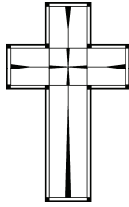


**SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2015**

**DEACONS:** Mary Daniels & Paul Williams  
**BUS DRIVER:** Ben Rinehart, Jr. (482-2959)  
**BUS RIDER:** Mary Daniels  
**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Woody Parrish  
**AUDIO OPERATOR:** Keith Privott  
**VIDEO OPERATOR:** Holly Smith



Next time you do your grocery shopping, remember our local Food Pantry. With vacations and summer activities, it is easy to forget that the need goes on. There is always a box in the hallway for Food Pantry donations.



**BAPTIST MEN'S BREAKFAST**  
 Sunday at 8:30am

**HOSPITAL List** (7/22)  
**Vidant Medical Center**  
 Martin Parker

**SHUT-IN of the WEEK**

Mrs. Mary Jo Byrd  
 Edenton Primetime  
 PO Box 987  
 Edenton, NC 27932

**Transfer of Membership**

Matt & Mary Boyce have united with Wake Forest Baptist Church in Wake Forest, NC.

**WEEKLY REPORT** (7/19)

**Offering**

Budget Needed	10,349.15
Amt. Received	8,888.00
Under Budget	(1,461.15)

**Other Monies Received**

Supper (7/15)	236.00
Memorial Fund	75.00
Reimbursements	160.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>471.00</b>

**Attendance**

Sunday School	110
Chowan River Nursing	47
SS TOTAL	157
Worship TOTAL	194

**YTD Offerings** (29 weeks)

Amt. Required	300,125.35
Amt. Received	263,806.43
Under Budget	(36,318.92)

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**THANK YOU!**  
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Dear Pastor Brooks,

I just wanted to thank you and Edenton Baptist for your very generous and loving hospitality during our Spring Break Mission Trip this past March. We so enjoyed worshiping and fellowshiping with you all and having the opportunity to bring even more joy to your community! It was a very powerful experience for us with Wesley, and I hope it was for you all as well. Thank you and God bless!

Sincerely,  
 Jeffrey Brooks

*The Wesley Foundation at Virginia Tech is a United Methodist Campus Ministry focused on spreading the love of God through authentic mission, worship, discipleship, and fellowship. This group helped with the tornado relief efforts in our community.*



Dear Edenton Baptist Cooks,

Thank you so much for helping in the kitchen last week at Camp Cale. The kids really enjoyed the food. Thank you, also, for bringing the watermelon, cantaloupe, and cucumbers. They were so good and fresh.

Thanks again for everything!  
 Ashley Baugham

**THE INFORMER**

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

*A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation*

**David B. Brooks**  
 Pastor

**Kelly E. Rhodes**  
 Associate Pastor

**Christopher Jernigan**  
 Interim Adult Choir Director

**Jackie P. Copeland**  
 Organist/Assistant Music Director

**Janet C. Skinner**  
 Church Administrator

**Lorraine B. Bass**  
 Financial Secretary

**Sherry S. Dowd**  
 Preschool Coordinator

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THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015

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**SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2015**

**The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am

Sermon: "When David Stayed Home"

2 Samuel 11:1-15

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



Have U Herd? Vacation Bible School starts Monday, July 27 for all 4 year olds through rising 6th graders. Registration opens at 8:30am, but we would prefer that you pre-register if you know you're coming. Forms can be downloaded from the church website or can be filled out Sunday and returned to Kelly's office. Shepherds are needed and all who would like volunteer are welcome!



Our General Nominating Committee is currently working to secure Sunday school teachers and committee members for the coming year. Be in prayer for them, and consider serving with gladness if you get a call!

