

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

DEACONS: Nancy Barrow & Paul Williams
BUS DRIVER: Tim Smith (333-0431)
BUS RIDER: Nancy Barrow
CHILDREN'S SERMON: Artie Nixon
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Susan Biggs
AUDIO OPERATOR: Bob Partin
VIDEO OPERATOR: Holly Smith
OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Julie Privott



DO YOU KNOW?



Which pastor began the first Baptist journal, *The North Carolina Baptist Interpreter*; later renamed the *Biblical Recorder*?

- A. Benjamin F. Farnsworth
- B. Thomas Meredith
- C. Josiah J. Finch

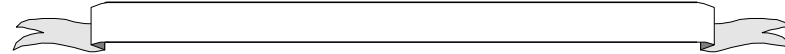
Parent-Child Dedication

This dedication service will take place in worship on Mother's Day, May 8th. Families wishing to participate are asked to contact the church office or Preschool Coordinator, Sherry Dowd as soon as possible. This ceremony is also open to any child who was not dedicated as an infant, and their parents.



Parents, please notify us if your child graduated in December 2015, or will graduate this Spring. Call the office with the name of the school or university they attended, and their degree. So far we have only been informed of two graduates.

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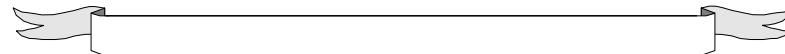


*"Surely there can be no greater joy
than that of saving souls."*

~ Lottie Moon

What a legacy. Baptist Missionary to China, Lottie Moon weighed a mere 50 or so pounds when she died in 1912 because she would neglect her own health to make sure others were fed. As Baptists, we must continue to remind ourselves that we come from a rich mission history and be challenged to give to missions sacrificially.

This past Monday, 16 Edenton Baptist Women (and 2 Edenton Baptist men) traveled to Crewe, Virginia to visit the burial site of Miss Moon. Those attending were Melvin and Marie Baker, Anna Bass, Ruth Bass, Betty Bateman, Mary Anne Croom, Barbara Elbualy, Pansy Elliott, Julia Elmore, Elaine Ervin, Karen Fleetwood, Charlotte Small, Elizabeth Stallings, Gary and Sandra Stanley, Debbie Swicegood, Patsy Taylor, and Gloria Voigt. We are grateful for having had beautiful weather, safe travels and good fellowship but most importantly, our commitment to missions was renewed. -Gary Stanley



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Edenton, North Carolina 27932

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Interim Youth Minister
Michael W. Morgan
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Jackie P. Copeland
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Pastor

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Lorraine B. Bass
Financial Secretary
Sherry S. Dowd
Preschool Coordinator

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THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016

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SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am

"A Doing Kind of Love"

John 13:31-35

Love
one
ANOTHER
as I have
LOVED
you
John 13:34

LECTIONARY READINGS

April 24, 2016

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35



May 1, 2016

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15

Psalm 67

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29



The flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday will be given by the children of Mrs. Charlotte L. Small, in celebration of her 85th birthday on April 27.

~ This Week at EBC ~

Sunday, April 24

8:30-Baptist Men's Breakfast

9:45-Sunday School

10:45-Pastor/Deacon Prayer

11:00-Morning Worship

5:30-Youth Gathering

Monday, April 25

11:30-Helen Hughes Group,

Soda Shoppe

Wednesday, April 27

5:30-Supper

6:00-Children's Choirs

6:30-Adult Bible Study

6:45-Children's Missions

7:30-Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, April 28

10:15-Bookbag Buddies

5:45-Handbell Rehearsal

SHUT-IN of the Week

Mrs. Jane Nowell
Edenton House
323 Medical Arts Drive
Edenton, NC 27932

STUDENT of the Week

Mr. Garrett Stanley
367 Gateway West Hall
East Carolina University
Greenville, NC 27858

HOSPITAL REPORT (4/20)

At the time of printing there were no known members in the hospital.

Surf Shack

VBS



June 27 – July 1



As I visited with a senior adult member of our church last week, he let me know how much he has missed being in worship in recent weeks due to some health issues he is facing. He said his whole week is thrown off when he is not able to come to church on Sunday, and every day begins to feel the same. Thankfully, he and his wife were able to be back in worship this week. It was good to see them.

That pastoral conversation reminded me of the important place that corporate worship has in the life of every Christian. Can we worship God by ourselves at any time and in any place? Of course we can, but we are also created by God to worship God *together*. Since the earliest days of the church, Christians have met together on Sundays to sing, pray, give their offerings, share the Lord's Supper, and proclaim God's word. Regular participation in worship on Sundays gives our weekly schedules a pattern and rhythm that connects us with God and with each other. More than that, worship helps us to remember that our lives are part of a much larger story of faith than our own stories. We are part of the whole people of God in all times and places. When we worship in our sanctuary Sunday by Sunday, we join our lives with other Christians we know and those whom we don't know.

As we worship each week, how privileged we are to have Michael Morgan and Jackie Copeland leading our music in worship. They love what they do; they love Edenton Baptist Church; and they love our Lord. And what a joy it is to have a variety of our youth and adults participating in different aspects of worship leadership: children's sermons, prayers, reading Scripture, and responsive readings. I am grateful for each leader and I hope more of our people will follow their lead. Please let me know if you would like to read Scripture, offer a prayer, share a testimony, or participate as a worship leader in some other way. I am glad for our worship to be a cooperative effort of praising God together.

Grace and peace,

David

Food Pantry Request for April:

spaghetti

Expression of Thanks

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:

- Samuel & Betty Cox

WEEKLY REPORT (4/17)

Offering

Budget Needed	10,036.88
Amt. Received	8,081.90
Over (Under) Budget	(1,954.98)

Other Monies Received

Wed. Night Supper	266.00
Reimbursements	240.00
Griffin Scholarship Fund	<u>20.00</u>
TOTAL	526.00

Attendance

Sunday School	117
Chowan River Nursing	<u>41</u>
SS TOTAL	158
Worship TOTAL	210

YTD Offerings (16 Weeks)

Amt. Required	160,590.08
Amt. Received	148,788.21
Under Budget	(11,801.87)

Birthdays

Sunday, April 24

Susan Biggs

Rod Cross

Monday, April 25

Laney Layton

Tuesday, April 26

Hattie Byrum

Avery Thatcher

Keith Warren

Wednesday, April 27

Dennis McIntire

Tim Phelps

Charlotte L. Small

Aleta Smith

Thursday, April 28

Dan Brooks

Garrett Stanley

Hannah White

Friday, April 29

Caroline Brooks

Saturday, April 30

Sherry Dowd

Daniel Smith

Anniversaries

Saturday, April 30

M/M Herman Bond

M/M Robbie Laughton



Thomas Meredith, pastor from 1825-1833, began the *Interpreter* in 1833 and renamed it the *Biblical Recorder* in 1835.