

First Baptist Church

S T A N L E Y V I L L E

SENTINEL

October 2015

Real Revival or Just Another Series of Meetings?

As we come to the close of September and enter October the changing of the seasons is evident all around us. The crispness of the air, the shortening of the days and the changing of the leaves all serve to remind us that the fall season has come. As I reflect on the past month I am not only reminded of the changing of the seasons but also I am challenged to examine my spiritual life concerning real change. Having just completed our Fall Revival services in which we were all challenged to strengthen our relationship with Christ I must ask myself the question, "Has my life really changed or have we just gone through the motions?" When real revival comes real change takes place.

In the book of Acts chapter two we see the evidence of real change that took place following the Day of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:40-47 (NKJV)

⁴⁰And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. ⁴²And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. ⁴³Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done

through the apostles. ⁴⁴Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need. ⁴⁶So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

In these verses the practices of this early church demonstrate real change. Evangelism was the first proof of real change. In verse 41 three thousand people came to faith in Christ. The second identifying mark of real change was unity. Verses 42 and 46 indicate that there was unity in both their social and spiritual lives. The third indicator of real change was their reverence and sense of awe at the work of God among them. In verses 43-45 both what they felt and what they did shows a sense of awe and reverence. The final mark that shows us the real change that had taken place in their lives was an attitude of praise. Verse 47 states that they were praising God.

By examining these verses of scripture we learn the distinguishing marks of a revived life. They are a people that demonstrate in their daily lives a focus on evangelism, unity, reverence and praise. These are not to be a matter of disciplined behavior but rather an indication of a renewed relationship with Jesus Christ. They are not just things we do, but rather a

part of who we are. My prayer is that each of us has experienced real change in our relationship with Christ that has brought about this kind of change in us. May we all live out the life of Christ on a daily basis. Real revival will impact our lives, our families, our church and our community. May the days ahead prove that we have experienced Real Revival.

Pastor Eddie

Halloween!

Halloween is controversial for Christians, and especially for Christian parents. There are articles on why you should celebrate Halloween and articles on why you shouldn't, and on and on it goes.

I am not going to tell you what you should or shouldn't do. Nor am I going to go into the origins of the holiday. What I am going to do is make a simple request: Can we please stop judging each other and breaking fellowship over a simple day?

I know even using the words "simple day" is going to make some people uncomfortable. I am aware of all that is at stake if you celebrate Halloween and all that you could miss out on if you don't. But I am calling everyone out there to remember for just a couple minutes that your standing before God doesn't change depending on

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what you do on October 31st. To be honest it doesn't change, no matter what you do any day of the year.

You could throw the biggest block party, and hundreds of people could get saved because of the light you were to your community—and God loves you exactly the same way he loves the other family who listened to the convictions of their heart and stayed home.

It is often said that some of our best obedience is laced with our worst sins, and this is true of the "how we do Halloween" question. We believe we are being obedient, and then we self-righteously judge everyone who doesn't believe the same thing we do. God uses us all differently, and He convicts us of how to raise our families differently. Can we please stop pushing each other into our own little boxes?

I am sure you could find verses that back up whatever your position is. Great! Be sure you know why you believe what you believe. Romans 14:5 says, "One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind." So yes! Know why you do what you do on Halloween, but now hear the words that come soon after that verse, "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of [tricking or treating] but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Rom. 14:17, my paraphrase).

Beloved, can we please remember that we are all made righteous before God because of the work of Christ? Can we recall that we have peace with God because our Savior removed every obstacle to our relationship with God and with each other? Can we meditate on the joy that the Holy Spirit brings as he reminds us of these truths? And can we please stop trying to find our righteousness, peace, and joy in our own traditions?

We are a family, and we don't have to agree about all the little details of daily life. We can be different from each other, have different convictions, and work out those convictions in different ways.

Whatever you do this Halloween, in word or deed, do it for God's glory, not your own.

