



First Baptist Church of Wallace, NC

First Family

May 2021



Preparing to Welcome Jon and Mary Britton — Our new Student Pastor will begin next month!

After much prayer and hard work our Personnel Committee has found our next Student Pastor. Jon Britton is from Rustburg, Virginia, and he graduates this May, then gets married to Mary Fuqua the next week! As soon as they return from their honeymoon, they will be packing up to come to Wallace!

Jon will be leading our Student Ministry, overseeing our Children's Ministry, and ministering to all of our church as he joins our pastoral staff team.

Jon has some wonderful experience as a Christian camp counselor, and in working with students in his present church. Jon loves small town life, hunting, fishing, and listening to Pastor Al's sermons. (OK, I made up that last one.)

Jon's soon-to-be wife, Mary, is also active in Student Ministry, is also a small town girl, and is just as amazing and loveable as Jon!

They have already found a home to rent in Teachey, and are excited about moving to our area to get started in ministry among us.

Jon will start around the first Sunday of June, and he will "hit the ground running" as he prepares for the Student Beach Retreat which will only be about two weeks after he starts.

And when they arrive, we want to do all we can to help them get started! So let's...

Fill the Pantry for Jon and Mary

Jon and Mary Britton will arrive to begin their ministry along side us in June, with his first Sunday being June 6. Being new college graduates and newly married, they will arrive with an empty pantry. But we can change that! Let's help them with those basic, but often expensive, first time purchases. We will have a box in the welcome area for you to add your items to. Then we will make sure they get them when they arrive the first week of June!

Here are some suggestions:

Staples: Peanut butter, jelly, flour, sugar, rice, noodles, vinegar, barbecue sauce, Duke mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard

Spices: cinnamon, cloves, chili powder, garlic powder, onion powder, cumin

Cleaning supplies: dusting clothes, dish and dishwasher soap, Mr. Clean or similar cleaning solution, paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, hand soap

And I'm sure there are items you might think of that would be helpful too!

If each family purchases just one item, we can help them avoid the sticker shock that would accompany buying all of this type of stuff at once! Maybe you remember moving into your first home, or a new home, and all of the expense of the items it takes to get your kitchen, bath, laundry room, and window coverings all ready to go.

On the day they move in, we will tap a few of you to help them unload their stuff and we will take the items to them. Let's give them a wonderful, warm welcome as they arrive!

Worship

Finishing Luke's Parables

As we move into may, we are wrapping up our series that focused on having a home life characterized by God's blessing. The first Sunday of May is the last of our "Bless This Home" series.

Then, on Mother's Day, we move back into Luke's parables, to finish our series "Surprise Party." Our parable for Mother's Day is "The Prodigal Son," a story of parental love and grace. Finishing our parables series will take us into June when we will begin a summer series (to be announced).



May 2 — Swimming Pool or Lazy River
Matthew 5:10-12 (end of "Bless This Home")

May 9 — (Mother's Day) Welcome Home!
Luke 15:11-24

May 16 — Spiritual Lessons from a Scoundrel
Luke 16:1-9

May 23 — Alternate Speaker: J. T. Hopkins

May 30 — The Call is Clear Enough Already
Luke 16:19-31

June 6 — God Sees Your Heart
Luke 18:9-14

June 13 — Show Me Your Performance Chart
Luke 19:11-27 (end of parables series)

June 20 — *Summer Worship Series begins*

Happy Mother's Day

Prayer Requests

Remember in Prayer:

Those in our community whom God has called us to lead to Christ and minister to in His love. James Baker, Sue Baker, Clayton Brock, Gary Brown, Carrey Carlberg, Gregg Carlson, Vicky Evans, Carol H. Fields, Michael Fields, Edie Flowers, Mel Gibson, Andy Howard, Amy Smith Johnson, Ron Johnson, A.C. Kenan, Harvey Knowles, Hill Lanier, Kathy Landlolia, Jennifer Minter, Rocky Mobley, Charles Pierce, Mike Price, Geraldine Register, Bill Ressique & Family, Linda Rich, Bonnie Robinson, David Savage, Harold Simpson, Hazel Simpson, Margaret Stallings, Renee Stoppelbein, Stephen Thompson, Nick & Heather Wells, Marshall Williams, Monica Williford, and all those who are battling coronavirus.

Sympathy to the families of:

Mary Boyette, Buddy Blanton, Edna Eveline Albertson, and A.C. Kenan.



New Baby Girl:



*2/24/2021: Grey Quinn Hilliard
Parents:
Jo Leigh & Brandon Hilliard
(Avery)
Grandparents: Brenda & Ben
Hilliard*

Help Wanted

Soundboard Operator

Sunday Mornings @ 11:00 a.m.

