

VOICE OF FRIENDSHIP

NEW FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

FROM THE PASTOR'S ❤️...

This month we celebrate ***Father's Day*** and their influence in **family** and **church life**. The first recognition of this holiday in North America was on the West Coast, however, honoring fathers has been traced to the Catholic Feast of St Joseph back in the 14th Century. Joseph was venerated a saint as the nourisher of Christ. He doesn't play a prominent role in the story of Christ, but yet he lays down an example that many 21st Century men would do well to follow.

Matthew 1:19 calls Joseph a "***just man.***" The word meant upright, righteous, obeying God's laws. As the Bible mentions him, we also see his compassion in not punishing his wife for supposed infidelity. We see his faith in the Word of God. He was a man of courage in standing for his own principles and not following the rigid traditions of a legalistic society. Joseph seems to be a hard worker, protector and provider. This is demonstrated in the fact that he was a carpenter (**Matthew 13:55**) and he took Mary & Jesus to Egypt to escape wicked King Herod (**Matthew 2:13-14**).

Joseph is often overlooked in a study of the life of Christ, but he was there until he likely passed away. All mention of him just fades from the text as Jesus grew from boyhood. The Bible calls us to honor all of our parents (**Exodus 20:12**). Some fathers have fallen short of honorable lives. Hopefully this holiday brings you pleasant memories, and even if not, may it challenge you to leave good memories for the generations that follow.

May you have a happy kick-off to summer and a happy Father's Day to all of our dads.

**LOVE,
PASTOR CHRIS**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| 6/4 - Senior Adults To Lavender Farms (9:15AM) | 6/8-6/11 - Southern Baptist Convention |
| 6/15 - Father's Day | 6/16 - 6/20 : Centri-Kid Camp |
| 6/22 - 6/26 : Vacation Bible School (6PM) | 6/30 - 7/4 : Teen Camp at Fort Caswell |
| 7/6 - Cook Out & Games (5PM) | 7/20 - Rhapsody Praise in Concert (6PM) |
| 7/25 - Senior Adults to Mount Airy | 7/27 - 8/2 : Teen Week in Covington, VA |
| 8/11 - Senior Adults to Replacement LTD | 8/17 - Cruise In & Back To School Kick-Off |

NEEDED FOR VBS CRAFTS: PLEASE KEEP YOUR TOILET PAPER ROLLS AND BRING THEM TO CHURCH! LEAVE THEM OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH OFFICE OR GIVE THEM TO REBECCA BOWEN!



ASSOCIATE PASTOR NEWS:

NFBC Family,

June is set to be a busy month for student ministry at NFBC and I am excited to dive in! Our children are a couple of weeks away from going to CentriKid in Lynchburg, VA and I am so thankful for Ernie and Joanna Lookabill's leadership of that trip. We are blessed with many children's ministry volunteers who do a fantastic job. Ernie and Joanna are certainly part of that group. Their heart to see kids grow in their knowledge of the Scriptures is a constant blessing to me! Please pray for their safety and that this week will have an eternal impact on our students.

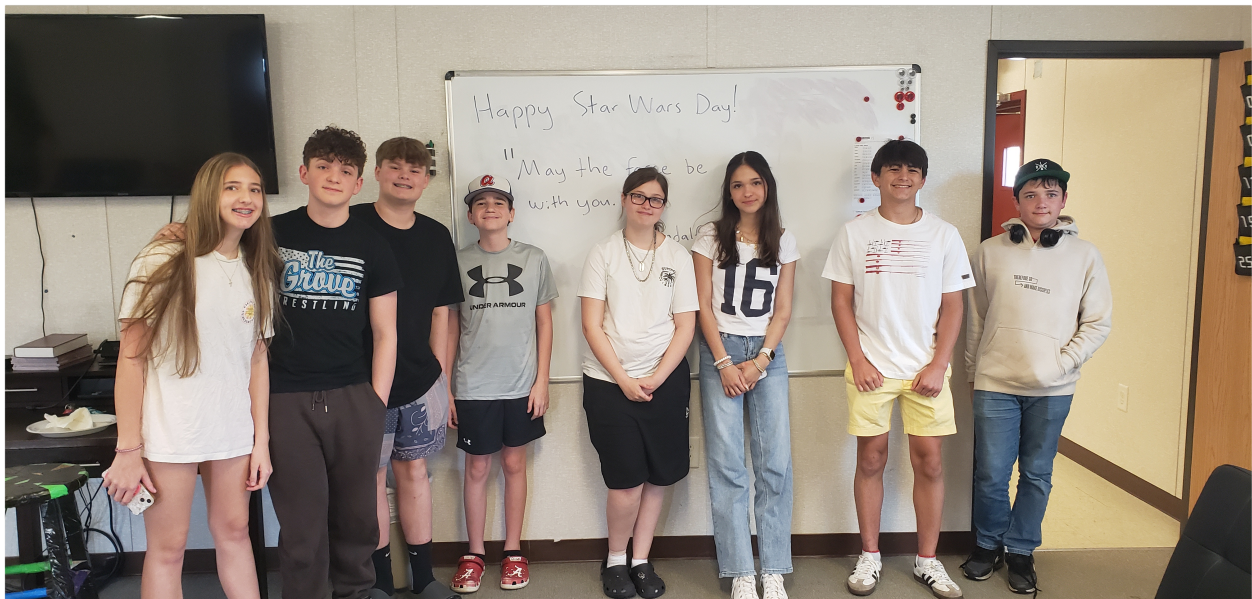
The following week is Vacation Bible School, one of my favorite times of the year! I enjoy working alongside many of you as we serve the Lord to reach children. Pray for God to send children and that the Word would impact their hearts as well as the hearts of the workers.

