



# Welcome to FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF GASTON

- Jun 22-25 Vacation Bible School 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
- NO Brotherhood meeting for the month of June
- Jul 2 NO Church Service or activities on campus
- Jul 6 Patriotic Service & Quilt Presentation
- Jul 6 Grief Gathering group at 3:00 PM

## DEACON ON CALL

**Jun 22** Noel Pound 803 467-0382

**Jun 29** Troy Peele 803 673-5330

## EXTENDED CARE TEAM

**Jun 22** Amie Cobia, Marissa Bailey, Rhonda Smith, Ally Sanford, Christian Chavis, Sammy Smith

**Jun 29** Sandy Poole, Bonita Mishoe, Aggie Sigh, Jim Thomas, Eden Barfield, Matt Barfield

## CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

**Jun 22** Sunnie Gail Pound, PJ Hathway, Amber Bachelder

**Jun 29**  
Sandy Drawdy, Sherry Rampey

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

09:30 AM Men's Prayer Group

09:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Morning Worship

### Tuesday

12:00 PM Intercessory Prayer  
Warriors

### Wednesday

06:00 PM Family Supper  
07:00 PM Midweek Worship, Youth,  
GAs, RAs, Mission Friends &  
Acteens

**June 15, 2025**

164 in Sunday School 272 in Worship  
158 in Midweek Worship

First Baptist Church  
Gaston



**Sunday, June 22, 2025**

Based on Last Sunday's Sermon,  
who did you share the Gospel with  
this past week?

# BIBLICAL

A verse-by-verse  
series through the  
book of Ezra

# BUILDING



## TODAY'S SERMON:

**'UNNECESSARY UNDERMINING!'**

**EZRA 4:7-16**



**\$1,500** was given towards the Field of  
Dreams Giving Initiative Last Sunday  
(this does not include online giving)

## Church Staff:

Rev. Brady Henderson, Senior Pastor 803-509-3521

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**First Baptist Church of Gaston**  
**Sunday, June 22, 2025**

***Biblical Building Series Sermon #7***

***'Unnecessary Undermining!'***

***Ezra 4:7-16***

Rev. R. Brady Henderson

**Call To Worship**

"Still Waters" - Praise Team

**Welcome & Scripture**

Rev. Steve Kittrell - Romans 8:37-39

**Time of Worship**

As the Deer

Jesus Name Above All Names

Jesus Your Name

**Time of Prayer**

Mr. Matt Barfield

**Message through Music**

Mrs. Taylor Freeman

**Message**

Rev. R. Brady Henderson

**Invitation**

'Are you Washed in the Blood?'

**Benediction**

***Sermon in a Sentence:*** Inhabitants of the land were unnecessarily undermining the work of the Jews in their opposition but also in the letter that they sent to King Artaxerxes I.

***QTA:*** How do these inhabitants of the same province that the Jews lived in unnecessarily undermine the Jews and their work to rebuild the temple?

***Truth #1: The Opposition. (vv. 7-11a)***

- *A Previous Letter... (v. 7)*
- *The Posse Resumes... (vv. 8-11a)*
  - *Rehum.*
  - *Shimshai.*

***Truth #2: The Letter. (vv. 11b-16)***

- *Rehum gives 4 reasons as to why the King of Persia should not allow the Jews to rebuild the temple:*
  - *#1: The Jews were rebellious and Wicked. (v. 12)*
  - *#2: An Independent Judah would mean loss of revenue to the Persian Empire. (v. 13)*
  - *#3: If the Jews were successful in their rebellion, it would bring dishonor to Artaxerxes. (vv. 14-15)*
  - *#4: If the Jews successfully rebuilt, they would become rebellious and conquer the entire territory across the Euphrates. (v. 16)*

