

PASTORS 'S PASSAGE

September, 2010

Be Faithful To Our Faithful God

One of the great attributes of God is His Faithfulness. As the hymn says:

*“Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!”*

Scripture declares – *“Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures”* Psalm 119:90.

God is faithful in answering prayer – *“O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy; in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief”* Psalm 143:1.

God is faithful in helping us conquer temptation – *“God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear”* 1 Corinthians 10:13.

God is faithful in cleansing us from sin – *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and will forgive us our sins”* 1 John 1:9.

God is faithful in always being with us, in loving us, forgiving us, hearing our prayers, helping us, & keeping His promises. He is faithful in providing for us - He gives us life, family, friends, our jobs, our homes, the air we breathe, and every good thing that we enjoy in life. He is faithful in sticking with us, in giving us salvation, in providing for our needs. We can always count on God.

And since God is so faithful and good to us, He is worthy of our love, adoration, praise, and worship. Because He is faithful to us, let us be faithful to Him. Summer and vacation time are now over. School has begun. Now is the time to get back active in worship again. Let's be faithful in attending worship consistently because:

1. Worship is a way that you ascribe worth, glory, & honor to God.
2. Worship brings you closer to God. In worship you encounter His presence, you get to praise His name in singing, you learn more about God in Bible Study during Sunday School and worship, you hear a message from the Lord and have an opportunity to respond to Him.

3. We obey God's Word when we worship – *“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing”* Hebrews 10:25.
4. You are a part of Thaxton Baptist Church Family, you are a part of the Body of Christ here. Every member is important, and contributes to the overall well being of everyone. We need each other here. We are encouraged when we see each other, and when people are absent they are greatly missed, and we lose some of our vitality when people are not here.

Let's be faithful in our giving to God. God gave His all for us, and the least we can do is to give back to God a portion of what He has given us in our tithes and in our offerings to the Building Fund. Giving is a way of expressing adoration & praise, worship, thanksgiving, and obedience to God. I love you all, Ridge



How To Be Happy: Sermon Series on the Beatitudes

Starting in September . . .

The First Step To Happiness – *“Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven”* Matthew 5:3.

How To Heal A Broken Heart – *“Happy are those who mourn, for they will be comforted”* Matthew 5:4.

Controlling My Reactions – *“Happy are the meek, for they will inherit the earth”* Matthew 5:5.

The Secret of Satisfaction – *“Happy are those who are hungry and thirsty for true goodness, for they will be fully satisfied”* Matthew 5:6.

You Get What You Give – *“Happy are the merciful, for they will have mercy shown to them”* Matthew 5:7.

Happy From The Inside Out – *“Happy are the pure in heart, for they will see God”* Matthew 5:8.

Finding Your Missing Peace – *“Happy are the peacemakers, for they will be called the sons of God”* Matthew 5:9.

Handling Harassments For Your Faith – *“Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires, the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”* Matthew 5:10.

BLOOD MOBILE HERE ON SEPT. 13 SEPTEMBER 13



Thaxton Baptist Church will be hosting the Blood Mobile on Monday, September 13. The Mobile unit of the Red Cross will be here taking blood donors. The numbers from the last two Blood Donor days here at our church were low, so we are hoping for a better turnout this time. The Blood Mobile will be here. Please, if you are able, take the time and give. It only takes about thirty minutes, but the difference could mean a lifetime to your recipient. If you would like to make an appointment to give, please call Phyllis Truxell at 586-4801.

WMU GROUPS SCHEDULE

The Dot Green WMU group will meet Monday, September 13 at the home of Evelyn Overstreet, 1351 Wheatland Road, Bedford.

The Wheatland/Lizzie McGee WMU group will meet at the church immediately after the Young at Heart Meeting on Wednesday, September 1 in Room 110.

