



# The Beacon



You, the Lord God, keep my lamp burning and turn darkness to light. Ps. 18:28

**September 2024**

## twentieth anniversary celebration

*Saturday, Sept. 7th ~ 6:00pm & Sunday, Sept. 8th ~ 11:00am*

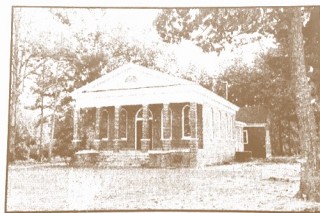
A celebration twenty years in the making! We'll celebrate Pastor Dave & Laura's 20th year at Red Mountain on Saturday, September 7th with a special dinner and special guests. Then, the celebration continues on Sunday, September 8th, with a 'surprise' guest speaker and special music. We'll have just one worship service at 11:00am on this day, with Sunday School at 10:00am.



## Homecoming

Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

Celebrating 143 years of the goodness of God. We will have Sunday School at 10:00am, and only one worship service, at 11:00am, with Rev. Joe Glenn as our guest speaker. Immediately following the worship service, we'll have a great time of fellowship with a covered dish meal.



## Youth Sunday

Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:45am & 11:00am

Join us and help support our youth (the future of Red Mountain) as they will lead us in worship in both services. Our young people have had a busy summer and you'll want to hear all about it. Come hear how God has worked in their lives and the impact they have made on others.



## Community Revival

**September 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>**

Join us, along with our sister churches, as we come together to worship as one during our annual Community Revival. Each night there will be a covered dish meal at 6:00pm followed by the worship service at 7:00pm.



Sunday Night at Bethany Baptist • Monday Night @ Timberlake Baptist  
Tuesday Night at Red Mountain Baptist • Wednesday Night at Antioch Baptist



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

It is hard to believe that we are getting ready to start a new ministry year on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Time has flown by! As we start the new ministry year my thanks for all of you grows even more. I am thankful that you are serving in different areas of ministry. We could not do it without you!

Romans 12:6 says, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them." You are doing exactly what God calls us to do when you use the gifts He has given you. God has given all Christians at least one spiritual gift, and He expects us to use them. When you use your gifts to serve others and serve God many lives are impacted. You may never know the full impact you can have on someone's life by using your gifts and serving. What great joy we experience when God works through us by using our gifts and we see people's lives impacted.

So, thank you for being obedient to God's Word and using the gifts He has given you. Thank you for impacting the lives of others. I praise the Lord for you! I am truly thankful for you!

For His glory,

*Pastor Dave*



*We extend our sympathy  
and prayers to:*

- ✂ LaJeanne Ashley and her family in the death of her cousin, Robin Huff
- ✂ Gerald Dunman and his family in the death of his brother, Gary Dunman
- ✂ Garnet Ellis and her family in the death of her cousin, Errol Lockhart
- ✂ Van Ellis and his family in the death of his son, Bobby Ellis
- ✂ Rodney Laughinghouse and his family in the death of his father, Raymond Laughinghouse
- ✂ The family of Jean Tilley in her death



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

**Women's Bible Study**  
**Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00p**  
(3rd Monday of each month)  
**'Forgiving What You Can't Forget'** by  
Lysa TerKeurst.

The Baptist Women are collecting items to make **100 Blessing Bags** for the homeless this winter. Blessing Bags can be kept in your car and given to the homeless in your travels. We need your help with donations. Gallon Size Ziplock Bags • Socks • Gloves • Toboggan • Wet Wipes • Bandages • Toothbrush • Toothpaste • Toothbrush Covers • Single serve snacks (trail mix, nuts, crackers, cookies) • Hand Warmers • Personal Hygiene Items (combs, deodorants, soap, washcloth, etc). Bible tracts will be placed in the bags provided by the church. Place your donations in the bin in the Welcome Center through Oct. 6th.



The next **Roxboro Christian Women's Club** will meet Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. First time attenders, please RSVP to Susan at 336-364-7777 by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**We Received a  
Thank You Note From:**

The TriWest Baptist Network  
(for building a handicap ramp)

**Food Pantry Donations**

We are continuing to collect non-perishable food items for the TriWest Baptist Network Food Pantry through September. Please place your donations in the food barrel located in the Welcome Center.



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

**MEN OF IRON**  
**Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00p**  
(3rd Monday of each month)

**'33 The Series - A Man and His Work'**  
God created man to work, and His Word instructs men on how to engage and enjoy work, and *33 The Series: A Man and His Work* is a six-session Bible study that provides insight into some of the ways men can find both their best fit and fulfillment in work. The study acknowledges the tensions and obstacles that men face in their work-lives and helps them move beyond the frustrations and dead ends.

We have a great time of fellowship while studying God's word. We meet the 3rd Monday of each month, so mark your calendars.

If you'd like to purchase a Study Guide, please sign up in the Welcome Center.

**YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
Thursday Nights at 7:00p Rm 109

*Welcome*

**New Members**

**Blair & Foy Harrell**  
(by Transfer of Membership)



Join Us For...  
**SUNDAY  
SCHOOL**

10:00a -10:45a

Start the new church year in Sunday School! We have children's classes from Nursery to 5th Grade. Classes for Youth and College & Career, and 4 Adult Classes from which to choose. Something for everyone!



