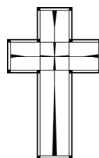


## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2015

**DEACONS:** Tommy Bass & Bobby Lane  
**BUS DRIVER:** Gene Nixon (482-8281)  
**BUS RIDER:** Artie Nixon  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Casey Atstupenas  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Sandra Stanley  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Gary Swanner  
**VIDEO OPERATORS:** Allen & Claire Mills



**WORLD MARKET 2015**  
**MARCH 7**  
**11:00AM - 5:00PM**

### *Dash for the Gold 5k*

*to benefit the Two Rivers  
 Christian Women's Job Corp*

**Saturday, March 14**  
**9:00am**

**Edenton Lake and Harbor**

Get your running/walking  
 shoes ready!

### Little Goose Nest News

Throughout the month of February the Little Goose Nest preschool will be accepting applications for the 2015-2016 school year from Edenton Baptist Church members, as well as siblings of former LGN students. Registration forms may be picked up in the church office.

### WEEKLY REPORT (1/25)

#### Offering

Budget Needed	10,349.15
Amt. Received	10,186.05
Under Budget	(163.10)

#### Other Monies Received

Supper (1/21)	301.00
Memorial Fund	875.00
Initial Offering	40.00
Griffin Scholarship	50.00
Missions for Youth	25.00
Reimbursements	756.91
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,047.91</b>

#### Attendance

Sunday School	121
Chowan River Nursing	38
SS TOTAL	159
Worship TOTAL	207

#### YTD Offerings (4 weeks)

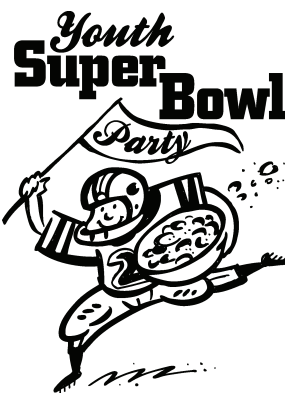
Amt. Required	41,396.60
Amt. Received	36,113.05
Under Budget	(5,283.55)

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**Our VALENTINE BANQUET will be on Sunday, February 15 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Adult tickets are \$16 per person with your choice of chicken or prime rib, with mashed potatoes, salad, dessert, and tea, coffee, and water. Tickets can be purchased in the church office or from any of our youth. Proceeds from this event will be used to offset the cost of youth trips. Youth will serve as our wait staff for the evening and it promises to be another enjoyable evening of good food and fellowship. Come join and invite a loved one to attend with you! Ticket sales will stop on Tuesday, February 10.



**This Sunday, Feb. 1,** we will have our annual Super Bowl fellowship. We will begin at 5:30pm and conclude after the half-time show. Everyone is asked to bring a snack (appetizer, dip, dessert, etc.) and 2-liter drink to share and other football-friendly food will be provided.

**Next Sunday, Feb. 8,** we will be on regular schedule with supper at 5:30pm and HOLLA from 6:00pm until 7:00pm.

**Parents,** please check your email regarding details for the Valentine Banquet. Contact Kelly if you have any questions.

# THE INFORMER

**Edenton Baptist Church**  
 Edenton, North Carolina 27932

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

**David B. Brooks**  
 Pastor

**Kelly E. Rhodes**  
 Associate Pastor  
**Dan Palimetakis**  
 Interim Music Director  
**Jackie P. Copeland**  
 Organist/Assistant Music Director

**Janet C. Skinner**  
 Church Administrator  
**Sue C. Dawley**  
 Financial Secretary  
**Sherry S. Dowd**  
 Preschool Coordinator

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## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2015

**The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

Deacons Meeting, 7:59am

Sermon: *"When Christians are Christian"*  
 Scripture: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13



### LECTIONARY READINGS

**February 1, 2015**

4th Sun. after the Epiphany  
 Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
 Psalm 111  
 1 Corinthians 8:1-13  
 Mark 1:21-28



**February 8, 2015**

5th Sun. after the Epiphany  
 Isaiah 40:21-31  
 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
 1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
 Mark 1:29-39

## Calendar of Activities

### Saturday, January 31

Church Basketball:  
 EBC/EUMC - SP/SA at EUMC  
 3:00-Co-ed, Grades K-2  
 3:30-Co-ed, Grades 3-5/6  
 4:30-Boys, Grades 6-8  
 5:30-Girls, Grades 7-12  
 6:30-Boys, Grades 9-12

### Sunday, February 1

7:59-Deacons Meeting  
 9:45-Sunday School  
 10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer  
 11:00-Morning Worship  
 2:00-Music Committee  
 5:30-Youth Supper  
 6:00-Youth HOLLA

### Tuesday, February 3

7:00-Joyful Noisemakers,  
 Edenton Primetime  
 -Worship Committee

### Wednesday, February 4

5:30-Supper (taco soup)  
 6:00-Children's Choirs  
 6:30-Adult Bible Study  
 6:45-Children's Mission Groups  
 7:30-Adult Choir

### Thursday, February 5

10:30-Bookbag Buddies

### **HOSPITAL REPORT** (1/28)

At the time of printing we knew of no members in the hospital.



