

THE

MESSENGER

201 SOUTH BROADWAY
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PLAY WITH PURPOSE

Upward Evaluations Dates
Tuesday & Thursday
October 16th & 18th
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday October 20th
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Everyone MUST attend one evaluation at either location!
Cost is \$53.00 Register online starting Oct. 8th at
<http://registration.upward.org/UPW67184>

Florence Baptist Church: (UPW67184)
K5 through 6th grade Boys and Girls
Basketball and Cheer



Flu Shot Clinic
Wednesday, October 24th
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

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By Profession of Faith

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Ruth Womack
White Oak Manor
188 Oscar Justice Road
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PREACHER B'S BE-ATTITUDES

Lady on the elevator, "Are you here for the wedding?"

Bobby, "Yes we are!"

Lady, "I just love weddings!"

Bobby, "Why do you love weddings?"

Lady, "I just love seeing two people in love!"

The lady got to the heart of the matter, didn't she? And for Christians that love is agape, the highest kind of love, the love we see on the cross, the love of Christ for all people, everywhere, all the time! And it is this agape love flowing through you and me that we bring to marriage, to family, to friendships, to the workplace and classroom, to the church and to our world. This is a love that gives without seeking anything in return. This is a love that is an outpouring of self-freely, sacrificially and unconditionally-given to others.

May we love like Jesus today and every day! Certainly this would solve many of our personal problems, ease conflict and tension and serve as the answer to many of the problems in our world!

You and I are called to daily love like this. But certainly with Hurricane Florence there are many needs in our state and many opportunities to give agape love. Please note the announcement in The Messenger about a trip to Wilmington November 5-9 and respond accordingly.

We are in the process right now of trying to fill up 200 Shoe Boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Please take a box and fill it with items and in so doing fill it up to the brim with agape love.

And encourage a child to be in our Upward Basketball and Cheering Ministry. Through Upward, children learn basketball and cheering, but even more they hear the Gospel-the agape love of Christ-at every practice and every game.

And most of all, let's pray that we will be sensitive to opportunities today to share agape love with those around us. Someone, something, totally unknown to you and me at the moment, but God knows! And as we share His agape love with those around us, it will be totally awesome!

As 1 John 4:7 says, "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God."

Preacher B

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Sunday School Attendance	303
General Fund	\$14,499.10
Lightshine/Bldg Fund	\$2,527.30
BackPack Program	\$83.00
Baptist Retirement Homes	\$125.00
Baptist Children Homes	\$185.00
NC Missions	\$135.00
NC Baptist Men Disaster Relief	\$1,285.00
NC Baptist Hospitals	\$125.00
Lottie Moon	\$50.00
Youth Fundraising	\$300.00

GIFTS TO THE BUILDING FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Lonnie Ray

Joe & Barbara Freeman

Clarence Campbell

Joe & Barbara Freeman, Shirley Hudson

Darrell Herndon - (Father of David & Steve)

Jim Daniel, Joe & Barbara Freeman
Shirley Hudson

Kim Whisnant

Joe & Barbara Freeman

Sharon Easler

Shirley Hudson

In Honor of:

David and Carolyn Holland (50th Anniversary)

Jimmy & Brenda Martin

Helen Harris

Joy Sunday School Class

Sandy Run Baptist Men

The Sandy Run Baptist Men will hold their quarterly meeting on October 16th at Camp McDaniel. If you would like to attend please contact Calvin Spurlin (828-289-2716) or Chester Melton (828-429-0860) no later than Sunday Morning, October 14th. Cost is \$10.00 payable at the event.



OCTOBER Birthdays

- 10/14 Kandy Hoyle
- 10/15 Elaine Guffey, Mackenzie Hamrick, Janice Holland, Anna-Leigh Yelton
- 10/16 Wes Smith
- 10/17 Jason Hollifield, Matthew Lingelbach, Mark Lingelbach, Kaine Powell, Katie Powell
- 10/18 Lorraine Emory, Chris Quinn
- 10/19 Joe Freeman, Billy Holland
- 10/20 Ramona Carlton



OCTOBER Anniversaries

- 10/14 Richard & Rae Hodge
- 10/15 Jason & Megan Glover, Rocky & Jean Scott, Trent & Ashley Self
- 10/16 Lucas & Rebekah Walker
- 10/18 Paul Tim & Nora Jones

Ladies Night Out & Parade of Tables

Ladies join us on November 2 from 6-8 p.m. for a night out filled with delicious food, music, and a wonderful guest speaker - Maria Owens. You do not want to miss the beautifully decorated tables that our ladies are decorating. Tickets are \$12. There are flyers around the church with a brief bio about our speaker. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, decorating a table or need more information, contact Katie Cox or the church office.



