



The Beacon



“And the light shines in the darkness,” John 1:5

November 2023

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 Inflatable 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.



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

We kicked off our Shoebox Campaign on Sunday, October 8th and the response was overwhelming. Our church goal is 150 boxes (more than previous set goals), and we quickly ran out of boxes and had to order more! Now, over 175 have been picked up, with more still available if you need them. The boxes, labels and OCC information is located in the Welcome Center.

Please place your filled shoeboxes under the table in the Welcome Center or in the FLC by Sunday, November 5th.

If you pay for shipping on line, please place a note on the box that 'postage is paid'. If you're writing a check to pay for shipping, make the check out to RMBC and place the check (or cash) in the top of the box and indicate how many boxes.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Processing Center

There is still space available if you'd like to volunteer at the OCC Processing Center in Charlotte or Boone to inspect and make ready the boxes for international shipment. The dates for Charlotte, NC are: Friday, Nov. 24th 10am - 4pm and Saturday, Nov. 25th 10a - 4p (You can choose one or both days). The date for Boone, NC is Saturday, Nov. 25th 1-5pm. Please sign up in the Welcome Center by Sunday, Oct. 29th.

For more information please see Jennifer Taylor or Ashley Crabtree, or visit <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/>

A Thanksgiving Covered Dish Meal

Tuesday, November 21st ~ 6:30pm



Join us for our annual Thanksgiving Covered Dish Meal on the 21st. Bring your favorite dish or desert as we gather together to fellowship and give thanks.

There will be no Wednesday Night Service on the 22nd.



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

I love this time of the year. I love the cooler temperatures and the changing leaves. I love celebrating Thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for because God blesses us everyday of our lives. We should make extra effort at Thanksgiving to give thanks to God. However, we shouldn't wait until Thanksgiving to do it. We need to praise and thank God everyday for the blessings He gives us.

As we think about blessings this Thanksgiving, I would like you to think about being a blessing to those around you. We can have a great impact on someone else's life by being a blessing to them. Think of the possibilities. Just a simple smile or hello could brighten their day. Praying for someone could really encourage them. Taking time to show interest in their life and that you care could make a world of difference. Being there for them when they are going through a tough time can greatly help them because they know they are not alone. There are so many ways we can be a blessing to someone else.

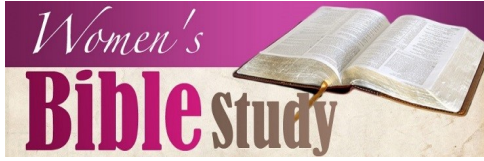
The reality is that when we are blessing to someone, we receive a blessing as well. Proverbs 11:25 says, "A generous person will be enriched, and the one who gives a drink of water will receive water." Now this is not saying that we will become rich when we bless someone else, but that our lives will be enriched. We will be blessed. This is how good God is to us. When we let Him use us to bless someone else, He blesses us as well. So, this Thanksgiving don't just focus on your blessings, but be a blessing to others.

For His glory,

Pastor Dave



**Building
Loan Balance**
(as of 10/13/2023)
\$ 198,649



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

Tuesday, November 7th ~ 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, Nov. 16th at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. The cost is \$14. Please RSVP to Susan at 336-364-7777 by November 12th. 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.



We extend our sympathy and prayers to:

- ✎ Jamie Gillie and his family in the death of his father, Calvin Gillie
- ✎ The family of Mary Oakley in her death
- ✎ Dustin Reaves and his family in the death of his cousin, Kelly Horner



We Received a Thank You Note From:

Dwayne Taylor and his family

Welcome

New Members

Doug & LaJeanne Ashley

(transfer of membership)

Dustin Reaves

(statement of faith)

Megan Reaves

(transfer of membership)



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

Monday, November 20th ~ 7:00p
(3rd Monday of each month)

'33 The Series - A Man and His Story'



Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, Nov. 5th. So, turn your clocks **back** one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

Congratulations to:

*Mason Perkins
Dustin Reaves
Jonathan Walker
Kristina Walker
Nathan Walker*



To Be Baptized 10/29/2023

We Honor and Pray for our Veterans.

"Pay to all what is owed to them... respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed..." (Romans 13:7)

We are so blessed to live in a country where young men and women sign up to defend freedom, peace, and justice. As we take time this month to slow down and "respect those who are owed respect, and honor those whom honor is owed," let us remember the One who made it all possible by creating freedom, peace and justice through His divine plan.

Lord,

We take time today to lift up our brothers and sisters who have signed up to follow in your footsteps, and have a willingness to lay down their lives. What a huge sacrifice. You have blessed us with a plan to have freedom, justice, and peace.

We pray for those who have seen the battle for this lived out in front of them. Today we honor the battles they have fought, and the ones they continue to fight.

