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Condolences

Our love, prayers, and Christian sympathy are extended to Nancy Bunker and family on the death of her brother, Claude Steven "Steve" O'Neal.

Our love, prayers, and Christian sympathy are extended to Emma Mooney and Caleb Mooney on the death of their paternal grandfather, H.C. Mooney.

Baby Shower Invitation

it's a
GIRL

join us for a baby shower honoring
Lori and Chad Jones

Piney Grove Baptist Church
Sunday, August 12, 2018 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Registered at Walmart and Target

~~ Please consider this your personal invitation. ~~

August Calendar of Events

Copies of the August calendar of events are now available on the stand in the narthex.

Special Notice

All information for the September newsletter must be submitted by Wednesday, August 15, 2018.

Church Staff

Rev. Mark A. Reece, Jr., Pastor
Rev. Kermit Gray, Pastor Emeritus
Paul Danley, Minister of Worship
Scottie Isaacs, Ministry Assistant
Dawn Marion, Pianist
Ivy Head, Organist
Neil Gordon and Bobby Post,
Sound Technicians
Tommy Haymore, Videographer
Eric Mauldin, Audio-Visual Technician

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August Birthdays

August 1
Amanda Chilton
Josh Comer
August 2
Tammy Johnson
August 3
John Marion
August 4
Jeni O'Neal
Barbara Jean Tate

August 5
Bobby Draughn
August 6
Steve Ingram
August 7
Jerry Atkins
August 8
Lori Jones
Olivia Miller
August 9
Beth Gordon
Candy Lowe
August 12
Jesse Wright
Joanne Whitaker

August 13
Jean Ingram
Sharon Johnson
August 16
Brenda Davis
Nancy Bunker
August 19
Roger Lineberry
Andrew Moore
August 20
Dianne Hayden
August 21
Kathy Creed
August 22
Hannah Thomas

August 23
Charles Marion
Jerry Whitaker
Walker York
August 25
Caleb Mooney
August 29
Frankye Woodruff
Bobby Post

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The Grove

Growing in Christ Together

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Deacon Nominations

On Sunday, August 5, 2018, you will be given the opportunity to nominate four (4) individuals for deacon. The eight (8) individuals receiving the highest number of votes and who are willing and qualified to serve as deacons will be listed in the bulletin on Sunday, August 12, 2018. Please be sure to contact your nominees to make sure they are willing to serve before nominating them.

Deacon Election

On Sunday, August 19, 2018, you will be given the opportunity to vote for four (4) of the eight (8) nominees. The four (4) individuals receiving the highest number of votes will serve a three-year term on our diaconate.

According to our church constitution, an individual must be a church member for one year to be eligible for nomination as a deacon. The deacon nomination and election process is for church members only.

From Constitution and By-Laws

Section 3. Right to Vote. Such members as are in "full and regular standing" shall meet the following requirements: (1) shall have attended at least twelve (12) Sunday school and/or worship services within the past twelve (12) months; and (2) shall have contributed something to the support of the church. Those who fail to meet these requirements may present their reasons at a church conference. If the reason is satisfactory to the church it may, by majority vote, declare him in "full and regular standing with voting privileges."

The Diaconate Covenant

In August of 2011, the Diaconate adopted the following covenant as an accountability guide between deacons and the congregation. As you consider who you will nominate to serve as a deacon, please do so with the following covenant in mind. The expectations listed in the covenant below illustrate the qualities and disciplines that a person should possess when being nominated as a deacon at Piney Grove Baptist Church. Thank you for your prayerful commitment to this selection process. With **strong servant leadership**, we will continue to build a **strong servant church**.

1. Deacons should maintain the Biblical qualities offered in the Piney Grove Baptist Church Constitution.
2. Deacons should actively attend Sunday school and make a good effort to attend Bible Study.
3. Deacons should be active in worship.
4. Deacons should be active in a missions group.
5. Deacons should contribute financially to the work of the church through the giving of tithes and offerings.
6. Deacons should be present at Diaconate meetings/functions and actively execute ministry expectations.
7. Deacons should practice confidentiality.
8. Deacons should keep the best interest of the church above their own.
9. Deacons should be forgiving and non-judgmental.
10. Deacons should be persons of upright character and integrity before God and men.