This year you have options!!

You can donate items for a box OR you can fill your own. If you fill your own, please bring the box back to church no later than

Sunday Nov. 4th. We will have a Polar Express Packing party to box donated items on Sunday Nov. 4th at 4:00 in LEC Gym.

On Wednesday October 10th after Fellowship Dinner, Judy Jackson with Operation Christmas Child will share with us her experiences in the ministry and what it feels like to hand a child one of these boxes.

Junior G.L.O.W. Team

The Junior G.L.O.W. Team will start meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday Evenings!



5th Quarter - Oct 12th after the football games until midnight in the LEC. There will be food, games, and giveaways! Bring a friend after the game for a fun night!

Sunday October 14 - Youth Rally - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. East Middle School. Church Van will leave at 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Nights 6:00-7:00 p.m. - New Bible Study: BOSS

Sunday November 4th will be HIGH ATTENDANCE DAY!



Over the next few weeks we will be spotlighting our Sunday School classes. If you are not involved in a class, we hope you will find one and try it. We have set a goal to have 400 people in Sunday School on this day.

This Week's Sunday School Class Spotlight:
Mamie Hamrick's Sonshine Class (Parlor)

Age Range: 55+

Members: Women only

Curriculum used: Masterwork Series

Purpose: To teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, to mature in our daily walk with Him and to become stronger followers and more bold in our witness.

Class style: Team teaching approach.

Description: Class is made up of a diverse group having had different life experiences and careers in various capacities but the bottom line is that we are ladies who love the Lord and desire to know Him better. There is warmth and love, a connection, and freedom of expression in this class making everyone comfortable. Fellowship breakfast every fifth Sunday and scheduled social events throughout the year.

Florence Mission Committee

The Mission Committee is organizing a trip to the area affected by Hurricane Florence, hopefully to the Wilmington area. The dates for the trip are November 5th thru the 9th. If you are interested in going to help those in need, please contact Calvin Spurlin (828-289-2716) or Chester Melton (828-429-0860).



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Or Current Resident

OPPORTUNITIES FOR - October 14- October 20

SUNDAY:

8:45 - First Light (LEC/Gym)
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Salt and Light Service (Sanctuary)
4:00 - G.L.O.W & Junior G.L.O.W.
5:00-Youth Praise Band
6:00 - Evening Service
PowerHouse (4 year olds - 3rd Grade)
Children's Bible Drill (4th-6th grades)
Youth Discipleship
Adult Handbells

MONDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers

TUESDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers
6:00 - 8:00 - Upward Evaluations
6:30 Knit, Crochet, Pray

WEDNESDAY:

4:30 - Senior Adult Choir
5:30 - Children's Choir Leaders Serving Time
5:45 - 6:15 Fellowship Supper Serving Time
6:15 - 7:00 Preschool and Children's Choirs
6:30 - Prayer Meeting
6:30 - 7:30 - Youth Activities
7:00 - 7:30 - Children's Mission Activities
7:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal
8:30 - Adult Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers
10:00 - Grief Share
6:00-8:00 - Upward Evaluations

FRIDAY:

8:30 - 11:00 - LEC/Gym Open for Walkers

Saturday

9:00-10:00 - Upward Evaluations

Save the Date!

October 12th - 5th Quarter after the games
until Midnight

October 23 - Senior Adult Annual Leaf trip

November 4 - Sunday School High
Attendance Day

NURSERY- October 14, 2018

8:30 A.M. - Kim Bridges, Warren & Tara Hamrick,
Kerry & Nikki Brock

11:00 A.M. - Alyson Mayse, Ashlee Kallay,
Ian & Haley Blalock, Janet Atkins

6:00 P.M. - Kim Bridges, Rosemari Holland

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP - October 14, 2018

8:45 A.M. - Tonya Garrison, Laura Harris

11:00 A.M. - Tonya Garrison, Jean Gordon

POWERHOUSE - October 14, 2018

6:00 P.M. - Tonya Garrison, Steve Garrison

