

"BAPTIST ON THE BEAVER DAM"

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From the Pastor's Cluttered Desk

By the time you read this article, we will be in the final weeks of the old church year and will have already made many preparations for the coming church year. Nominations have been received for new deacons to serve a four-year term of service. The Nominating Team has met to begin work on securing officers, teachers, and team members for the coming year and the Budget and Finance Team has begun work on the recommended budget. These are just a few of the activities being undertaken.

On Sunday, August 30, at 6:30 p.m. there will be a gospel sing here at the church. Mark your calendar now and invite friends and family to join you for this event.

All of this leads me to wonder if we have really made the necessary preparations for the changes the church needs to make as we move into the future. Barbara and I recently returned from a preaching conference in Denver, Colorado. After the conference, we spent a few days traveling in an area of the country we had not previously visited. As we traveled we accessed the internet, read the news, texted our children, and answered phone calls on her cell phone. The church office of the twenty-first century is wherever the pastor happens to have his cell phone on! Expanding bandwidth and new cell towers enlarge the

capacity for digital signals, expand the amount of information available in less time, and overwhelm us with their impact. It is all a matter of capacity and "bars".

Every congregation has a certain amount of bandwidth in fulfilling its dream for the future. Our challenge is to become adequately engaged in the hard work of discerning our potential. How does a minister that is already in his sixties communicate effectively with all of the different age groups in the congregation? How do we convince leaders that are older adults to listen to the concerns and needs of children and youth?

Most churches suffer from a problem of language limitations: we are too busy, we are aging, there are too few people, we are tired, we keep doing the same things over and over until they become boring and meaningless. The culture is not friendly to the church and the church fails to be bring a positive message to the world. Church attendance is declining everywhere. We forget that the Gospel is Good News, not an endless list of thou shalt nots. The challenges we face are issues of spiritual discernment. In Joel 2:28-29, God promised to pour out His Spirit on ALL flesh: sons and daughters, old men and young, male and female.

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Monthly Schedule

August 2015

Mission Friends: 3 ~ 5
April Smith



NURSERY-WORSHIP

- 02 ~ Kim & Tim Farmer
- 09 ~ Melanie & Rodney Hall
- 16 ~ Rachel & Rick Strickland
- 23 ~ Donna Banks & Donna Maguire
- 30 ~ Teddy Tippett & Muriel Hall

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 02 ~ Kim & Scott Weathington
- 09 ~ Muriel Hall & Margie Hoslomg
- 16 ~ Teddy Tippett & Margaret Smith
- 23 ~ Lori & Dean Bullard
- 30 ~ Kim & Tim Farmer



USHERS

- Dale Ackerman
- Mitchell Ackerman
- Kenneth Averitte
- Tyson Banks
- Harry Tatum ~ Alternate

Tyson Banks Ordination Service July 19, 2015.



“Everyone smiles in the same language”

August 2015 CALENDAR

Each Sunday:

- 9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
- 10:00 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service

Each Wednesday:

- 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth
- 8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 10th - 11:00 AM WOM Meeting
- 7:30 PM Deacons Meeting
- 12th - 6:30 PM Fellowship Meal
- 7:30 PM Conf./ Worship, GA,RA's, Mission Friends, Youth
- 8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 29th - 3:00 - 6:00 PM Sunday School
- Kick-Off
- 30th - 6:00 PM Gospel Sing



Congratulats Tyson our thoughts, love and prayers are with you.

**Your Church Family
Beaver Dam Baptist Church**

**Information for the Newsletter is due by
The 25th of the month. (Nov. & Dec. 15th.)**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
August 2015**

- 01 ~ Kim Farmer
- 02 ~ Bobby Hall
- 03 ~ Jim Bullard 
 - Melanie Hall
 - Jeff Simpson
 - Nick Petrakis
- 04 ~ Billy West
 - Lee Allen Hosking, Jr.
- 05 ~ LeCarla Royal
- 07 ~ Michael Lewis
 - Zachary Avery
- 08 ~ Donald Simpson
- 09 ~ Bill Dunlap
 - Marilyn Smith
 - Kalynn Brady
 - Chris Hardison
- 10 ~ Loretta Sweatt
- 11 ~ Ethan Bullard
- 12 ~ Billy Bullard
- 14 ~ David Hosking
- 15 ~ W. J. Tippett
- 17 ~ James Ray Hall
- 18 ~ Laiklyn Haney
 - Brian Harris
- 21 ~ Donnie Lewis
 - Margaret Smith
 - Justin Wayne Smith
- 23 ~ Shirley Smith
- 24 ~ Verna Lou Gardner
- 25 ~ Michael Johnson
 - Lauren Elizabeth Simpson
- 26 ~ Iris West
- 28 ~ Joe Brock
- 29 ~ Edna Bullard
- 30 ~ Willa Dean Bullard
 - Amber DeAngelo
- 31 ~ Sarah Hall
 - Rick Strickland

*Happy Birthday from
your Church Family at
Beaver Dam Baptist
Church*

BEATITUDE MINISTRY NEEDS

Men's Belts, shirts, shoes, good jeans, paper items (toilet paper, paper towels & napkins), canned goods, 13 gallon kitchen trash bags, 55 gallon drum liners.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Call 525-4351

Daily Prayer Lists:

**Please remember our
Nursing Home/Rehab Residents**

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Retha Autry | Harriet Hales |
| Rose Hales | Ethleen Harris |
| Jessie McCarley | Meakie Daniels |
| Lois Wright | Lillian Moore |
| Kyle Cashwell | Billy Bullard |
| Nell Holcombe | Dot Gault |
| Audrey Howell | Jerry Vinson, Sr. |
| June Dorton | |

**Military and
Para/Military**

- Eddie Baker
- Jeremy Brown
- Joe Clark
- Matthew Dunlap
- Jon Pollard
- Joel Scheib
- Robert Seymour
- John Sheety
- Kenny Taylor
- Ralph Weller
- Daniel Wilson

Our Sympathy goes out to the families and friends that have lost loved ones. Our Prayers and thoughts are with you.