The following week, **June 30th – July 4th**, will be our youth camp at Fort Caswell. We pray that God will be working in our youth's hearts even now preparing them to receive God's Word for His glory and their growth.

This month's book recommendation is ***From the Mouth of God*** by Sinclair Ferguson. We live in a nation that is nearly devoid of readers. Recent data shows that nearly 80% of American adults report that they have not read a book cover-to-cover since high school. For many Christians this reluctance to read filters into their walk with God. Fewer and fewer Christians report having read the Bible in its entirety. We need more Christians who have read the Bible and have read it well. We do not come into this world skilled at reading the Scriptures and it takes hard work to become good at it! However, the reward for working hard at this task is rich and well worth the effort.

Ferguson does one of the best jobs that I have seen of presenting how to study the Bible in a concise manner. He briefly teaches on why we can trust the Bible and how to apply the Scriptures in our lives. All the Bible study in the world will not help us if we do not apply that truth to our lives! Regardless of your level of skill in Bible study, I would encourage you to make it a lifelong task to enrich your skill in this area.

**FOR HIS GLORY,
PASTOR BRANDON**



PRAY FOR THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

The church is referenced as the Bride of Christ twice in the Book of Revelation. The Deacons are inviting you to join us on the first Sunday of the month at 8:15AM for a focused time of prayer for our church. Our next meeting is Sunday, **June 1st**.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND FAMILY FEUD

There will be an Ice Cream Social and Family Feud on Sunday, **June 1st** at 6PM. We need several people to sign up to bring Homemade Ice Cream. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board outside of the Church Office. See Pastor Chris with questions!

SENIOR ADULT JUNE OUTING

The Senior Adults will be going to the Lavender Oaks Farm on Wednesday, **June 4th** for lunch and a tour of the Lavender Farm. **(As this is a Wednesday, there will be no Wednesday Morning Bible Study.)** The cost of the lunch and tour is \$65 per person. The church bus will be leaving the church at 9:15AM.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

WMU and "After Hours" WMU will meet Monday, **June 9th**, at 10:30AM & 6PM respectively. We will be assembling cake kits for City Lights Ministries. A sign up sheet will be provided for items needed (9 X 13 disposable cake pans, cake mix, candles, birthday cards, icing or can of Sprite soda or other lemon-lime soda, birthday banner). We are called to serve. Join us as we discover our purpose for serving and fix our eyes on Jesus. **"Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our lives as well."** ~1 Thessalonians 2:8

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for Sunday, **June 22nd** through Thursday, **June 26th**. The theme this year is **Magnified**. Thursday night will be family night complete with an ice cream truck. We need more volunteers! We need craft helpers, classroom rotation leaders (you transport the age group to different areas...ex. lesson time, craft time, recreation time, etc.), registration table and floaters. There is a registration code listed below that you can use to pre-register. This gives us an idea of how much food we will need.

"Oh, magnify the LORD with me and let us exalt His name together!" ~ Psalm 34:3

VBS VOLUNTEER LIST

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. We need everyone who can to volunteer to serve. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside of the Church Office. Contact Vikki Cook or Julie Hart with questions.

