

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Rev. Michael Duncan, Jr.

Senior Pastor - 493-5543

Mr. Jonathan Berry

Director of Music

Diane Hoyle

Administrative Secretary

I have been asked to share the story of my calling. Barry Howard, my first pastor, is working with the Center for Healthy Churches along with *Nurturing Faith*, formerly *Baptists Today* and is compiling those stories together. Barry's request for me to share my story has humbled me, and I plan to share with you what I write when I finish writing it. In making the request, Barry has sent me the call stories of two Baptist pastors, Jim Somerville and Sarah Jackson Shelton. As I read their stories in preparing to write my call story, I have been struck by the process in which God works.

We are not reborn as completed Christians when we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit and are baptized into the body of believers. Our baptism is simply the beginning of God's shaping. We can hold that shaping at bay. We can refuse to engage in the activities that are designed to shape us. We can say no to those mission trips which take us out of our comfortable surroundings. We can skip Sunday School and bible studies. We can ignore the invitations to join in the work of the church. We can even stop praying. Making these choices ensures a faith that does not grow, and it grieves Jesus who has given all for us.

On Sunday, September 16, we install four deacons who have said yes to the work of the church for which God has called them. We are to pray over them Sunday and each day following. We are to support and encourage them in their answering of the call. May we find them faithful and follow their lead in serving the church and answering the call.

Blessings, Michael

The Beacon

September 11, 2018

"Live by faith; reach out in love; make disciples of all."



Love. Grow. Serve.

MINISTRY NIGHT

Thank you to all those who have agreed to serve in the upcoming church year. Ministry Night will be held on September from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. It is important that you attend this meeting so that you can elect a new chairperson and make plans to meet regularly. We look forward to what God will accomplish in the new church year as your ministry teams live by faith, reach out in love, and make disciples of all.



We will have a Deacon Installation during service on Sunday, September 16th. The following Deacons have answered the call to serve our church: Joyce Boone, Debbie Brittain, Tracy Crump, and Larry Whitlock. Please keep them in your prayers as they serve.



Serving God By Serving Others

Youth Program
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm



Children's Program
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm

Gifts & Receipts

(\$5649.52 per week needed for budget) *

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Undesignated Gifts: \$ 4369.00

Designated Gifts: \$ 281.00

Sunday's Vote

Proposed Budget - 65 Yes

Nominating Report - 64 Yes

Farmer's Daughter Trip

You are invited to have dinner with your church family at the Farmer's Daughter in Chuckey, TN. "Southern Living" has featured it in an article, "Off the Eaten Path". We will be taking the church bus on Saturday, September 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

Meals are served family-style, which means each table decides on two meat choices to share, and the veggies and sides, along with hot rolls and cornbread are brought to your table for all to share. If you're still hungry, they are happy to give you "seconds". Drinks and desserts are included, but if you are too full, they will wrap up dessert for you to take. Cost is \$15 per person. Please call the office for reservations by Friday, September 14th.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Joe & Doris Story
3937 Swarthmore Road
Durham, NC 27707
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Prayer Concerns
September, 2018:

Steven Abernathy	Olene Griffin
Neil Arney Jr.	Chase Griffin
Joe/Pauline Arseneau	Johnny Gupton Family
Beatrice Baker	Pat Gupton
Kim Baker	Jim Hamby
Morris Baker	Thomas Holland
Reba Baker - College	Jane Huffman - Stone
Pines - Rm 404	Ridge, Cary
Bill Berry	Robin Hyde
Jim Boone	David/Mildred Mather
Juanita Bradford	Matt Matthews
Jerry Bradshaw	J.B. McNeely Family
Eddie Brittain Family	Bob/Barbara Miller
Steve Brown - A New	Moss Family
Outlook-Taylorsville	Christine Nix -
Naomi Buff	Cambridge Hse-Hildebran
Gleta Byrd	Nix Family
Susie Campbell	Tricia Offutt
Kathleen Cannon	Ardith Propst
David/Linda Cassida	Frank Queen
Carol Childres	Willadean Rector-
Blair Church	Shaire Ctr Rm 33
Margaret Church	Mary Anne Ritchie
Dawn Ward Cline	Deanna Rose
Alex Cunningham	Albert Setzer
Albert Deal	Tracy Smith
Dale Deal	Renee Taylor
Russell Dexter	Franceleen Ward
Mike Donahue	Denise White
Donnie Dupree	Timmy Williams Family
Capt. Harrison Fletcher	Brenda Woody
Oren/Chris Frye	

On The Calendar

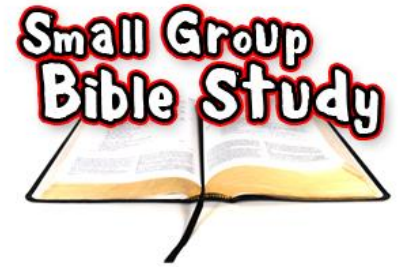
Monday, September 17 - Deacons meeting 6:15 pm, office

Tuesday, September 18 - Missions meeting, 6:00 pm, office

Saturday, September 22 - Trip to Farmer's Daughter



The theme is "Open Hands". When you pray and give to the NCMO, you support vital ministries and missions efforts that impact our state and beyond for Christ. Our goal is \$1000. Please pray about how you can give to support this mission.



Everything Is Possible With God: Understanding the 6 Phases of Faith

Host Site: Bert/Missy Eastwood Home

Start Date: September 23

Time: Sunday nights, 6:00 pm

Leader: Gene Kirby

Host Site: Don/Meg Bumgarner Home

Start Date: September 27

Time: Thursday nights, 6:00 pm

Leader: Allen Rogers

Host Site: Church Fellowship Hall

Start Date: September 26

Time: Wednesday afternoons, 2:00 pm

Leader: Rev. Michael Duncan

Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board.



CHURCH HOMECOMING
Sunday, October 14, 2018

Invite former members, friends, and neighbors to share in this special day at DFBC. Rev. Dr. Tito Madrazo will be preaching.

EQUIP CONFERENCE 2018

Tuesday, September 11, 2018, First Baptist Church Valdese. 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Please refer to the CRBA website to see the different break-out sessions.

MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, October 6th

I CAN ONLY IMAGINE

Bring your lawn chairs and a blanket.

Invite your family and friends.