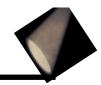
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Youth & Children's Ministries

Sundays:

9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 6pm Ladies Bible Study

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

September 3 Kay Adams
September 10 Andy Cook
September 17 Vern Darley
September 24 Frank DeLoach

DEACON'S MEETING Monday, Sept. 18 — 6:00pm

PASTOR'S CORNER

DR. WALLACE MCABEE, SENIOR PASTOR

Hey everyone! I hope you are off to a great week as we step fast toward the Fall. September is such a fun time at SBC! Sunday School gets fresh life as we have our high attendance day and breakfast. Our Wednesday evening ministries are in full swing and growing each week. And Worship, oh my, what a time we are having. Our faith is challenged and refreshed, our guests welcomed and encouraged, and the Lord lifted with loving praise and thankfulness. Yes, it is wonderful to be part of the life of our congregation with you at Sharpsburg!

While writing this, I am preparing myself for jury duty in Fayette County. I have been called to a week of citizenship in practice the last week of August. I think it is important that we all participate in our government acting as responsible citizens. Jury duty means I will need discernment, clarity of thought and the ability to process a lot of testimony that will often conflict with other evidence. Yes, the responsibility can make your head spin but it is for a good cause. Jury duty also reminds me of the word in the Bible, Justification. Basically, Justification is something only Christ can offer us. It reminds me that I am guilty and the evidence against me is overwhelming and clear. However, my advocate, Jesus Christ, has paid my penalty and I am in right relationship with God. Amazing! The same is your birth right in Christ – your new birth that is. It is Christ alone that we are justified and found innocent through his love and grace. Amazing indeed!

I hope you will take the opportunity to join us as often as possible for all the wonderful ministries and services at Sharpsburg this fall!

Grace and peace in Christ! Wallace

Finance News

The second Sunday in October is traditionally a day to recognize and appreciate pastors and ministers. For SBC, October 8th is the day earmarked for this recognition. Watch for more details on what will be included. If you would like to contribute a monetary gift for the ministerial staff, please have your offering in the office by Wednesday, October 4. Be sure to mark the memo line on your check or mark the envelope you use for a cash gift. Online giving through Vanco is also an option – if you use this method, please try to initiate the gift by October 1 so it will clear in time.

October is also the time finance begins preparing the 2024 budget. Anyone can submit requests for *consideration* of inclusion in the budget. Those in leadership positions – teachers, deacons, fund raising leaders, music, maintenance – please think about what you'd like to see for next year's programs and at least estimate how much money you think will be needed. Suggestions and requests need to be in writing and in the office by Sunday, October 1.

Worship & Upcoming Events

Wednesday Schedule-

4:15pm-5pm Bell Choir Rehearsal **5pm-6pm** Choir Rehearsal **5:45pm-6:15pm** Family Potluck Supper

6:15pm-7:15pm Adult & Youth Classes & Prayer Meeting

6pm-7:15pm Children Ministries

Thursday Schedule-

AoM Crafts—10am-12pm

Olive Branch Meeting—Thursday, Sept 14 - 6pm

Sunday Schedule-

9:45am Sunday School **11am** Worship Service **6pm** Ladies Bible Study

UPCOMING WORSHIP & Events

September 3 (Sunday)

*Lord's Supper during worship

September 4 (Monday)

11a - Benton House visit - be there by 10:45am to check in

September 9 (Saturday)

5pm-7pm CONCERT ON THE GREEN -- This will be another great event for our church family as well as the community! There will be great music, starring.... Line Creek Bluegrass, Walker Family Bluegrass and Joe Arnotti & Friends. This will also be a family fun day with bounce houses, a kid zone and Free BBQ for everyone. Bring your chairs or blankets to enjoy a night "on the green"! If you have questions, reach out to Mike Exner or David Bearden.

September 12 (Tuesday)

11:30am September Birthday Ladies Lunch -Red Lobster in Newnan

September 14 (Thursday)

6pm Olive Branch Meeting

September 17 (Sunday)

Guest Speaker, Adam Cain, will lead the service No Ladies Bible Study

September 18 (Monday)

6pm Deacon's Meeting

September 20 (Wednesday)

5:45pm SPECIAL Family Potluck - come with the plan to celebrate

September 21 (Thursday)

10:15am Out to Lunch Bunch Meetup- Buckner's Family Restuarant, 1168 Bucksnort Road, Jackson, GA 30233

September 23 (Saturday)

10am Turin Tractor Pull - Parade begins at 10am

September 24 (Sunday)

**3Q Church Conference

**Vote on 2024 Deacon Candidates

Missions Georgia Offering Sundays (9.3 and 9.10)

Your generosity and actions can make a significant difference in the lives of our fellow citizens with your support of our annual offering supporting our efforts to reach and help people across our state. Please note the material included in today's bulletin to guide your support, prayers and actions.

Message from Andy Cook, Deacon Chair....

"As you all know **Ministry Staff Appreciation Day** is around the corner.... **Sunday, October 8th**. We will host a potluck that day as well. If you wish to give a financial donation to our wonderful church staff, finance will need that by Wednesday, October 4th."

regarding used Sunday School books....

