

Prayer List

Vivian Andrews	Coressa Hornsby
James Armstrong	Ricky Hornsby
Bernard & Val Atchison	Martha Huff
Kenneth Babb	Jim Jennings
Katie Bainbridge	Michael Lord
Anne Bayne	Jake Maddox
Ernest Bayne	Nell Maddox
Brett Bentley	Ola Mae Martin
Lois Bentley	Jeff McMullen
Richard /Susan Bentley	Marcus McMullen
Key Christensen	Sandra McMullen
Eugenia English	Marie Raulerson
Sandra English	Johnnie Shelnutt
Sharon Ezell	Bonnie Stafford
Sandra Fountain	Ken Turner
Lamar Guy	Lavinia Ward

In Military Service

Caroline Hooks Atkinson
Chad Meeks

SAGE NEWS

The Gettys In Concert—at Ingleside Baptist in Macon. Tickets are \$27.50, sign up on upstairs SAGE bulletin board and pay (give to Peggy Wood)—deadline extended one week to September 3rd.

Women On Mission Day Group will meet Wednesday, September 6th at 2:00 P.M. in the History Room.

Doers of the Word will meet at 6:00 P.M. Thursday, September 7th at Gloria Burke's.

Sunday School Leadership Training
Saturday, September 9th
9:00 am to 12:00 Noon
First Baptist, Sandersville
No Cost



Prayer Meeting Wednesdays at 6:30

Join us for Family Supper at 6:00 and Prayer Meeting at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall.



Sunday School
Every Sunday, 9:45 AM
Wednesday Youth Group
Doors open at 5:45 PM

A Called Business Meeting will be held this Sunday, September 3, 2017 following Sunday morning services. The Stewardship Committee along with the Personnel Committee will propose an amendment to the 2017 Budget regarding staff salaries.

Hardwick's Got Talent
Sunday, September 17th
At 5:00 P.M.
In Fellowship Hall

Sign up now --- Comedy, singing, dancing, drama, single acts, group acts, whatever your talent.

Deacons will meet Sunday, September 10th at 1:30 P.M.

Check out the HBC Website
www.hardwickbaptist.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sep 03: Coressa Hornsby
Sep 04: James Armstrong
Sep 05: Michael Baker
Sep 09: Christy Goforth

Nursery Workers Sunday Morning, 9/3

Babies.
Tina Roberts, Gloria Burke
Preschool, 3-5 yrs.
Lauren Deen, Belinda Christensen

Bus Ministry, 9/3
Cindy English

Children's Church, 9/3
Cindy English

Counting Committee, 9/3
Chris Colwell, Brenda Davis

Worship Coordinator, 9/3
Mack Atchison

Deacon of the Week, 9/3
Miles Whipple, 453-3033

Children's Sermon, 9/3
Bill Kitchen

Disaster Relief Offering
We will take a special love offering this Sunday to go for Disaster Relief in Texas. Checks should be made to Hardwick Baptist Church and marked for "Disaster Relief/Texas" or cash placed in an enveloped marked with your name and the amount given designated as indicated above.

Church-Wide Covered Dish Dinner
Following Morning Worship
Sunday, September 10th

Bring your favorite covered dishes to share and join us for good food and fellowship.

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 3:

9:45 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship

Monday, September 4th:

Labor Day—Office Closed

Tuesday, September 5th:

9:30 A.M. Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday, September 7th::

5:45 P.M. Building Open
6:00 P.M. Family Supper
6:30 P.M. Children to class
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting
(In Fellowship Hall)
7:30 P.M. Chancel Choir

Deacon Selection Process

In keeping with the Deacon Election Process Nominations have been received; Deacon officers met with the Nominating Committee; nominees were interviewed by the Pastor and Deacon Chairman as to their willingness to serve if selected; one chosen to fill the one vacancy referred to the Deacon Selection Committee for submission to the church membership. Jim Davis has been chosen by the Deacon Selection Committee to serve as an active Deacon filling this vacancy. Jim's name will be presented to the church for affirmation on September 10th. Following affirmation he will begin service October 1, 2017.

The Church Office will be closed Monday, September 4th for Labor Day.

Pastor's Paragraphs

Grace is God drawing sinners closer and closer to Him. How does God in grace act against this purpose? Not by shielding us from assault by the work, the flesh, and the devil, not by protecting us from burdensome and frustrating circumstance, not by shielding us from troubles created by our own temperament and psychology, but rather by exposing us to all these things, so as to overwhelm us with a sense of our own inadequacy, and to drive us to cling to Him more closely.

This is the ultimate reason, from our standpoint, why God fills our lives with troubles and perplexities of one sort and another, it is to ensure that we shall learn to hold Him fast. The reason why the Bible spends so much of its time to repeat that God is a strong rock, a firm defense, and a sure refuge and help for the weak is that God spends so much of His time showing us that we are weak, both mentally and morally, and dare not trust ourselves to find or follow the right road. When we walk along a clear road feeling fine, and someone takes our arm to help us, likely we would impatiently shake him off, but when we are caught in rough country in the dark, with a storm brewing and our strength spent, and someone takes our arm to help us, we would thankfully lean on him.

God wants us to feel that our way through life is rough and perplexing, so that we may learn to lean on Him thankfully. Therefore He takes steps to drive us out of self-confidence to trust in Himself, to, in the classic scriptural phrase for the secret of the godly man's life — "wait on the Lord."

Psalm 130:5 reads: *"I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His Word I put my hope."* When the storms of life are raging, remember to, Stand by Jesus and Wait!

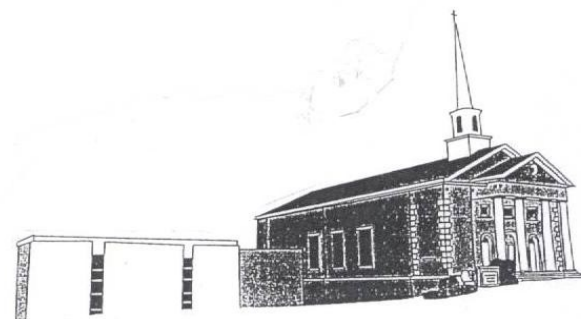
In His Love, Bill Kitchen

Stewardship Thoughts

*Give to God what's right—
Not what's left.*

Annual Budget. (2017).....	\$ 290,872.63
Needed Per Week to meet Budget.....	\$ 5,488.16
Contributions 8/27/17.....	\$ 3,981.33
Budget Contributions through 8/27/17.....	\$168,296.34
Total Budget Expenses through 8/27/17.....	\$176,690.12

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**MISSION GEORGIA
Season of Prayer
And Offering
For State Missions
September 3-9, 2017**

Our Offering Goal: \$1,000.00