### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

Joy & Van Reynolds—5/13 Joan & Lewie Humphrey—5/14 Jessie & Bernard Scott—5/14

The Lord's Supper will be held Sunday, May 23, 2021. If you are not able to attend in-person services, please contact your Deacon to receive the elements to participate in the Lord's Supper, or pick them up at the Church office during office hours.

If you would like to mail your tithes and/or offerings, please feel free to do so. You may also send them using the bill pay function through your bank or credit union. Please make checks out to Immanuel Baptist Church. Please mail to the street address: 8015 SE 180th St. (CR102), Oxford, FL 34484

We no longer use a P. O. Box

## **ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

Tue 9:00 am—Exercise Class
Tue 10:00 am—Men's Bible Study
Tue 3:00 pm—Understanding Addiction
Wed 5:00 pm—Evening Prayer Service and
Business Meeting
Wed 6:00 pm—Choir Practice
Fri 9:00 am—Exercise Class

Fri 9:00 am—Exercise Class Sun 9:00 am—Sunday School Sun 10:00 am—Worship Service

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

- 5/18 Exercise Class 9:00 am
- 5/18 Men's Bible Study10:00 am
- 5/18 Understanding Addiction 3:00 pm
- 5/19 Evening Prayer Service 5:00 pm
- 5/19 Choir Practice 6:00 pm
- 5/21 Exercise Class 9:00 am
- 5/22 You are my Sonshine Get-

Together 1:00 pm

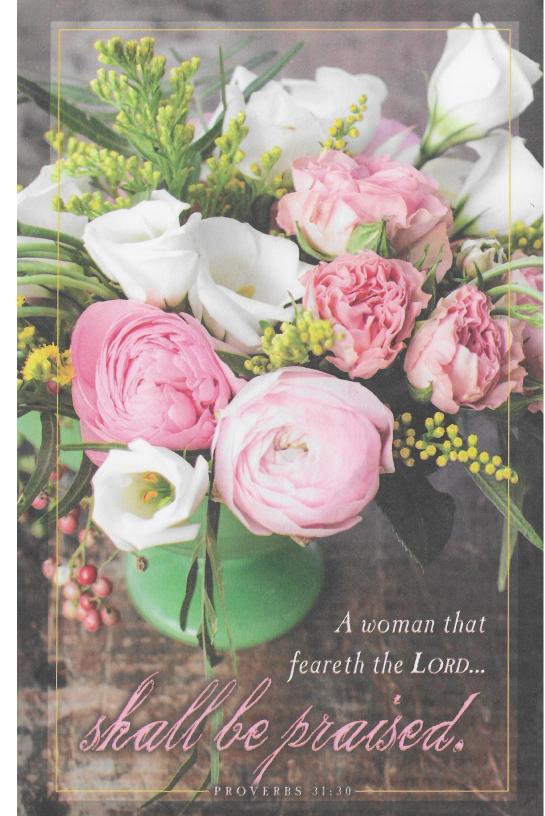
- 5/23 Sunday School 9:00 am
- 5/23 Worship Service 10:00 am

## **Happy Birthday!**

Rick Blackstock—5/11 Bob McCann—5/13 Bill Amtower—5/15



ATTENDANCE				
Sunday School		68		
Sunday Worship Service		188		
Sunday Night Service		49		
Wednesday Blessings & BBQ		96		
GOD'S BLESSINGS LAST WEEK				
Tithes & Offerings	15,863.25			
Building Fund	595.00			
Missions	135.00			
Benevolence	60.00			
Quilt Ministry	20.00			
Wildwood Soup Kitchen	75.00			
Building Fund in Memory of Clair Miller	20.00			
TOTAL	16,	768.25		



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Next week's message from Pastor David is from Matthew 11:28-30, "Strength for the Weary." In these verses we discover that our strength comes from Christ alone and how he gives us rest from the stress of life.

# Hoppy Retirement!

Join us for a retirement reception in honor of Pastor Mike and Dee Dameron, celebrating their years of commitment to the Lord, and blessings as they enter this new chapter of their lives. Sunday, May 30, 2021, 2:00 pm—3:30 pm at Immanuel Baptist Church. Light refreshments will be served.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Congratulations Church in selecting your next Senior Pastor. The process was unique, and long, but it is now behind us. I now ask that you all pray for Pastor David and Wendy as they transition to their new roles effective the 1st of June. Of course, most of you know that Dee and I are retiring at this end of this month.

Thank you for joining us this morning, either in person or via our livestreaming. I am excited about our service on this Mothers' Day. We will acknowledge all our ladies present this morning with a rose as they leave the service.

Last Sunday was a wonderful time of praising and worshipping the Lord. Our Choir is meeting again and truly blessed us with one of my favorite songs. We so appreciate all our music folks and in particular Bobby Kinsey who leads the Choir, and of course Vickie Langford and Jimmy Buck.

Last Sunday evening was also an inspiration as we heard from Clayton Lakes about how he and Dee have aggressively pursued the "Who's Your One in '21?" initiative. In fact, he related how five people have come to know the Lord just since the first of this year. Brother Bob Shook also shared a program that he has used in the past about how to reach folks in gated communities. He referred to it as being a "Block Shepherd." This was excellent information, and I am confident you will be hearing more about this.

My message this morning continues from the Book of Nehemiah, mostly from Chapter 10. The message is "Be Resolved" and has reference to being resolved or committed to our faith. We will reflect on the people of Judah and how they bound themselves together and decided they would be absolutely committed to living out their faith in God. Their hearts were on fire for God, they did not want their love for God, and their zeal for His commandments, to ever grow cold. They made a total and sincere commitment on their part and as a result they desired to commit themselves in a binding way. During the course of this message, we will consider six specific commitments that they made to themselves and to each other. There certainly is an application for us today from this time in the history of the Israelites.

Continue to pray for our nation and especially for the lost. Jesus is the answer, the only answer.

Blessings and love to each of you, Pastor Mike