

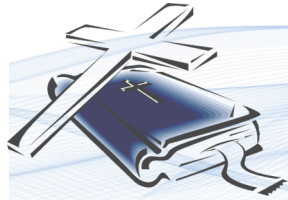


The Beacon



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

October 2023



OCTOBER IS

Pastor Appreciation MONTH

We are very blessed to have Pastor Dave Pryor and Pastor Cameron Lewis to lead, to teach, to love and to encourage the church family of Red Mountain.

"We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction." 1 Thessalonians 1:2-5 (ESV)

Parent/Child Dedication Sunday, October 8th

On October 8th we will have Parent/Child Dedication. This is part of the worship service where parents make a promise offering their children for God's use and His will, and to dedicate themselves to the raising of these children for the glory of God.

If you would like to participate, please see Pastor Dave by Wednesday, October 4th.



FALL FESTIVAL

November 4th - 1:00-3:00pm

Join us the first Saturday in November for our annual Fall Festival.

There will be something for everyone to enjoy. Be sure to join us and invite someone! We'll have Games • Prizes • Photo Booth • Giant Slide/Bounce House • Hay Rides • Classic Car Show, and so much more! We'll need some volunteers to make it all happen, so please sign up in the Welcome Center when the sheet is posted.



Pastor Dave's
Message
for the
Month

What is truth? Where do we find it? Who determines what the truth is? Well, if you ask anyone out in the world, you will find all sorts of answers. As Christians, we do not find out answers in the world, we find them in God's Word. Psalm 119:160 says, "The entirety of Your word *is* truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever." God has made it clear through the Psalmist, and in many other passages of Scripture, that His Word is truth. He has also made it clear that His Word, the truth, last forever. It does not change.

Since God's Word is truth, we need to be seeking knowledge, advice, wisdom, and guidance for our everyday lives from His Word. The Bible helps us to live the Christian life by giving us what we need to make it through the day. Since God's Word is truth that last forever, we do not have to worry about it changing as we live our lives. It is consistent. That cannot be said of the so-called wisdom of the world. So, as you face the different circumstances of life, go to God's Word to find the truth you need to deal with those circumstances and live a godly life. This is why it is so vitally important that we are in the Word daily.

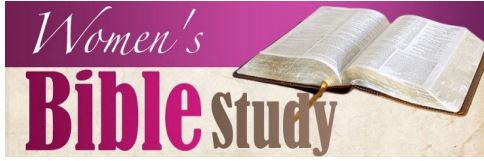
For His glory,

Pastor Dave

SIGN UP IN THE WELCOME CENTER...

The **Fun Bunch** (Seniors) will be going to the mountains for a day trip on Tuesday, October 17th. Space is limited.

Kid's Ministry Fall Fun (K-Grade 5), Sunday, October 22nd, 12:00 - 4:00pm. Corn Maze, Pumpkin Patch, and Hay Rides. Lunch will be provided.



"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."
1 Thess. 5:11

Tuesday, October 3rd ~ 6:45p
(1st Tuesday of each month)

'Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion'
by Anne Graham Lotz

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

You can purchase **RADA Cutlery** and other kitchen products by clicking this link: radafundraising.com/ **All RADA products are proudly made in the USA!** Each purchase helps support Baptist Women mission projects.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

We will kick off our Shoebox Campaign beginning Sunday, October 8th. You'll find boxes, labels and OCC information located in the Welcome Center. "Through your prayers and generosity, we're sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Be sure to make your shoebox gift unique and include a letter and photo; those personal touches can mean so much to a child." ~Franklin Graham



So, start shopping, fill those shoeboxes and bring them to the church by Sunday, November 5th.

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Building Loan Balance
(as of 09/12/2023)
\$ 226,580



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

Monday, October 16th ~ 7:00p
(3rd Monday of each month)

'33 The Series - A Man and His Story'

Encouraging Your Pastor

"Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to conduct ourselves honorably in all things." Hebrews 13:17-18

If you attend church, then God has given you a pastor to care for your soul by modeling godliness, preaching the Word, and training and exhorting you in righteousness—even when you might not feel like listening. He cares about your spiritual well-being and needs to know you care for him too. Many believers neglect giving encouragement to the pastor because they forget that he too is a member of the body of Christ. It can be lonely and discouraging to selflessly sacrifice for the congregation without ever receiving honor and appreciation from them.

Today's passage says that we should obey and submit to our leaders so they can faithfully do their job as shepherds with joy instead of groaning. Paul said elders who rule well and work hard at preaching and teaching should be given double honor ([1 Timothy 5:17](#)).

When was the last time you expressed appreciation to your pastor? This [month], look for ways to demonstrate your love to him. And above all, pray for him. Don't assume that he needs no intercession; the opposite is true. Every pastor needs to know that his congregation values him.