SEPTEMBER DEACONS' MEETING

The September Deacons' Meeting will be on Tuesday, September 28 at 6:30 PM in Room 210. Deacons' Meetings are held every fourth Tuesday at 6:30 PM in Room 210.

CHURCH FINANCES

In an effort to keep the church body informed of our progress and status of the current debt on our worship center, this update is being provided.

Our current balance (as of July 31, 2010) \$1,071,338.13

Our payments are \$7,488.14 per month, this means we must collect 1,728.04 per week to meet this payment.

Year to date (July 31, 2010) we have collected \$50,909.04. We should have collected \$51,841.20 to make our current payment. We are \$932.16 short for the year.

Our current payment is paid solely through commitments from our church body. If you are not currently committed to giving to our building fund, please pray about what God would have you to give and see Pam Bowden for a commitment card.

SEPTEMBER DRIVER SCHEDULE

Thank you to our van drivers! They provide a ministry to those who do not have a way to church! Listed below are the Sundays in September and the driver for that day. If you need a ride please call to arrange for pick up by Saturday night.

- **September 5 - Randy Beavers, 586-0431**
- **September 12 - John Dooley, 871-3384**
- **September 19 - Eric Masters, 586-8351**
- **September 26 - Robert Howard, 875-8482**

MOTORCYCLE MINISTRY



The September Motorcycle Ride will start with breakfast at Pam and Danny Bowden's at 8:30 am on September 6. Danny and Pam will then lead the ride. Mark your calendar for this future ride date: October 16: 1 PM - ride led by E.L. and Karen McGuire.

If you have questions about the Motorcycle Ministry or would like to participate, call Pam Bowden at 586-1032 or email Pam at pamisbusy@jetbroadband.com.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS

We are excited to begin our Women's Ministry this year with a visit from the Floral Designer at Steger Creek in Lynchburg. We will meet in the Cafe on Thursday night, September 16 at 6:30. Judi Noel the floral designer at Steger Creek in Lynchburg will be here to demonstrate making a Fall Wreath. Everyone is encouraged to come and bring a wreath, wire cutters, floral wire, flowers you would want on your wreath and ribbon if you want a bow. Judi will help with hints and suggestions for you to make a wreath for the fall or for everyday. Barbeque sandwiches, chips, lemonade and dessert will also be served. Plan now to come out and fellowship with other women and take home a beautiful wreath. Guests are welcome. If you are coming or have questions please call Jennie Cullum at 540-586-7294 so we can have plenty of food.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S NEWS

Outlet Youth Ministry - School is in full swing! We are able to watch Friday night football. Band is also working hard for Friday nights! Wherever your student fits in this they are loved here at Thaxton Baptist. We enjoy seeing your student grow in their relationship with Christ! We have activities that are planned for the upcoming months:

September 12 (after church) - Hike to the Peaks (A picnic lunch will be provided.)

September 18 (8am-10am) - Applebee's Pancake Fundraiser
Students have been given tickets to sell - \$5 per ticket

Youth group has also moved from the summer time schedule to Sunday nights from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. All of our meetings will be located at the church.

PowerSource for Children - Fall is here! With that, we have started a new Children's Worship curriculum. It is called FaithWeavers. It is broken up into four quarters. All of the topics are relevant for children and enable them to grow and learn more about who God is.

As always, it is a joy working with the Youth and Children's Ministries of Thaxton Baptist Church.

In Christ, Tim Wilgus

NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY CENTER

The Thaxton Youth & Community Center is available for rental in two increments--from 10:00am to 4:00 pm and from 4:00pm to 10:00pm. The cost for each increment is \$25.00 Monday --Thursday and \$50.00 Friday--Sunday. To reserve the Center, call Catron's Tire Service at 586-8446 during their regular business hours.



Please mark your calendar now for the Community Center Fall Fundraiser. We will have our annual Chicken Dinner on Sunday, October 3 from 11:30 AM till 2 PM. Adult dinners will be seven dollars and children's dinners will be four dollars.

