FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH November 21, 2021

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

CHURCH FAMILY: Bill Sexton, Sandy Stotesberry, B.J. Lyle, Tracie Wildman, Hulan Williams, Robert and Phyllis Dickerson, Marguerite Sexton Hart, Kristie Nicholson, Faye McCombs, Oliver and Frances Lucas, Barbara Peyton.

OTHER CONCERNS: Debbie Comstock (Sister of Brenda Bullock), Gavin Blount (friends of Jim & Susan Sawyer), Nyal Watson, Christi Rogerson, Vicki Livingston, Waylon Rogers (Son of Wade Rogers), Mae Oliver, Keith Sawyer, Jonni Kephart, Don May, Sue Owens.

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS: Three Rivers- Christine McMurtrie #209, River Trace Nursing & Rehab Center, Washington- Pauline Humphreys #418; Carrolton- Tim Elks; Chowan River Nursing Home- Rae Owens.

If you have a prayer request, please add them on the line below and give to Pastor Paul.

STEWARDSHIP

November 14, 2021

Sunday School: 37 Church: 80

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Budget Needed Weekly \$6,152.00

Received as of November 14, 2021

Budget: 4,493.00
Roof Fund: 100.00
Children's Homes: 780.00
Samaritan's Purse: 25.00
Memorials: 100.00
Parking Lot: 10.00
Fellowship Hall Use: 50.00

CALLED CONFERENCE

There is a called conference on Sunday, December 5 following the worship service to vote on the 2022 church budget.

The Deacons are asked to please meet that morning at 9:30 am in the fellowship hall for a brief budget meeting.

FELLOWSHIP HALL ROOF FUND

Goal: \$76,400.00 Received: \$78,262.52!!!!

Please note: All money received above the roof goal will be applied to the many other projects and repairs needed.

Baptist Children's Homes Thanksgiving Offering

GOAL: \$1,500.00 RECEIVED: \$820.00

The Flowers and Memorials Committee will meet Friday, November 26 at 9:30 am to decorate the church for Christmas.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The men's winter Bible study will begin Monday, January 3, at 10:00 am. We will be studying the Book of Daniel. If you would like to join us, contact Jim Sawyer at 321-289-5883.

Beginning January 3, we will begin the women's winter Bible study. If you would like to join us, contact Mary Kay at <u>252-799-7072</u>. We will be studying Max Lucado's newest book *You Were Made for this Moment.*

Queen Esther concealed her Jewish identity. As far as anyone knew, she was pure Persian. But then came the royal decree that would annihilate her people. She had to make some tough choices. Would she remain silent, or would she speak up? Would she blend in, or would she stand out? Esther could have refused. She could have cowered in fear. But she spoke up. She stood out. And God used her to save the nation. It's not hyperbole to say that her courage changed the course of history. Nor is it an overstatement to say that God can do the same with you. You don't need to become undone by tough times, you can become unleashed by our triumphant God. You, friend, were made for this moment.

THANK YOU NOTE

To First Baptist Church:

We wanted to thank you for any act of kindness that you showed us during the time that Robert was so sick and in the hospital. We want you to know that we appreciate it so much. If it was cards, calls, visits, food, or a prayer that was sent up for us, we do thank you for all of it. Now during this time there was a group of ladies that wish to remain anonymous, but to make sure that they know just how much we did appreciate it, I have to put them in my "Thank You" card. Thank you for such a thoughtful and generous gift. Being able to focus on what's important and not whether the house is clean or not during this difficult time meant so much to me. Your tremendous gift took a lot off my already overflowing plate. Thank you for the gift of getting my house professionally cleaned. There are truly no words to express our gratitude. We do not know if this was friends, neighbors, or our wonderful church family, but just wanted to say thank you again and we love you for it. I believe that every act of kindness is a source of strength to the one that is in need.

We love you,
Robert and Phyllis Dickerson