Pastor T



*"And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.
Psalm 40: 3*

We have so much to praise The Lord for, and music is one of the most powerful ways to worship God. We should put all we have into doing what we were created for...By His grace, we were made to glorify God with our whole being and that most certainly, includes singing praises to Him. JESUS IS WORTHY... all for HIS GLORY!

Let's make a fresh new start this new church year, realizing that God can best use us in the music ministry as we constantly submit to Him and His leading.

Selah... meditate on this!

October is here, and we are ready for a new church year!

Here's what's happening in the Music Ministry.

+Children's Choir begins on Sunday, October 11 at 6:30 PM.

They will present *IT ALL HAPPENED IN THE CITY* on Sunday, December 13.

+The Happy Harmonizers Choir is for retirees 55+. We will begin rehearsing in October, the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7PM.

In October, we will meet the 6th and the 20th.

+Beginning Handbells with Kathy VanSutphen will meet on Sundays @ 5.

Never played bells before? This is the class for you!

+Adult Handbells will meet on Wednesdays @ 6.

Previous experience with handbells is required playing with this group..

NOW is a great time to join the Choir and get

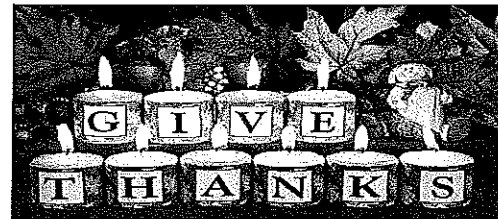
involved in the Music Ministry. All of the groups will be working on music for special services and the Upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons.

Let's see where we can get you plugged in! I'd love to talk with you about it!

JESUS IS WORTHY!
Joyfully HIS,

Ed Locke

Church Wide



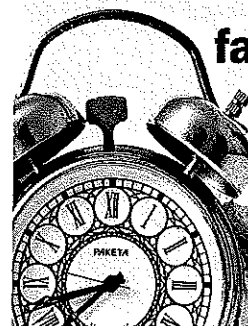
Thanksgiving Dinner!

Join us Sunday, November 22nd at 5:00 PM for a great time of fellowship and Thanksgiving! The church will provide the meats, dressing, gravy and drinks. Bring your favorite side dishes and desserts to complete the meal..



Operation Christmas Child In-gathering

It's not too early to begin preparing and packing your shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Project! Bring your well filled box on Sunday, November 15.



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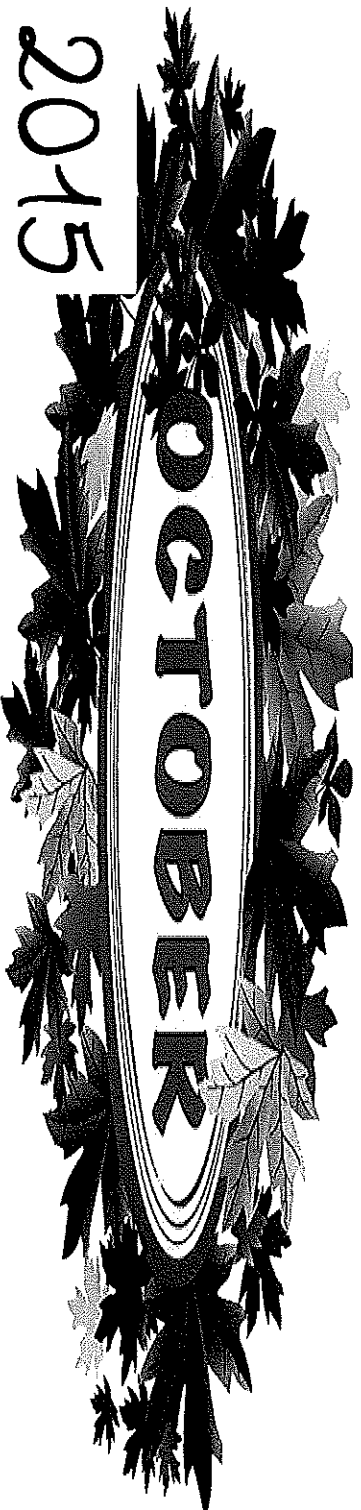
don't forget to set your clocks back Sunday November 1st, 2015

