



# The Beacon



Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." John 8:12

January 2023



## Pastor Dave's Message for the Month

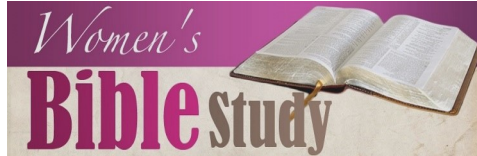
We are passionate about many different things in life. Some are passionate about sports. They are devoted to following their favorite team. Some are passionate about their jobs. They do their very best and put in extra hours if needed. Some are passionate about their kids. They do whatever they can to make sure their kids have the good life. You get the idea. It is good to be passionate about different things in life, but the problem arises when one of these things becomes our greatest passion.

You see none of these things I have mentioned are necessarily "bad" things. These passions become bad when they take the place of first priority in our lives. The church of Ephesus had this problem in Revelation 2:4 where it says, "Nevertheless I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love." They loved something more than loving God. Something else became their greatest passion. As Christians, Jesus should be number one in our lives. He should be our first love and our greatest passion. Nothing else should take His place.

What is the greatest passion in your life? If it is not living for Jesus, then it is not right. Living for Jesus and serving Him should be our greatest passion. In Colossians 3:23, Paul said, "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men." In everything we do, we should be doing it for the Lord. So, as we start a new year, who or what is your greatest passion? I pray that each of us keeps Jesus as the greatest passion in our lives in 2023.

For His glory,

*Pastor Dave*



Tuesday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 6:45p  
(1st Tuesday of each month)

We'll meet in the Family Life Center

### Baptist Women News

You can purchase RADA Cutlery and other kitchen products by clicking this link:

[radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4130704.b62946](http://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4130704.b62946)

Ladies, you are invited to a luncheon with the **Roxboro Christian Women's Club**, on Thursday, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. The cost is \$14. Please RSVP to Susan at 336-364-7777 by Jan. 15th. Follow us on [Facebook](#) for upcoming events.



*We extend our sympathy  
and prayers to:*

- ✎ Crystal Ellis and her family in the death of her uncle, Patrick Kelly, and her grandmother, Evelyn Kelly
- ✎ Courtland Salter and her family in the death of her grandfather, James Salter

### Our Current Trustees

Scott Chambers  
Josh Clayton  
Rodney Laughinghouse  
Ray Moore



Monday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00p  
(3rd Monday of each month)

'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. Each lesson is a stand alone study. So, if you missed the month before or will miss the month after, you're not behind.

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

## Baptist Men's Day

Sunday, January 15, 2023  
8:45a & 11:00a Services

Join us for either service as our men will lead us in Praise, Songs & Worship.

All men, young and old, are encouraged to join us in our all men choir.



Congratulations to . . .



- 🛒 Lia Roberts and her family in the birth of her daughter, Evie.
- 🛒 Tabatha and Al Stone and their family in the birth of their son, Stetson Cruz.
- 🛒 Krystal Watson and her family in the birth of her daughter, Ava Rae.



# JANUARY 2023

# BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>  Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am Deacon's Mtg 4p	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Women's Bible Study 6:45p	<b>4</b> Wed. Night Service 7p	<b>5</b>       <i>Zacc Brack</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am	<b>9</b>     <i>Tonya Fuller Abby Perkins</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Missions Night 7p	<b>12</b>     <i>Kathy McFarland</i>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Baptist Men's Day/Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am	<b>16</b> Men of Iron 7p	<b>17</b>     <i>Austin Hall</i>	<b>18</b> Business Mtg 6:45p Wed. Night Service 7p	<b>19</b> RCWC Luncheon @Homestead 12p	<b>20</b>     <i>Gerry Moore</i>	<b>21</b>     <i>Wanda Howerton Cathy Taylor</i>
<b>22</b> Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>     <i>Kadin Brooks Lance Ellis Jimmy Roberts</i>	<b>25</b> Wed. Night Service 7p	<b>26</b>     <i>Ryan Hall</i>	<b>27</b>     <i>Barry Shuler</i>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am   <i>Ethan Ellis Megan Riggs</i>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Feb 1</b> Wed. Night Service 7p   <i>Christy Murray David Young</i>	<b>Memory Verse</b> "And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men." Colossians 3:23		