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# THE VISION

July 2022

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...” Amen. Matthew 28:19-20*

## “The Crossroads are Calling”

Dear Ones,

It’s been a couple of months now since Pastor Bud has retired. We are searching for a new full time Pastor whom God will choose to lead our congregation forward. We are excited about the new vision, new passion, and our new path.

We are also searching for an interim Pastor, to stabilize us, and to move us through our time of transition. We’ve heard from visiting Pastors, friends, and representatives from the BGAV.

Someone asked me yesterday if the Deacons were coaching our guest speakers on sermon topics. I laughed. We are not, but have you noticed the subject matter of each visiting Pastor? We keep hearing the word “change”. This is not a coincidence. Each Pastor prepares his sermon, prayerfully asking God what we need to hear. I believe this ongoing theme of “change” to be a rare, prophetic word just for us during this season.

Now let me explain. The Old Testament prophets were powerful men and women of God that spoke when the nation, the tribe, or the individual was in the throes of decision. They stood at the crossroads of someone’s life and reminded them of their choice. “This way is death, the other is life. Choose life!” They were not popular, but they were faithful to God’s Word.

We were visited by such a man, Pastor Church Harrison, BGAV. His message of “Canoeing the Mountains”. (Acts 11:19-21), was gentle, but powerful and timely. He simply stated, “The methods that have gotten us this far, will not take us further. We must adapt”

This message was confirmed again by Pastor Lonnie Reynold’s message entitled “For the Sake of the Gospel” (1st Corinthians 9:19-26) in June. “If we are to thrive in this ‘Post Church’ era, we must develop new methods of outreach.”

Change is hard, both personally, and corporately. We like what makes us comfortable, what makes us happy. However, church family, our own crossroads are calling. We either stay the course and blissfully perish, or make the hard choices to adjust direction to be effective in our community.

Our enemy would love to divide us, to make us afraid, but my prayer is that God will bind us together in love, in fervor, and in resolve. We can do this, my dear friends. We are children of the King!

As believers in His name, God does not call us to comfort. He calls us to change, to grow; to help others make their transition into the Kingdom of God. Our challenge is to create an inviting setting for the next generation of worshippers.

If you are willing, God can use you mightily during this time.

Be an encourager to our leadership,

Be a prayer warrior for our church, and

Be a student of our local culture. Listen and learn. God will show us how to reach them. He loves them even more than we do.

Reverently,

Sandy McElfresh,  
Deacon

What's Happening  
In The WMU




The WMU will have their **Council Meeting**  
on **Monday, July 18 at 10:00 am.**

Missions Moment - Disaster Relief

Southern Baptist Disaster Relief brings help, healing and hope to those in need. Pray for the many disaster relief volunteers who will commit to participating in long-term recovery efforts. Pray that they will effectively share the hope of Christ in multicultural environments. Pray for the health and safety of Southern Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers who will respond to disasters of all kinds around the world.



<b>Deacon of the Week</b> 7/3—Al West 7/10—Stewart Wood 7/17—Sonya Anthony 7/24—Bill Breeden 7/31—David Crummett	<b>Nursery Workers</b> 7/3—H. Warren/T. Owens 7/10—L. Walton/A. Zepeda 7/17—Jaime/Bailey Moore 7/24—H. Warren/T. Owens 7/31—Beverly/Connie West	<b>July Ushers</b> Jimmy Diggs Gus Saunders Amy Jacobson  <b>July Tellers</b> Amy Jacobson Lynn Walton  <b>Sun. Sch. Nursery</b> Sharon/Howard Warren
		
<b>CHURCH WORKERS</b>		
<b>Older Children's Church</b> 7/3—Alice/Gordon Smith 7/10—Jayme/Brody Sanford 7/17—M. McNeil/D. Gandee 7/24—Connie/Sami West 7/31—Connie Stewart	<b>Younger Children's Church</b> 7/3—Nancy Dyson 7/10—S. Anthony 7/17—Joyce Marshall 7/24—R. Wells/M. Wagner 7/31—Tammy Greggs/Youth	







Volunteers needed!!  
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## Sunday Schedule


Sunday School (All Ages): 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 11:00 am  
C.A.R.E. Ministry: 2:00 pm



# July 2022

## Wednesday Schedule

6:00pm: Youth Bible Study  
6:00pm: Children's Choir & Bible Study  
6:30pm: Bible Study & Prayer Meeting  
7:30pm: Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 A.A. Meeting 8:00pm <b>Sports Camp 6:00pm</b>	2
3 Lord's Supper 11:00 am <b>No C.A.R.E No Deacon's Meeting</b>	4 <b>Office Closed</b>  <b>Independence Day</b>	5 Building & Grounds Meeting 6:30pm	6	7	8 A.A. Meeting 8:00pm  Men's Bible Study 6:30pm	9
10 SS Breakfast- Koinonia 9:15am  Deacon's Meeting 3:00pm	11	12	13	14	15 A.A. Meeting 8:00pm  Men's Bible Study 6:30pm  Emma Crawford Quilting 9a-4p	16
17	18  WMU Council Meeting 10:00am	19  Armstrong Circle 6:30pm	20	21  <b>No Acree Circle</b>	22  A.A. Meeting 8:00pm  Men's Bible Study 6:30pm	23
24  ----- 31	25  <b>VBS 6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	26  <b>VBS 6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	27  <b>NO FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER</b>  <b>VBS 6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	28  <b>VBS 6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	29  A.A. Meeting 8:00pm  <b>VBS 6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	30

## July Birthdays:

Donnie Green	7/2
Pamela Hartman	7/3
Keith Belvin	7/6
Dani Lynn Burgess	7/7
Bailey Moore	7/10
Kristen Eifes	7/11
Amaris Black	7/18
Tracy Williams	7/19
Elaine Owens	7/20
Logan Hutson	7/21
Nancy Bolton	7/22
Ricky Green	7/23
Robbie English	7/25
Laraine Sentz	7/27



## Anniversaries:

Jeff & Linda Breaks	7/10
John & Alice Oldfield	7/14
Daniel & Krysten Eifes	7/19
Charles & Betty Duncan	7/20
Stewart & Debra Wood	7/28
Al & Martha West	7/30