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To My Church Family and Friends,

What a wonderful Easter season we just celebrated! The message in song from our choir on Palm Sunday was a tremendous worship experience. We are so blessed to have such a faithful choir. Be sure to thank them every chance you get.

On Easter Sunday, the Lord blessed us with a beautiful sunrise for us to remember the good news of that morning over 2,000 years ago when the tomb was found to be empty—the prophecy had been fulfilled—**CHRIST WAS RISEN!**

During the worship service, one thing that blessed my heart was the number of children we had for Brannon's Children's Sermon. I have heard it said, "If you want to know if a church is growing, look at their children's program".

What does the Bible say about children? In Matthew 18:6 Jesus warns his disciples to go any length to avoid being stumbling blocks to the faith of little ones (children or young believers). In Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Psalm 127:3-5 reads "Children are a heritage from the Lord." Jesus loved children.

Our church is blessed with dedicated and faithful leaders in our children's programs. As our number of children grows, they will need more help. Please pray about what you can do to help support that ministry.

Thank you all,

Roger James



MAY



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 Susette Kimrey, Alyssa Napier
- 2 Matthew Austin Hilton
- 3 Carlos Figueroa, Mott Simpson
- 5 Dale Frankenberg, Joe Little
- 7 Penny Edwards
- 10 Amanda Haigler Poulter, Emily Kelly
- 12 Drake Riggins
- 13 Raylan Love
- 15 Kendall Howard
- 16 Shirley Crowe, Rita Griffin
- 17 Nancy Hilton, Marty Little
- 19 Ashley Fowler, Kennedy Hutson
- 20 Donald Hilton
- 22 Sam "Bubba" Langston, Eric Little, Beddie Tarlton
- 23 Cindy James, Larry Smith
- 24 Josiah Davis, Bill Fowler, Baylee Jordan
- 26 Wade Haigler
- 27 Jalen Long, Lane Simpson
- 28 Hailey Earp, Jimmie Seay, Raymond Smith
- 29 Luke Preslar, Christa Simpson Love
- 30 Isaac Davis, Avery Haigler
- 31 Eddie Hilton

First week of June

- 3 Hannah Napier
- 4 Xaiden Moore, Josh Lemon
- 5 Pam Rivers
- 6 Emily Graham

MAY



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 14 Mr. & Mrs. Chad Griffin
- 18 Mr. & Mrs. Allen Edwards, Mr. & Mrs. Rod Davis
- 19 Mr. & Mrs. James Burnette
- 22 Mr. & Mrs. J. Ronald Edwards (Gloria)
- 26 Mr. & Mrs. Christopher (Amanda) Lynn

No first week in June anniversaries.

May issues of *Mature Living*, *Home Life*, *Open Windows*, and *Our Daily Bread* are in the vestibule and Sunday School classes for pick up. Please see Roger Haigler to update the number of each your class needs. Thank you.

Online Giving

EasyTithe is changing its name to Amplify! As a church committed to stewardship, we've embraced this change because Amplify offers lower costs and higher security for our community. If you currently have an online giving account, please be prepared to update your password as part of these enhanced security measures. Rest assured, all other aspects of your giving experience will remain the same. We thank you for your continued generosity and support! If you need any help or have further questions, please contact Sheri in the church office at 704-624-2929. Thank you for your faithful giving.

SECOND HARVEST

Wednesday, May 7th
Wadesboro First Baptist Church



Watch weekly bulletins for more details.

Thank you!



Wednesday, May 21st
6:00 p.m.



NURSERY SCHEDULE

May 4th: Beverly Napier
May 11th: Debbie Jordan & Amanda Vann
May 18th: Dawn Eudy & Kelcey Griffin
May 25th: Debbie Jordan & Amanda Vann
June 1st: Hannah Napier & Hunter Canup



May 4th: Barbara Simpson & Carolyn Smith
May 11th: Need Volunteers
May 18th: Janel Griffin & Roger Haigler
May 25th: Cindy Whitley & Kelcey Griffin
June 1st: Debbie & Baylee Jordon



**FOOD
MINISTRY**

MAY FOOD MINISTRY NEEDS

Thank you for your contributions to helping feed the children in our community.

May 4th: Box of individual packs of grits or oatmeal.
May 11th: 4 oz. Bag of instant potatoes
May 18th: Pack of individual cups of Jello
May 25th: Pack of 4 or 6 cups of applesauce
June 1st: Can of 15 oz. vegetables such as green beans, corn, peas

Thank you!! Your donations help so much.

Brenda Walker



Sunday, May 11th

2025 FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVATIONS

REMINDER...If you or your Sunday School Class wants to use the Fellowship Hall, please be sure to schedule with Sheri. Thank you.

May Fellowship Hall Clean Up:

Saved to Serve Class

Western NC Needs

See list posted on the bulletin board. Thank you.



Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 23rd

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Thursday, June 26th

Times to be determined.

You can now register online at:

<https://giving.myamplify.io/App/Form/2b9147c7-bdba-410e-bc99-c408ff21698f>



Sunday, June 1st

Deadline to sign up: Sunday, May 11th

**High School and College Graduates,
please sign up on bulletin board. Thank you!**



Churchwide Project for Samaritan's Purse

The children and youth are asking for your help by donating items each month for their Shoebox Mission Project/Packing Party that will take place later this year. 😊

For the month of May we are collecting toy items such as balls, small baby dolls, Barbies, Hot Wheels, flashlights, stuffed animals, fidget toys, legos, card games, small puzzles, slinkies, cars.

Please leave items in the Welcome Center. A monetary collection box for donations is in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please contact Julia Godwin. Thank you so much for your help!