



# First Baptist Church of Wallace, NC

## First Family

May 2020



### Spiritual Lessons from the Quarantine

— We've made some important discoveries during this time of limited travel and activity!

As trying as this time of separation and limitations has been, many of us have learned some new things, and remembered some important old things during these last few weeks.

**iChurch:** It's been amazing to see how quickly so many churches have used technology in new ways. We often think of the church as being pretty "old school" and limited when it comes to technology, but the church's use of electronic channels to reach people has taken a leap forward. And as a result, millions of people who had no church connection have gotten a taste of the celebration, the good news, and the joy that we share every week.

**Family time:** Many families have rediscovered in-home family activities: watching a movie together and snacking on popcorn, gathering around the firepit at night, pulling out the old board games or making up new games to play together.

**Need vs Want:** Many people and families have saved money. They

haven't had to buy as many restaurant meals, tanks of gas, or other expensive activities as they hung out together at home. Or they have cut back intentionally due to income concerns... and they're considering maintaining some of these changes once the virus concerns are over.

**The importance of face-to-face:** Some of us need a lot of human interaction. Others need less. But we all need some. There is a hunger in our hearts for being face to face with others, for the touch of a friend. Even though we live in this online world, our interactions through Twitter, Facebook, video, and texting do not meet that need.

So church leaders everywhere are asking, "What have we learned that should shape how we do ministry in the days to come?" It's a question we'll be discussing for some time, but **here are some things I think we need to consider:**

**Digital outreach extends our touch!** We know that some of our church members did not see our online worship broadcasts, but we



still had 300, 350, maybe even 400 people watching those worship videos each Sunday. Our influence was *doubled*. So even after we can assemble, we need to find ways to produce digital content that will meet the needs of those who aren't in our building.

**Fellowship matters a LOT.** You can get a sermon on TV, on the internet... You can hear worship music on the radio, or see a Christian band or choir on YouTube. But there is something powerful, something that meets a deep need, when we gather as a family. So when we "take a Sunday off" we are robbing others of something precious and powerful, both in the giving and the receiving.

**So what has this time apart, time away from worship and small group gatherings, taught you about your faith and spiritual life?**

## **Keeping It Real — Faith that Works!**

Bridging the gap between our online worship and when we are able to gather in our church building, we are diving into a series called “Faith that Works.” We will be looking at 3 essential beliefs we have about God... but that, sadly, fail to always show up in our lives.

When our talk about our faith in God doesn’t match our walk with God and our daily life, we are the worst kind of witness. We are actually pushing people away from Jesus through our inconsistent or contradictory living.



So each week we will be looking at one of these essential beliefs. Then, if everything goes as we hope it will, we will be able to gather for worship on Sunday, May 3, and we will get back to our series in the book of Genesis, “Re:Start.”

### **April 26, 2020—Faith that Works**

God is All-Knowing  
Psalm 139:1-4

### **May 3, 2020—Faith that Works**

God is Good  
Romans 8:28; John 3:16

### **May 10, 2020—Re:Start (Genesis series)**

Oh You Can’t Get to Heaven on Rollerskates  
Genesis 11:1-9

### **May 1, 2020—Re:Start**

What’s Your Calling?  
Genesis 12:1-3

### **May 24, 2020—Re:Start**

Taking Your Journey of Faith  
Genesis 12:1-20

### **May 31, 2020—Re:Start**

Second Best + God = Amazing  
Genesis 13:8-18

## ***Remember in Prayer:***

*Those in our community whom God has called us to lead to Christ and minister to in His love. Thomas Bennett, Bennie Bloodworth, Tyler Bowman, Barbara Bradshaw, Linda Brinkley, Gary Brown, Alvin Bryan, Rachel Dillard, Jenell Ezzell, Carol H. Fields, Michael Fields, Nancy Giordano, Stephanie Gonzales’ brother, Gerald Hanchey, Herbert Hodge, Shirley James, Amy Smith Johnson, Doug Kennedy, Doris King, Maxine Lien, Patti Nicol, Charlie Register, Geraldine Register, Bonnie Robinson, Melinda Stampe, Sharon Teachey, Stephen Thompson, Jeffrey & Kim Warner & baby, Chris Watkins, Lofton Wirtz.*

