## **Prayer List**

Vivian Andrews Sandra Fountain James Armstrong Lamar Guv Bernard & Val Atchison Coressa Hornsby Kenneth Babb Ricky Hornsby Katie Bainbridge Martha Huff Anne Bavne Jim Jennings Ernest Bayne Michael Lord Brett Bentley Jake Maddox Lois Bentley Nell Maddox Richard /Susan Bentlev Jeff McMullen Kev Christensen Marcus McMullen Eugenia English Sandra McMullen Sandra English Marie Raulerson Sharon Ezell Johnnie Shelnutt Marguerite Folendore Lavinia Ward

#### In Military Service

Caroline Hooks Atkinson Chad Meeks Rudy Webb



## **Sunday School**

Every Sunday, 9:45 AM

## Wednesday Youth Group

Doors open at 5:45 PM

#### Thank You!

The family of Ola Mae Brookins Martin wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kind expressions of sympathy. Thank you for all the cards and prayers for Mama and us. Thanks to the Bereavement Committee for the good meal that was sent to the house. It was a blessing. Thanks Preacher Bill for the beautiful service and visits from you and Mr. Jake Maddox.

## Prayer Meeting Wednesdays at 6:30

Join us for Family Supper at 6:00 pm and Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Choir practice follows at 7:30 P.M.

Homecoming
Founders' Recognition Day
Sunday, November 26
Special Recognitions
In Morning Worship
Dinner On the Grounds
To follow

## Time to Order Poinsettias

Once again you may order poinsettias in honor of or in memory of a loved one or friend to help decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas. Order envelopes

are in several locations throughout the church for your convenience in ordering. Payment must be made with your order. Make checks payable to Hardwick Baptist Church designated for Poinsettias. Please be sure to mark clearly the number you want and who they are in honor or in memory of.

\$10.00 Each Order Deadline: November 19th

Check out the HBC Website www.hardwickbaptist.org

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Nov 16: Kristi Blizzard

Nov 24: Diane Babb, Susan Bentley

Nursery Workers Sunday Morning, 11/19 <u>Babies.</u>

Taria Crump, Gail Brooks

Bus Ministry, 11/19

Key Christensen

Children's Church, 11/19 Ken & Celia Turner

Counting Committee, 11/19
David Lewis, Jon Self

Worship Coordinator, 11/19
Mack Atchison

Deacon of the Week, 11/19 Sharon Lord, 452-7742

> Children's Sermon Bill Kitchen

## The Lottie Moon Post Office Is Coming!

The Lottie Moon Christmas card mailbox will be open through the month of December for you to exchange cards with your fellow attending church members. Cost per card is 25 cents with all money going to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.

Watch for Opening Date!

"Thanksgiving was never meant To be shut up in a single day."

-Robert Caspar Lintner-

#### **CALENDAR**

Sunday, November 19th:

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

Monday, November 20th:

3:00 P.M. Ladies' Prayer Group

#### Wednesday, November 22nd:

We will not have any Wednesday activities or Family Supper on November 22nd. Enjoy the Thanksgiving holidays with your family.

The Church Office will be closed Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th for Thanksgiving.

You are invited
To a Baby Shower
For Miranda Turner Daidone
Sunday, December 3rd
at 2:00 P.M.
in Fellowship Hall
She is having a girl.
Ken & Celia Turner are
proud grandparents

Copies of the proposed 2018 Church Budget will be available in the vestibule of the church, Sunday, November 26th. We will have a question/discussion only meeting on Sunday, December 3rd at 6:00 P.M.—no vote will be allowed. There will be a special vote only Called Business Meeting Sunday, December 10th following Morning worship—no discussion will be allowed.

The **HBC Food Pantry** served 32 families, 127 individuals Tuesday, November 14th

## Pastor's Paragraphs

An article appeared in the Atlanta Journal Constitution, in the May 17, 1987 edition.

A rock hound named Rob Cutshaw owns a little roadside shop outside Andrews, North Carolina. Like many in the trade, he hunts for rocks, then sells them to collectors or jewelry makers. He knows enough about rocks to decide which to pick up and sell, but he was no expert. He leaves the appraising of his rocks to other people. As much as he enjoys the work, it does not always pay the bills. He occasionally moonlights, cutting wood to help put bread on the table.

While on a dig years earlier, Rob found a rock he described as "purdy and big." He tried unsuccessfully to sell the rock, kept the rock under his bed or in his closet. He guessed the blue chunk could bring as much as \$500 dollars, but he would have taken less if something urgent came up like paying his power bill. That is how close Rob came to selling for a few hundred dollars what turned out to be the largest, most valuable sapphire ever found. The blue rock that Rob had abandoned to the darkness of a closet two decades ago, now known as "The Star of David" sapphire, weighs nearly a pound, and could easily sell for \$2.75 million.

There are times in our lives when we think, "We are not important to anyone, life is worthless." We need to remember what the writer of the book of Deuteronomy said: "For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be His people, His TREASURED possessions."

You are so important that God sent His only Son to die for you and me  $\dots$  That should make you feel Good.

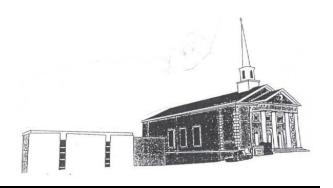
In His Love, Bill Kitchen

## **Stewardship Thought**

You should remember the words
Of the Lord Jesus:
"It is more blessed to give than to receive"
Acts 10:35b (NLT)

Annual Budget (2017)	\$ 2	290,872.63
Needed Per Week to meet Budget	\$	5,488.16
Contributions 11/12/17		
Budget Contributions. thru 11/12/17	\$2	20,918.80
Total. Bud. Expenses thru/ 11/12/17	\$2	23,885.40

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## The Pilgrim's Prayer

What kind of people were the Pilgrims? Clearly, they were fervent Christians who pursued their dream of religious freedom with a dedicated zeal that never wavered.



One hundred one of them crowded into

the ship known as the Mayflower and sailed from Lyden, Holland, to a land most of them had never seen. They sailed across a wild churning sea from September 16 to November 21, 1620. a year later, only half of them had survived all of the various afflictions and hardships which came to them.

Nevertheless, they were grateful. They had religious freedom. They had opportunity. They had a new world to explore, develop, inhabit and appreciate. They wanted to thank God. Thus, all who were left gathered with their Native-American neighbors, and had a joyous celebration of Thanksgiving. It is recorded that they prayed this prayer: "Thanks be to God for the strength which He has given us and the blessing He has provided in bringing us to this hour which is laden with possibilities for the future."

That would be an appropriate prayer for us, wouldn't it?