Missionaries:

- Pam & Don Brownfield
- Eric & Mimi McMillian
- John McLamb
- Allen Seigler
- Jana Smith
- Judith & Danny Williams

**Please Remember Our Sick and
Shut-Ins and their caretakers in Your
Daily Prayers**

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Joe Allen | Sterling Lennon |
| Betty Autry | Cheryl Locklear |
| Bonnie Banks | Lisa Long |
| Lynn Banks | Rodney Maguire |
| Debbie Bedsole | Peggy Marsh |
| Barbara Bergland | Amanda Mason |
| Amber Bloom | Doug Matthews |
| Jay Blouser | Roscoe Meek |
| Ashley Broadney | J. D. Melvin, Jr. |
| Ralph Brock | Guy Mitchell |
| Adam Bullard | Tyler Moore |
| Carmon Bullard | Victor Murray |
| Ella Grae Bullard | Jerry Musselwhite |
| Joshua Bullard | Faye Norris |
| Larry Bullard | Johnny Owens |
| Brittany Bunnells | Prentice Paige |
| Dennis Campbell | Cara Lee Parker |
| Carol Carter | Tammy Patram |
| James Cheek | Chris Pollard |
| Sandra Cheek | Donald Pollard |
| Cody Clark | Kim Ray |
| Betty Cox | Bruce Raynor |
| William Crumpler | Ronald Redden |
| Bill Culbertson | Judy Rierson |
| Dana Davis | Rick Sawyer |
| Brian Day | Laura Schindler |
| Cathy Eaton | James Sheron |
| David Echartd | W. J. Simmons |
| Mary Edwards | Pauline Simpson |
| Betty Faircloth | Carel Skipper |
| Ann Farmer | Becky Smith |
| Rudolph Gray | Crystell Smith |
| Brenda Hales | David Smith |
| Tommy Hales | Harold Smith |
| Hilda Hall | Linda Stephens |
| Magalene Hall | Gary Strickland |
| Rachel Hall | Linda Strickland |
| Vicky Hall | Rhonda Strickland |
| Wesley Hall | Stephen Strickland |
| Judy Hammond | Wade Stroud |
| Scott Hardee | Brady Sutton |
| Bob Hartel | Lois Ann Thornton |
| Luke Hawkins | W. J. Tippett |
| Pete Hawkins | Susan Tyndall |
| Sue Hobbs | Matthew Ward |
| Beth Holland | Allison Walters |
| Jimmy Holland | Troy Watkins |
| Joann Honeycutt | Billie Weathington |
| B. J. Howard | Jason Weathington |
| Carl Huggins | Sybil Whatley |
| Faye Johnson | Chance Wil-Day |
| Connie Lawrence | Julie Wile |
| Randy Lee | Jared Williams |
| | Earl Williamson |
| | Terry Wind |

School Supplies Ministry 2015-2016



As these book bags provide blessings to children that may not have one - we cannot reach them all. We also collect supplies for the children's classrooms to help those with needs during the school year. Teachers request donations of #2 Pencils and Colored Pencils, Crayons and Dry Erase Markers, Notebook Paper, Composition Books, Glue/Glue Sticks and White Copy Paper.

“We Care Bear Ministry”

Please give a new bear to this year round ministry and help a child or adult in a time of need in their lives.



Thank you
Beaver Dam for
your support in this
Ministry of the New
South River Baptist
Association. Bears

are welcome anytime of the year.

A NOTE OF THANKS TO ALL.



We at Beaver Dam Baptist, invite you to make a commitment to join with us at this crucial time of our spiritual growth and development.

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GOD LOVES YOU

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If we follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit we can enlarge our bandwidth. Let me urge you to share your dreams for Beaver Dam with me and with our other leaders. Let me urge you to maximize the diversity of our congregation. In an average congregation, forty percent of the people keep the church alive with their attendance, contributions, prayers, and leadership. Think about what could be accomplished if we could just engage another ten percent of our members. It is a matter of maximizing our bandwidth and improving our communication.

Recently there was picture in the News and Observer that someone had sent in of tombstones in a cemetery. There were several headstones with the family name, "Reason." The caption read, "The death of Reason!" Scripture calls us to, "Come now and let us reason together." Share your ideas, dreams, and visions with others; be willing to listen with an open mind to the ideas and dreams of others.

Most of us make a tremendous effort to improve our vision, hear more effectively, look our best, and improve our overall physical health. Let me urge you to give equal effort to improving our spiritual health as well. A positive overall attitude will make a big difference.

Yours in HIS service,
Michael Shook