Sunday's Schedule

8:30 AM Early Worship
 9:30 AM Library Open
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Morning Worship
 5:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice
 5:00 PM Beginning Handbells
 6:30 PM Evening Worship

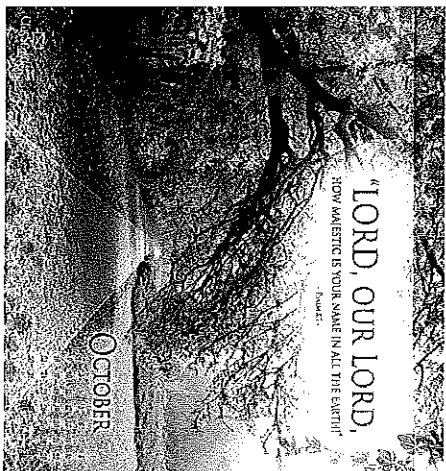
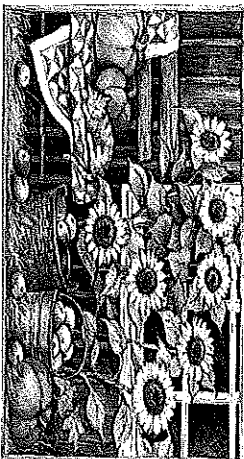
Wednesday's Schedule

6:00 PM Handbells
 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study
 Children & Youth Programs
 Men of the Outdoors
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 7:15 PM Band Practice
 8:00 PM Worship Team



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 9:45 AM JOY Bible Study	2	3 11:00 AM Ladies Luncheon
4 5:00 PM Beginning Handbells Begin See Schedule	5 6:30 PM C.A.R.E C-Team	6 7:00 PM Happy Harmonizers Practice	7 4:00 PM CREW Concert @ Fair 6:00 PM Handbells Begin 7:00 PM Regular Conference & Bible Study	8 9:45 AM JOY Bible Study	9	10 9:00 AM Upward Sign-Ups 9:00 AM CREW Corn Maze 1:00 PM Upward Cheer Clinic	
11 6:30 PM Children's Choir Begins	12 6:30 PM C.A.R.E A-Team	13 10:00 AM WMU Circle Meeting	14 See Schedule	15 9:45 AM JOY Bible Study	16	17 9:00 AM Upward Sign-Ups Men's Deep Sea/Pier Fishing Trip	
18 6:30 PM Children's Choir	19 12:00 PM C.A.R.E R-Team	20 6:00 PM PWBA Annual Meeting Meal & Program Union Hill Baptist Church 7:00 PM Happy Harmonizers Practice	21 See Schedule	22 9:45 AM JOY Bible Study	23	24 9:00 AM Upward Sign-Ups	
25 6:30 PM Children's Choir	26 6:00 PM C.A.R.E E-Team Everyone	27 7:00 PM Property & Maintenance Meeting	28 See Schedule	29 9:45 AM JOY Bible Study	30	31 12:00 PM Fall Festival Trunk or Treat	





Nursery Schedule

Sunday 8:30 AM Service

October 4 Patsy Brannock & Tracy Gray
 October 11 Gabe Fresch
 October 18 Rhonda Mendenhall & Anita Davis
 October 25 Mendy Moore & Linda Jackson

Sunday 11:00 AM & Evening Worship Service

October 4 Billy & Kim Rhue
 October 11 Paula Norman
 October 18 Kathy Taylor
 October 25 Lisa Mitchell

