

Bethlehem Baptist Church

1841 N. Rocky River Rd. Lancaster, SC 29720



Sunday, August 6 - No PM Services.

Sunday, August 13 - Summer Rewind at 10:00 am and making teacher bags at 6:00 pm.

Sunday, August 20 - Beginning at 6:00 pm, we will prayer walk each of our schools.

Sunday, August 27 - Singing at 6:00 pm. Fellowship to follow.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



"For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead."
James 2:26

This month, I write to you from the church in Puerto Rico. I look forward to sharing with you all that God has done this week while we serve on mission. This week, God has reminded me the importance of living out our faith wherever we are. In this passage, James tells us about a prostitute named Rahab. Rahab, in Joshua chapter 2, risked it all for the sake of the gospel. The reason she risked it all was because she believed God. Listen to this, "If the king had discovered that these Jewish spies were in Rahab's home, she and her family would have been executed immediately." Rahab put her life and everything she loved on the line because of her faith in the Lord. As believers, are we willing to take risks in obedience to the Word of God? Will we go against the grain of culture, even the Christian subculture, for the sake of the gospel? Our faith is displayed by what we believe about God. Every day we have the opportunity to demonstrate our faith, in our homes, our community, in West Virginia, and at our jobs. Are we willing to take some risks for the glory of the Lord?

Will you step outside of your comfort zone and allow God to use you? There are plenty of opportunities for you to live out your faith within our church body. What ministry team do you sense God leading you to be a part of? Will you ask the Lord to use you in whatever capacity for the sake of the Gospel?

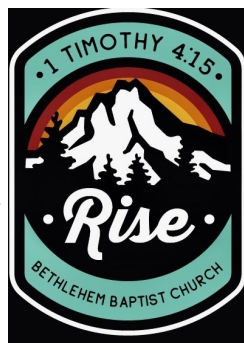
This month, we also have tremendous opportunities to display our faith on mission. The first opportunity we will have is in Bradshaw, West Virginia, August 2nd-6th. Then, on August 13th, we will prepare teacher bags for all of our teachers. On August 18th, we will help with the first Midnight Hour of the football season. Then, on August 20th, we will prayer walk all three of the Buford schools.

I look forward to all that God will continue to do.

We love you,
Pastor Patrick

From Your Youth Pastor: Zach Byrd

Spoiler alert!! I am going to share with you part of my message for the upcoming Sunday, as long as you promise not to skip out or sleep during the service. The bible says, *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil, It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones."* (Proverbs 3:5-8). We have embarked on a journey through the entire book of Proverbs, and I am so excited that I have at least two opportunities to open the Word up with you during this series. Church, I want you to know that I pray for you, and my specific prayer for our church during this season is for wisdom. That one word, wisdom, is what Proverbs is all about. I pray that we would be a church that doesn't lean upon our own understanding. I pray that God is never an afterthought, but always our central thought. I pray that we would reject our own wisdom and embrace God's wisdom. My prayer is that we would allow this passage of scripture to take root deep in our hearts and change us. You still have to come if you want to hear the rest of the message and don't sleep because I can see you when you do! All jokes aside: Church, I love you. If you can believe it, summer fun is winding down, but God's work is not. Mark your calendars and stay up to date on all things to come in August. Just remember, no matter what season it is, no matter how many events we have at the church, and no matter how busy life may get, the most important thing that you can do is be in the presence of God. Make time to get alone with Him, seek His wisdom and allow God to direct your paths.



Zach

Lock-in - August 11 from 6:00 pm until midnight
HOPE night - August 16
Midnight Hour - August 18
Bible Study: Wednesday at 7:00 pm and Sunday at 6:00 pm



Sunday, August 27th at
9:00 am in Room 103



August collections include regular pencils, crayons, markers, rulers, colored pencils, scissors, small pencil sharpeners, and glue sticks (no liquid).



A new song the choir is working on is called Tabernacle. It is inspired by 1 Corinthians 3. I love the message to us as tabernacle's of the most high God. The chorus of the song says, "Oh praise the Lord, come bless the Maker, lift up your voices and lift them high. When we are washed by the blood of Jesus, we walk in freedom from death to life." That makes me want to sing! He saved us and now we are free. Come and join us if you want to sing! We are working on our fall music and preparing for revival. Also, if you are interested in playing an instrument, we would love for you to be apart.