Bring true freedom, justice, and peace to each one of us by reminding us of the Victory we are guaranteed in Christ.

Amen. <https://justhomemaking.com/veterans-day-devotion/>

NOVEMBER 2023

BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Memory Verse:</p> <p>“A generous person will be enriched, and the one who gives a drink of water will receive water.” Proverbs 11:25 CSB</p>			<p>1</p> <p>Wed. Night Service 7p</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Fall Festival 1-3p</p>  <p><i>Emma Rae Riggs</i></p>
<p>5</p> <p>DST Ends Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10a Shoebboxes Due Deacons Mtg 4p <i>Karma</i> <i>Karangelan</i> <i>Courtney Martin</i></p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Women’s Bible Study 6:45p</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Missions Night 7:00p</p>	<p>9</p> <p><i>Dalton</i> <i>Humphries</i></p>	<p>10</p> <p><i>Erika Bowers</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day</p>  <p><i>Riley Hudson</i></p>
<p>12</p> <p>Worship Service/ Honor Veterans 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10am</p> <p><i>Steve McFarland</i></p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Fun Bunch FCF Trip 7am</p> <p><i>J.D. Coates</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>Business Mtg 6:45p — Wed. Night Service 7p</p> <p><i>Cindy Jeffries</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p>RCWC Luncheon @Homestead 12p</p> <p><i>Wendy Murphy</i></p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a Sunday Sch. 10am</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Men of Iron 7p</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Thanksgiving Covered Dish Meal 6:30p</p> <p><i>Bobby Coates</i></p>	<p>22</p> <p>No Wednesday Service</p> <p><i>Carly Grinstead</i> <i>Pete McGrath</i></p>	<p>23</p> <p>HAPPY Thanksgiving</p>  <p><i>Diane Poole</i> <i>Nell Smith</i></p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p><i>Nancy Shuler</i></p>
<p>26</p> <p>Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am</p> <p><i>Delora Roberts</i></p>	<p>27</p> <p><i>Heather Young</i></p>	<p>28</p> <p><i>Ashley Farrell</i> <i>Michael Hall</i></p>	<p>29</p> <p>Wed. Night Service 7p</p>	<p>30</p> <p><i>Dennis Dunn</i></p>	<p>Dec. 1</p> <p><i>Garnet Ellis</i> <i>Elle Reaves</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p><i>Hailey Crabtree</i> <i>Jacob Murray</i></p>



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A Season of Thanks

by Kelly McFadden

“All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal.” —Psalms 119:160

This holiday season, you will most likely hear the song “My Favorite Things” from the Broadway musical *The Sound of Music*. To me this song has always felt out of place during the holidays, until recently. I have begun to hear it in a new light, recognizing the famous list of “favorite things” as a list of reasons to be thankful. The character Maria, who sings this song, thinks about her list of favorite things when she seeks comfort.

Christians have a list as well. Found in the Bible are promises from our Lord – keepsakes we can cling to at all times including periods of worry, trouble, or despair. These promises urge Christ-followers not to be troubled or to feel alone. They are words offering great hope because they are not the words of mere men. They are inspired, never-changing words given to us from our Savior and Lord. Read through a few of these promises below:

The Lord will give His people strength.

Psalms 29:11

“The Lord will give strength to His people; The Lord will bless His people with peace.”

The Lord hears our cries.

Psalms 34:17

“The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.”

The Lord will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalms 37:4-5

“Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass.”

The Lord will answer when you call to Him.

Jeremiah 33:3

“Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.”

You need not be afraid. God is with you.

Isaiah 41:13

“For I, the Lord your God, will hold your right

hand, Saying to you, ‘Fear not, I will help you.’”

The Lord will give rest to your burdened soul.

Matthew 11:28-29

“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

The Lord will comfort you.

John 14:27

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

The Lord has given us His Spirit to guide us.

Acts 1:8

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

You will have everlasting life when you believe.

John 3:16

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”



The list can go on and on. The Lord promises us mercy, protection, strength, eternity, love, and forgiveness. As it says in the Bible, God cannot lie ([Hebrews 6:18](#)) and His word is truth ([John 17:1](#)). We cannot look at God’s promises like we do those of our friends and family. As people, we often promise, but don’t follow through, even when we have the best of intentions. God’s Word is binding and true. These promises hold fast. We do not have to wonder if they will happen. Rather, we ought to wait in expectation. So “when the dog bites, when the bee stings, when you’re feeling sad,” I encourage you to remember all God has promised you. It is in these promises you will find great strength.

As you celebrate Thanksgiving, in addition to thinking through all you are thankful for, take time to thank God for His many promises.

<https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/a-season-of-thanks-thanksgiving-devotional-nov-24.html>