Please Pray For.....

Church Family: Roxie Irby, Wayne Eudy, Hayne Smith, Marie Wallace, Pam Hyatt, Donna Austin, Djunna Wellman, Shirley Hildreth, Dot Hagler, Sharon Dalton

Church Shut-Ins: Beulah Huneycutt, Judith B. Barbee, Lorene Osborne, Marjo Almond, Barbara Furr, Susan Stevens, Betty Porter

Congregational Friends: Hazel Rushing, Laurie Summers, Willie Cox, Malea Kennedy, Lisa Hill, Paul Greer, Kim Pampus, Don Baxter

Nursing Home Loved Ones Debra Porter (Mt. Pleasant House) Christa Shumake (Trinity Place)

Remember Our Military: Dillon Dail, Daniel Kerr, Caleb McCoy, Julia Robinson, Cory Logsdon, Jared McGee, Dustin Gatz

> April Deacon Team Mike Little—704-622-7337 Curly Shumake—704-781-5431

Church Secretary Hours

Monday-Wednesday-Friday 9am-1pm



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Our Mission Declare the Glory of God Develop the People of God Deploy the People of God

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Youth News

Youth Connect Group— Sunday's @ 9:45AM Wednesdays 6:00-8:00PM

<u>Our Church's Vision</u> "To develop a clear pathway for all Jesus-followers to become Disciple Makers"

<u>VBS 2024</u>

Our theme for VBS this year is "The Great Jungle Journey!" Join us each evening June 23-28th. Volunteer sign-up is going on NOW! Please use the sign-up sheet in the front foyer of the sanctuary to let us know where you would like to serve.

Women's Brunch

Ladies, please mark your calendar and join us for BLOOM! A brunch on **Saturday**, **May 4th from 10-12pm** in the church fellowship hall. The brunch is to honor all the women in the church and thank you for the important role you play in the lives of others. There will be a sign up sheet placed in the front foyer of the sanctuary or you can RSVP to dianne.earnhardt@gmail.com.

2024/2025 Ministry Team Sign-Up

Our primary way of staffing our various ministries with volunteers is through our Ministry Teams. Each Ministry Team is made up of varying ministries that work together to carry out specific areas of work as related to our church. Please take time during the month of April to stop by the sign-up table and look through the various Ministry Teams and the ministries listed within each team. When you sign-up for a Ministry Team, let us know if there is a specific area within that team where you would

like to serve. Our new Ministry Team year will begin this September. Every member should be serving in some capacity.

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2nd—A prayer gathering will be held that day at Locust Town Center at noon. Everyone is invited to attend.

Attention Youth & Youth Parents

The Personnel Team is planning to meet with all youth and their parents on **Wednesday, April 10th @ 7:30pm** in the Youth Building. This meeting is for Youth & Parents to give feedback concerning our Youth Pastor candidate. Please plan to be a part of this important meeting.

Parent's Night Out

FBCL will host a Parent's Night Out on April 13th from 5-8pm If you would like to volunteer to help, please see Becky Elkins or Heather Hartsell.

Preschool Enrollment

Preschool enrollment has begun for the 2024-2025 school year! Please see Jody or Betty Hartsell with any questions.

Regular Business Conference

We will hold a Regular Business Conference on **Sunday**, **April 28th** at the conclusion of our morning worship service. Anyone or any team with business that needs to come before the church should notify the church office no later than Sunday, April 21st. <u>Any items that may require a 2 week notice for a vote</u> <u>should be given to the church Secretary for publication by</u> <u>Friday, April 12th.</u>

Spring Associational Meeting

The Stanly Montgomery Baptist Association will hold their annual Spring Meeting on **Thursday, April 11th** at Anderson Grove Baptist Church in Albemarle. Dinner will be held at 5:45pm and the meeting/ training will be from 6:30-8pm. Please notify Pastor Tommy if you plan to attend so you can be registered for the meal.

Graduation Sunday

Due to schools getting out earlier this year, we will honor our High School and College graduates on **Sunday, May 19th** during our morning worship service. The names of Church members graduating should be given to Pastor Tommy or Brandon Elkins no later than Sunday, May 2nd.



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Athena Foreman
Susan Stevens
Jimmy Furr
Conner Mulligan
Ann Garrell
Daniel Molina
Lee Anne Mulligan, Kevin Almond
Andrew Huneycutt, Carolyn Pinion
Abiel Molina
Brandon Elkins, Reagan Mullis
Megan Almond
Lois Eudy
Hazel Surratte, Sam Barbee
Chris High
Pam Thurston
Mark Mulligan
Daron Hyatt
Mary Simpson, Staffan Ohman
John Foreman
Amy Mullis

Happy Anniversary!

April 10	Buddy & Penny Whitley
April 13	Kevin & Megan Almond
April 28	Rick & Susan Stevens

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