~In Touch Ministries (Charles Stanley)
<https://www.intouchuk.org/read/daily->

OCTOBER 2023

BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10a Deacons Mtg 4p	2 <i>Devin Brack</i> <i>Cassie Gillie</i>	3 Women's Bible Study 6:45p <i>Terry Carden</i> <i>Brittany MacDonald</i>	4 Wed. Night Service 7p	5	6 <i>Dan Carpenter</i>	7 <i>Tori Ashley</i>
8 Worship Service/ Parent-Child Dedication 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10a <i>Colby Proctor</i>	9 <i>Jiselle Wilkins</i>	10 <i>Dustin Craven</i> <i>Kate Proctor</i>	11 Missions Night 7:00p <i>Paul Hall</i>	12 <i>Elyssa Koutsis</i>	13	14 Youth Stew Fundraiser P/U at noon <i>Marie Bradley</i> <i>Mason Shuler</i>
15 Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10am <i>David Glenn</i> <i>JoLea MacDonald</i>	16 Men of Iron 7p	17 Fun Bunch Mountain Trip 7a	18 Business Mtg 6:45p Wed. Night Service 7p <i>Wesley Davis</i>	19 RCWC Luncheon @Homestead 12p	20	21 Youth Halloween Fun <i>Tina Blomberg</i>
22 Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10am Kids Fall Fun 12:15pm <i>Sheila Capel</i> <i>Joy Colvard</i>	23 <i>Patrick Bowles</i> <i>Christopher Brack</i>	24 <i>Kim Jackson</i>	25 Wed. Night Service 7p <i>Kyndall Chambers</i>	26	27 <i>Owen Gentry</i> <i>Don Sharp</i>	28
29 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am	30 <i>Dwayne Taylor</i>	31 <i>Collins DiMeo</i>	Nov. 1	Memory Verse: "The entirety of Your word <i>is</i> truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever." Psalm 119:160		



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Who Are Lois and Eunice in the Bible?

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“I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you.” 2 Timothy 1:5 NLT

God is purposeful, not only about our individual calling and gifts in this life but also in the generation He sets us in. We are not only called to leave a mark on our own generation but to glean wisdom from those who are going and have gone before us and to lead, guide, and disciple the generations coming up behind us. “Remembering the character of your godly mother [or father] is a great incentive to holding fast to the scriptures she taught you,” Pastor John Piper notes. Lois and Eunice give us a fantastic example of what it means to love Christ sincerely, which in turn resulted in the passing of their faith in Him to the next generation!

WHO WERE LOIS AND EUNICE?

“Paul came to Derbe and then to Lystra, where a disciple named Timothy lived, whose mother was Jewish and a believer but whose father was a Greek.” Acts 16:1 NIV

Lois and Eunice were Timothy’s mother and grandmother. So sincere was their faith in Christ, they are made mention of in the Bible, not just for who they were, but for the impact they had by the way they chose to live their everyday lives! Under the care of his mother and grandmother, Timothy became a Christ follower.

Timothy was discipled by Paul, who wrote a majority of the New Testament! Paul wrote, “To Timothy my true son in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.” 1 Timothy 1:2 NIV

Paul invested in Timothy. He was his spiritual son. Investing in the next generation isn’t only familial but also important to foster within the people God places in our lives, communities, workplaces, and circle of friends. Timothy and Paul bonded together in and through Christ Jesus. Timothy’s mother and grandmother taught him from home. Though church on Sunday is important, the Church of God grows outside of the walls of the church building. It’s in our everyday lives we learn to follow Christ sincerely and wholeheartedly, often from the people in our families and communities. Proverbs 22:6 says, “Start children off the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”

WHAT ARE THEY KNOWN FOR IN THE BIBLE?

“Timothy, my son, I am giving you this command in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by recalling them you may fight the battle well, holding on to faith and good conscience, which some have rejected and so have suffered shipwreck with regard to the faith.” 1 Timothy 1:18-19

These two powerhouse mothers were known for their sincere

faith. “Faithfulness in motherhood begins with sincere faith in Jesus, because “without faith it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6),” The definition of sincerity is “freedom from deceit, hypocrisy, or duplicity; honesty in intention or in communicating; earnestness.” Lois and Eunice followed Christ Jesus, and their lives illustrated their faithfulness. Through the daily pursuit of God in His Word and through prayer, we develop a sincere faith which can be passed down to generations. 2 Timothy 3:14-15 says:

“But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.”

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM LOIS AND EUNICE?

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20

Lois and Eunice model the importance of Jesus’ words recorded by the apostle, Matthew. He is with us, always, and commands us to go and make disciples. God places people in our lives purposefully. Sometimes to disciple us, and others for us to disciple them. “As we see, Lois and Eunice were sincere in their faith and they were able to pass this down to Timothy,” Clarence L. Haynes Jr. explains, “If you simply follow what was written here, it would imply that Lois was the first one to be converted. She was then responsible for the faith in Eunice and that was eventually passed down to Timothy.” We can be sure God is not coincidental about the circles of people He sets in our lives.

Deuteronomy 6:5 says, “Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

[Paul writes] “For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, my son whom I love, who is faithful in the Lord. He will remind you of my way of life in Christ Jesus, which agrees with what I teach everywhere in every church.” 1 Corinthians 4:17

When we witness the lives of faithful Christ followers, we’re reminded of the importance of our own. It begins in an everyday seeking of Him. Perhaps the most important lesson we can glean from Lois and Eunice is cultivating a sincere faith in our lives. “The most necessary thing as a Christian Parent is the Christian Parent’s own life in Christ,” Jason Helopoulos explains, “That may seem simplistic, but it is fundamental.” The more our children, and the people God has purposefully placed around us, witness our sincere faith in Christ, the more our lives bring honor and glory to Him.