First Baptist Church Gaston



Brady Blog

A Written Word from Pastor Brady



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Greetings First Baptist Family,

Do you remember? It's already September! I hope and pray this month's edition of the "Good News Letter" finds you and your family well! Hopefully by now we've all gotten into the swing of our back-to-school routines!

August was an incredible month here at FBCG where we saw God do some amazing things. 7 people were baptized, and I can't wait to see what the Lord is going to do next in the life of our Church by calling people to Himself.

On Wednesday night, September the 1st, we will be having our RA/GA recognition night! And, if a certain amount of our RA's & GA's can memorize their bible verses than I will be getting MANY pies to the face! Come and join us at 7 PM that evening. Friendly reminder, we will NOT be having refreshments after the service due to COVID-19 precautions.

On Sunday Morning, September 5th we will begin our 6-Week Sermon Series, "Crowning Christ!". I highly encourage you to join us for this brand-new Sunday Morning Sermon Series. On Wednesday September 15th we will be having our quarterly business conference and I will also be starting our brand-new Sermon Series, "Kingdom Fighters!" which is a verse-by-verse 7-Week Wednesday night Sermon Series through the book of Jude.

As of now, I have scheduled a Church Council Meeting on Monday, September 27th at 6:30 PM. We need all Church leaders to be present at this meeting! You will be receiving an email if you are to be present at this meeting.

On Sunday, September 26th I will begin teaching a New Members/ Visitors Class! This is a 4 Week class that is designed to educate newly joined members, young believers, and visitors who are interested in learning more about our Church. It lasts just 4 weeks and will take place at 9:45 AM every Sunday Morning until starting September 26th and ending October 17th. The class will last only 45 minutes during each session! If you would like to join this class, please contact me by September 19th to let me know you are interested.

I am so excited for what God is doing in the life of our Church and can't wait to see what all He is in store in the coming months! I love you Church family!

I love you First Baptist Family!



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12 Faith Brock Nanette Stabler ♥Eddie & Collette Knight	13 Roy Jackson Soren Johnson Jim Pound David Rish	14 Hannah Anderson Sherrie Ellison Daniel Feaster Kyle Haigwood Kameron Haigwood Lee Sanford ♥Robbie & Nanette Stabler	15 David Hartgraves Savanna Martin Michael Rish Bailey Sharpe Brenda Woodruff ♥Ted & Janice Boldt	16 Rhonda Parrish Mike Rollison Alexander Stone Laurin Sturkie	17 Lauren Cantrell Edward Dowd Pam Saunders Charles Sharpe Joel Sox Andie Suggs	18 Victoria Aziz Richie Pound Ashley Pound Betty Sharpe
19 Lily Rose Peake Remington Reynolds Logan Sharpe	20 Paisley Burton Kaileyanna Williams ♥Boyce & Sherry Rampey	21 Agnes Sigh Karen Simmons Phyllis Templeton Shirley Watts	22 Cheri Vidrine ♥David & Grace Hartgraves ♥Walker & Megan Spires	23 Pamela Cornette ♥Tony & Kim Miller	24 Taylor Griffin Susan Ott Smith Tyler Stalvery	25
26 Nathan Aultman Hallie Collette Brandon Dawkins	27 Julie-Ann Hall Katlyn Kelly Patricia Sprinkle E. N. Williams	28 Victoria Hammond Eddie Knight	Jennifer Delatorre Patricia Sightler	30 Josh Copeland Austin Godfrey ♥Harvel & Linda Sightler		



LIBRARY NEWS from Marilyn Hook

I would like to remind you of the library policy concerning donations. The policy was developed several years ago when a library committee was formed The policy states that donations are accepted and the donations will be evaluated before they are added to the library collection. The donor should understand that donated materials may not be added if they are damaged, duplicates of titles or if the titles are more appropriate for other settings. I have donated books to a senior center in the past. If someone asks about donating items, please let them know that the library welcomes children's books, Christian fiction, religious biographies and histories and Bible studies or commentaries. Please contact me if you have questions. You may contact the church office or email me at <u>marilyn.hook1@gmail.com</u>. Thank you. --



September Music Notes JJJJ

Worship in the truest sense takes place only when our full attention is on GOD – on His glory, power, majesty, love and compassion." – Billy Graham

We have a tendency to get so caught up in what we believe that true worship is. So much so, that we have made it about "feelings" and "preferences" rather than our focus being on God. When we are together for corporate worship, we are not there to hear the songs we like or the style of music that we prefer, but we are there to offer our full attention and affection to the One True God. There is really never going to be any time that we are together that every single person likes every single song and honestly that is because we still have our own sin nature. One day, when we are all gathered around His throne, we will have already laid down our sinful body for a new one…clothed in His righteousness and I can assure you, it will not matter what type of music they have in heaven because we will ONLY be focusing on what truly matters... Jesus.

Maybe we could go ahead now and start walking in our inheritance as we were challenged to do by Pastor Brady on the last week of the Sufficient Shepherd series... that way we could worship our Savior with a heart and mind full of His mercy and grace!

Joyfully Serving, Sherrell



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Chris Vidrine;s sister, Teri, passed on Aug 13th. Services were in Louisiana.

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Lauren Cantrell lost her mother, Beth Harris, on Aug 6th. Services were Rehoboth Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC

Sherri Ard lost her daughter, Jennifer, Aug 9th.

Pat Rowe lost her uncle, Lewis Turner, on Aug 8th. Services were at the James A. McAlister Chapel in Charleston, SC



WMU

On September 1st we had the GA/RA Recognition and the children were so excited. Sandy Drawdy & Sherry Rampey are the co-directors for this group. They have had several new volunteers working with them and could always use more as they have as many as 25-30 children weekly. They are very appreciative of all the volunteers that help. Please pray how you might help with this group of children and share God's love with them through missions.

Starting Sept 5th we will be promoting Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection. Pick up your box at church fill it up and return to the church no later than Nov 10. We are planning a shoebox packing party sometime the first part of November, so watch for information. National Collection week is Nov 15-22. If you would like to help sort the shoeboxes at the Charlotte office see Cheryl Reynolds, Collette Knight or Margie Rish for more information.

The Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions will be the week of September 12-19, 2021. These funds go to help ministries like SC Disaster Relief, SC Foster Children Program, State Fair Ministry; church planters throughout the State, migrant workers outreach, Seafarer's Ministry in Charleston, SC and many other mission opportunities. Our church goal is \$2,000. Please pray how God would lead you be a part of this missions offering.

As always pray for our missionaries worldwide, for their safety and outreach in sharing the word of Jesus Christ.

Have a great month, Margie W. Rish, WMU Director

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MEMORY VERSES FOR KIDS

- Sept 5 I am with you always. (Matthew 28:20)
- Sept 12 Be kind to one another. (Epheasians 4:32)
- Sept 19 Love one another (1 John 3:23)
- Sept 26 What time I am afraid, I will trust in You. (Psalm 56:3)