Dates to Remember

August 1
Children and Youth Ministries Meeting

August 5
Worship Service with Guest Preacher Rev. Ka'thy Gore Chappell
Deacon Nominations Vote on Pastor Search Committee Nominees

August 12
Worship Service with Guest Speaker Mary Boyles, Executive Director of The Shepherd's House
Baby Shower honoring Lori and Chad Jones

August 19
Worship Service with Guest Preacher Dr. Van Lankford
Deacon Election

August 22
Back-to-School Bash: Pool Party at MACC

August 26
Worship Service with Guest Preacher Dr. Stephen E. Loftis

August 27
First Day for Students in Surry County Schools

August 29
Family Gathering: Fellowship Meal and Quarterly Church Conference

September 30
Worship Service and Homecoming with Guest Preacher Rev. Marcus E. McGill

**August's Guide to
Worship and Study**

Wednesday, August 1

Worship Seeds
with Kathy Robertson

Sunday, August 5

Worship Service with
Guest Preacher
Rev. Ka'thy Gore Chappell
Numbers 13:17-33

Wednesday, August 8

Worship Seeds
with Debbie Post

Sunday, August 12

Worship Service with
Guest Speaker Mary Boyles,
Executive Director of
The Shepherd's House

Wednesday, August 15

Worship Seeds
with Olivia Miller

Sunday, August 19

Worship Service with
Guest Preacher
Dr. Van Lankford

Wednesday, August 22

Worship Seeds
with Tim Creed

Sunday, August 26

Worship Service with
Guest Preacher
Dr. Stephen E. Loftis

Wednesday, August 29

Family Gathering:
Fellowship Meal and
Quarterly Church Conference

**Stewardship Report
2017 - 2018
Through July 22, 2018**

07/01/18	Offering	\$5,261.70
07/08/18	Offering	\$2,387.51
07/15/18	Offering	\$2,523.43
07/22/18	Offering	\$1,552.55
	Total	\$11,725.19

Budget: \$177,250.00
YTD Goal: \$159,225.00

Budget	This Period	YTD
\$159,225.00	\$11,725.19	\$135,184.78
Over/(Under)	(\$2,454.81)	(\$24,040.22)

Sunday School Attendance

Four-week Average -79.5

Pastor Search Committee

Section 8. Senior Pastor Search Committee. The pastor search committee shall consist of five persons, both men and women, nominated to the church jointly by the Deacon Body and the Nominating Committee.

There will be a vote on the Pastor Search Committee Nominees on Sunday, August 5, 2018, during the 11:00 AM worship service.

The nominees are Tim Creed, Dennis Miller, Debbie Post, Tommy Haymore, and Michella Huff and the alternates are Amanda Smith and Josh Comer.

Children's Ministries/Mission

Children and Youth Ministries Meeting

Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 6:30 PM
A meeting to plan activities for September
through December for our children and youth.



Wednesday, August 22, 2018
6:30 - 8:30 PM

Back-to-School Bash: Pool Party at Mount Airy Country Club
DeAnne Danley will be at the club at 6:15 PM for parents
who want to drop their kids off and attend Bible study.

Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a friend!
Thanks to Donnie and Pam Marion for helping secure the pool at the club.

Missions

Backpack Ministry

The backpack ministry will be discontinued in the summer while school is on summer break. It will resume again in September. Thank you to all who donated to help the children during the 2017-2018 school year.

School Supplies



We will be collecting the following school supply items for Mountain Park Elementary School during the month of August: glue sticks, kid scissors, and dry erase markers. Please place your items in the labeled box in the narthex by Sunday, September 2, 2018.

Latino Ministry

The Hispanic Leadership will not meet in the month of August.

