



Ebenezer Baptist Church

People of God. Reaching Everyone with the Love of Christ

July 2017 Newsletter

Have you found yours?

A cat was talking to a canary one day about the meaning of life. The cat swelled with pride as he described all of the purposes he served in the household: Hunter of mice, protector of the kitty litter, general boss of the world, among other catlike duties. He then asked the canary, "What purpose do you really serve? What do you really do?"

The canary answered, "I sing." "Well, why do you sing?" "When I sing beautifully, they give me more bird seed." The cat asked "What do you do with more bird seed?"

"I eat it." "WHY??" "So I can be strong when I sing."

WHAT IS YOUR PURPOSE? Some people spend a lifetime trying to answer that question in their own heart and mind. So allow me to help you with that...

Ephesians 2:10 reminds us that we are God's workmanship .. God's handiwork, and that He created us to do good works (which, incidentally, HE has created and preordained for us to do). YOU were created for a relationship with God and YOU were created to do works He has already created for you to do. It really is that simple!!

Yes, I know we can make it seem so complex, but the simple truth is this: GOD HAS A PURPOSE FOR YOU. FOR EACH OF US.

Have you found yours!

David



Blood Drive
Monday, August 14th
3:00-8:00 pm
Family Life Center
Call the church office to sign up



Family Promise
Sunday, July 23- Sunday, July 30
Sign up to serve in the Welcome Center!

This summer our youth are heading to New Orleans for a mission trip July 8-14. If you are willing to be a prayer partner for a teen or chaperone, please contact the Church Office. Prayer partners are asked to bring a card and small goodie bag for the teen's trip. Please contact the church office and let us know you will serve. We will contact you with the name of your person as soon as possible.



EBC Kids!!!

**Wonderful Wednesday's
in July**

July 12: Craft/Game Day 9:45 am – 12 noon
July 19: Craft/Games/Missions Day 9:45 am – 12 noon
July 26: Water Day (at splash pad) 8:15 am – 12:30 pm
Lunch will be served on July 26th
Register at ebcsc.com or by calling the church office



**Items for the month of July:
Socks, Underwear, Ball Caps**

Older Adult Luncheon... There will be an older adult luncheon Thursday, July 6. We will meet at 12:00p.m. in the Family Life Center. Sign up in Sunday School, by calling Jenny Kizziar at 843-407-7158 or the Church Office. Come join us and celebrate July 4th as we celebrate our freedoms as



EBENEZER STUDENT MINISTRY
www.ebenezeryouth.com

Deliverance 2017

AUGUST 12-14

Sign up by August 1st: Cost is \$100

This summer we're heading out on the oldest camping tradition at Ebenezer. It's been traditional camping, then became Survivor and now for more than a decade it's been called Deliverance. This year we're headed to a new, but familiar location. We'll be in a variety of locations in the mountains on a PURSUIT that will take us through the forest, and end up at Camp McCall. This adventure will include team building, old-school Deliverance game play, waterfalls, hiking, ropes course, and tons of adventure. Housing will be in rustic cabins with bath facilities. We'll experience God's Word together as we learn what it means to truly PURSUE HIM. Make plans now to join us and sign up online today!

Women's Wednesday

Wednesday's in July

12:00 - 2:00 pm

at Ashley's

Man Monday's

Monday's in July

7:00 - 9:00 pm

at FLC Gym



FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry item for July is whatever canned goods or staples that you would like to bring. Thank you for helping us show God's love by serving those who are hungry in our community.

McLeod Farms Experience

The Older Adults will travel to McLeod Farms on Thursday, July 27th. We will leave the Church at 9:00 am. We'll see a short video on how they grow/harvest peaches, tour the antique museum, enjoy lunch at Big's Meats and then enjoy shopping at the McLeod Farm's Store topped off by some peach ice cream. Sign up in Sunday School or by calling the Church Office.

A Colonial Christmas In Williamsburg

Christmas in historic, Colonial Williamsburg...Come join us December 6-9 for our chartered bus trip to Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown and Busch Gardens Christmas Town. There are still a few spots remaining. Sign up by paying your deposit. See Harold for more information.



EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

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July Events

2. Family Worship Day. No Childrens Church.
4. Church Office & Weekday Closed.
5. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew; Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm
6. Older Adult Luncheon
8. Youth leave for New Orleans
11. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew
12. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew; First Wonderful Wednesday; Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm
14. Youth Return from New Orleans
15. Honduras Team Leaves
18. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew
19. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew; Wonderful Wednesday; Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm
20. Third Thursday Prayer Meeting 10:30 am
22. Honduras returns
25. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew;
26. Men's Bible Study at 6:30 am in Pettigrew; Wonderful Wednesday; Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm.

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Sunday Schedule:

Worship.....9:15 am
Children's Church.....9:15 am
Sunday School.....10:30 am

Wednesday Evening Summer Schedule:

Prayer Meeting.....6:30 pm

July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Iley McLeod	3 Dawson Daniel	4	5 Roy Todd Bailey Conner McKenzie Lee	6	7 Dianne Massey Matthew Andrews	8 Emma Newton
9 Debbie Lane Lee Freeman Charlie Clemson	10 Rachel Anderson Jamie Huggins	11 Sophia Graham	12 Fran Jones Kim Gregg Beth Townsend Gamer Atkinson Maddox Daniel	13 KC Todd Logan Brown	14 Brenda Cox Marty Coates Jackson Connor	15 Barbara Lee Robert Gaskins Hampton Pusser
16 John Floyd William Winburn Wendy Frazier	17	18	19 Steve Swofford Patti Holland Robert Clemson	20 Folline Guilford Mia Taylor	21	22 Paulette Scott Madilyn King
23 Cameron Patterson	24 Bennett Bradshaw	25 Zachary Smith	26 Bette Meads	27 Larry Jones Andrew Lee Brianna Taylor	28 Emma Claire Frank	29 Sheila Lein Cullen Shelley
30 Randy Lee Carson Gardner	31 Rhonda Lee Lorraine de Roche Suzette Watson Jennifer Hanna Jacob Graham Aviana Gray Samantha Watford					

Financial Report - Through June 25, 2017

Year-to-date Needs.....\$642,592.34
Year-to-date Receipts.....\$606,009.09

David R. Wike, Pastor
Ed Self, Associate Pastor/Worship & Discipleship
Andi Hill, Minister of Children
Nathan Neighbors, Youth Pastor
Harold D. Watson, Senior Adult Associate
Dusty Kertis, Church Administrator
Wynde Edwards, Weekday Director
Marcia Watkins, Ministry Resource Coordinator
Melinda Miller, Receptionist/Ministry Assistant