**SUNDAY  
 SCHOOL**

A family affair!

Bible study begins each Sunday at 9:45am. Classes for all ages!

## SHUT-IN of the Week

Mrs. Esther Brabble  
 Chowan River Nursing  
 PO Box 566  
 Edenton, NC 27932

## STUDENT of the Week

Miss Ali Belch  
 311 Faircloth  
 Meredith College  
 3800 Hillsborough Street  
 Raleigh, NC 27607

## *Birthdays*

### Sunday, February 1

Cam Byrum  
 Ashley Katharine Record  
 Evelyn Swanner  
 Bob Zembraski

### Monday, February 2

Betsy Kelly  
 Dean Patsel

### Tuesday, February 3

Steve Hampton  
 David LaFon  
 John Marshall  
 Jackie Partin

### Thursday, February 5

John Brabble  
 Deanna Chesson  
 Caroline Ganzert  
 Gail Jenkins  
**Friday, February 6**  
 Carlton Jackson  
 Billy White

## *Anniversaries*

### Sunday, February 1

M/M West Small

### Friday, February 6

M/M Jim Cleavenger

## *From the Pastor*

January is rarely listed as anyone's favorite month of the year. I happen to be fond of this first month of the year because it is the month in which I was born. But other than that bright spot, I am like most people who would rather be enjoying the warmer temperatures and longer days of spring and summer. January is typically cold, dreary, and slow. So, I'm guessing that many of us are glad to flip the calendar to February this weekend, and we're hoping that the groundhog will predict an early spring.

But as I write, I remember something I said to you in a sermon on the Sunday before Thanksgiving last year: there is value and wisdom in appreciating the season in which we find ourselves instead of constantly longing for more warmth in the dark days of winter or cooler temperatures in the dog days of summer. With that thought in mind, as I look back on January, I know that God has been alive and active among us. I think of the various worship services that we have experienced: the sharing of the Lord's Supper, the ordination of deacons, the baptism of Perris Clayton, and Baptist Men's Day. There was nothing ordinary about any of these days. All of them gave us the chance to encounter God in very unique ways, and I pray that your life has been influenced to be more like Jesus because you've been a part of these unique worship services.

Then, I think of some easily overlooked opportunities to experience God's presence among us over the past month. Maybe the cold that has kept you inside has given you more time to talk with a spouse, your children, a friend. Maybe the slower pace of January has given you time to rest. Maybe that cold you caught or the stomach bug that ran through your house gave you cause to thank God for good health, for good doctors, for the gift of our bodies that God has created. Maybe, like me, you've appreciated the distinctive sound of tundra swans flying overhead that we only hear at this time of year. And maybe their calling and their graceful flight remind you of God's call to us to live by his grace.

By the time we meet for worship this Sunday, January will be gone. Will you say, "Thank God!" or "Thank you, God, for what you have done this month"? Either way, a new month has come, and every day of February is a new chance for us to follow Jesus, to give thanks, to love God, and to love one another.

Grace and peace,  
 David

## **Wednesday Night Bible Study Continues**

Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall for mid-week Bible study. Currently we are studying the "I Am" sayings of Jesus in John's Gospel, learning how we can know God better in 2015. The study is based on Rob Fuquay's book, *The God We Can Know*. Our schedule is as follows:

Feb 4.....John 10:1-10 – I Am the Good Shepherd:  
 Knowing God's Care  
 Feb 11.....John 15:1-8 – I Am the True Vine: Knowing God's  
 Power  
 Feb 18.....Ash Wednesday Service  
 Feb 25.....Church Conference  
 Mar 4.....John 14:1-7 – I Am the Way, the Truth, and the  
 Life: Knowing God's Way  
 Mar 11.....Special Presentation from Virginia Tech student  
 mission team  
 Mar 18.....Church Conference  
 Mar 25.....John 11:17-26 – I Am the Resurrection and the  
 Life: Knowing God's Possibilities

## **FOOD PANTRY REQUEST**

*January & February are  
 "Souper Months"*

Please donate items that make a hearty pot of soup. Canned tomato or chicken noodle soups are also being collected.

*NewsLetter*  
**DEADLINE**

5:00pm Monday

## **Recognition Received**

Edenton Baptist Church was recently awarded a certificate from Cale Camp & Conference Center for being a "Cale Top 10 Giver" in 2014.



The following wish to express their sincere appreciation to members of our church for the many acts of kindness and prayers rendered in their behalf:

-Family of Jim Dail  
 -Bobby & Ginny Ashley  
 -Barbara Cale & Family

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Check the bulletin board for letters of appreciation we received in January from:

-Food Pantry  
 -Baptist Retirement Homes  
 -Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty  
 -Mars Hill University