Thank you for your help.

TBC SINGLES ARE ALIVE AND KICKING

The Thaxton Baptist Church Singles Ministry had a get acquainted party at Carol Martin's home. Everyone there had an enjoyable evening with pizza, salad, homemade ice cream, music, dancing, swimming and overall wonderful fellowship. The group discussed future activities and the next event will be Saturday, September 4 from 2 till dark at Falling Creek Park. This event is open to single adults. This is one of our planned events where children of singles are also welcome. We will have Frisbee golf, hiking, shuffleboard and a playground for the kids. We are planning a picnic lunch so if you are interested in attending, please call Carol Martin (587-6674) to find out what to bring.

There is a bulletin board in the downstairs hallway where you can find information about the Singles' Ministry and upcoming activities, which include a Liberty University football game, a trip to the D-Day Memorial and getting tickets for the Virginia Christmas Spectacular, also known as "The Living Christmas Tree." Proposed schedules are available on the bulletin board.

JOURNEY INTO MISSIONS

By Don Slusher

Side trip surprises:

On my third trip to Argentina we had the assignment of building the missionary homes that I mentioned in a previous column. After spending about ten days working on these homes we went south to Patagonia for a couple of days of r and r. The team leader invited a young lady missionary by the name of Dorcus Nelson to accompany us and act as our interpreter. Dorcus was stationed in Pilar, Argentina which is a small town a few miles outside of Buenos Aries. We were headed for Puerto Madryn, a small seaport located about midpoint of Patagonia and on a bay just off the Atlantic Ocean. The entire coast is very arid with little in the way of trees. The area reminds you of large sand dunes covered with a lot of low shrubs. There was always some sea breezes which caused some dust to always be hanging in the air. At sunrise and sunset this dust causes some of the most beautiful colors in the sky that one can imagine. One particular sunset lasted about a half hour and every color imaginable could be seen. We happened to be traveling at the time so we stopped, got out of the bus and stood in amazement as we watched the colors change as the sun continued to sink below the horizon.

As we settled into our hotel, Dorcus began to think about the stories that her mother and dad had told her as she grew up. She realized that her parents had mentioned that they had been missionaries in Puerto Madryn before Dorcus had been born. She talked to our team leader about this and asked about trying to find the church that her parents had established there in Puerto Madryn. We always spent time as a team in devotions so the thought of having our devotions in a local church was very appealing. Dorcus spent a little time questioning some of the locals and soon she had an address of this church which as it turns out was only a few blocks away from our hotel. She called the pastor, Aldo Arnetto. He agreed to meet us and to open the church to us. The church was small, probably seating about a hundred people, but well maintained. We had our devotions then asked the pastor to speak to us about his work. He said that he had been employed in a well paying job in Buenos Aires and was preaching part time as a fill in pastor.

A church coordinator came to him and told him about the church in Puerto Madryn. He asked him to consider moving his family, a wife and two daughters, to Puerto Madryn to pastor that church. He felt the Lord speak to his heart and said that he would do it.

Then he started asking questions about the church. He was told that the previous pastor had let the church run down to the point that all the members had left. Having no members, there was no collections so there was no income, which meant he would receive no salary. Furthermore the church was now being occupied by homeless people with no where to go. They were actually sleeping in the pews and on the floors of the sanctuary.

Can you imagine going home and breaking the news to your wife that you have taken a new job as a pastor in a strange city, in a church that has no members and you would receive no salary. With a great deal of anxiety he told them of his plans. He was not aware that the Holy Spirit had already prepared the hearts of his family for service to the people of Puerto Madryn and they were fully prepared to go. With a great deal of faith he and his family made the move. With a lot of hard work and determination he was able to relocate the homeless folks, restore the appearance of the church building, and start working on restoring the congregation. Restoring the Congregation as it turned out was the hardest part. When we met pastor Arnetto we had no idea of his needs or situation. He did not reveal to us that he had become destitute himself and was at the point of giving up. He was considering moving his family back to Buenos Aries. At the prompting of the Holy Spirit our team decided to take up an offering for pastor Arnetto. A year later we learned that our offering (if I remember correctly it was \$358) matched the exact amount that pastor Arnetto needed to pay off his debts. When we left him that day we said goodbye to a man that would in the future become an influence on all of our lives and we had been the encouragement that pastor Arnetto had needed to continue his work in Puerto Madryn. That chance meeting led to two more trips to that region to work for our new friend, pastor Arnetto.