## ***Sympathy to the families of :***

*Jim Perry’s mother & Arledge Castles’ sister*

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## ***Dear First Baptist Church Family,***

*Thank you for the many prayers, calls, cards, visits, flowers and food that you have provided during Alvin’s recent hospitalization. It means so much to us.*

*Thank you for your continued prayers. We look forward to being back with you very soon.*

*In Christian Love,*

*Alvin & Janet Bryan*

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## ***Dear First Baptist Church Family,***

*Thank you for all the prayers, love, visits, texts, phone calls, gifts, and other kindness you showed to us during Buddy’s sickness and death.*

*Ladies, thank you for the delicious meal after the service. Thank you for everything.*

*Love,*

*Sandy Boone*



## Senior Adults



### Amish Country Trip, Oct. 19-21

Our Senior Adult Ministries trip to Pennsylvania Amish country has been postponed to Monday through Wednesday, October 19-21, 2020. Although we will see some fun and interesting sites, the main objective of this trip is to see Queen Esther at the Sight and Sound Theater.

I love the story of Esther. God knew exactly where she would be needed long before He needed her there. And that's exactly where He put her. I so looking forward to seeing this amazing story come to life on stage, featuring talented actors/actresses, beautiful costumes, and live animals! And it is quite possible that we will have some beautiful fall foliage to enjoy along the way in addition to the fun and fellowship we were already going to have!

The really great news here is that we are still taking reservations for the new date! All you have to do is drop off or mail your \$75 deposit to the church office with Miss Kim. The total cost for FBC members/regular attenders is \$390 and for non-members is \$410. Final payments should be paid by Friday, August 21.

Don't waste another second! Come by or mail your check today! I look forward to traveling with you!



## Senior Adults

### Covered Dish Lunch, May 12

Our next Senior Adult Ministries Lunch will be on Tuesday, May 12 @ 11:30. Our guest will be our local police chief, Chief Jimmy Crayton. He will be speaking to us



about ways to stay safe both physically and electronically, whether on your phone, iPad, or computer. Please invite some friends and neighbors to join us. You know they are vulnerable to being harmed too and need the information Chief Crayton will share with us. Look up that favorite recipe, whip up something delicious to share, and drag a friend or 2 with you to this fun and informative time! I can't wait to see you!

## Music Ministry

### Chancel Choir

Regular rehearsals Wednesdays @ 7:15 pm

### SonShine Choir

Regular rehearsals on Tuesdays, May 5 and 19 @ 10:30 am

If restaurants are reopened, we will go to have lunch together following our final rehearsal for the spring. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you, but if you don't feel that it is safe for you yet, please stay home.

Our choirs could use some more singers! If you enjoy singing, we would love to have you join us in either one of our choirs. Musical experience or music reading isn't necessary as we will work with each section to learn the parts. Give us a try! You won't regret it!



## Summer Family Movie Nights



This summer we will host our Summer Family Movie Nights again! The dates for these three events are:

**June 17, July 15, & August 19**

We will be announcing the movies for this summer within the next month, so keep an eye out!



## Kid's Camp, July 12-15

We will also be hosting our Kid's Camp again this summer as we build on the event from last year. Kid's Camp will be July 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. More details to come on this event!

## Beach Retreat, June 21-26

It's so wild to think that we haven't been together in over a month, but hopefully the time of distance is coming to an end. Wallace Students our Beach Retreat is approaching quickly and here are the details you need to know.

June 21<sup>st</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Total Cost: \$125/student

Deadline: May 31<sup>st</sup> w/\$75 deposit

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

## Save the Date

- May 17: Graduate/WMU Scholarship Sunday
- May 31: Deadline for Beach Retreat
- June 17: Family Movie Night
- June 21-26: Wallace Students Beach Retreat  
Garden City Chapel, SC
- July 12-15: Kids Camp
- July 15: Family Movie Night
- August 19: Family Movie Night



# Scholarships




## Graduate/Scholarship Sunday, May 17

We will recognize and celebrate the graduates who are active members in our congregation on Sunday, May 17 (Both services). The WMU Scholarships Awards are being given as well.

Please contact the church office no later than Monday, May 11, 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.