We are still looking for a new person to run the sound system during the 11:00 worship service! Is God calling you to minister in this way? Two months ago Greg Moore retired as our 11:00 worship service sound man, yet he is still up there serving most Sunday mornings. "Why?" you might ask? Because no one else has stepped forward to fill his shoes and provide this service for us. If you are interested in learning how this job works, please let Dee know and she can hook you up with Greg for some training! What a wonderful way to serve and help our church grow!

Happy Mother's Day

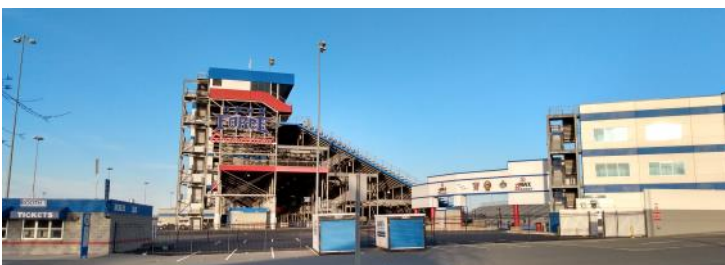


Senior Adult Trip, April 25-29, 2022

Get your luggage out and dusted off! We are packing up to head out on a 5 day, 4 night trip to Charlotte and Asheville, NC from April 25-29, 2022! This trip is packed with so much to see and do! Some of the highlights include the Billy Graham training center and the Billy Graham library, the Museum of the Cherokee Indian and the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, the Biltmore Estate, the NASCAR Hall of Fame, and the Charlotte Speedway! And there is much more!



The \$800 cost covers 4 nights double occupancy lodging (add \$260 if you room alone) 4 breakfasts, 4 dinners including 2 dinner/show combos, entrance fees, gratuities, and travel. Lunches will be on your own each day.



Happy Mother's Day



We will begin sign ups Monday, May 17 for First Baptist members and regular attendees, and Monday, June 28 for non-members. **A \$100 deposit will hold your seat on the bus.** You will not want to miss this fun and exciting trip, so come into the office, fill in the reservation form, and pay your deposit ASAP! I look forward to traveling with you again!



Happy Mother's Day

Senior Adults

Luncheon, Tues., May 11 @ 11:30 a.m.

Our next Senior Adult Ministries lunch will be held on Tuesday, May 11 @ 11:30. And **GOOD NEWS!** We are going back to our covered dish format for this meeting! It has been over a year since we have shared dishes from our kitchens, and I am eager to taste your delicious recipes again. We will enjoy playing some games again at this meeting, some paper games at the table, and some that will require moving around! You won't want to miss this! And neither will your friends and neighbors! We want them to join us! So get on the phone and ask someone to join you in this time of fun and fellowship. Who knows? Maybe after they get to know your friends here at First Baptist, they will want to join you on a Sunday morning! I will need some help setting up, so let me know if you would have some time that morning to set tables, and make tea! We will look forward to seeing you, and those friends of yours, on Tuesday, May 11!

Music Ministry

Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Wed., May 5, 12, 19, & 26 @ 6:15 p.m.

Our Chancel choir has some amazing and hard working people who love leading others to worship Jesus! Want to join them? We would love to have you! No experience necessary and all voice parts are needed and welcomed. Meet us in the choir room upstairs @ 6:15 on Wednesday evenings. We'll save you a seat!

SonShine Choir Rehearsal

Tues., May 18 @ 10:30 a.m. in the choir room

This will be our last rehearsal until September. We will plan on heading off to a special lunch together at the Blue Water Grill following the rehearsal!



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Senior Adults



Aquarium Day Trip, June 17

First Baptist's Senior Adult Ministries will hit the road again in June! Unless we fill up the second van before then, Monday, May 3 is the last day to sign up for our June 17 trip to Salt Water Grill and the Pine Knolls Aquarium. This day promises to be

filled with laughter, fun, good food, and interesting sights! The \$25 cost covers your entrance into the aquarium



and travel. Lunch is dutch treat. Early sign up is necessary to ensure we can get the tickets for the aquarium and reservations at the restaurant as they are limited to how many people they can serve at one time. See the sign up sheet on the office window and get your money in to Kim in the office quickly! Secure your spot today!



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Wallace Students



Beach Retreat, June 21-25

Our Wallace Students are traveling to Garden City Chapel in Myrtle Beach, SC, June 21-25, for their beach retreat.

Here are the details you need to know.

June 21-25, 2021

Total Cost: \$125/student

Deadline: May 2, \$50 deposit

and \$75 balance due June 6 with financial discounts and scholarships available.



This trip is going to be amazing and we know that God will do great things through it.

Thank you to all who have sent in financial support to help our students! You gave \$4,480.00!

Graduate Sunday



Graduate/Scholarship Sunday, May 16

We will recognize and celebrate the graduates who are active members in our congregation on Sunday, May 16 (Both services). The WMU Scholarships Awards are being given as well.

