

April 2024 Newsletter

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The annual **Food Round-Up for Baptist Children's Homes of NC** has begun. Historically, during the month of April, Flat Springs responds by collecting gift cards from Food Lion, Lowe's Food, and Walmart to enable the cottage leaders to shop for specific needs. The statewide goal is to collect for the equivalent of 700,000 meals and snacks, provided for a year. You can drop gift card donations in the offering plate, the church office, or by handing them to Stephanie. Founded in 1885, Baptist Children's Homes offers programs for children, families, and adults throughout North Carolina, South Carolina, & Guatemala. For each person's specific need, there is a unique ministry to help.



Future Transition Team

The Transitional Interim process involves five teams of church members who carefully examine Flat Springs' Heritage, Mission, Leadership, Connections and Future. The first four teams have completed their work. Now the Future team will pull together the reports of these teams and prepare one report that they will bring to the church. When completed, the work of these teams is essential to the pastor search process. Pray for these church members who serve on the Future Transition Team,

David Aycock, Chair
Bill Boisvert
Stephanie Bridges
Reid Cagle

Laura Conley
Laura Marks, Vice Chair
Lauren Mitchell, Secretary
Carol Smith

Deacon of the Month
Tom Luck



April 14th

Home Stretch for the Transition Process

At the closing of a recent Sunday morning sermon, I shared a progress report about the transitional interim process. Although some distractions within the church slowed the process, the first four teams finished their work and handed their reports to the Future Team. Those first four teams are the Heritage, Mission, Leadership and Connections teams. The 8-member Future Team is doing their work now.

All of this work gives the Pastor Search Committee (or Pulpit Committee) a strong start. But this committee cannot begin their work until they have 3 important profiles in hand – a church profile, community profile and pastor profile.

When the Pastor Search Committee interviews a candidate, he will want to know what the church looks like, what the community looks like and what kind of pastor you need. So, these profiles are extremely important!

The church is grateful for everyone who has invested their time in the work thus far. Thank you to everyone who has prayed for the people serving on these 5 teams, also.

If you have not been involved in or supportive of this process, now is the time to get on board. The church needs to be the church together. That will certainly influence your next pastor's decision to come to Flat Springs.

Your prayers are more important than ever. Pray for the Future Team and for the selection of the Pastor Search Committee. Pray for your next pastor. Remember, "to whom much has been given, much is required." (Luke 12:48)

I am praying for you.

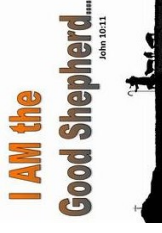
Allan Blume

Sunday School & Worship Attendance March 2024

Date	Sunday School	Worship Service
3/3/24	81	97
3/10/24	90	135
3/17/24	70	96
3/24/24	84	101
3/31/24	105	176



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule: 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 6:00 Youth Meeting	1 Office Closed Gift Card Collection for Baptist Children's Homes NC (Food Lion, Walmart, Lowes Foods)	2 7:00 Building & Grounds Meeting	3 <i>Birthdays:</i> Wayne Lamberth, Chris Cameron	4 6:30-8:30 Bread Class <i>Birthdays:</i> Jack Bryan, Jr., Kalah McFarland	5 <i>Birthdays:</i> Jill Symes	6 "Beyond the Walls" Youth - Sanford Health & Rehab 2-4pm <i>Birthdays:</i> Andrew Worrell
7 Youth Cassell - Money Due <i>Birthdays:</i> Chloe Covert	8 <i>Birthdays:</i> Betsy Phillips, Emily Lambeth, Eliza Phillips	9 <i>Birthdays:</i> Shirley Cotten	10 <i>Birthdays:</i> Chase Erford	11 <i>Birthdays:</i> Linda McBryde, Adam Gaines, Beau Conley	12	13
14 11:00 Business Meeting <i>Birthdays:</i> Samantha Wade, Kalyn Surlis, John Willard Cagle (JW)	15 10:00 Dorcas Sew Day <i>Birthdays:</i> Trent Harris	16	17	18	19	20
21 8:00 Baptist Men's Breakfast 11:30 Family Picnic and - 2:30 Kickball Game	22	23 6:00 Hands & Feet Dinner <i>Birthdays:</i> Melvin Shaver	24 <i>Birthdays:</i> Jack Marks, Ann Marks	25 11:00 Birthday Buddies 7:00 Diaconate Meeting <i>Birthdays:</i> Trey Cox, Dylan Smith, Celis O'Quinn	26	27
28	29 <i>Birthdays:</i> Neil Medlin	30 <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Deacon of the Month: Tom Luck </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 5px;"> Wednesday Night Schedule 6:00 Acteens 6:30 FSBC Knights Club 6:30 Mid-week Service 7:00 RA's </div>	Students of the Month Kendal Gaines 519 Womble Road Sanford, NC 28723 Attending Central Carolina Community University	Students of the Month Maddoc Glines 1346 Zion Church Road Sanford, NC 27330 Attending St Andrews University	31