Spring 2020  
**Church Conference**  
Wednesday, May 6  
6:00 p.m.  
in the Fellowship Hall



**June Newsletter Submission Deadline: May 15, 2020**  
Please email articles to [office.fbcw@gmail.com](mailto:office.fbcw@gmail.com)  
Please make articles brief !

*Happy Mother's Day*

# Scholarship Award

**2020 WMU**  
*Carolyn Powers Scholarship*  
First Baptist Church of Wallace  
Sunday, May 17, 2020 @ 9 a.m. Service

### Award Recipients

**Sarah Williams** - Attending Campbell University this Fall as a Third Year Graduate Student School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

**Josh Barber** - Attending North Carolina State University this Fall as a Freshman.

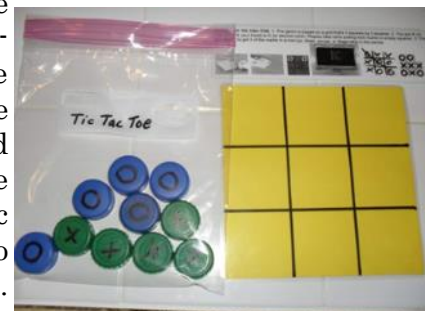
*The WMU Carolyn Powers Scholarship was established in 1962 in memory of the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Powers.*

# OCC Shoeboxes

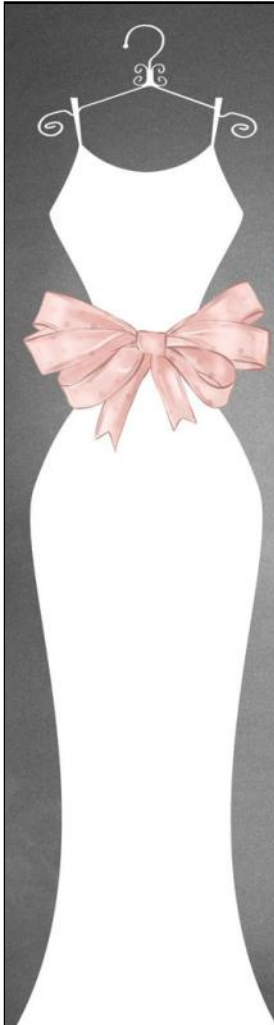
It's that time again.....our kickoff of Operation Christmas Child. Yes, it is May so Christmas is still a long way off **BUT** now is the time to start thinking about the power of a simple gift. Last year, we collected 385 shoeboxes! Thank you to everyone who helped us achieve this goal. Our shoeboxes went to Peru last year. Please consider the effect a shoebox can have on the life of a child that needs the love of Jesus..



**Project Opportunity:** Instead of throwing your soda bottle tops away---why not donate them to OCC. We will be collecting tops off Pepsi, Sprite, Coke, Dr. Pepper, and any other soda bottle until August. We are going to use them to make markers for tic-tac-toe games. If you have any that you would like to donate, please put them in a Ziploc bag and give them to either Maggie or Ms. Marie.



# Wedding Shower



## JOIN US FOR A Wedding Shower

HONORING

*Hope Cooper &  
Jacob Capps*

SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH  
11:00 AM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
FELLOWSHIP HALL  
408 WEST MAIN STREET  
WALLACE, NC 28466

REGISTERED AT TARGET  
AND AMAZON

*You can also check out their registry at:*

<https://www.theknot.com/us/hope-cooper-and-jacob-capps-aug-2020/registry>

## Just for Laughs:

Children...

Having children is like having a bowling alley installed in your brain.  
(Martin Mull)



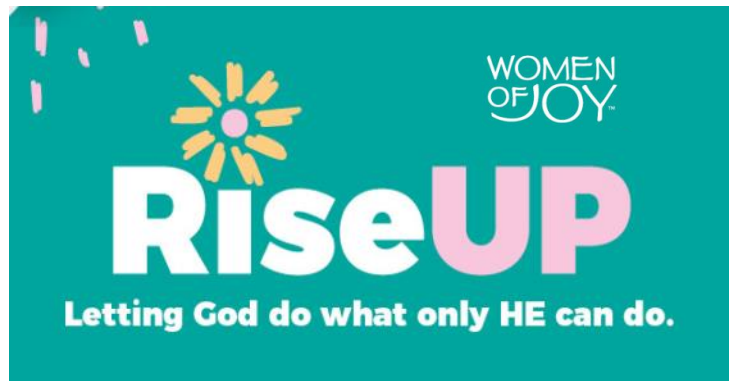
Grandchildren are the reward for resisting the temptation to kill your kids.