"Don't know what to do with your old Sunday School books? Don't toss it. Last year, we collected 300#s of SS literature, devotionals and old Bibles to send to the Love Packages Ministry. They send used literature to English speaking countries around the world. We'll be doing it again sometime in 2024. So, leave your SS books only in your classrooms on the bookcases. If you don't have a bookcase, bring them to the middle classroom off the fellowship hall. I will update you on when to start bringing in other items. Thank you so much! ~ Janice Bearden"

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

**Fishing Kits for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!

We are collecting Rx pill bottles to use in making fishing kits for the older boys receiving Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Please remove all personal information from the label & place in the collection box outside of the office. All sizes ok.

**Youth Mission Outing!

Youth will be serving at Midwest Food Bank on Wednesday, November 8 from 6-8PM. Please contact Rebekah Thomas

at rebekahwingothomas@yahoo.com if interested

Deacon Ministry

Dear Church Family—

It is that time of the year where we are honored to have new members want to share their talents and gifts for the Lord in the way of being a part of our Deacon Board. Our 2024 Deacon Candidates share their photo and Bio below. We will vote at the next church Conference, Sunday, September 24 at noon; be in prayer about your decision.



DAVID BEARDEN

I am honored to be asked to be a part of the Deacon Board. I am a husband, father of four adult sons and one grandson. I have been married to Lela for 37 vears. I was born and raised in Georgia; graduated from Fayette County High School and became a grocery store manager. I have owned my own business since 1992. I love the Lord and his church. I love to cook Barbecue. spend time with my family and doing missions work for the church. I have served as a deacon for Sharpsburg Baptist Church and as Head Deacon. At my previous church I served as the Outreach Director doing Fall Festivals, Cooking Barbecue and helped with many youth trips. I will hold this position with great honor and will serve the church with the utmost care and concern.



KAY ADAMS

I grew up in Atlanta in a loving, Christian home where my parents were active members of First Baptist Church and made sure I attended all of the activities the church provided, i.e., choir (from age 2), Sunday school, Baptist Training Union (B.T.U), Girls Auxiliary (G.A.'s), & Wednesday night dinners and prayer meeting. I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior & was Baptized at age 11. After graduating high school, I attended and graduated from the Georgia Baptist/Mercer School of Nursing. I married my high school sweetheart eleven days later, and we had 2 children. I was widowed after 25 years of marriage, and my daughter died in 2000 at age 31. Throughout my life, my faith has sustained me. I have been an active member of each church wherever I lived, and it was while serving on the welcome committee at SouthCrest Church in Newnan that I met and fell in love with Jimmy Adams. We have been married for 14 years and have 4 children and 6 GRANDchildren. Since joining Sharpsburg, I have served as a member of the dental clinic committee and the "kitchen crew", several committees and have served as a Deacon for one year to date. I was honored to be asked to fill the deacon position of Allen Nolan for his remaining 16 months and will continue to do my best to fulfil my duties to the best of my abilities for another term.



PHIL HERREN

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our church as a deacon of Sharpsburg Baptist. While living in Vancouver, WA we attended two churches. The first was Christ is the Answer Fellowship, a Filipino-American church associated with the Northwest Baptist Association where I served as deacon and Sunday School teacher. We later transferred to Grace Baptist Church associated with Southern Baptist Association where I served on a pastor search team that called the current pastor. I served as a substitute Sunday School teacher and had a home Bible study on Friday nights. When asked to serve as deacon, I declined because we were planning our move to Georgia. We have been at Sharpsburg Baptist for one year



Music Notes



Sing to the Lord!

One of my choir members told me recently that he feels happier when he sings, and that after choir practices, he feels lighter in his heart! I am so glad about that! Music has always had that effect on me, too. Then, I thought about David, who played the lyre for Saul: "And whenever the harmful spirit from God was upon Saul, David took the lyre and played it with his hand. So Saul was refreshed and was well, and the harmful spirit departed from him." 1 Samuel 16:23.

We have some great new songs that I am sure will raise everyone's spirits: "Soon and Very Soon," "Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door," and also our new Christmas music!

Our choir has grown recently—but we still have room for you! We have a great time together. Please join us at 5:00 on Wednesdays!

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. Psalm 104:33

Keep on singing! Mike





Olive Branch SEPTEMBER News



We had a wonderful meeting in August with Whitney Akin as our Guest Speaker. A great BIG THANK YOU to making the time to be with our Olive Branch Ladies! We were all blessed immensely!

Ladies of SBC, we would love have you join us.

Our meeting in September will be Thursday, September 14th at 6pm.

~The Ladies of Olive Branch





Adults on Mission
SEPTEMBER News

The Ladies of AOM took the month of July off. That doesn't mean we sat idly by waiting for August. Most of us make projects for AOM all year. This month we are concentrating on making things for the fair. We have made macrame bracelets, beaded bracelets, canvas crosses in school colors, and of course we always have the bears. This year we are experimenting with giraffes.

