

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

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“Our mission is to make Christ known, by providing spiritual nourishment, ministering to physical needs, and sharing the Gospel.”

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PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

July is probably my favorite month of my year. I have always loved it. Mainly because to me it has the best weather. I love the July heat. I enjoy relaxing at the pool and being able to take vacations. More importantly I know that in July there will absolutely be no cold spells at all. But also in July there is always the possibility of storms. While storms are nowhere near my favorite thing, I do enjoy just listening to the sound of the storm. Hearing the rain splash down and hearing the rolling thunder. There is just something about it.

Oh, and another reason I enjoy July is because that is the month my birthday falls in. Yes I love celebrating my birthday. I love celebrating because it was the day I was born. It was the day that God gave me life. It was the day that I was born and God said I have a marvelous plan laid out for you. And now here I am 32 years later, completely surrendering to God's plan for my life.

I am so thankful for everything that God has given me and I love celebrating those joys on my birthday. Because I know that God is the maker of all things, and it is because of him that I live here today.

So I encourage you this month, think on the blessings in your life this day. I know sometimes it is hard to see the blessings when everything is going wrong. But if you are in that season, still look for the blessings. Still look for the reasons to be thankful.

In worship this month, we will continue our series of sermons inspired by Matthew West. I am so excited for these sermons, but especially the last one. The last Sunday of this month we will be celebrating Christmas in July. It is truly going to be a wonderful service of singing carols and remembering Christ's birth, even in the summer heat. I look forward to seeing everyone in worship this month.

Grace and Peace,

David



July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 8:30 Exercise 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>4</i> 	<i>5</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>6</i>
<i>7</i> 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	<i>8</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> 8:30 Exercise 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 5:00 Youth	<i>15</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> 8:30 Exercise 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>20</i> Youth Bowling
<i>21</i> 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 6:00 Ice Cream Social	<i>22</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>23</i> Hurricane Damage Repair Mission Trip	<i>24</i> 8:30 Exercise Hurricane Damage Repair Mission Trip 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>25</i> Hurricane Damage Repair Mission Trip	<i>26</i> 8:30 Exercise Hurricane Damage Repair Mission Trip	<i>27</i> 11:00 Wedding Shower Hurricane Damage Repair Mission Trip
<i>28</i> 8:30 Outdr Wrld 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship 5:00 Youth	<i>29</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> 7:00 Prayer & Bible Study			

With Sympathy

Our Christian sympathy is extended to

Jan Miller in the death of her brother, Skip Thorn
Annie Lee Hilliard in the death of her brother, and Betty Neville, Barbara Manning,
Brenda Hudson, Mary Spivey & Kent West in the death of their uncle, Fred West
Sid & Betty Anne Shearin in the death of his mother, Nannie Ree Shearin



The choir will be taking a well-deserved summer break during the month of July! This means no choir and the choir members will be able to sit in the congregation and see the front of Pastor David! We will resume choir practice on the first Wednesday of August! Come join us!

There will be no specials during worship services in July. We will be singing an extra hymn in place of the special. I will be choosing some from the favorites that you chose in the survey earlier this year.

Have a wonderful summer!

Laura



The Deacons will not meet in July. The next meeting will be **August 11**.



*Outdoor
World
Worship*

OUTDOOR WORLD

Our Outdoor World Services continue each Sunday through Labor Day weekend at 8:30 A.M. Please pray for this ministry and find a way in which you can be involved. Speak, sing, promote, pray! All are important. For more information contact Mike Crawley.



On Sunday, **July 7**, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the Morning Worship. It is a special privilege God gives to us as believers to faithfully remember the sacrifice our Lord Jesus Christ made for each of us. Additionally, we will be given opportunity to contribute to our church Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Our second Summer Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, **July 21**, at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend with a hungry appetite, and if you can, please bring a freezer of homemade ice cream or snacks to complement the ice cream. Bring a friend to join the Christian fellowship we will enjoy together!

PRAYER & Bible Study



Since the choir will be taking a summer break during the month of July we will be holding Prayer & Bible Study each Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. instead of 7:30 P.M.