Back in the old days, a door-to-door encyclopedia salesman was trying to convince a mother that she needed to buy a set of encyclopedias for her five year old son. He had described the quality of the books, then he said, "Besides, mom, with these encyclopedias, you will be able to answer any question your child asks you." And to prove his point, he said to the child, "Ask me any question, sonny boy, and I'll show your mom where to find the answer in these books."

The little boy thought for a second, and then asked the salesman, "What kind of car does God drive?"

They say the "speed of sound" is fast, but most of what I told my children when they were young didn't reach them until they turned 40.

## Women of Joy



### Women of Joy, May 29-31

Our Women of Joy, Rise Up Tour has been rescheduled for May 29-31, at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center in Myrtle Beach, SC.

# Volunteers

## May Volunteers

### 9:00 a.m. Life Café Worship Nursery

5/3-Hope Rich, Robin Stone  
 5/10-Lindsey Blanchard, Dorothy Williams  
 5/17-Robin Stone, Samantha Tucker  
 5/24-Dorothy Williams, Lindsey Blanchard  
 5/31-Samantha Tucker, Deb Lloyd

### 10:00 a.m. Sunday Life Groups Nursery

5/3-Rhonda Cave, Kinsey Cave  
 5/10-Susan Bradshaw, Samantha Tucker  
 5/17-Susan Ayers, Rhonda & Kinsey Cave  
 5/24-Michelle Coombs, Susan Bradshaw  
 5/31-Gloria Andrews, Susan Ayers

### 11:00 a.m. Worship Nursery:

5/3-Samantha Tucker, 5/10-Deb Lloyd  
 5/17-Gail Cavenaugh, 5/24-Sharon Hall  
 5/31-Help Needed

**Tellers:** Fay Hedgpeth, Glonda Futral

**Ushers:** Friendship Life Group



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*Happy Mother's Day*

# On the Record

## Attendance

### Online Sunday Worship-Household Views

3-29	4-5	4-12	4-19
204	196	182	180

### Online Wednesday Bible Study Participants

4-1	4-8	4-15
13	12	11

## Budget and Receipts

2020 Budget	\$433,490.00
Offering Receipts To Date 4-22-2020	<b>\$125,690.33</b>

# 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
- 20 Melinda Stampe
- 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 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>3 Communion 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids' 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 12:15 pm-Deacon's Mtg. 5:00 pm-Worship Band 6:00 pm-Wallace Students</p>	<p>4 6:00 pm-CrossFit, FH</p>	<p>5 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 6:30 pm-Missions</p>	<p>6 10:30 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Conference</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 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</p>	<p>11 10:30 am-WMU III, R303 6:00 pm-CrossFit, FH 6:30 pm-WMU V, The Gardens of Rose Hill</p>	<p>12 11:30 SAM Covered Dish 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting</p>	<p>13 10:30 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Bible Study 7:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Deadline Newsletter</p>	<p>16</p> 
<p>17 Grad/Scholarship Sunday 9:00 am-Life Café 10:00 am-WallaceKids 10:00 am-Life Groups 10:35 am-Chancel Choir 11:00 am-Worship 3:00 pm-Growth Team Mtg. 5:00 pm-Worship Band 6:00 pm-Wallace Students</p>	<p>18 6:00 pm-CrossFit, FH</p>	<p>19 10:30 am-SonShine Choir 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting 6:30 pm-Stewardship</p>	<p>20 10:30 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Bible Study 7:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 Regular Activities</p> <p>31 Women of Joy Regular Activities</p>	<p>25 Memorial Day  OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>26 2:00 pm-Staff Meeting</p>	<p>27 10:30 am-Bible Study 6:00 pm-Bible Study 7:15 pm-Chancel Choir</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Women of Joy</p>	<p>30 Women of Joy</p>