Love in Christ, April



Wow... I can't believe I am writing my August newsletter! Where has summer gone? This summer has kept me on my toes, and with more to come in the next few weeks! I am thankful for all that God has done already, and I'm excited to see what the last few weeks of summer will

hold! I ask that you pray specifically for our kids as they are getting ready to go to Kids Camp on August 8th. This is something they have looked forward to all summer, myself included! Pray that we would have a safe trip and that God would give them clear hearts and minds to absorb His word. Also, please be in prayer for those of us going to West Virginia this week! Pray that God would use us to be His hands and feet!

For the month of August, we will still be collecting school supplies. Please let me know if you would like to donate in any way!

Upcoming Dates

~August 8th-11th: Look up Lodge
~August 13th: Summer Rewind (am) and Teacher Bags (pm)
~August 20th: Prayer Walk
~August 28th: Singing

Thank you church family for the love and support that you give each of our children!

Yancey Dingler

SERVING for the month of August

<p>Sunday, August 6</p> <p><u>Sound</u></p> <p>Adam Nguyen</p> <p><u>Video</u></p> <p>Susan Montgomery</p> <p><u>FB Live</u></p> <p>Adam Nguyen</p> <p><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Barry & Crystal Faile</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (PS)</u></p> <p>Kimberly Funderburk, Julie Craig</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u></p> <p>Megan & Bryan Jenkins, Youth</p> <p><u>Security</u></p> <p>Jamie Sims, Doug Robertson</p>	<p>Sunday, August 13</p> <p><u>Sound</u></p> <p>Jake Workman</p> <p><u>Video</u></p> <p>Staci Holden</p> <p><u>FB Live</u></p> <p>Joni Catoe</p> <p><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Matt & Brittaney Coppedge, Renee Coppedge</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (PS)</u></p> <p>Tiffany Nguyen, Nancy Nguyen, Teresa Moseley</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u></p> <p>Susan Montgomery, Ronnie Bailey, Ashley Lee</p> <p><u>Security</u></p> <p>Kevin Helms, Joe Wright</p>	<p>Sunday, August 20</p> <p><u>Sound</u></p> <p>Adam Nguyen</p> <p><u>Video</u></p> <p>Joni Catoe</p> <p><u>FB Live</u></p> <p>Faye Zaugg</p> <p><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Janet Segee, Sandy Cauthen</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (PS)</u></p> <p>Becky Sanders, Melissa Wallace, April Wright</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u></p> <p>Brittany Nguyen, Lisa Smith, Peyton Deese</p> <p><u>Security</u></p> <p>Buck Adams, Doug Deese</p>	<p>Sunday, August 27</p> <p><u>Sound</u></p> <p>Jake Workman</p> <p><u>Video</u></p> <p>Melissa Wallace</p> <p><u>FB Live</u></p> <p>Ronnie Williams</p> <p><u>Nursery</u></p> <p>Jaime & Anthony Marshall, Kylie Starnes</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (PS)</u></p> <p>Yancey Dingler, Karen Dingler</p> <p><u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u></p> <p>Joining Corporate Worship</p> <p><u>Security</u></p> <p>Logan Segee, Chris Hudson</p>
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<p><u>Wed Night Sound/FB Live</u></p> <p>August 9 - Adam Nguyen</p> <p>August 16 - Joni Catoe</p> <p>August 23 - NO FB live</p> <p>August 30 - Ronnie Williams</p>
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Deacon Ministry

Will meet Sunday, August 13th
at 3:30 pm



Will meet Thursday,
August 17th at
7:00 pm.

Current needs include: pancake mix,
syrup, Jiffy cornbread mix, canned
potatoes, canned fruit, Vienna
sausages and canned
mixed vegetables.



On Wednesday, August 23rd, we invite everyone to join us for our Church Year Kickoff with JAM. This is a churchwide event, and we want you to join us for a time of fellowship and worship to kickoff our church year along with JAM.

Wednesday, August 30th, will be our JAM kickoff for students. This year, we are going to be studying God's promises through the Old Testament with Faithful Promises. Faithful Promises will lead kids to discover the steadfast faithfulness of God through Old Testament promises. Kids will explore the details of the major covenants promised in the Old Testament and connect the bigger reality of God's faithfulness to their every circumstance. Through the covenants God made to Adam, Noah, Moses, David and others, kids will connect to the God of steadfast faithfulness, even when we are unfaithful, and see how all of God's promises are ultimately fulfilled in Jesus.

Won't you join us in our fellowship on August 23rd as well as praying for all of our students that will attend our weekly services this year? God is faithful to us. Let's praise and worship Him for all He has done!