Please come join us every Thursday from 10-12. If you can't come every week, come when you. We have a short devotion and prayer time every week. If you can count, tie or pray we can use you. Hope to see you Thursday.

Ladies of Adults on Mission

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. "

"Outreach involves extending ourselves, our talents, and our resources, to help others."



Children's Wing September News



Welcome to the Children's Wing!

This month we are exploring the adventures of Moses with a jungle theme entitled Lead the Way. Our kids will love this month long adventure as we journey through the scriptures with God Calls Moses, The Plagues and Passover, God leads us to Safety, and finally; The Israelites in the Wilderness.

Mark your calendars!

Art on the Green

During our Sept. 9th Concert on the Green, the children will be having a fun time with art, games, and bounce houses. This will be a family fun event with free BBQ!

5-7pm





SBC Happenings & Upcoming Events

The Sunday Night Ladies Bible Study went on a Ladies Retreat recently. They had a wonderful time of fellowship in the Lord together!

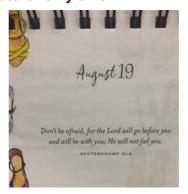
Their central scripture for the weekend:

"Don't be afraid, for the Lord will go before you and will be with you; He will not fail you."

Deuteronomy 31:8











Frank & Catherine celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary! CONGRATS!!

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Photo of the AUGUST Birthday Ladies Lunch

SEPTEMBER Lunch will be held at Red Lobster in Newnan — Tuesday, September 12th @ 11:30am



GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME DONATIONS





THANK YOU, SBC!!!

They were very grateful for your generosity!!



SBC Happenings & Upcoming Events

Senior Outing in August was to Chic-Fil-A Corporate and our VERY OWN, Lori Maxwell, set this up for our group! What a wonderful event it was. We wish we could have included everyone but they gave us a limit on how many could attend. THANK YOU, LORI, FOR A GREAT DAY!

Our next event will include all who want to attend. RSVP sheet will be outside the church office like usual. Details are below:

Thursday, September 21, 2023

Buckner's Family Restaurant, 1168 Bucksnort, Jackson, GA

Meet at the church by 10:15am if you would like to carpool or caravan

~ OR ~

Meet at the restaurant by 11:30am



	September 2023					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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GA State Missions Emphasis Lord's Supper	4 Labor Day Benton House Visit 11am – be there by 10:45am to chk in	5	6	7 AoM Crafts 10am	8	9 Concert of the Green 5pm-7pm
10 Grandparents Day GA State Missions Emphasis with Mission GA Video Presentation	Pastor Wallace Out of office 10th - 20th – If you have an urgent need during this time, please reach out to your Family Deacon.	12 Ladies Birthday Lunch at Red Lobster in Newnan Admin out of office	Admin out of office	AoM Crafts 10am Olive Branch Meeting 6pm Admin out of office	15	16
17 Guest Speaker, Adam Cain, during worship No Ladies Bible Study	18 Deacon's Meeting 6:00pm *Note to Deacons Send office the 2024 Deacon Board after Church Conference so it can be listed in the October Newsletter	19	20	AoM Crafts 10am Out to Lunch Bunch Senior Lunch 10:30am WBA Church Booth – SBC Night 5pm- 8:30pm Sign up sheet outside church office	22	23 Turin Tractor Pull - Parade begins at 10am
24 3Q Church Conference *Vote on 2024 Deacon Candidates No Ladies Bible Study	25 NEWSLETTER ARTICLE Submissions Due Today	26	27	28 AoM Crafts 10am	29 ALL CHURCH— Budget Requests to Finance by today- in writing - to prepare for 2024 Budget	30

<u>September</u>	<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>

September 1-	Lynn Glassbrook	September 16-	Janet Orr
September 3-	Ella Kate DeLoach	September 19-	Pete Holland
	Cameron Hyde		Bobby Spradlin
September 4-	Ava DeLoach	September 20-	Jim Barnette
September 5-	Bill Banks		Mike Thomas
September 9-	Catherine DeLoach		Dot Smith
September 10-	Peggy Mealing	September 24-	Rebekah Thomas
September 11-	Robert Bearden	September 25-	Thomas Phelps
September 13-	Betty Arnold	September 29-	Sue Myers
	Erica Tate		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

GOD BLESS YOU!





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STAFF:

Senior Pastor:

Wallace McAbee

Minister of Music:

Mike Exner

We would love to have you as

upcoming events that we are

sure will be great fun as well

as be a blessing to you. We

have classes and fun events

School classes, Prayer Meet-

ing and Worship time for our

adults. If you have any ques-

out a visitor's card in the pew

when you visit or just speak to

one of us to let us know how

we can be of assistance to

you. We are here to serve each other and those in our

community.

tions, feel free to ask us, fill

for our children on Sunday

mornings and Wednesday

nights as well as Sunday

our guest. We have many

Youth & Children's Director:

Administrative Assistant:

Cheri O'Neal

Financial Secretary:

Lynn Glassbrook

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US

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Check out our website for any events that may be going on and to see and learn about our church. We seek to share the love of Christ with those around us. And, we hope that you will come visit our church soon!

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