Wednesday 7:00 PM Service

October 7 Wanda Tuttle
 October 14 Patsy Brannock & Betty Smith
 October 21 Barbara Webb
 October 28 Meredith Tuttle

Wednesday Night Mission Friends ages 3-5

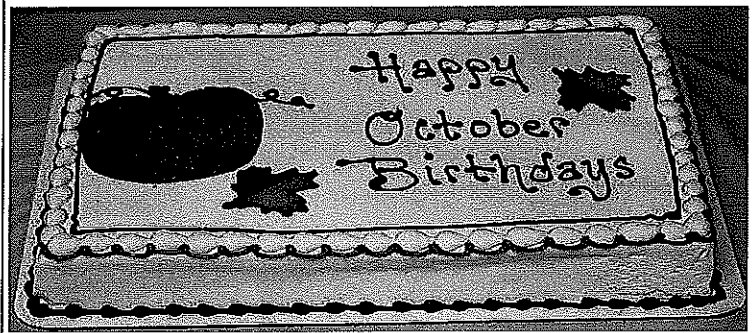
October 7 Wesley & Kimberly Bowden
 October 14 Wanda Tuttle & Chyanne Fresch
 October 21 Brenda McKnight & Debby Blackburn
 October 28 Trey & Meredith Tuttle

Deacon Ministry

October 4 James Davis
 October 11 Woody Parton
 October 18 Warren Bailey
 October 25 Mike Cockerham

Van Ministry

October 4 & 7 Gary Benjamin 985-4989
 October 11 & 14 Jimmy Patterson 969-6156
 October 18 & 21 Clifton Barber 983-9800
 October 25 & 28 Jimmy Patterson 969-6156



October 1 Danny Tickle	October 26 Johnnie Tuttle
October 2 Kristin Martin	Ann Watts
Sommer Snyder	Roger Hammonds
October 3 Joseph Moore	Donna Locke
October 4 Wesley Bowden	October 27 Michael Mickey
October 5 Sylvia Carter	October 28 Roger Caudle
Teresa McGrath	Jeff Winning
October 6 Sophia White	October 29 Joe Sams
Kara Staley	October 31 Shirley Griffin
Robin Mickey	Harold Snyder
Kelley Trivette	Robert Wade
Patrick Chandler	
October 10 Carolyn Bregel	
October 11 Erica Chandler	
October 12 Jeff Ybarra	
October 14 Leeann Tucker	
October 15 Colonel Stacy	
October 16 Tammy Cockerham	
October 17 Taylor Edwards	
October 18 Doris Tuttle	
October 19 Gabriella Martinez	
Anna Cooper	
October 20 Judy Combs	
October 22 Michael Stevens	
Newell Montgomery	
October 23 T Welch	

ANNIVERSARIES



October 10 Roger & Phyllis Caudle
 October 15 Rick & Melissa Proctor
 October 21 Todd & Rhonda
 Mendenhall
 October 30 Don & Judy Priddy
 October 31 Kenneth & Shirley Griffin



Children's Corner STUDENT MINISTRY

Our Believe Bible study is going well. The teachers and students are so excited about all the great information that is being presented. October is going to be an exciting time for us. We will have a booth at the *Fall Festival* and a Trunk for *Trunk or Treat*. We are looking for volunteers to help with all the activities. Plans are being made for a fall party for the children. Stay tuned for more details on that.

Stop by the children's department to check out whether the girls or the boys have collected the most pop tabs in our on-going competition. I had so much fun with the blue hair at VBS, that I decided to go either red or green at the end of December based on the amount of pop tabs collected.

For VBS 2016

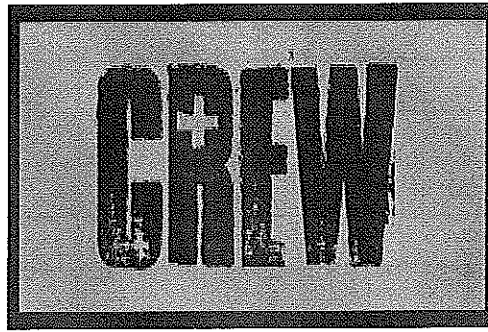
I will be ordering the VBS Jump Start kits for the "Submerged Experience". I am so excited about what God has in store for our church.