Please contact the church office no later than Monday, May 10, at 910-285-2534, with your graduate's information who are active members in our congregation and which service they would like to be recognized in.

Don't miss this chance to celebrate with our graduates and to give them our blessing as they move to the next challenge God has for them.

Nursery

Nursery Volunteers

Nothing is more critical to reaching young families than providing a reliable, loving nursery environment for their children. During our 9:00 a.m. "Life Cafe" worship gathering, we offer a nursery for children ages 0-4*. We have a rotating list of people who take turns staffing our nursery, coordinated by Lindsey Blanchard. If you are willing to be in the rotation, contact the church office, or contact Lindsey directly: LindseyBlanchard@gmail.com

(*We ask that older children stay with their parents in worship for the safety of the younger children and because of the difficulty of caring for a wide range of children's needs. Activity pages are provided for the message time.)

Bible Learner's



Another fun gathering was enjoyed by the Bible Learners Life Group as they celebrated April birthdays at Rose Hill Restaurant!

Conference

Spring 2020
Church Conference
Sunday, May 2
6:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

Memorial Service

**Memorial Service
for Ben Jessup
Saturday, May 1
@ 11:00 a.m.**

There is a memorial service for Ben Jessup, on Saturday, May 1, at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.



*Benjamin Franklin Jessup, Jr.
April 21, 1935 - January 16, 2021 (age 85)*

Happy Mother's Day

Thank You

Dear Men's Friendship Bible Class,

Thanks for your prayers. I'm grateful to be in your thoughts and prayers. Thanks for the placement of the Bible. Hope all are well.

Sincerely,

Mack Horrell

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for all the cards, notes, and prayers. Bless you and the church.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Swanson

Easy Tithe

EasyTithe Instructions:

- No Check Book
- No Cash
- On Vacation
- Have a Smartphone
- No Worries

Go to our website at www.wallacefirstbaptist.org and scroll down to the Online Giving Button and click. From here you can setup your account by answering just a few simple questions. Once your account is created you can setup recurring donations and never worry about writing a check again. There is also the option to make a one time donation as a guest without having to create an account.

You can also download the EasyTithe app from the app store on your smartphone. Again just a few simple questions and you are ready to start giving online. Access your account anytime for a summary of your donations. You will still receive annual statements from the office.

- Give Anytime
- Give Anywhere
- Setup Recurring Donations
- Review Past Donations
- Fast - Simple - Secure

Together, we can make a difference

Wedding Shower



Wedding Shower



Wedding Shower celebrating Sarah Williams and Scott Miller on Saturday, April 17, 2021, in the Fellowship Hall.



Singles Banquet



Singles Banquet



Paint Party



Paint Party



Spring Jubilee



Spring Jubilee



Support Group

Helping SELF: Helping to Support and Encourage Lost Families

Purpose: to support and encourage families dealing with drug or alcohol addiction.



This is not a 12 Step program or a how to group. We simply want to let families dealing with addiction know that they are not alone. Are you feeling lost and alone? Are you feeling isolated? Do you feel like “no one can possibly understand”?

We have been and still are experiencing these very feelings. We are stepping forward to share our experiences, vent to each other, and pray for one another and our families. We can learn together what enabling and co-dependency are and how to avoid those behaviors.

We are willing to laugh with you, cry with you, encourage you, support you, pray with you and help you find your way out of isolation. You are NOT alone.

Our next meeting is at First Baptist Church in Wallace on **May 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** Park in the back and follow the signs.

Future meeting times and dates to be determined and announced as we find out when we are needed. If you have a different time or day, call 910-284-7101.

Happy Mother's Day

Just for Laughs:

A couple moved out to start a farm on the frontier during the early 1800s. Zeb and Martha built a cabin, a barn, and corral for their livestock. Then Zeb got ready to go out and work their many acres.



Before he left the cabin, he hung a big bell in a tree and he explained to Martha, “There are thieves and savages around here, Martha. So if there is an emergency, ring this bell and I’ll come in from the fields as fast as I can. But only ring the bell if it is a true emergency.”

A couple of days later, Zeb was out cutting wood when he heard the bell ring. He headed home running as fast as he could. “What’s wrong?” he asked his wife.

“I can’t get the lid off this jar,” Martha said.

“Dang it, Martha!” Zeb said panting, “I was in the middle of chopping wood. That ain’t no emergency!” Zeb headed back into the fields to finish his work.

Just as he picked up the axe, he heard the bell ring again. He ran home again to ask, “What’s wrong?”

Martha said, “The wash tub is leaking.”

Red faced, Zeb said, “Tarnation! That ain’t no blasted emergency either! You’ve wasted most of my day with your bell ringing.” And he headed back out.