Next month..... One thing leads to another.



YOUNG AT HEART

Young at Heart will meet on Wednesday, September 1 at noon in the Café. All senior adults are welcome for this potluck lunch and fellowship.



FRIENDS ON THE GO

Friends on the go will meet Tuesday, September 21 at the church and travel to an as yet unknown location for a Dutch Treat and fellowship. We can always make new friends. All single adults are welcome to Join. We will meet at the church at 11 AM.



SHEPHERD'S TABLE NEEDS DESSERTS

Thaxton Baptist Church is in charge of the Shepherd's table on the fourth Monday of every month at Bedford Christian Ministries, 217 W. Washington St. Due to recent changes, we need Volunteers to make desserts for these meals. We have volunteers who arrive at 8:30 AM to set up and others who come to serve the lunch and still others who clean after the meal. If you would like to volunteer, make desserts or get more information about this vital ministry, call Nancy Yates at 587-5985.

ECUMENNICAL 9-11 PRAYER BREAKFAST

Bedford Baptist Church is hosting a Community Ecumenical 9-11 Prayer Breakfast on **Friday, September 10 from 7 till 8 AM**. This will be a remembrance and prayer offering for our nation and our leaders, those who protect us and the American families. Tickets are free but should be reserved as there is limited seating.

The featured speaker will be Sergeant Major James O. Smith, US Army, Retired. The prayer participants are: retired Rev. Garry Shelton of the United Methodist Church, Rev. David Whitehurst, Word of Life Evangelical Church, Rev. Chris Dowd of Bedrock Community Church, Rev. Kevin Edwards of Court Street United Methodist Church and Rev. David Henderson of Bedford Baptist Church. There will also be special music by Sharon Jones and Kenny Taggart of Main St. United Methodist Church and the Staunton River High School Brass Ensemble. To reserve your tickets, call 540-586-8878. This event is sponsored by Bedford Christian Fellowship and the National D-Day Memorial Foundation with support from the Bedford County Ministerial Association and the Society of St. Andrew.

STRAWBERRY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NEEDS HELP

Center Fest in downtown Bedford is coming up and the Strawberry Baptist Association needs help working their Lemonade/Water Booth and to monitor the Baby Care Station. The need is for between three and five people to each work one hour. The event is Saturday, September 25 and workers are needed between noon and 1 PM, 2 - 3 PM, 3 - 4 PM, 4 - 5 PM, and 5 - 6 PM. SBA also need help with set up in the morning at 8 AM. If you are able to help with set up, serving or monitoring, please call Rita Calhoun at 540-297-5271 or email acvaowlsnest@aol.com. Thank you for your help!

COMING SOON!

Sept. 13 12 - 6 pm
Blood Mobile at TBC
- We need donors!

Sept. 14 - Monthly
business meeting at 7
PM in Children's
Worship area

September 18 - 23
Community Revival
at area churches 7
PM nightly.

Sept. 19 - Sunday
School Teacher
Appreciation Day.
Don't forget to show
your Sunday School
teacher you
appreciate them!

Sept. 28—Deacons
Meeting, 6:30 PM in
Room 210.



