

The Beacon



YOUR WORD IS A LAMP FOR MY FEET, A LIGHT ON MY PATH. PSALM 119:105

September 2022

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Homecoming Sunday

2022

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

Join us for Homecoming, as we celebrate *141 Years* of serving God and our community. We will have one worship service on this day at 11:00am, followed by a covered dish meal. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Seth Polk (RMBC Pastor 9/1998 - 2/2003).

COMMUNITY REVIVAL

Sept. 25th - Sept. 28th

Covered Dish Meal 6:00pm - Worship Service 7:00pm

Sunday Night at Bethany Baptist

Monday Night at Timberlake Baptist

Tuesday Night at Red Mountain Baptist

Wednesday Night at Antioch Baptist

Child Care Provided Each Night

PRAY REVIVAL IN!

“WILL YOU NOT REVIVE US AGAIN, THAT YOUR PEOPLE MAY REJOICE IN YOU? SHOW US YOUR MERCY, LORD, AND GRANT US YOUR SALVATION.” PSALM 85:6-7

The revivalist D.L. Moody was on vacation in England from his ministry in Chicago. At one point during his sabbatical there, a local pastor prevailed upon Moody to speak at his parish church. So D.L. went to preach the next Sunday morning. That afternoon he recorded in his journal that it was the deadest crowd he had ever seen and the only thing worse than preaching to those people was that he had promised to speak again the same night. But that night, midway through his sermon something happened. The people started to come to life, and Moody felt compelled to ask if anyone would like to become a Christian. Many people stood up. He was taken aback, "Maybe you don't understand what I am asking. So when we are dismissed if you want to become a Christian come over to this little room and meet with me." When the service was over, D.L. went to the room and it was packed, and many became believers.

Now he was on vacation, and so next day, Moody boarded a train for Ireland...but the Lord had other plans.

Disembarking in Ireland he found a message awaiting him, "Come back. Revival has broken out." So Moody returned to the church and preached for 10 straight nights and over 400 people came to the Lord. Moody was perplexed. How could he have known that an 80-year-old widow named Mary Ann Adeland had read one of his sermons in the newspaper and begun praying every day that God would bring D.L. Moody to her church?

We might well wonder what this thing is about prayer...especially prayer in the secret place. How does it work? Why does it work? A little old widow's love and concern for her spiritually dead neighbors inspires her to pray relentlessly and specifically, and the vacation plans of a great revivalist are adjusted for a local harvest, a God-orchestrated vacation revival for D.L. Moody, right in her hometown! Believers pray because they love, and little passionate souls like Mary Ann Adeland are hidden gems in the Lord's crown. How many spiritually dead neighbors do you have? If you see them with spiritual eyes, and you truly love them, consider your sister Mary Ann, her deep concern... and how the Lord channeled one of His trusted servants right into her neighborhood for a local revival.

<https://www.worthydevotions.com/>



**Pastor Dave's
Message
for the
Month**

Years ago, when someone gave you their word it meant something. If they said they were going to do something, then they did it. They were faithful to their word. It is hard to find someone like that in today's society. Many people tell you they will do something, and they never get around to doing it.

I am thankful that God keeps His Word. If God has told us in the Bible that He will do something, then you can know He will do it. God is faithful! First Thessalonians 5:24 says, "He who calls you *is* faithful, who also will do *it*." God will never break a promise. He will always come through. Since God is so faithful, we should strive to be faithful. Romans 8:29 tells us that God desires for us to be conformed to the image of His Son. Since Jesus is God, He is faithful. Therefore, since we are to be conformed to the image of Jesus, then we should be faithful.

So, as we begin a new ministry year, let me encourage you to be faithful to what God has called you to do this year. Serve when it is your time to serve and give God your best. When you do God will be glorified, others will be encouraged, and you will be blessed.

For His glory,

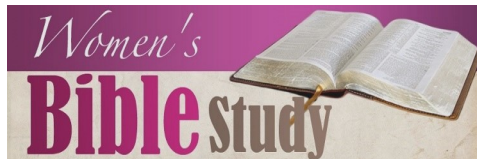
Pastor Dave



*We extend our sympathy
and prayers to:*

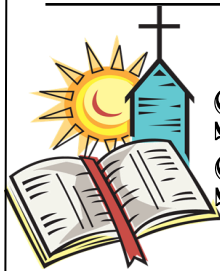
✂ Mutt Jeffries and his family in the death of his sister, Donna 'Tootie' Spivey

✂ Grace and Karma Karangelen their families in the death of their father, Mike Karangelen



Tuesday, Sept 6th ~ 6:45p
(1st Tuesday of each month)
'Better' by Jen Wilkin

Ladies, you are invited to a luncheon with the **Roxboro Christian Women's Club**, on Thursday, Sept. 22nd, at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. The cost is \$14. There'll also be a Silent Auction. So join us, there just might be something you can't live without! Please RSVP to Susan Cross at 336-364-7777 by Sept. 18th. Follow us on [Facebook](#) for upcoming events.



Join Us For...

**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

10:00a - 10:45a

We have children's classes from Nursery to 5th Grade. Classes for Youth, College & Career, and 4 Adult Classes from which to choose. Something for everyone! The 'new school year' begins Sunday, Sept 4th. Give Us a Try!

**Yates Baptist Assoc.
Food Pantry**

We are continuing to collect can goods through September. Please place your donations in the food barrel located in the Welcome Center.



**Building
Loan Balance**

(as of 08/13/2022)

\$ 307,034



Monday, Sept. 19th ~ 7:00p
(3rd Monday of each month)

Join us as we begin a new study;
'33 The Series - A Man and His Design'

33 The Series is designed to inspire and equip men to pursue Authentic Manhood as modeled by Jesus Christ in the 33 years He lived on earth. Sign up in the Welcome Center if you'd like to purchase a study guide.