- Nursery Workers
 - Registration Table Workers
 - Rotation Leaders for age groups:
 - ~ Pre-K through Kindergarten,
 - ~ 1st through 3rd Grade
 - ~ 4th through 6th Grade
 - Craft Assistants
 - Floaters
 - Youth Student Workers (7th-12th Grade)
- You will help with: ~ Recreation, ~ Crafts, ~ Music, ~ Bible Study



Scan Here VBS Registration

SUMMER SCHEDULE:

Due to many changes throughout the church, we have amended our summer Sunday night schedule to include a few big events but no “regular” Sunday Night Worship and Children & Youth Ministry. Hopefully, this will allow our children’s workers a summer break, give some newly formed small groups a chance to meet, allow some **“Supper 6 Groups”** to get together and give opportunity for increased family time. Our schedule is below and we will resume our normal Sunday nights in September.

SUNDAY	EVENT
June 1st	Ice Cream Social & Family Feud
June 8th	No PM Services
June 15th	Father’s Day; No PM Services
June 22nd	VBS Kick-Off
June 29th	No PM Services
July 6th	Independence Day Church Cook Out & Games
July 13th	No PM Services
July 20th	Rapsody Praise in Concert
July 27th	No PM Services
August 3rd	No PM Services
August 10th	No PM Services
August 17th	Cruise In & Back To School Kick-Off
August 24th	No PM Services
August 31st	Labor Day Weekend; No PM Services

2025 GRADUATES:

Join us in celebrating our recent high school and college graduates:

Braxton Pass - Oak Grove High School

Alex Arrowood - UNC Greensboro, B.S. Business Administration

Spencer Arrowood - UNC Chapel Hill, Juris D.

Seth Byrne - W-S State University, B.S. Mass Communications

Zachary Combs - Liberty University, B.S. Youth Ministries

Zack Cook - Mississippi State University, B.A. Criminology

Kala Douglas - UNC Greensboro, B.S. Accounting

NFBC’S DESIGNATED MISSIONARIES

The International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has assigned us our own designated missionaries. Please pray for **Dennis & Cheryl Jones** serving in South Africa with IMB. Look for more communication to come about our partnership. The Jones family has connections in the Winston Salem area and we were honored to have them worship with us in December.

THANK YOU

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for the their prayers and calls. My recovery will be between four and six weeks. I firmly believe in the power of prayer so keep the prayers coming and know that I pray for you, my church family, as well. Live believing in the power of prayer!

~ Ernie Whitman

NEEDED FOR BABY BASKETS

We are in need of:

~Size 1 diapers

~Baby wash/shampoo

~Hooded towels

~Size 2 diapers

~Bibs

~Hand sanitizer

~Wipes

NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of:

~Cereal

~Syrup

~Cookies (boxes)

~Rice

~Pancake Mix (water added only)

~Crackers

~Dish Soap

~Instant Potatoes (boxes)

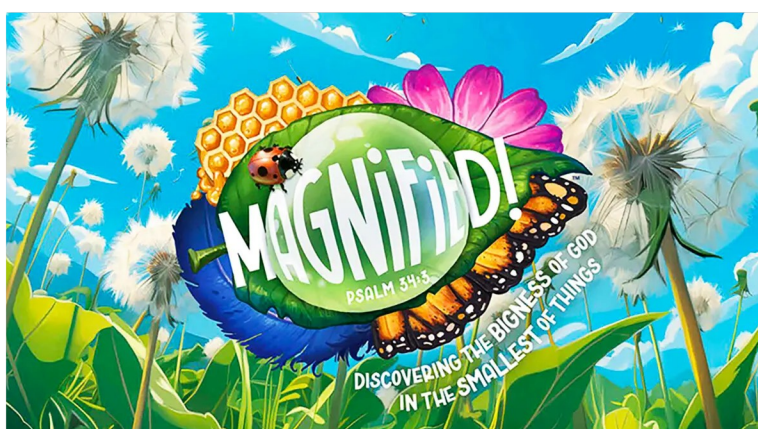
~Jelly

~Pasta

~Spaghetti Sauce

~Peanut Butter

Please try and purchase items in boxes instead of plastic bags. The boxes are less temptation for the mice.



May Numbers	2025	2024
Sunday School Average:	126	125
Avg AM Worship Attendance:	185	151
General Offering:	\$38,769	\$39,461

Christmas with a "Capital C" and the Baptist Men's Outreach for the local homeless mission (Salvation Army) are self-supporting. You can contribute any time using an offering envelope. All donations are appreciated.

If you need to reserve the building or the bus for any reason, please call the church office at 336-788-3112 or email us at newfriendship@icloud.com as soon as you know about your event so that we can keep the calendar organized. If you have information that needs to be put in the bulletin, please have that to the church office by **10AM on Thursday mornings**. If you have information that needs to be put in the monthly newsletter, please have this information to the church office by the **20th of each month**.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday (8AM to 1PM)