2 - Nancy Yates and E. W. Tibbs
 3 - Carol Kerr; 4 - Brittany Krantz and Kent McIlhany; 8 - Larry Morgan, Don Tolley and Tucker Grant; 9 - Clifton (Buck) Krantz, Seth McGuire, Red Tyler & Marissa Aviles; 10 - Cece Stovall
 11 - Melanie Grant & Carl Saunders ; 12 - Julie Waldron and Dena Amos; 14 - Cliff and Mick Overstreet & April Beavers; 15 - Jimmy Cundiff & Roger Higdon
 16 - Chad Hale; 17 - Christy Leftwich, & Caleb Lam; 18 - Sandra Locy & Bernice Leftwich
 19 - Mary L. Wright & Tiffany Kurz; 20. Scott Smith & Matt Kerr
 21. AC Krantz, Odell Arthur and Moses Trevino; 23 - Ed Manck & Richard Sperrazza; 25 - Nelson Leftwich; 26 - David Franklin, Norris Fulton, Pat Turpin and Joyce Zdenek; 27 - Nancy Slusher
 30 - Earl Overstreet



1 - Bud & Connie Dinwiddie; 3 - Jeremy & Stephanie Johnson; 4 - Charlie & Deanna White; 9 - Willie & Debbie McKinney; 11 - Ernest & Frances Bobbitt and John & Melody Dooley; 12 - A.C. & Joyce Krantz; 14 - Rev. Eugene & Gwen Campbell and Al & Gloria Sloss; 20 - Joe & Christie Dooley; 28 - Eugene & Dorothy Salyer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September, 2010						
5	6. Labor Day—no Deacon visitation	7	1. Noon—Young at Heart Wheatland Lizzie McGee WMU Meeting following Young at Heart	2	3	4
12. 2:30 Community Hymn sing at Washington St. Baptist Church	13.	14. 7 PM Business Meeting in Children's Worship area	15	16	17	18. 8 - 10 AM Youth Pancake Breakfast at Appleebees. 7 PM - Community Singspiration at Cool Springs Presbyterian
19. Sunday School Teacher Appreciation day 7 PM Community Revival at Thaxton Baptist Church	20 7 pm—Community Revival at Epworth United Methodist Church	21. 11 AM - Friends on the Go meet at church 7 PM—Community Revival at Cool Springs Presbyterian Church	22. 7 PM Community Revival at Cool Spring Pentecostal Church	23. 7 PM Community Revival at Peaks Presbyterian Church	24	25
26	27	28 6:30 PM - Deacons Meeting in Room 210	29	30		

Sunday Schedule
 9:15 - 9:25 Prayer Time
 9:30 AM Sunday School
 10:30 AM Children's Worship
 10:30 AM Worship Service
 6:30 PM Youth Outlet

Wednesday Night Schedule:
 6 :00 PM Staff Meeting
 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study
 6:30 PM Handbell Choir (Beginning Sept. 8)
 7:30 PM Adult Choir Practice

MEDIA MATTERS By Terry Slusher

Last month I told you about some of the choices that have been made in the planning of the audio/video equipment for the New Sanctuary. This month, I'll tell you of a few more.

The biggest compromise on the audio side is in the power of the audio board. Those of you who have been reading these columns over the past few years are aware that our need for input channels keeps growing. When I first joined the audio team, we had a mic for the piano, one for the pulpit, two wireless mics, a choir mic, 5 inputs for soloists and 2 for a CD/tape player. That's twelve inputs and we had a twelve channel board.

Soon after Pastor Cullum joined us, we started doing more things that required more inputs. The biggest factor was the addition of the Praise band to our service. That added the need for several channels to carry instruments and singers. We also added more equipment in the audio booth with a computer and a DVD player. Now we have 35 inputs with a 32 channel board, so we're not currently able to use every audio source at the same time.

When I discussed our plans with the audio consultants (I talked with 4), they all said that a 72 channel board would be optimal for our new Sanctuary. I counted 61 channels as likely needs and would have a few spares for future needs. The primary reason that there is a need for more inputs will be future options that the new larger stage will allow. A secondary reason is the use of additional electronics such as MP3 players or additional CD or DVD players. It's hard to predict the future and the needs that we will have over the next 10 to 20 years, but the trend among most churches is toward more uses of technology.

