

Ebenezer Baptist Church

Newsletter

September 2021

It's Time to Do Something

We cannot wait. For months and years, you have heard about this (if you are paying attention). The day will come when the Church MUST get busy. When the time will come for us to DO WHAT GOD HAS CALLED AND PREPARED US TO DO. That time is now. The book of Esther tells the story of the Children of Israel at one of their greatest times of need. King Xerxes "The Great" was Persia's FIFTH king. He was proud. He was impulsive. This is a great TRUE story from the life of Israel, and you really should go and read it!!

Because of the king's own pride and arrogance, he had to search for a new queen. His search led him to Esther, who (unbeknownst to Xerxes) was Jewish. One of the king's top advisors HATED the Children of Israel and was using his political influence to wipe them from the face of the earth. Esther found herself in a unique position: She could help save all of Israel, but she would be risking her life and being put to death by going to the King without being summoned. It was a great risk that her uncle Mordecai begged her to take. He reminded her in Esther 4:

14 For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?"

This is a great story and, again, is worth reading. And think about this: God knows EXACTLY where you are, who is in your realm of influence, and He knows exactly what the future holds for you. In this day and age where people are drowning in information but starving for wisdom and peace, YOU have the key: A relationship with Jesus Christ. The relationship for which each of us was created from the beginning of time!!!

Who knows but that God put you here in this VERY position for such a time as this? For this VERY MOMENT???

How willing are YOU to be used by God? Seize the day and get busy!!! Tell others about the peace you know in Jesus Christ!!

David

Wednesday Nights Activities Start Back September 8th

5:45 PM: CHILDREN DROP OFF AT
WELCOME CENTER
6:00 PM: CHILDREN'S MUSIC
6:15 PM: PRAYER MEETING IN CHAPEL
6:30 PM: YOUTH IN YOUTH ASSEMBLY
BUILDING
7:00 PM: MISSIONS (RA'S & GA'S) FOR
CHILDREN
7:30 PM: DISMISSAL

BE SURE TO STOP BY
THE MISSION DESK IN
THE WELCOME CENTER
TO SEE WHATS
HAPPENING WITH
MISSIONS AT EBC.....
-OMSHIPS
-FAIR MINISTRY
-BLISS BALL

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SEPTEMBER 19 | 5-7 PM
EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
A NIGHT OF WORSHIP FOR STUDENTS 6-12 GRADE

Let's Be the Hands and Feet of Jesus Canton Clean-up

Head to Canton, NC with us September 23-27
as we assist in flood clean-up.

For more info contact
Bob Stamp (843-665-5111) or the church office

Ministry Teams

Meeting

Sunday, September 12th
6:00 pm
in the Sanctuary

WE SAVED YOU A SEAT

Finding and Keeping Lasting Friendships



lincolncourage community manager
LISA-JO BAKER

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Wednesday Evenings
6:00 - 7:30 pm

Starting September 15th
at Ebenezer Baptist
Register at ebcsc.com

Turn from evil
and do good;
seek **PEACE**
and pursue it.

Psalms 34:14



Thanks to all who helped with the Parking Lot Ministry breakfast in August. We fed about 100 people.

This month the Missions Team is collecting winter outerwear to distribution at the Parking Lot Ministry in October.

Attention: Special Event for Men Only

Come hear Dean Lisenby inspire and motivate you in your personal adventure to make a real difference for Christ. **Let's reach new heights together!**

Thursday, Sept. 9th
7:00pm - 8:30pm
Ebenezer Baptist Church (Youth Building)
 524 S Ebenezer Road
 Florence, SC
Free food and axe throwing!

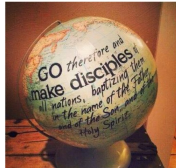
Donations are appreciated to benefit the **Tripp Lisenby Brain Cancer Research Fund.**

Join men like you from our community who will **MARCH** alongside you helping you face real life challenges. Real talk and real action to improve your walk with Christ, career, relationships, finances, future and legacy.



September Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Julie Barfield Zachary Medlin Bryce Winburn	2 Kiersten Walters Cadance Moore Cooper Chatlosh Olivia Bennett	3 Misty Kempson	4 Ann Holladay Gerald Carroway Bobby Rabon
5 Tony Hanna Mary Wells Foster Julie Whatley	6	7 Preston Graham Sullivan James	8 Julie Barfield Zachary Medlin Bryce Winburn	9 Victoria Hicks	10 Kimberly Brown Oral Strickland Lydia Hicks	11 Ernie Strickland Dennis Lein Lauren Dawkins
12 Debbie Trussell	13 Ashley Razon Lee Carter	14 Wallie Timmons Rachel Coates Mary Wiser Finley King Brad Gardner	15 Julie Self Tyler Self Greta McKelvey	16 Paul Frazier Glenda Cottingham Toby Milligan	17 Dean Lisenby	18 Tamara Horton
19 Reggie Knox Griggs Brown	20 Annie Kate Watson Marty Massey Maeley Rodriguez Jerry Locklair	21 David Rainwater Will Thompson Brad Griese J.D. Lee Mason McKnight	22 Bill Langston Jamey Medlin Wyatt Stanley	23 Merritt Bryant Les Ward Robbie Mahoney Brenda Rabon	24 Scott Raynor Jennifer Dunnam Elizabeth White Amy Rouse	25 Jimmy Horton
26 McKinnley Foster	27 Marion Broach	28	29 Davis White	30 Laura Stephens Brice King Cindy Pierce		



EBC MISSIONS
 September 2021 Opportunities

Fair Ministry at East Carolina Agricultural Fair Grounds

There are several opportunities to assist with the Fair Ministry. Items such as razors, shampoo, toilet paper, and over-the-counter medications are being collected for fair workers. A complete list of items and drop-off bin are located in the Welcome Center. EBC Missions has committed to providing coffee and doughnuts on October 13 from 9:30am – 12:30. We need 4-5 volunteers to help with this ministry.

OM Ships

On Sep. 11 from 9:00am-12:00pm there will be a workday with OM ships. Sign-ups are located in Sunday School folders.

Bliss Ball

Bliss Ball will be held on October 9 at Calvary Baptist Church. This event honors children and adults with special healthcare needs. There are various opportunities to serve including set up, medical volunteers, dancing with the guests, etc... Volunteer forms are available at the Mission Center.

Parking Lot Ministry

We are collecting of the following cold weather items for distribution in October: new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and socks.

House of Hope Meals

On September 20, the **Church Staff** will provide and serve a meal at the Courtney McGinnis Graham Community Shelter.

Prayer Partners for College Students

Would you like to be a prayer partner for college students from EBC? Names of the college students will be available in the Missions Center.

Operation Christmas Child

The Operation Christmas Child collection item for September will be coloring books.

Janie Chapman Offering

The Janie Chapman Offering helps support mission efforts across South Carolina. Some of these efforts include the Baptist Collegiate Ministry, prisoner packets, Disaster Relief, and Camp La Vida. **EBC Goal: \$4,200**

EBC Food Pantry

Canned vegetables such as green beans and corn, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauce, and noodles are just a few of the staple items needed in the food pantry.

What has EBC Missions been up to? Here is the August recap.

- Back to School Prayer Walk
- 100 welcome packs donated to the Baptist Collegiate Ministry for students returning to campus at Francis Marion University
- Volunteering at OM Ships
- Donations for A Choice to Make totaled \$714.11. Thank you for your generosity.
- We appreciate all the Stuff the Bus donations totaling \$135.50
- A big thanks to all the volunteers who prepared and served food at the Parking Lot Ministry on August 28.



Ways to give your tithe

- text to 73256 and enter EBCSC
- drop it by the church office
- drop it in the secure church mailbox
- mail to 524 S. Ebenezer Rd.

Financial Report Through August 29, 2021

Year to date needs.....\$1,065,941.10
 Year to date receipt.....\$976,111.71