As the sun was about to go down, Zeb heard the bell ring again. Reluctantly, he ran back home again. But this time, he found the cabin on fire, the barn burned to the ground, and his cattle running away. And there was Martha, slumped at the bottom of the tree with an arrow sticking out of her shoulder.

Zeb looked at this scene, turned to Martha and said, “Now, Martha, that’s more like it!”



June Newsletter Submission Deadline: May 15, 2021

Please email articles to
office.fbcw@gmail.com

Please make articles brief !

Volunteers

May Volunteers

9:00 a.m. Life Café Worship Nursery

5/2-Lindsey Blanchard, Deb Lloyd
 5/9-Deb Lloyd, Hope Rich
 5/16-Hope Rich, Debbie Williams
 5/23-Robin Stone, Lindsey Blanchard
 5/30-Debbie Williams, Hope Rich

10:00 a.m. Sunday Life Groups Nursery

5/2-Rhonda Cave, Kinsey Cave
 5/9-Angie Gurganus, Michelle Coombs
 5/16-Michelle Coombs, Susan Ayers
 5/23-Susan Ayers, Susan Bradshaw
 5/30-Susan Bradshaw, Rhonda Cave

10:00 a.m. 3 & 4 Year Olds

Donna Marshburn

11:00 a.m. Worship Nursery:

5/2-Samantha Tucker,
 5/9-Help Needed
 5/16-Gail Cavenaugh,
 5/23-Sharon Hall,
 5/30-Janet Bryan



Tellers: Fay Hedgpeth & Glonda Futral

Ushers: Friendship Life Group

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On the Record

Attendance

Life Groups

| 3-28 | 4-4 | 4-11 | 4-18 | 4-25 |
|------|-----|------|------|------|
| 86 | 92 | 89 | 86 | 80 |

Worship

| 3-28 | 4-4 | 4-11 | 4-18 | 4-25 |
|------|-----|------|------|------|
| 144 | 201 | 153 | 150 | 144 |

Budget and Receipts

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2021 Budget | \$433,490.00 |
| Offering Receipts To Date 4-25-2021 | \$147,590.74 |

May Birthdays

- 1 Matt Moore
- 3 Hazel Tucker
- 4 Robert McNally
- 4 Megan Evans
- 11 Felicia Dalton
- 12 Blair Davis
- 13 Beverly Benton
- 13 Courtney McIntyre
- 15 Crystal Stallings
- 15 Sarah Williams
- 18 Gail Cavenaugh



- 19 Helen Saylor
- 21 Weston Padgett
- 23 Clem Faircloth
- 24 Lillian Wood
- 24 Sharon Hall
- 25 Betty Price
- 29 Ethan Hall
- 31 Donna Jones



Church Office

Mon.-Thurs.: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
 (Closed for Lunch: 12:00-1:00 p.m.)

Fri.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



First Baptist Events

May 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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|  | | | | | | <p>1 11:00 am-Memorial Service for Ben Jessup in the Sanctuary</p> <p>12-2 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved</p> |
| <p>2 \$50 Deposits due for the Youth Beach Retreat 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 6:00 pm-Wallace Students 6:00 pm-Conference</p> | <p>3 Last day to sign up for Aquarium Trip \$25 6:00 pm-CrossFit</p> | <p>4 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting</p> | <p>5 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p> | <p>6 6:15 pm-Sign Language</p> | <p>7 Wedding Rehearsal in Sanctuary</p> | <p>8 Sarah Williams & Scott Miller Wedding in Sanctuary</p> |
| <p>9 Mother's Day 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 6:00 pm-Wallace Students</p> | <p>10 Graduates call the church office with info. 9:30 am-WMU III, Benton's 6:00 pm-CrossFit</p> | <p>11 11:30 am-SAM Lunch (covered dish) 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting</p> | <p>12 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p> | <p>13 6:15 pm-Sign Language</p> | <p>14</p> | <p>15 Newsletter Deadline</p> |
| <p>16 Grad/Scholar. Sunday 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 6:00 pm-Wallace Students</p> | <p>17 Begin sign ups for Charlotte & Ashville Trip for FBC members: \$100 Deposit 6:00 pm-CrossFit</p> | <p>18 10:30 am-SonShine Choir & Blue Water Grill 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 6:30 pm-Stewardship</p> | <p>19 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir 7:00 pm-Helping Self, R303</p> | <p>20 6:15 pm-Sign Language</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22 </p> |
| <p>23 Regular Activities</p> <p>30 Regular Activities</p> | <p>24 6:00 pm-CrossFit</p> <p>31 OFFICE CLOSED Memorial Day</p> | <p>25 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting</p> | <p>26 10:30 am-Community Bible Study @ Pizza Corner 6:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p> | <p>27 6:15 pm-Sign Language</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29</p> |