We currently use one audio board for 2 main uses. We mix audio for the Sanctuary and do a separate mix for the Simulcast/recordings. Often the technicians doing the mixes get in each other's way and the mix for the recordings does not allow things such as equalization that would improve the sound.

All of the consultants recommended digital mixers because of the value vs. cost compared to comparable analog equipment. To do two separate mixes at the

same time is almost impossible with digital mixers, so we needed to purchase 2 mixers (one for the mix in the Sanctuary, the other for the recordings). The cost of two 72 channel audio boards was prohibitive.

We will have two 48 channel boards. They will be set up almost identically to make it easier for the sound technicians. One will be in the Sanctuary to mix for that room and the other will be in the Control Room upstairs and will be used to mix for the recordings.

With "only" 48 channels we will not be able to have a channel for everything at once, but we will be able to meet our current needs. The use of a patch bay will allow us some flexibility so that we can do most of the things that the 72 channel boards would have allowed should we grow into new directions. It will mean however that we'll have to carefully consider our capabilities as we plan our services.

The other major compromise in the sound portion of the New Sanctuary will be in the monitoring systems for the performers. All players (drums, guitars, piano, organ, etc.) will have to use headphones/earphones to hear their instruments. I don't have room in this column to explain all the considerations in this decision. Hopefully I'll be able to better explain the reasoning in a future column. The singers (choir, soloists, and Praise singers) will hear using monitors. These will be set up a little differently than what they're accustomed to. I ask that the performers work with me as we make these changes. I am assured by the audio consultants that these new procedures will result in a better sound experience for both the parishioners and the musicians.

On behalf of the entire Media Ministry team, I'd like I'd like to thank all of you for your support and understanding in our efforts each Sunday and ask that you be patient with us as we learn the new systems in the New Sanctuary. We have a great crew in our Media Ministry team and I am grateful for the hard work that each of them gives in our effort to enhance your worship experience.

Finally, thanks to David Norcross and Junior Gardner for installing telephone and computer lines and to Brad Hayes for helping install insulation in the new Control Room.



Low C Notes

Because of the dry weather this summer, our garden had to be watered. When watering the vines such as cucumbers, etc., it was hard to find the root because of the way the vine had spread out. It was the root which needed to be watered so that the water would spread throughout the vine.

We can apply this principle to our lives. In Matthew 13 Jesus is giving the parable of the sower and when he talks about the seed that fell upon stony places he says in verse 6 that “When the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.” In Colossians 2 we read, As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord so walk ye in him; rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving, Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world and not after Christ. (vs. 6-8).

Though we’ve been involved in music camps since we’ve been here, this summer really revealed to me their importance. How many of us can’t remember what happened yesterday but a song that we learned years ago will pop into our mind. Charles Swindoll said that the root of theology is contained in our hymns. While at Eagle Eyrie some of the campers were complaining because they had to go to choir more than to the other classes. One made the remark that even after you left choir the songs you had sung kept going over and over in your mind. While that was a complaint from her, it was like music to me.

When you see these kids wearing their Ipods with the world’s music going straight to their brain, it is good to know that the Christian music has found place there as well. God says His word will not return void. (Isa, 55:11)

We had a music director from Italy as our worship leader. He is in a church in Richmond for the summer as an Intern. We not only learned our music in English but in Italian as well. He recorded one song as we sang in Italian to play to a music camp there. It would be interesting to see the look on their faces as they hear our “attempt.” He was enthusiastic and vibrant as he led us in singing praises to our God. When some of our campers were still half asleep in morning worship, he reminded us of the God to whom we were giving praise and how much He deserved our enthusiasm.