Gabe



Upward Sign-ups will begin Saturday, October 10 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The Cheer Clinic will be Saturday, October 10 from 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the Family Life



CORN MAZE

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
FROM 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.
THE COST IS \$12 PLUS
MONEY FOR LUNCH.**



SERVE

YOUTH GIVING!

CREW Youth Giving from Friday, November 20th @ 6:00 PM - Saturday, November 21st @ 5:00 PM. Cost is \$10 and you will need money for lunch on Saturday.

If you are a widow in need of minor work done around your house, our youth will be available to serve you Saturday, November 21st. To reserve your place please email Pastor T @ (twelch@stanleyvillebaptist.org) or call (336-337-2984).



Pilot Mountain Baptist Association Annual Meeting

The PMBA Annual Meeting will be held **Tuesday, October 20th** at **Union Hill Baptist Church in Clemmons**. A meal will be provided at 6:00 PM and Program to follow at 7:00 PM.



The Men of the Outdoors is sponsoring a **deep sea and pier fishing trip Saturday, October 17**. If you are interested, please call the church office or sign-up on the sheet posted in the Family Life Center or in the hallway outside the old fellowship hall. This event is open to all church members, family, friends, coworkers or anyone else who likes to fish.



The next scheduled Quarterly Church Conference will be **Wednesday, November 11 at 7:00 PM**. If any committee members or ministry groups have any business, it must be submitted to the church office prior to church conference.

August

	Offering	S.S. Attendance	8:30 AM Worship	11:00 AM Worship
August 2	10,268.25	171	134	127
August 9	11,044.00	181	114	134
August 16	7,624.00	183	122	132
August 23	8,282.00	193	124	116
August 30	8,095.00	177	112	112
Adjustment	+140.00			
August Total	45,453.25	905	606	621
August Average	9,090.65	181	121	124

Year To Date Financial Report

2015	Undesignated Offering	Designated Offerings	Total Offerings	Expenses	Difference	Difference Year to Date
January	33,017.51	1,529.17	34,546.68	-41,606.93	-7,060.25	-7,060.25
February	33,427.85	5,831.45	36,259.30	-41,393.62	-2,134.32	-9,194.57
March	46,660.63	16,072.21	62,732.84	-63,223.19	-490.35	-9,684.92
April	34,686.67	3,824.37	38,511.04	-40,636.77	-2,125.73	-11,810.65
May	46,945.89	3,492.63	50,438.52	-46,851.19	3,587.33	-8,223.32
June	37,506.50	2,138.00	39,644.50	-45,467.81	-5,823.31	-14,046.63
July	34,257.36	3,915.97	38,173.33	-46,393.63	-8,220.30	-22,266.93
August	45,453.25	4,508.34	49,961.59	-46,473.80	3,487.79	-18,779.14
Year To Date	311,955.66	41,312.14	353,267.80	-372,046.94	-18,779.14	



Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 31st from 12:00 - 4:00 PM. We need volunteers to man carnival games and to decorate trunks. Please

"A Living Testimony"

*2015 First Baptist Church
Stanleyville Ladies Luncheon!*

Saturday

October 3, 2015

11:00 AM

with Roberta Brunck

*I will declare Your name to my
brethren, in the midst of the
assembly I will praise You.
Psalm 22:22*



North Carolina Baptist Men

Men's Worship Rally Region 5 will be held here at First Baptist Church in Stanleyville Thursday, November 19, 2015. Cost is \$5 per person. Registration deadline is Monday, November 16. Stay

Please remember, anyone who has articles for the Newsletter they are due to the office by the 15th of the month.