



# PLYMOUTH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

May 2022

## Pastor's Letter: Witness and Follow

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Matthew 4:18-19 *As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.*

This was a call to what would be two of Jesus first disciples- two of the original twelve- and it was a call to follow him to be trained to fish for people. To evangelize. To spread the gospel of Jesus to a lost world. And that is what 11 of the original 12 did, and they along with the apostle Paul who was chosen later, turned our world upside down with the message of hope that is found in Jesus. We are here today as believers in Jesus because of their faithfulness to the message and millions of others who followed in their footsteps.

We, as believer in Jesus are all to tell others of Him- that is for certain. But I want to emphasize in this letter the words "follow me" uttered by Jesus. Everyone is called to follow Jesus. We are to live the way he lived. Loving, compassionate, communicating truth, and righteousness- living Holy lives unto God. We are to model the life of Jesus for others now. The apostle Paul wrote: "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."- 1 Corinthians 11:1-3. Our brothers and sisters in Christ through the ages have faced similar if not worse things than we have in this life, and yet they continued to be a witness and example of Christ in their day. May we do the same.

I hope that you are as thrilled with what God is doing in our midst as I am. God is moving on the hearts of people. Let us continue to be a community filled with the truth of God's Word accompanied by grace and mercy, holiness and authenticity.

Grace and Peace,

*Pastor Paul*

## **Mother's Day Offering** **Baptist Hospital**

The gifts of North Carolina Baptists to the Mother's Day Offering bring life-changing hope to hurting patients and families at [North Carolina Baptist Hospital](#). These gifts help patients suffering from serious illness and overwhelming financial need pay their hospital bills – in the name of Jesus Christ and His love. They are drawn closer to Christ in lasting and heartfelt gratitude. OUR GOAL IS \$1,000.00

### **NEW ADDRESS**

Ken DeMary  
c/o Sue Hamblin  
2300 W. Main St., #307  
Littleton, Co 801120

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

### **Church Family**

Family of Barbara Peyton  
Kacey Noell  
Paul Lilly  
Tim Peyton  
Lynn West  
Bill Sexton  
B.J. Lyle  
Tracie Wildman  
Hulan Williams  
Robert and Phyllis Dickerson  
Marguerite Sexton Hart  
Faye McCombs  
Frances Lucas

### **NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

Christine McMurtrie #209  
—Three Rivers,  
Pauline Humphreys #418—  
River Trace Nursing & Rehab Center  
Tim Elks—Carrolton  
Rae Owens—Chowan

### **OTHER CONCERNS:**

Family of Lois Hardison,  
Shelby Flint, Nadine Williams Watson, Parker Joyner, Trevor Cannan, June Basnight, Greg Spruill, Glenn Hassell, Wayne Britt, Debbie Comstock (Sister of Brenda Bullock), Gavin and Bryson Blount (friends of Jim & Susan Sawyer), Mae Oliver, Keith Sawyer, Jonni Kephart.

***Remember to give to and pray for our Radio Ministry as we broadcast on Magic 95.9 each Sunday. Listen in to hear the daily devotional "Of this I am Convinced"***

*Our radio program is a mission of FBC and is not included in our regular budget. Please consider supporting it financially!*

## **SENIOR BANQUET**



The Annual Senior Banquet honoring this year's high school graduates was held April 24 at the church fellowship hall. Kylee Lee, Claire Dail, and Holley Brabble were honored for their

achievement. An excellent Mexican meal was served along with delicious desserts prepared by individuals from the fellowship. After the meal, an introductory video was shown for each graduate and a significant person in their life shared some thoughts. Others were then invited to share a funny story or insight or memory they had of those honored. We want to give out a special thank you to the Youth Council for their hard work in making this night the success it was, and our deacons who served the meal!

**God bless you graduates!**





## SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

1st—Observe Communion

2nd—Mission Action Circle meets at 1:00 pm at Golden Skillet

2nd—Personnel Committee meets at 6:30 pm

2nd—Buildings & Grounds Committee meets at 6:30 pm

3rd—Helen Peele Circle meets at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

8th—Mother's Day Breakfast at 8:30 am

9th —Deacons meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall with Harry Ward hosting

25th —Last Wednesday Bible

### Thank You Note

I can't tell you how thankful I am for my church family. I am truly blessed. I appreciated so much all the prayers, food (God sends!), calls, cards, and gifts. I love you all.

Much Love,  
B.J. Lyle

# May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Joshua Brown 5/1

Riley Bundy 5/2

Rex Stotesberry 5/2

John Gray 5/3

Sydney Brabble 5/6

Kay Ward 5/7

Kyle Modlin 5/11

Shelley Brown 5/12

Leverna Copeland 5/17

Renee Sexton 5/17

Ronnie Thompson 5/17

Gracen Rogers 5/19

Kathy Wynne 5/20

Dee Gee Griffith 5/23

Caroline Gurganus 5/25

Mike Holcomb 5/26

Larry Nicholson 5/27

Edwina Peele 5/27

Amy Collins 5/31



David & Faith Noell

5-14

Hank & Janie Edmondson

5-23



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Psalm 39:7

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Rev. Paul Harrington,  
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Office Administrator

B.J. Lyle, Organist



**Join us May 25th, for  
our last Wednesday  
Night Bible before fall.**

On that night we will be reviewing a tremendous little book titled "One to One Bible Readings, a unique guide for every Christian."

This book will train you  
on how to disciple others

by simply reading the Bible together. This simple plan is perfect for leading someone to Christ or helping another believer mature in their walk with Jesus. In it, you will also learn how to better interpret the different genres of literature in the Bible. If you plan to attend, please let pastor Paul know as you will need the book as part of this one night study! Books will be provided by the church- Pastor Paul

**First Baptist  
Plymouth will  
once again be  
taking part in  
the Black Bear  
Festival!** Once  
again we will  
support our  
community by  
providing volun-  
teers for the in-  
formation booth.



A sign- up sheet to volunteer will be available throughout the month of May outside the church office. Please help! We are asking volunteers for just two hours of their time during the day.

The award-winning North Carolina Black Bear Festival is being held June 4, 2022 right here in Plymouth! For more information visit [ncbearfest.com](http://ncbearfest.com).