We were both involved in the day music camp held at Bedford Baptist. Our grandchildren were there as well. It was fun after getting home to hear them singing the songs and on

Friday after getting home they coordinated their own “practice” for the program that night. Jackie Sperrazza was a great help to me with the choir chimes as she had participated in the Bell Choir at Eagle Eyrie. Skye Grant was a very good player which was also helpful. Corbett McKinney came for his fourth straight year and since he will be too old to be a camper there next year, he has asked to come back as a helper.

I trust that as these kids enter school this year that they will remember the words of one song which goes **“Sometimes I feel scared. Sometimes I feel weak – lost and lonely as a wayward sheep. If you’re really there, God, show me that you care, God, for my boat is small – and the sea is so deep.”** (T.S. Long and Allen Pote) or **“Every hero was once a child who needed help along the way, They were not strong without the Lord. The Spirit filled them when they prayed . . . When God calls, say ‘yes’ “. (Long/Pote).**

I think their favorite (according to our Grandson) was one that all ages can identify with, “Excuses” This was when the disciples were trying to find food to feed the 5,000.

“We’d willingly hand out our wealth as soon as we have served ourselves. We’d gladly offer our supplies, but they won’t feed a crowd this size. I’m sure we’d share if we could see who else is giving food for free. We’d be first to heed the call, but I’m afraid we ate it all! We’d love to give, we really would we’d give it freely if we could. So you see we’re sad to say, you’ll have to ask another day. Excuse me, excuse me, excuse me, excuse me. So you see we’re sad to say, you’ll have to ask another day. Before we give, why don’t you ask us what we give the poor in taxes? Oh, we are really quite upset that we can’t give because of debt. You know we’d donate all our stuff, but it just isn’t good enough. I would like a guarantee what’s in this giving thing for me? We’d love to give, we really would, we’d give it freely if we could. So you see we’re sad to say you’ll have to ask another day. Excuse me, excuse me, excuse me, excuse me. So you see we’re sad to say, you’ll have to ask another day. Excuse me, excuse me, excuse me, excuse me. So you see we’re sad to say, you’ll have to ask another day. Excuse me, excuse me, excuse me, excuse me . . . “

Andrew steps forward with a lad willing to give his lunch, and you know the rest of the story.

“We are small, the world is wide, yet we stand tall with God inside. Small things, small things, small things done with love, can change the world.”

The quoted songs are from the children’s musical learned at camp and performed Friday night, July 29 at Bedford Baptist Church. It is called **Table for Five . . . Thousand**, the miracle of the leaves and fishes written by Tom S. Long and Allen Pote Copyrighted 2009 and published by Choristers Guild.

There’s still room for you in the Adult Choir, come join us on Wednesday nights.

Wade and Sandra Locy

	Volunteer	Schedule for	September,	2010
	September 5	September 12	September 19	September 26
Sun. School Greeters	John Dooley and Jimmy Cundiff	E.L. McGuire and Ralph Patterson	Dack McKinney and Norris Fulton	Corbett McKinney and Pam Bowden
Ushers and Greeters	Lance Martin, John Dooley, Jimmy Cundiff, Carl Saunders, Matt Saunders, Ralph Patterson, Robert Howard and Robbie Catron	Jake Catron, Nelson Leftwich, Michael Leftwich, Christina Smith, Greg Wood, Chuck Wheeler, Edward Nickols and Randy Krantz	Jim Hedrick, Norris Fulton, Doug Cundiff, Zac Willis, Mick and Maryann Overstreet, Pam Bowden and Mike Martin	Mickey and Tina Cundiff, Don Tolley, Matt Rice, Willie and Debbie McKinney and Al and Gloria Sloss
Van Drivers	Randy Beavers	John Dooley	Eric Masters	Robert Howard
Clean Road Worker	Jane Grant	Teresa Norcross	Willie Cashion	Gerry Bolen
Deacon in Prayer	David Norcross	Dack McKinney	E.W. Tibbs	Eric Masters
Nursery Workers	Nursery: Emily Stevens and Brandy Botteicher 2-4 year olds: Catherine McGuire and Emma Tibbs	Nursery: Tina Carter and Tammy Mullins 2-4 year olds: Whitney McIlhany and Amanda Martin	Nursery: Teresa Norcross and Ceara Beavers 2-4 year olds: Tina Milton and Sarah Catron	Nursery: Melody Dooley and Sarah Hayes 2-4 year olds: Zana Smith and Deann Murphy
Power Source	Brandi Brown, Melanie Grant, Margaret Sperrazza and Anita Overstreet Power Point: Greg Brown and Phillip Milton	Zana Smith, Dana Grant, Amanda Overstreet and Kelsey Nickols Power Point: Perry Pinion and Sarah Hayes	Brandy Botteicher, Kelly Smith, Heather Pinion, and Deann Murphy Power Point: Tucker Grant and Sara Yost	Amanda Martin, Tina Milton and Becky Grant Power Point: Sharon Thompson and Jackie Sperrazza





