

August 2025

To God Be The Glory



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From The Pastor's Corner:

This year continues to move by at what seems to be a record pace. It does not seem possible that July has come and gone already, but here we are. Of course, when you think of July, our minds go to the 4th of July when we celebrate our nation's independence and freedom. We live in the greatest nation on the face of God's green earth. We have freedoms extended to us that most of the world will never know. We have "freedom of speech" enabling us to speak what is on our minds without fear of government oppression or imprisonment. We have "freedom of religion" which allows us to worship the one true God without reservation as our hearts dictate. I'm afraid that we take these freedoms among others for granted. Most,

if not all of us, have never lived during a time or place that we did not have these freedoms; however, these freedoms that we enjoy on a daily basis did not come cheap and certainly were not free. Many men and women have fought and died down through the years so that we could have a free country in which to live. Our country is surely not perfect, but I cannot think of one other place that I had rather call my home than right here in America.



On July 2nd, we were told of an outreach opportunity that would involve telling young children about the Lord Jesus Christ. There are countless opportunities to tell others about Jesus, and we need to make sure that we are doing all that God would have us to do. We cannot do everything all of the time, but we can do some things part of the time. Pray that God would place us where He wants us, and where He can get the most use and glory out of us.

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On Sunday, July 13th, we were blessed to have Brother David and Melanie Powley, along with their daughter, here to give us an update on what God has been doing in Mexico. It thrilled my heart to hear of the salvation stories which he told of. These were people that most would write off as being too far gone or too deep in sin to ever be saved, but it shows the extent to which the saving arm and grace of God can reach. I said that to encourage each of you not to give up on that loved one that you have been praying for, for God is able to draw them unto Himself. We are living in exciting times when we should wake up every morning and go to bed every night saying, "EVEN SO COME LORD JESUS". I am looking for that glorious appearing in the sky when Jesus comes back for His church.

God bless,
Pastor Robert

From the Nominating Committee:

Please prayerfully consider how you can serve for the upcoming church year (October 2025- September 2026). If you have questions regarding any position or committee, please see a member of the Nominating Committee (Van Alford, Julie James, Michael Hayes, Jeanna Gregory, Carol Hager) or Pastor Robert.

VOLUNTEER



Next month, the **annual budget** will be presented to the church as well as **deacon elections**. Please pray for the Deacon Board and give prayerful consideration to the two deacon positions which will be filled.



Say a special prayer for our teachers, students and parents as school will be starting back soon!



Fifth Sunday Song Service
Sunday, August 31st

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To celebrate the 4th, each child got a glow stick, and we made a circle to pray for our country as darkness approached.



We had a good time at our PNO July meeting and celebrated the 4th by eating hotdogs and making ice cream sundaes. Our turnout was lower due to the holiday and while we only had about half the normal crowd, we had a great night. We'll continue this month in the New Testament with learning about how Jesus healed the ten lepers. We'll also have a special prayer time for our children and youth as school starts back this month.



For our recreation, thank you to Sam Gregory for organizing a game of "good ole" fashion *kick ball*!



daughters
of the
King

July was a month filled with fellowship and inspiration, especially with our visit to the Life Choice Facility in Salisbury. It was a blessing to see the work being done there and to share a meal together afterwards. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this meaningful experience.

Our next meeting will be held on **August 9** at **9:00 AM**. Breakfast will be served. We encourage all members to join us for prayer, planning, and fellowship as we prepare for our fall activities.

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Children's Church:

I can't believe it is already August. This year has flown by. I hope everyone is having a good summer. I know the kids are looking forward to going back to school soon, "lol". We have been learning about the life of Moses and the calling God had for him. I am looking forward to what God has in store this month.

Pastor Jesse

Children's Church Schedule:

Aug 3 rd	Michael and Angela Hinson
Aug 10 th	Sam and Jeanna Gregory
Aug 17 th	Scott and Vernelle Davis
Aug 24 th	Mike and Melissa Tabor



Watch next month's newsletters for an update on the July 29th Cannon Baller's outing!

Pastor Jesse's Thought for the Day:

Don't shine so that others can see you.
Shine so that through you, others can see Him.
C.S. Lewis

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Youth Ministry:

I want to say THANKS to everyone who helped with the youth lock-in. It was a great time of fellowship and worship.

See the last page of the newsletter for more photos of the Youth Lock In.

Pastor Jesse's son, Wyatt, almost made it!!



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Let's Celebrate!!
Happy Birthday to.....

Lynn Nodine – 4th
Melissa Tabor – 5th
Chris Teter – 8th
Lizzy Hannah – 12th
Richard Nantz – 12th
Audry Springs – 12th
Phyllis Honeycutt – 13th
Phillip Orbison – 13th
Taylor O'Neal – 14th
Nell Weddington – 17th
Earl Greer – 16th
Billy Beaver – 23rd
Jake Hopkins – 25th
Tina Dancy – 28th
David Hager – 30th

*happy
birthday !!*



**Thank
You!**

This month's shout out goes to all those who volunteered for the back to school bash and to the youth for filling the backpacks!



Happy Anniversary to...

Richard and Shirley Nantz – 7th
Wayne and Janice Wilson – 10th
Jim and Dianne Burr – 26th
Ron and Kathy Webb – 29th

**HAPPY
anniversary**

**Senior Adults
GROUP**

I can hardly believe we are so close to the end of our physical year. And, then it will be Christmas before you know it! The choir is already starting to look at Christmas music. It seems that once we celebrate Labor Day, the time starts to fly. Our last gathering was a huge success. We had 23 folks in attendance and sent barbeque plates to at least 3 of our shut-in families. Fellowship and food were enjoyed by everyone. Our next get together will be on Saturday, August 23rd here at the church at 4:30pm. We will be having an Ice Cream Social. Judy and Ed Cox will be churning up some fresh peach ice cream and Judy and Frankie will be making a flavor of their choice! With that being said, we are looking for another freezer or two to add to the selection. If you'd like to make a freezer or allow us to borrow your freezer, please let me know. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Thank you all for your participation.

Linda & Richard Moody

August Events:

August 1 st	Parents Night Out
August 9 th	Daughters of the King
August 10 th	Deacon's Meeting
August 31 st	Baptist Men



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**Youth Lock In
Friday, July 11th**



Save the Date:

The last **Community Breakfast** (of the year) along with a **book signing** for Megan Bean will be Saturday, September 20th from 7:30 -9:30am.

Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend!