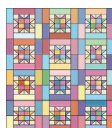
August Birthdays

- 1 - Kerry Blackmon, John Tanner, Doris Sims, Kathy Rowell
- 2 - Ava Mahaffey
- 3 - Mark Smith
- 4 - Ab Wright, Teresa Smith, Buck Adams
- 5 - Chris Adams
- 6 - Brooke Tanner
- 7 - Nolan Shute
- 8 - Brittany Nguyen
- 11 - Leanne Robertson
- 12 - Heidie Ledlow, Ronnie Bass
- 13 - Bailee Holden, Todd Wallace
- 15 - Jason Sanders, Ryan Jordan
- 17 - Marty Harper
- 21 - Greg Whitaker
- 22 - Doris Wilson
- 24 - Roger Eudy
- 25 - Anderson Workman, Belle Patterson
- 26 - April Wright
- 27 - Braelynn Baker, Mary Ann Clifton
- 29 - Caeden Deese, Gary Horton, Khloe Small, Meagan Smith, Lorene McManus
- 31 - Larry Deason



No meeting this month.

Quilters will meet Saturday, August 19th at 9:00 am in the FLC.



Crochet group will not meet this month.

August Anniversaries

- 3 - Jake & Halie Workman
- 4 - Tim & Renee Coppedge
- 5 - Mark & Teresa Smith
- 10 - Dan & Rachel Dapper
- 14 - Spencer & Anne Briggs
- 16 - Rex & Melinda Knight
- 24 - Jamie & Erin Sims
- 25 - Marty & Patty Harper
- 26 - Anthony & Jaime Marshall, Albert & Mary Ann Clifton
- 30 - Jason & Jennifer Sanders



Monday, Aug 7 & 28 - Judy Whitaker, Don White
 Tuesday, Aug 8 & 29 - Judy Whitaker, Don White
 Wednesday, Aug 9 & 30 - Larry & Hollis Deason
 Thursday, Aug 10 & 31 - Judy Whitaker, Don White
 Friday, Aug 11 & Sep 1 - Larry & Hollis Deason

West Virginia Mission Trip

Please pray for our mission team as they travel to Bradshaw, WV to serve alongside the Stapleton's. They will leave the church August 2nd and return August 6th. During the week, they will host VBS as well as other activities at Rock Springs Baptist Church.



Month of July

	<u>Tithes</u>	<u>CIF</u>
July 2	\$10,889.09	\$460.00
July 9	\$9,509.00	\$7,120.00
July 16	\$5,612.00	\$0.00
July 23	\$7,262.00	\$45.00
July 30	\$9,624.00	\$35.00
Totals	\$42,896.09	\$7,660.00

MEMORIALS

Capital Improvement Fund

IN MEMORY OF

Jack Carnes

Albert & Mary Ann Clifton

Doug & Deborah Sistare

Youth Fund

IN MEMORY OF

Eustice & Myrtle Walters

Wedding Anniversary

Donna W. Lawrence

In Loving Memory



Our 2023 Victory Sports team wants to thank you for your help during our camp week in our community. The success of our camp is due to your prayers, donations, and support. Thank you for your help to allow us the opportunity to share God's love and his plan of salvation with over 300 children and over 115 workers. We also ministered to countless others through our outreach team. We hope that you will continue working with us in the years to come as we spread the love of Jesus through sports.

"But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 15:57



2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 W Va Mission Trip Children, Youth & Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	3 W Va Mission Trip	4 W Va Mission Trip	5 W Va Mission Trip
6 W Va Mission Trip No PM Service	7 Meals on Wheels	8 Children's Camp Meals on Wheels	9 Children's Camp Meals on Wheels Children, Youth & Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	10 Children's Camp Meals on Wheels	11 Children's Camp Meals on Wheels Youth Lock-in 6 pm - 12 am	12
13 Deacon's Mtg 3:30 pm Adult Choir Practice 4:30 pm Summer Rewind 10:00 am FFN Teacher Bags 6:00 pm	14	15	16 Youth to HOPE 6:15 pm Children & Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	17 Men's Ministry 7:00 pm	18 Midnight Hour	19 Quilters 9:00 am FLC
20 Adult Choir Practice 4:30 pm FFN Prayer Walk 6:00 pm	21	22	23 Church Year Kickoff with JAM (Churchwide) 6:30 pm	24	25	26
27 Discover BBC 9:00 am Adult Choir Practice 4:00 pm FFN Singing 6:00 pm	28 Meals on Wheels	29 Meals on Wheels	30 Meals on Wheels JAM Kickoff 6:30 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	31 Meals on Wheels		