LIBRARY NEWS



So far we have had two families donate \$15 to the Library to purchase books in honor and in memory of loved ones. Thank you so much for your contributions. If you are not aware, you may donate \$15 to the library for the purchase of a new book, and we will place that book in honor or memory of your loved one. You may also decide which section of the library you want the book to be placed. The library committee has been hard at work organizing the library and developing sections so that the library is more user friendly.

The library committee is in the process of finding books that have already been donated in memory or honor of people and when that is complete, we will publish the names in this section of the newsletter.

Recently there was a request for a section on Angels. Carol Martin has secured books that once belonged to her sister. These books are about Angels. Carol has donated these books in memory of her sister, Dorothy Loan.

We are in the process of putting the sections in alphabetical order, so please bear with us. We are also testing the videos and DVD's that have been donated to make sure they are both appropriate and that they work properly.

FOR KIDS ONLY: How well do you know your Bible?

If you can answer this question correctly, come to the Library and claim your prize. You will find your prize in the Treasure Chest in the Library. The Treasure Chest also has the correct answer for this month's question. If you are correct, you may take one prize from the Treasure Chest. (You may ask your parents to help)

Here is this month's question: *What is the shortest chapter in the Bible?*

Remember, the library is always open for you, so please be respectful of the and the hard work that Carol and Jean Cashion have done in organizing the library. If you need help in the library, Carol and/or Jean are available Sunday mornings 9—9:30 AM and for fifteen minutes after the Adult Worship Service. However, if you leave a note in the library , we will get back in touch with you.

Coming Soon: Story time with Granny Carol. Keep watching for more details and more Library News!

THAXTON BAPTIST HEADLINES

Our next Business Meeting will be Tuesday, September 14. We need as many people at that meeting as possible, as we will voting on a proposed new committee. The formation of a Financial Steering Committee will require an amendment to the church constitution. Please try to attend the Business Meeting on Sept. 14, 7 PM in the Children's Worship Area.

Melody Dooley is stepping down as Sunday School Director, replacement needed. Call the Church office at 586-8348, or a member of the nominating committee if interested. Melody will stay on as Sunday School Director thru the end of the year. Thank you, Melody!

Volunteers are needed for ushering and greeting and for positions in the Children's Ministry. Please call the church office if you are interested.

Bedford Christian Ministries is collecting nonperishable food items to help feed the less fortunate. If you would like to donate, bring items to box outside the church office.

LIBRARY BOOK DONATION INFORMATION

Your name: _____

My donation is (circle one) In Honor of or In Memory of

Please print neatly the person you wish to honor or remember with a book

_____.

I would like this book to be for (circle one):

CHILDREN TEEN BIBLE/BIBLE STUDY ADULT MEN ADULT
WOMEN VIDEO AUDIO SELF HELP WELLNESS
COOKING and NUTRITION FAMILY LIFE MISSIONS

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