### Birthdays

**Sunday, July 26**

Rhonda Charles  
Deborah Martin

**Monday, July 27**

Maggie Carpenter  
Kim Goodwin  
Anne Nixon

**Tuesday, July 28**

David Buchanan  
Brad Hendricks  
Teresa Monds  
Eric Rose

**Wednesday, July 29**

Jamie Bass  
Kelly Broadribb  
Brett Laughton

**Thursday, July 30**

Dane Ellis  
Kenneth Griffin  
Taylor Jethro

**Friday, July 31**

John Ward

**Saturday, August 1**

Gabby Briggs  
Lorrie Kirby  
Carey Parrish

### Anniversaries

**Friday, July 31**

M/M Allen Swanner



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

A family affair!

### FROM THE PASTOR

Over the past year, I've noticed more and more people wearing fitness trackers on their wrists. I received one as a gift a few months ago, and I've been intrigued to see how many steps I take in any given day. Some days are better than others, but since I've been wearing my tracker I have certainly been motivated to walk more each day. Coupled with the little motivator on my wrist is a news story I heard a few weeks ago about the benefits of walking. Not sprinting or running or jogging. Just walking, thirty minutes per day, five days per week. According to the physician who was being consulted in the news story, the simple exercise of 150 minutes of walking each week will do more good for our health than just about anything else. "Surely I can spare thirty minutes per day, five days per week," I thought to myself. But thinking about something and actually doing it can be miles apart. I've had some success, but it's amazing how many excuses can be made for not doing something simple that we know is good for us.

All this talk about walking reminded me of one of the most intriguing phrases in the Bible. The phrase is found in Genesis 3:8—the point at which Adam and Eve "...heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze." Perhaps you are like me and many others, wondering what it sounded like to Adam and Eve when they heard God walking. "God is Spirit," Jesus tells us in John 4. God does not have a body, legs or feet. So what are we to make of this sound of God walking?

Maybe we will hear the sound of God walking one day when we go to be with God at life's end. Until that time, here's a possible meaning of God walking in that garden in the cool of the evening: God simply wanted to be *with* Adam and Eve. He wanted to go on a walk *with them*. Walking is very often something we do with someone we care about—a friend with a friend, a child with a parent, a husband with a wife. As John Ortberg observes, "It's not really about the walk; it's about being with someone. This God—this God of the Bible—is a God who wants to 'be with.' Our souls were made to walk with God."<sup>1</sup>

Rest assured that God is always available to go on a walk with you.

Grace and peace,

David

<sup>1</sup>John Ortberg, *Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2014), 117.

### YOUTH NEWS

Thanks to all who made our mission trip to Savannah, GA a wonderful week! Special thanks to chaperones: Trey Adams, David Buchanan, Woody Parrish, April Bass, and Laurie Brooks. We will be telling the congregation about our experience on Wednesday, July 29 at 6:30pm.

Our last week of Open Gym and Bible Study is next week with Open Gym Tuesday, July 28 and Bible study Wednesday, July 29. Both begin at 1:00pm. Hope to see you here!

### LECTIONARY READINGS

**JULY 26, 2015**

**9<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:1-15  
Psalm 14  
Ephesians 3:14-21  
John 6:1-21



**AUGUST 2, 2015**

**10<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:26–12:13a  
Psalm 51:1-12  
Ephesians 4:1-16  
John 6:24-35

### NC Missions Celebration Rally

Tuesday, August 25

Cashie Baptist Church in Windsor

The region 1 Missions Celebration Rally will highlight the NC Missions Offering and the excellent mission work NC Baptists are doing in our state, nation, and around the world. Featured will be worship, testimony, mission video, and a prayer time for missions. Everyone interested in missions is encouraged to attend—men, women, and youth.

At 6:00pm a meal is provided at no charge, but reservations are necessary to ensure an accurate meal count. The cut-off date for reserving a meal is one week prior to the event. Register by calling Mary Alice Landis at 800-395-5102, extension 5596 or at [baptistsonmission.org/events/region-rallies](http://baptistsonmission.org/events/region-rallies). The missions program begins at 6:50pm.

We're off to VBS!