**Building  
Loan Balance**  
(as of 08/13/2024)  
**\$ 92,977**

# SEPTEMBER 2024

# BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> The Lord's Supper / Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a  <i>River Batten</i>	<b>2</b> 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Wed. Night Service 7p Deacon's Mtg 8:00pm  <i>Melody Myers</i>	<b>5</b> Young Men's Bible Study 7p  <i>Tim Barry</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Pastor Dave's 20th Church Anniversary Celebration 6pm  <i>Ann Johnson</i>
<b>8</b> ALL TOGETHER SUNDAY Pastor Anniversary 11:00am  <i>Heather Gentry</i>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  <i>Logan Dunn Emma Pryor</i>	<b>11</b> Missions Night 7:00p  <i>Ricky Bowen Paul DiMeo</i>	<b>12</b> Young Men's Bible Study 7p  <i>Shannon Barry Dave Pryor</i>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  <i>Chase Ellis</i>
<b>15</b> HOMECOMING 11:00am  <i>Kaleb Chambers</i>	<b>16</b> Women's Bible Study 7pm Men of Iron 7pm  <i>Elissa Brooks Billy Ellis Mark Fuller</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Business Mtg 6:45p ----- Wed. Night Service 7p  <i>Brad Proctor</i>	<b>19</b> RCWC Luncheon @Homestead 12p  Young Men's Bible Study 7p	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> YOUTH SUNDAY 8:45a & 11:00a  <i>Len Turner</i>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Wed. Night Service 7p  <i>Heather DiMeo Dustin Humphries</i>	<b>26</b> Young Men's Bible Study 7p	<b>27</b>  <i>Vickie Proctor</i>	<b>28</b>
Meal 6P - <b>COMMUNITY REVIVAL</b> - Service 7P Bethany      Timberlake      Red Mountain      Antioch						
<b>29</b> Worship Service 8:45a & 11:00a  <i>Joyce Glenn Courtland Salter</i>	<b>30</b>  <i>Chris Smith Sammi Watson</i>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Memory Verse:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them.” Romans 12:6</p>				



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Rev. Cameron Lewis - Youth Pastor  
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## Happy Labor Day! [And Thank You!]

by Sheila Alewine

Happy Labor Day! Today is a holiday that celebrates the hard work and ingenuity of the American worker. It is a national holiday in honor of the people who go to work every day, whose efforts are vital to keeping our nation running. It honors *every* worker, not just the ones who have high salaries and upwardly mobile careers. To me, Labor Day reminds me that there are thousands of people who go to work every day and do menial jobs no one wants to do so that we can live comfortable lives.

So today I say “thank you” to the people who pick up our trash, and who work at the county dumps taking care of all of the broken, unwanted things we throw away without a second thought. I say “thank you” to the men and women who keep the electricity on and the natural gas flowing so I can get up while it’s still dark and enjoy my early morning cup of coffee in a warm house in the winter. I say “thank you” to the men and women who run our city sewage system; I’ve been to places without the convenience of an American-style toilet, and trust me, it’s not fun. I say “thank you” to the people who get up far too early or stay up far too late so that when I run down to Ingles at the last minute, I can almost certainly find what I need but forgot to plan for!

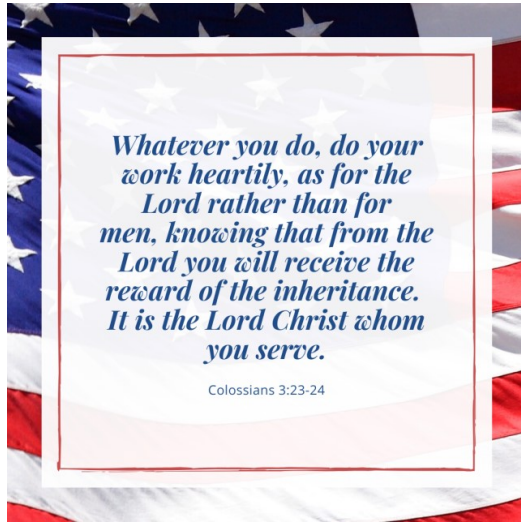
I say “thank you” to the people who labor in manufacturing plants, assembling the things I take for granted, like a refrigerator that keeps my food fresh and soda perfectly chilled, and a car that reliably starts when I want to go for a drive. I say “thank you” to the people who run giant printing presses so I can go to the library and check out a book that takes me places I’ll never see and introduces me to people I’ll never meet. “Thank you” to those who make it possible to walk into a bookstore or go online and pick out a new Bible that brings me hope and encouragement every single time I open its pages.

“Thank you” to the person who cooks my food and brings it to my table and makes sure the silverware is spotless when I go out to eat. “Thank you” to the brave

souls who crawl around in crawlspaces and make circuits in and around my house with chemicals in hand to keep the “creepy crawlies” from freaking out my house guests. I say “thank you” to the people who assembled the furniture I sit on, weave the carpet that greets my feet on a cold morning, and nailed the shingles on our roof that keep us warm and dry.

I would say that most of you reading this enjoy similar comforts and like me, you rarely give a thought to the work and ingenuity that went into making our lives easier. Perhaps some of you live in other countries that aren’t as developed as America, but you too can think of the many ways that you benefit from the labor of others.

I’m blessed to live where I do. I love the incredible diversity and uniqueness of America. Right now, it seems we are spending a lot of time pointing out what we don’t like about each other, but I hope and pray that we will see the foolishness of wasting our lives wallowing around in what’s wrong. Today, I celebrate and say “thank you” to all the hardworking individuals who get up every day and go to work to put food on the table and keep the lights on. May we all work hard for the things that really matter and use the gifts God’s given us to encourage and lighten the load of others.



Colossians 3:23-24 – *Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.*

<https://sheilaalewine.com/2020/09/07/happy-labor-day-and-thank-you/>

Coming up next month...

Pastor Appreciation Month

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox kick-off