The Grove's Helping Hand"



"The Grove's Helping Hand" is a ministry that gives a helping hand to struggling families who run out of groceries before their paycheck arrives. It's also a ministry to those who have been in the hospital and just don't have the strength to tackle the grocery store yet. Perhaps we could give a helping hand to some elderly person who can't get out at all. The food closet is located in the rear of the chapel. A wagon for donations is located in the narthex and it includes a list of needed items.

August Needs

Pasta sauce, canned potatoes, peas, corn, paper products (toilet paper and paper towels), canned meats (tuna, vienna sausages, spam, etc.), and toiletries (hand soap, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, etc.)

From the Pastor – Rev. Mark A. Reece, Jr.



Dear Church Family,

There are some things that cannot be adequately stated in words. So, let me just sum up my emotions with "thank you!" The past month has been a particularly difficult time for many of you as you have begun to think about a new era of transition. It has been a challenging time for our family as we have considered, pursued, and accepted the call to serve as Senior Pastor at First Baptist Church in Elkin. Change always comes with new opportunities and it also comes with great uncertainty. While we are moving to a new place of ministry and service, the emotions of both fear and enthusiasm regarding the future unite us at an intersection with each of you. I have been encouraged by your prayers and well-wishes along the way. Additionally, the covered dish meal that was scheduled for us was most appreciated. We have cherished every meal we have shared at Piney Grove and the many ways we have shared our lives together. I pray that table fellowship will be a guiding image as you seek to love one another and live into your rich future together. Piney Grove is a special place and will always hold a special place in our hearts. Thankfully, we aren't very far away and look forward to reconnecting with each of you as life allows. We are praying for you and wish the church our very best in the days to come. I pray that Piney Grove will continue to be a church where all are welcome and where Christ-centered ministry is central to all that you do. May God bless you all now and forevermore. Once again, I want to say "thanks for being such a great church."

With all our love,
Mark, Katy, and Anderson

Discipleship

Worship Seeds

Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Ladies Gathering

There will not be a Ladies Gathering in the month of August.

Family Gathering and Quarterly Church Conference

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

5:30 PM - Family Meal in the Fellowship Hall

The meal will be catered by Curtis Klein from Pilot Mountain. The meal will include baked spaghetti, chicken alfredo, salad, and garlic bread, along with homemade desserts. The cost will be \$12.00 per person. A message will be sent via the PGBC Phone Tree System at a later date for you to RSVP.

6:30 PM - Church Conference in the Sanctuary

The Church Conference will include reports from committees, councils, ministry teams, and other leaders deemed appropriate by the Church Council, which sets the agenda for the Church Conference. If any member would like to share a report from a ministry team, Sunday school class, council, or committee, please contact Moderator Kathy Creed or Deacon Chair Dennis Miller no later than Wednesday, August 26, 2018. Additionally, any items you wish to be considered at the Church Conference must be presented to Kathy Creed or Dennis Miller by the same date.

Attention: College Students

All college students, including those attending Surry Community College, are encouraged to submit their mailing address for the 2018-2019 school year to Scottie Isaacs, Ministry Assistant. This information will be used as we select "Student of the Week" for our weekly bulletin.

PRAYER LIST

Nursing home and long-term care

Nancy Edwards
Leona Huffman
Eva Briggs
Elsie Hayes
Grover Haymore

Home or hospital

Dean Branch
Hilda Huff
Phyllis Hewitt
Lonzo McHone
Charles Brintle
Banner Combs
Josie Woodruff
Faye Beasley
Todd Brown
Seth Beacham
Michael Stephens
Patti Miller
Ricky Draughn
Junior Sawyers
J.W. & Joan Branch
Susan Johnson
Anne Sechrist
Faye Danley
Janice Draughn
Eileen Kidd
Doug & Kathy Simpson
Judy Dollyhigh
Jakob Goettel
Bill Gingrich
Foye Moser
Daniel and Paige Combs
Janice Barker Brintle
Charlotte Lawson
Jack Dollyhigh
Maria Scales
Rev. Kermit Gray
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names from our prayer list.
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