

LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

"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

August is a strange month for me. As I have mentioned many times before, summer is my favorite month, so I should love August. But for me, August means something else.

As a kid, I extremely disliked August for one reason, and one reason only: school. August meant I had to go back to school. I was never the best student ever. I struggled there. So August meant having to go back. Then over the last several years, August meant: going back to school. I worked as a teacher assistant, and while I loved the opportunity to grow, it was never something that I loved.

But with all that being said, as I look back on both the times that I was a student and someone working in the school system I wouldn't trade anything for those times. School made me the person I am today. I learned a lot about all the different subjects. I'm thankful for all that I learned. But I also learned a lot about who I am. I learned about myself. I am incredibly thankful for that.

But now here we are in August. I don't have to go back to school, but August is still a very important month in the life of the church. It is during this time that our leadership for the upcoming church year is selected.

That is very important. So I encourage everyone as we begin this month and this process to begin praying. Pray for where you can serve in our church. Pray for where God can use you to help lead our church. Each person in our congregation has a very special gift that can be used. God can use any gift to do mighty things, and can use any person to do mighty things. So pray on how you can use your gifts for the benefit of our church.

This month is going to be an exciting time in the life of our church. I look forward to seeing where God takes us.

Grace and peace,

David



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Our Christian sympathy is extended to

Lib Crawley in the death of her brother-in-law, Billy Walker



Music is all around us in so many different genres. There's pop, beach, country, hip hop, disco, oldies, jazz, and the list goes on and on! I'm a fan of beach, the crooners...Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and of course Harry Connick, Jr., and instrumentals. I like new country where Jimmy likes the old country. I like both old and new Christian music.

I am hoping that Addie continues to like music! We always have some kind of music playing in the car when we ride. When we were at the beach she was singing into a karaoke machine. She started singing Jesus Loves Me, I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, Jingle Bells and ended up with Shake Your Booty. That is definitely covering a variety of music!

If you love music and enjoy singing please join us as we start our choir rehearsals back on August 7th at 6:30! We would love to have you!

Laura



FROM THE
Pulpit

THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

Join us for our Sunday Morning Worship Services

August 4

What Are You Growing?

Galatians 5:22 - 26

Fruits of the Spirit

August 11

Seasons of Faith

Ecclesiastes 3:1 - 8

August 18

When Grace Finds Us

Ephesians 2:8 - 10

August 25

The Wisest of Them All

Proverbs 2:1 - 6

Wisdom and Education



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.

DEACONS MEETING



Our Deacons will meet on Sunday, **August 11**, following Morning Worship in the church annex. Please pray for our deacons and their invaluable leadership to our church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE



The Nominating Committee begins their work on the 2019 - 20 Officers and Teachers this month. You are asked to prayerfully consider your places of service and seek to discern God's way as you are contacted. If you have a particular interest or area of giftedness, contact a member of the committee and make them aware of that interest. Members of this committee include: Paula Burton, Chairperson, Matthew Council, Mike Blanton, Kay Beaver, Billy Pearce & Jimmy Kearney. Ex-officio members include Melinda Harris, Mission Committee Chairperson & Mike Crawley, Sunday School Director.



DEACON NOMINATIONS

On Sunday, **August 4**, we'll be distributing the Resident Membership list so you can begin to prayerfully consider your deacon nominations for the coming year. On Sunday, **August 15**, the church will vote by secret ballot to nominate (3) individuals. The top two (2) qualified individuals, as determined by the deacons, who are willing to serve, will be presented to the church as part of the Nominating Committee's slate of Officers and Committees report.



Mark your calendar now for our church picnic Sunday, September 1, at Sid and Betty Anne Shearin's restored farm on Bowers Road. If you have family or friends spending the holiday weekend with you, please bring them to the picnic also. There will be games like corn hole, ping pong, badminton, etc. and the Lego and bubble tables for children. You can fish in the ponds and/or walk the trail. The dinner bell will ring about 5:30 P.M. but come earlier so you can enjoy all the festivities! Master Chef David Tripp will have his grilling machine to cook the hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a great time of Christian Fellowship and food! It is a great way to end the summer season. Hope to see you there!!!

****Go south on Mosby Avenue and turn left at the Person's Ordinary Historic Marker. (It is Warren Road but the street sign is gone). Take the second right which is Bowers Road. Go approximately 6 miles. Their home is on the right, across the road from the intersection of Warren's Pond Road. Please call Sid or Betty Anne at 586-4607 if you need more information.**



The following is the flower schedule for the month of August.

August 4 - Available for scheduling
 August 11 - Available for scheduling
 August 18 - Available for scheduling
 August 25 - Reserved

All Sundays are open for flowers this month except August 25. If you would like to place flowers on any of these dates in honor of, or in memory of someone please let the Flower Committee or our church office know the date you would like to reserve. Also, when you place flowers in the sanctuary please contact the church office by written note or email - office@litletonbaptistchurch.org to show how you would like it to be placed in the bulletin.

Thank you for being so faithful in helping with flowers!

Carolyn Price - (252) 586 - 3567
 Priscilla Parks - (252) 586 - 4790 or email: pdparks58@gmail.com.

We All Scream



for Ice Cream!

Our third Summer Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, **August 11**, 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. Hope you will join us and bring a friend to share the wonderful Christian fellowship we will enjoy together!



We had a wonderful time down in Lumberton for our mission trip. More details on what exactly we did will come later. We are so excited to share how God was moving there.

In August we will meet on the 11th and 25th. On **August 25**, we will be having an outdoor game night as we celebrate the youth going back to school. We look forward to the mighty things God will be doing in our youth this upcoming fall.



The John 3:16 Center

August 31, 2019 (Labor Day Weekend)
8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
at Littleton Baptist Church

The annual fundraiser for the John 3:16 Center returns to the grounds around our Annex on Saturday, **August 31**, during the Littleton Lake Gaston Festival. Volunteers are greatly needed all week to help set up the church tent, put out tables, place and price items, and wait on customers. Sale items will be put out on Friday, **August 30**, at 9:00 A.M. and the yard sale will be on Saturday from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. If the weather is rainy, the yard sale will be at Buddy Isles' warehouse.

You may also have items you wish to donate. If so, these items may be taken to the Center Monday - Friday from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Any leftover items will be given to the library, Union Mission, Habitat for Humanity and Angel's Closet.

If anyone is interested in helping or would like more information please see Sid Shearin.

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
4 Eleanor Conner (8 yrs) 6 Jordan Kearney 9 Melinda Harris 9 Elin Conner (6 yrs) 11 Madison (Madi) Crawley 11 Kay Tripp 16 Addison Phillis (4 yrs) 17 Lily Coffman (4 yrs) 20 Daniel Iles 20 Tom Tremper 21 Virginia Tant 25 Beverly Fussell 25 Roy Spain	No Anniversaries	4 Chris Skinner/Jan Myrick 11 Sara Council/Matthew Council 18 Carol West/Carly West 25 Kay Tripp/Paula Burton
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		Matthew Council