

Angel Tree Ministry
Item for September:

Canned Vegetables

Goal: enough for 30 families



Way back in 2003, our deacon council adopted a sabbatical policy for the full-time ministerial staff members who reach 7, 14, 21 and 28 years of service to First Baptist Church. I have had the privilege of using sabbatical time on three occasions for the 21 years that I have served our church. I am thankful that our church has a sabbatical policy in place to allow staff ministers to step away from normal, weekly activities for a period of time. I appreciate the eight weeks that I was able to enjoy over July and August of this year. As a long-time staff member, I am thankful for the church's kindness, support and blessings!

Tom Cabaniss

The Bereavement Meal Team has been reorganized and we have seven groups. We are thrilled and thankful for so many wanting to serve our church family. If you signed up in Sunday School or if you were on the old bereavement list you will be contacted by your team captain.

As we pray for and remember people who have been impacted and injured by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, we can also give in behalf of relief and recovery efforts. You can mark a donation for hurricane relief and give through our church. We will send these donations to the North Carolina Baptist Men who are already at work in Texas and Florida. We may also have opportunities at a later time to volunteer in rebuilding and clean-up efforts. We will monitor the work of the Baptist Men to see if there are opportunities where we can volunteer and serve.

Part of our family is scattered throughout our state. Who are these family members? Our college students! As a way of staying connected while they're away, every year our college ministry asks church members to select a card care pack from the front pews and send 5 cards to a student during the school year. You can choose a student with whom you already have a relationship or you may choose a student based on a common alma mater, major, or birthday. Cards and address labels are provided in each pack. Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity!

October 31, 2017 is the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. A young, courageous priest named Martin Luther unleashed in full force of reform, change and a new day in Christianity by nailing ninety-five theses or protests to the door of the Catholic church in Wittenberg, Germany. Emerging from the reformation were five biblical principles or truths that continue to shape our lives as Christians today. We call these principles the "five solas". They are Christ alone, grace alone, faith alone, Scripture alone and the glory of God alone. We will be taking time in October and early November to celebrate the reformation and these great truths.

Attention Ladies!!

Please join the Women's Ministry for "Tacos and Bingo" on Saturday, October 14th at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

We will be building tacos and friendships while playing several lively games of bingo!

Please bring a "dollar store" gift as a bingo prize. We will be accepting donations to go towards furthering the education of one of our Emmanuel Orphanage girls, Elisamene.

Bring a guest with you and get an extra bingo card to play!!

If you plan on attending, please RSVP to any member of the Women's Ministry by Saturday, October 7th: Lara Cabaniss, Sarah Davis, Laura Newsome, Amanda Self, Catrinia Sutton, Brooke Yorke or Karen Aiton.

We hope to see you there for a night of fun and fellowship!



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| September 17
Charlie Haynes
Joyce Holman | September 21
Holly Huffstetler |
| September 18
Miles Huneycutt | September 22
Garrett Evans |
| September 19
Jordan Forrest
Carolyn Goldston | September 23
Carol Cone |
| September 20
Eric Overcash
Judy Smith | September 24
Elizabeth Eberle
Chris Roman |
|  | September 25
Pam Bailey
Camyn Huneycutt
Joe O'Donnell
Alyce Quinn |

**Emmanuel Orphanage
Sacrificial Giving Through
September 10, 2017**

Annual Goal	\$ 23,392.00
Received	\$ 21,771.00

**Daily Scripture
for Personal Devotion**

Monday.....Psalm 106:1-12
Tuesday.....Genesis 28:10-17
Wednesday....Isaiah 41:1-13
Thursday.....Psalm 145:1-8
Friday.....Nahum 2:3-13
Saturday.....Zephaniah 2:13-15
Sunday.....Jonah 3:10-4:11
Psalm 145:1-8
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16

**BUDGET REPORT THROUGH
September 10, 2017**

Receipts	\$523,363.88
Budget	\$ 515,397.42
Over/(Under)	\$ 7,966.46
Building Fund	\$ 482,686.66

**DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY
MONTHLY REPORT
July/August 2017**

Home Visits	21	Phone Calls	42
Hospital Visits	9	Other Visits	14
Cards, Notes, etc.	173	Email	41
TOTAL		300	

THIS WEEK AT KANNAPOLIS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 17, 2017
9:45am-Sunday School
10:55am-Worship Service
4:00pm-Youth Handbells
5:00pm-Youth

Monday, September 18, 2017
6:00pm-Samaritan's Table

Tuesday, September 19, 2017
10:00am-Senior Adult Choir

Wednesday, September 20, 2017
5:45pm-Preschool Music/Children's Bells
5:45pm-Youth Small Group
6:30pm-Missions for Preschool/Gradeschool
6:30pm-Adult Bible Study
6:30pm-Ladies Bible Study
6:30pm-Sanctuary Ringers
7:15pm-Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, September 21, 2017
6:45am-Men's Bible Study, Prayer & Fellowship Breakfast
3:00pm-Community Senior Adult Choir

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First Baptist Church - Kannapolis



“Two Men In A Hole”

Matthew 18:21-35

TWO DIFFERENT VIEWS OF FORGIVENESS

The first view is represented by Peter...

The second view is represented by Jesus...

C.S. Lewis...

So we have a choice to make...

A STORY

To help us understand forgiveness, Jesus told a story...

Verse 35...

This first servant simply had no way to pay back the debt he owed...

There is no debt or sin too great to cancel or forgive.

When Jesus told this story, He made it clear that forgiveness is not something that can be counted or clocked.

In God's eyes, we all have a lot of debt...

A small business...

THE MATTER OF MERCY

Depending upon the Bible you use...

Mercy in the Old and New Testaments...

The Bible says when we show mercy, we experience at least three blessings...

Mercy is a second chance...

Three men...

Two men in a hole...

THE FAMILY OF GOD IN WORSHIP

Building a Community of Disciples for Christ

September 17, 2017

10:55 am

The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost



WELCOME

Tom Cabaniss

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103:8-13

Amy Hamilton

†HYMN 32

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

There will be no Words for Our Children today.

Ages 4 & 5 and First Graders are invited to leave for Children's Church as we sing the final stanza. Parents may pick their children up after worship in room 301.

†OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jonathan Hale

CHORAL WORSHIP

Offertory

John Ness Beck

THE ORDINATION OF DEACONS

Keith Daniel and Aliceson Miller

PRAYER

Tom Cabaniss

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Open Our Eyes, Lord

OPEN OUR EYES

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

MESSAGE

Two Men In A Hole
Matthew 18:21-35

Tom Cabaniss

Scripture passage for adults may be found on page 1002 in the Bible located in the pew.
Scripture passage for children may be found on page 960 in the Children's Bible.

†HYMN OF DECISION 268

The Love of Christ Who Died for Me

AZMON

†BENEDICTION

Tom Cabaniss

†OUR RESPONSE 252

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.

POSTLUDE

Carol Cone

†Those who are able please stand.



September 17, 2017

The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Welcome to Kannapolis First Baptist Church!

We are so grateful to God for leading you to this place of worship today.
If you are a guest, be sure to sign our fellowship pads
as they are shared during the worship time or our guest book in the foyer
of the church as you leave so that we might have the
opportunity to thank you personally for worshipping with us today.