"As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend." Proverbs 27:17

Grandparent's Day ~ Sept. 11th

Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.

Psalm 128:

Happy are you who fear the Lord,
who walk in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your
handiwork;

happy shall you be, and favored.
Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants
around your table.

Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the Lord.

The Lord bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.

May you see your children's children.
Peace be upon Israel!

Lord God almighty,
bless our grandparents with long life,
happiness, and health.

May they remain constant in your love
and be living signs of your presence
to their children and grandchildren.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.



<https://www.usccb.org/blessing-grandparents>

SEPTEMBER 2022

BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p align="center">Memory Verse</p> <p align="center">“He who calls you <i>is</i> faithful, who also will do <i>it</i>.”</p> <p align="center">1 Thessalonians 5:24</p>				1	2	3
				<i>River Batten</i>		
<p>4 Lord’s Supper/ Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am</p> <p><i>Melody Myers</i></p>	<p>5</p>  <p>LABOR DAY</p>	<p>6 Women’s Bible Study 6:45p</p> <p><i>Ingela Gillie</i></p>	<p>7 Wed. Night Service Mtg 7p</p> <p><i>Ann Johnson</i></p>	<p>8</p> <p><i>Heather Gentry</i></p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p><i>Logan Dunn Emma Pryor</i></p>
<p>11 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am Deacon’s Mtg 4p</p>  <p><i>Ricky Bowen Paul DiMeo</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>Dave Pryor</i></p>	<p>13</p> <p><i>Faye Taylor</i></p>	<p>14 Missions Night 7p</p> <p><i>Chase Ellis Margaret Marshall</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p><i>Kaleb Chambers</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p><i>Billy Ellis Mark Fuller</i></p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 Sunday Sch. 10am Homecoming Service 11:00a Covered Dish Meal 12:15p</p>	<p>19 Men of Iron 7p</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 Business Mtg & Wed. Night Service 7p</p>	<p>22 RCWC Luncheon</p>  <p><i>Fall begins</i></p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am</p> <p><i>Heather DiMeo Dustin Humphries</i></p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p><i>Joyce Glenn Courtland Salter</i></p>	<p>30</p> <p><i>Sammi Watson</i></p>	
<p align="center">C o m m u n i t y R e v i v a l</p> <p align="center">Bethany Timberlake Red Mountain Antioch</p>						



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Rev. Dave Pryor - Pastor
Rev. Cameron Lewis - Youth Pastor



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The Importance of Christian Formation (Sunday School)

There has been a lot of discussion recently about the necessity of Sunday school. Sunday schools may seem like “old hat” to some churches but according to Barna Research, 95% of churches still offer some type of classroom Bible and religious teaching— and for good reason. Barna says, “In a culture saturated with change, one of the most stable aspects in the religious sphere has been Sunday school – the weekend educational efforts that churches offer to people outside of worship services.” Why? More than ever before, people need a counterweight to the massive cultural shifts that modern societies are now experiencing. More specifically, children need Sunday school ministry for these five reasons.

1. Sunday school helps children respect, appreciate and utilize the Bible, understand their baptismal vows and learn to live in community. Reverence for God’s written words and what was promised at your child’s baptism doesn’t come naturally, sadly. A healthy Sunday classroom environment, centered around the Bible and our Baptismal Vows, will elevate its importance in a child’s life.

2. Sunday school teaches children how to navigate the Bible and life as a Christian. If a child joins the Scouts, the Scoutmaster doesn’t hand him a 400 page map and say, “Good luck!” Sunday school teachers don’t just teach Bible stories, they show a child how the Bible speaks to them in their lives and empowers them to live out their [Christian faith].

3. Sunday school gives kids a chance to ask questions. Kids’ church isn’t designed for a detailed Q & A session but Sunday school classes can. Sunday school is the perfect format for in-depth discussion, even debate. This format allows teachers to give kids more good food for thought.

4. Sunday school develops a community of believers. Why do you think schools use the classroom method? Not just to reach more children, faster. Originally, it was because in a classroom setting, kids were more likely to help one another and push each other along in their growth. A community of children, worshiping, learning the Bible and discovering God together creates a bond that single study can’t



accomplish. As someone once said, Sunday schools are the Petri dishes for the future church.

5. Sunday school plants spiritual seeds. Some of my greatest revelations concerning God’s love and plan for me I received quietly in my training in school. Even when we moved away from that loving community of believers, I never forgot the songs, the lessons and the love. Sunday schools are like plant nurseries, they may look unimpressive at first, but under the soil, miracles are happening.

We need your child in Sunday school.

AND

We need our adults in Sunday school.

If we intend to prepare the next generation of children to follow Christ faithfully and advance the Kingdom forcefully, they will need their parents and the adults of this faith community who are being well trained for this awesome responsibility by word, deed and example. The effective adult Sunday school class is a place where people can learn and respond to the word of God in a systematic and consistent process, develop a network of strong and supportive relationships to encourage them during the victories and the difficult times, and reach other people with a gospel message that will impact their children as well.

Worship is primary in setting who we are, whose we are and what we need to be about as followers of Jesus Christ. Christian formation puts what we say and do in worship into the context of our lives in the church and beyond our campus.

To do one without the other will keep us from being a whole person who seeks to live the gospel through faith and action.

<https://www.stmartininthefields.org/the-importance-of-sunday-school/>

“As a child back in *Sunday School*, I learned this simple truth: Jesus died to take my sin away. And I can still remember when it changed my life way back then. And the cross is just as real to me today.” <https://youtu.be/rhPWxf9h4Q>

“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6