

August 2018 Newsletter

Madison Avenue Baptist Church

August Birthdays:

4	Ronald Edwards	16	John Graybeal
5	Tim Lail	19	Ricky Frederick
5	Myra Mallard	21	Bill Lamm
5	Douglas Burch	25	Bonnie Burch
10	Hannah Aldrin	28	Auston Gray
11	Kelly Heath	30	Joe Pritchard
12	Robert Fulkerson	31	Emily Barsh

August Calendar of Events:

1 (Wed)	Covered Dish Supper, 6:00pm
5 (Sun)	Worship in Sanctuary, 11:00am
21 (Tue)	Deacon's Meeting-7:00pm.
22 (Wed)	Budget Conference
27 (Mon)	Very Special People, 11:30am.

DEACON CORNER

It is almost unbelievable that within a period of one year we have lost or will lose our entire church staff. First, the retirement of our pastor Bob; then our minister of music and senior adults, Edwin Jewel; then came the announced retirement plans of our short-term secretary of only 48 years, Peggy Bartlett; and now the "re-retirement" of our "recycled" church organist. An outsider might ask, "Just what is going on at Madison Avenue that the whole staff has left or is leaving within one year?" Yet we at Madison probably have the best track record for staff longevity of most any church you could name. The truth is that it is because of that longevity, age and years of service that brought about the need for all four of our professional staff members to make the change within the same year. We are grateful for all four. We love them dearly, and wish for each one the very best. We are so very thankful that Elisabeth and Edwin chose to remain a part of the Madison family.

Dave and Fran Periconi's Planned Move to Georgia

For those who might not have received the full information about Dave and Fran's planned move, the two plan to find a place to live and for Dave, hopefully, a job as church organist near their daughter, Sally, and her husband near Stone Mountain, Georgia. The timing for their

move has been prompted by two events in their lives: the relocation of their son, Steve, to Maryland to accept continued employment with Target and to be near his two children and also because of Fran's health issue, especially her diagnosis with Parkinson's. During the twelve years of their return to Madison both have been active in the church, with Fran regularly teaching in various Sunday School classes, and Dave as our always-willing and available pianist and or organist. To say that they will be missed is a gross understatement.

We want to honor and show our love and appreciation for Dave and Fran at a very special **covered-dish dinner** on Wednesday evening, August 1. The two are not sure of their departure date (late August or early September), but we want to take this occasion to remember them in a special way. Those wishing to make a love gift to them may give your gift to Deacon Chair I. K. Checks should be written to him or to "cash" for conversion to cash.

I. K. Williamson, Deacon Chair

North Carolina State Missions Emphasis

Theme: Have you opened your Hand?

You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing Psalm 145: 15

August 26 – September 2

Our Church 's Goal: \$2000.00

The hungry. The sick. The hurting. The North Carolina Missions Offering takes the gospel to these and other individuals through a variety of ministries. Many have come to know Christ through your faithful prayers and financial gifts. Consider how you and your church can pray for the ministries supported through this offering.

Pray For...

- . Disaster relief volunteers with N.C. Baptist men/Baptists on Mission.
- . Church planting efforts across North Carolina.
- . Physical and spiritual needs of those served through the medical, dental and health screening ministries.
- . Missions camps in Red Springs and Shelby.
- . Local Baptist associations across the state.
- . More individuals and churches to become involved in missions.
- . Volunteers ministering through national and international partnerships.

Give...Toward our offering goal of \$2000.00. We will be collecting this through the end of September.

Family Night Supper will begin on Wednesday September 12
You will need to fill our new reservation slips. Make plans to join us on
Wednesday evening at 6:00

New Church Year Begins in September

Make your church a priority this year
Get involved
Invite prospects
Reach out with the love of Jesus
Be the church wherever you are

MABC Committees

With the beginning of our new church year, we need to hear from all of our committees. Currently, the church office needs to know who will be the chairman of each committee for the 2018-2019 Church Year. Please notify the church office with the information. In that same light, help us by providing minutes from your committee meetings as you meet. This information helps us to know what we're doing together to carry out the ministries of our church for the glory of God. Please turn in to the church office.

Very Special People will meet for lunch at K&W at 11:30 on Monday, July 30. This meeting was postponed from last Monday. Looking forward to seeing you. We have lots to talk about.

Need Nursery Workers for August. Sign-up sheets are on the board outside nursery.

Christian Sympathy is extended to Billie Jean Pruett's family on her death, to Norma King's family on her death, to Geraldine Rouse's family on her death, and to Nina Crumpler on the death of her son-in-law, and to the Amy White family on her death.

Thank You Note has been received from Phillip and Karsan Hardy and is posted on the bulletin board.