



# Sunset Reflector

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*Relief for Today*

**HOPE OF TOMORROW**

**NCMISSIONSOFFERING.ORG**

The first half of August, through Thursday, August 15, we will focus on the NC Missions offering. Your gifts to the NCMO help support the ministries of Baptist on Missions, church planting, mission camps, associational projects & mobilization ministry projects. Please designate "NCMO" on your offering envelope.



During the second half of August (the 16th-31st), we will collect our Acts 1:8 offering that goes to supplement our scholarship fund for members of SABC who are called to be a part of our volunteer mission trips. Please designate "ACTS 1:8" on your offering envelope.

## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:15

Worship - 10:30



### Children's Building Renovation Fund

Total given as of 7/21: \$40,872.00

Your financial gift for the children's ministry building is very much appreciated. You may continue to give throughout the summer.



**We will be observing  
The Lord's Supper  
Sunday, August 4th**



**Deeper Groups  
Will resume  
Sunday, Sept. 15  
@ 6:00 pm**

### The Pastor's Pen...

#### *Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting Report*

Back in June, Tricia and I traveled to Indianapolis for our annual meeting. A lot happened there, more than I could comment on in a brief worship service report. I have heard that some of you wanted a report, so I have copied an article from the *Biblical Recorder*, our news magazine for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. I'll make a few of these copies available in the foyer of the office if you would like to pick one up. If you want to stay caught up on Baptist life, the two best sources are the *Biblical Recorder* (brnow.org) and Baptist Press (baptistpress.com).

#### *ServeNC*

Thank you to so many for your enthusiastic support of our upcoming ServeNC emphasis from August 3-10. Over 1000 Baptist churches in North Carolina have agreed to be a part of this emphasis, which gives us the opportunity to show the love of Christ to our local communities through service projects. Many of you have signed up for one or more projects. If so, you should be hearing more from the project leader about the event. Please be in prayer that we'll have opportunities during ServeNC to not only show Christ's love but also share Christ's love as God give us open doors to do so.

#### *The Lord's Supper*

We will observe the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning, Aug. 4 as we remember the death of Christ in our behalf. Please plan to be a part of this very special time of worship. May God always keep us focused on Jesus Christ, His cross, and His gospel.

#### *Renovation Report*

I want to thank all of you for your patience and good attitude as we've had to make adjustments this summer due to the renovation of the Children's Building. I'm pleased to report that the work is on schedule and that we are still projecting a completion date of mid-August. I'm excited for all of us to see the finished product. This "old" building is being "dressed up" with new life. God willing, it will serve our children well for a long time to come.

#### *Deeper Group Sign Up*

Finally, if you want to participate in a Deeper Group this fall, please remember to sign up by utilizing the perforated slip in our Sunday bulletin. The deadline is the middle of August so please go ahead and do this if you're planning to do so.

I love my church,

*Pastor Robin*



**Christmas in July  
School Supplies Donations for the  
Stone Gate & Kings Way Ministries**

This year, SABC will collect donations of school supplies to be given out at our Back to School Bash at Stone Gate on Sunday, August 4th, and to the children at Kings Way. Donations can be placed in designated boxes located in the New Fellowship Hall. **Items needed are below:**

- Pencils & erasers
- Pencil boxes or bags
- Glue sticks
- Crayons, markers, & colored pencils
- Plastic folders
- Notebook paper
- Composition books
- Backpacks
- Binders



**Please join us for a Back to School Bash  
Sunday, August 4th  
4:30—7:00  
Stone Gate Community**



**A big thank you to those who helped me the day of the blood drive & those who were able to give blood. We collected 29 pints. I look forward to our next blood drive. ~Elizabeth Lancaster~**

**FROM PASTOR NEIL & LAUREN:**

**Parent meeting regarding  
Children & Youth Ministries**

- \* **Mandatory Child Abuse Prevention & Volunteer Training Meeting**  
We will offer two identical meetings for every person serving in any capacity with our children & youth. This includes nursery workers, teachers, & our security team members. **We will meet in the Sanctuary at 4:30 on August 18 & 25. Please choose one of the two meetings to attend. Please contact Pastor Neil or Lauren if you have questions or cannot attend.**
- \* **August 25-Parent Meeting** during Sunday School from 9:15-10:15 in the fellowship Hall. We will cover policies, calendar, child check in, release forms & communication for the coming year.

**Prayer Concerns**

David Blackmon ~ Phil Boone ~ Pam Davis ~ Karen Futrell ~ Darryl Gschwind ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Clint Henry ~ Heath Henry ~ Mattieeene Johnson ~ Bill & Judy McDaniel ~ Anise Rose ~ Alice Shearin ~ Carolyn Shearin ~ Craig Valentine ~ Michael Valentine ~ Martha Ward ~ Bennett & Ashley Williford & unborn baby boy ~ His Mansion Ministry ~ King's Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church ~ GriefShare Ministry

*In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).*

**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

Any information that you wish to have published in the August newsletter should be emailed to [lwebb@sabaptist.org](mailto:lwebb@sabaptist.org) by noon on Friday, August 23.

**THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

is available on the church website: [sabaptist.org](http://sabaptist.org)

**June 30, 2024 – July 21, 2024**

**Attendance Totals**

	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship</u>
30	185	215
7	184	228
14	191	206
21	196	227

**Membership Additions in 2024**

By Baptism	0
By Transfer or Statement of Faith	1

**Weekly Budget Need for 2024: \$ 24,436.43**

**June 30, 2024 - July 21, 2024 Giving Totals**

	<u>Offering Received</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Received</u>
30	\$ 33,610.05	\$ 2,758.00	\$ 36,368.05
7	\$ 24,186.69	\$ 8,381.30	\$ 32,567.99
14	\$ 14,472.00	\$ 4,212.27	\$ 18,684.27
21	\$ 13,961.05	\$ 770.00	\$ 14,731.05

**Year to Date Budget January 1, 2024 - July 21, 2024**

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$	708,656.47	593,121.44	\$(115,535.03)



**A New Cycle of GriefShare starts  
Wednesday, August 21**

**6:00—7:30**

**Sunday School classroom  
Upstairs #405 & 407. For more  
information contact Shari Carter  
(314-6283) or Vickie Lawson (904-4992).**

**WMU Meeting**

The Nash County/Area Wide WMU meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 10:30 AM at West Mount Baptist Church located at 8487 West Mount Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27803. Lunch will be served following the meeting at a cost of \$7.00 per person. Please contact Carol Boone (252-904-6173) no later than Sunday, September 1st if you plan to stay for lunch so that adequate food can be prepared. You are encouraged to attend as there will be a guest missionary to speak.



**Please join us for a Wedding Shower  
Honoring  
Gates Harrell & Ashley Gontram  
Sunday, August 18th at 2:00  
Registered on Amazon, Crate & Barrel,  
Target, and The Knot**

**Please join for a Wedding Shower  
Honoring  
Cole Johnson & Brianna Coggins  
&  
Chase Johnson & Abby Taylor  
Sunday, August 25th at 2:00  
Registered at Target & on Amazon**