On Saturday morning, **July 27**, from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. there will be a Wedding Shower Brunch in the church Fellowship Hall given by the ladies of the church in honor of our Pastor David Little and his fiancée, Sara Anastasio. All are invited.

The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Amazon.



What a wonderful time we had at Kings Fest this past month. It was truly a great time riding all the rides, but more importantly worshipping through music with all of our youth. I look forward to next year.

On Saturday, **July 20**, we will be going bowling in Gasburg, VA. If you are interested in going please let Pastor David know so that transportation can be arranged.

We will also continue having youth Bible study in July. Those meeting dates will be on Sunday, **July 14 and 28**, at 5:00 P.M.



FROM THE
Pulpit

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship Services

July 7

Grace Wins

Romans 3:21-26

Communion

July 14

My Own Little World

Matthew 25:31-46

Missions

July 21

Broken Things

2 Corinthians 5:16-20

July 28

A Christmas to Believe In

Luke 2:1-20

Christmas in July



We can't believe it is July 2019. Summer just arrived but half the year is already gone. Where does the time go? It will soon be time to decorate the Christmas Tree.

There are no flowers scheduled for July. If you are interested let us know. The Lord's Supper is scheduled for July 7th. Other than that every Sunday is available.

Thank You for all your help this past year. You have been wonderful friends helping us with flowers and we really appreciate YOU.

Your Flower Committee

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Priscilla Parks - Phone: (252) 586-4790, Email: pdparks58@gmail.com

*Prayers for Leadership
Selection*



Though decisions are still more than a month away, it's not too early for each of us to begin to pray. During the month of August our Nominating Committee will be working to nominate officers and teachers for the new church year. Please be in prayer about these decisions as we seek to discern God's way in these matters.



MISSION TRIP FOR REPAIRING HURRICANE DAMAGE

Our church will be participating in repairing homes damaged from Hurricanes Matthew and Florence again this summer **July 23 - 27**. We will be travelling to Lumberton and staying at the Warehouse where we have stayed on our past mission trips. Youth (13 and up) are encouraged to go. (Background checks are required for all adults if youth are present.) Volunteers can come part of the week if their schedules do not allow them to work the whole week. Medical forms (and permission slips for youth) will need completing. The deadline for letting us know if you can come is **Sunday, July 14**. Our group will be departing at 8:00 A.M. Tuesday from our church and return Saturday. Betty Anne and Sid Shearin will be leading the mission trip so contact them for more information. Please help us spread Christ's love to those in need.



We are trying to raise funds to build our playground in memory of Karen "Granny" Sineath. The playground will have swing sets, slides, towers and other items of interest to little ones. It will also include a covered picnic area and fenced in area to protect the children.

Jim and Denise (Karen's sister) have started the fund raiser and feel like others that knew Karen would like to participate. Karen "Granny" was an angel to all that knew her and especially the children and adults that knew her as "Granny" at Bible School.

If you would like to make a donation please make checks payable to Littleton Baptist Church and mark on the memo line **Playground Donation**. These donations are tax deductible. Please mail the donations to:

Littleton Baptist Church
P. O. Box 216
Littleton, NC 27850

A special thanks to all that think of Karen and can help with this great project in her memory.

The Playground Committee

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
6 Jim Phillis 7 Eric Hockaday 13 Matthew Council 13 Clyde Johnston 14 Nichole Pitchford 17 David Little 17 Bonnie Currin Stallings 20 Josh Hall 21 Collin Merritt (9 yrs) 22 Lee Myrick 25 Ethel Hale 25 Emily Conner (3 yrs) 28 Jimmy Kearney 29 JoAnn Barnard	1 James & Virginia Kearney (69 yrs) 10 Don & Kay Beaver (25 yrs) 14 Earl & Mary Spivey (12 yrs) 19 Sid & Betty Anne Shearin (39 yrs) 30 Tom & Betty Bodkin (53 yrs)	7 Sara Council/Jan Myrick 14 Mary Spivey/Earl Spivey 21 Melinda Harris/Suzanne Pearce 28 Betty Blanton/Billy Blanton
		<u>TRASH DETAIL</u>
		Billy Blanton