-418-8061)(swarha@aol.com) or Tonya Bailey (tjabailey@bellsouth.net).



Nursery workers are needed, please contact Susan Andrews if you are willing to assist during Sunday School or Worship. Call 919-365-4189, text 919-418-8061 or email swarha@aol.com.

Mission Team (Annette Ragan-Team Leader/Sandy Trippe-Co-Leader):

Fall will be here before you know it and we have been busy making plans for our Annual Mission Marketplace (Fall Fest). It will be Saturday, November 13th 8:00am to 2:00pm. Everything will be outside like last year. All safety precautions will be taken. We will have sausage & plain biscuits for breakfast and hot dogs for lunch. We are asking for donations of water, drinks and desserts for our bake sale.

Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):

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

All Seniors are invited to join us for our Monthly meetings on the last Tuesday of each month at 9:30am in the FMC. Join us for fun, food and fellowship. We are also discussing our next trips to take. At our last meeting we celebrated Mr. Billy Godwin's Birthday, we went out to eat and Birthday cake. We wish him many more!

God Bless, Olivia Cooke and Patsy & Ricky Narron



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



We will be having another Fun and Exciting Evangelism Block Party on September 18, from 11 am until 2 pm at Baptist Tabernacle Church, near the BBQ Shelter area. There will be something for everyone to enjoy! The day begins with registration and the Children hear a brief message on Salvation. They then get their arm bands to allow them into the Fun and Games area. The Block Party Trailer is provided by the Johnston Baptist Association and is a wonderful tool to help spread the Word of God. We will have Bounce Houses, Balloon Animals, Horseshoes, Corn Hole and other games. We have invited the Fire Station to bring a truck and for the EMS to bring a truck, so you will have an opportunity to talk with your local First Responders and see what their vehicles include.

Hot Dogs, Cotton Candy, Snow Cones, Popcorn will be served. Plan to come and invite your friends and neighbors.

If you would like to assist with this day, please contact Pam or Wayne Batten.

GA'S, RA'S and YOUTH

We have some exciting news to share. Wayne is teaching these groups how to make balloon animals. Our goal is to create a balloon ministry. We will make balloon animals for other young people and share Christ with them and invite them to our Church. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us. We will announce dates very soon.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

For the past several months we have been studying the life of Moses and the travels he led to the Promised Land. We have studied Joshua, Deborah, Gideon, and David. We meet each Sunday at 11:00 in the Educational Building. We would love to see your children join us.

Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):

Remember our Youth Sunday School is at 10:00am each week and Wednesday night Bible Study is at 6:30pm! We would love to have any rising 6th-12th grader youth join us!

If you are not on our email list and would like to be updated about Youth activities please text Mrs. Carrie at 919-524-6882 or email at nctwinmom08@gmail.com with your information!

A vibrant, colorful flyer for a 'BLOCK party'. At the top, there are colorful bunting flags and confetti. The text reads: 'GET READY TO PARTY!', 'Baptist Tabernacle Church', '1599 NC 231', 'Wendell'. Below this is a graphic of three houses. The word 'BLOCK' is written in large, colorful, block letters, and 'party' is written in a cursive font. A circular badge says 'No Charge And All Are Welcome'. To the right, it says 'Let's Meet & Greet - Grill and Chill!', 'Saturday, Sept. 18', and '11 am - 2 pm'. Below a dotted line, it lists 'HOT DOGS, COTTON CANDY, POPCORN, SNOW CONES' and 'For Info: Contact Pam Batten @ 919-801-7327'. At the bottom, there are illustrations of colorful ice cream cones and the text 'BOUNCE HOUSES, BALLOON ANIMALS, & GAMES FOR THE KIDS!'.



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

Recurring Prayer Needs

Henry Allred	Wayne Currie	Scott Kearney	Linda Stevens
R.A. & Ruth Avery	Tim Davis	Billy Knight	Glenn Strickland
Fred Bailey	Serita Deans	Shirley Lane	Jack Thompson
Natalie Bailey	Debbie Descoteaux	Sherry Lanham	Mark Watson
Addie Batten	David Driver	Wilbert Lanier	Nancy Watson
Steven Batten	Wesley Dunbar	Greg Lumley	Rose Marie Wheeler
Tom Bergeron	Earl Earp	Anna Martin	Steve White
Betty Blackley	Phyllis Edwards	Beth McNeil	Bill Wignall
Larry & Frances Braswell	Guy Jean Farmer	Pamela Melton	Jacob Wilson
Pat Briggerman	Kaye Grissom	Iler Miller	Steve Wood
Bailey Briggs	Glenda Kay Harris	Christy Moore	
Annette Brock	Brian Haynes	Tommy Moore	
Melanie Brock	Mike Himmel	Vickie Peters	
Carolyn Price Brown	Elizabeth Hocutt	Katie Price	
David Bullock, Jr.	Robert Hocutt	Larry Price	
Glenn Bunn	Sue Hocutt	Joan Privette	
Russell & Ann Capps	Larry Holland	Leslie Ragan	
Sue Cline	Carl Holt	Spencer Ragan	
Addison Corl	Jackie & Joan Hunter	Dolores Renfrow	
Sharon Craven	Dorena Privette-Jenkins	Pam Rice	
Greg & Donna Creech	Kenneth Jones	Gabe Richardson	
George Creech	Scott Jones	Bert Sellers	

New Prayer Needs

Pam Batten	Josh Rice Family
Jon Carroll	Wendy Valencia
Charles Driver	Becky Wise-Praise Report
Ronnie Faulkner	Unspoken Requests
Randy Hales	
Oscar Lane	
Marsha Nash	
Gary Peck	
Jimmy Peck	
Jeaninene Pratt	
Annette Ragan	
Joey Renfrow	

From the Pastor's Desk:

The Power of Choice

We enjoy many freedoms, and we exercise many opportunities associated with the freedoms, that we have, and, with these freedoms, we must make choices. Choices are a part of our lives and we do it without even thinking, most of the time. Amazingly, we are never free from the requirement of making choices. Decisions are a part of our existence, and we will choose the right way or the wrong way. Basically, we are going to CHOOSE to serve God, or we are going to CHOOSE not to serve God. "The power of choice is real!!" We can...

Choose to Love—rather than hate.

Choose to Smile—rather than frown.

Choose to Build—rather than destroy.

Choose to Persevere—rather than quit.

Choose to Praise—rather than gossip.

Choose to Heal--rather than wound.

Choose to Give—rather than grasp.

Choose to Act—rather than delay.

Choose to Pray—rather than despair.

Choose to Forgive—rather than curse.

Each day brings a new opportunity to choose. What kind of choices will you make today? I pray that your decisions will be grounded and founded in God's Holy Word! Stay Strong, Stay Focused...THE BEST IS YET TO BE!

