

SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

# The Messenger

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

*"The Church with a history and a future"*



### Realized and Unrealized Blessings

This past Sunday during the offertory prayer, thanks was given to God for all our blessings, both those realized and unrealized. Those words stood out to me and I am still pondering them several days later; *realized and unrealized blessings*. What are realized blessings? Family, friends, our health and ability to work to provide for our family. Our church family, local community, and our schools. We are blessed in many ways that are evident to us and we realize those blessings and in turn give thanks to God. What are unrealized blessings? This may seem like a trick question, similar to the one: if a tree falls in the woods and no one is around to hear it, does it make a sound? If something is unrealized, then does it truly exist? I would argue for every one of our realized blessings, we probably have two times, five times, or even ten times more unrealized blessings. Unrealized blessings are the countless ways God is helping us in our life which go unnoticed. All the support and help from friends and family on our behalf that we don't know about, is one example of unrealized blessings. During various times in my life, the path seemed uncertain and difficult, but somehow I made it through. Looking back at those times, I have come to realize how God and others helped me on my journey, but I didn't seem to notice at the time.

Here at Zion, there are many realized and unrealized blessings. We are blessed with a wonderful staff of ministers, choir, and gifted musicians. There are numerous Sunday School teachers, Youth leaders, and deacons that have ministered to many in our church family. These are a few of our many realized blessings. As pastor and a staff minister, I am in the unique position to see many unrealized blessings. There are a lot of church workers whose ministries are 'behind the scenes' and not visible to most folks. Unrealized by many, but work and ministry from the heart. During my first few years of work here at Zion, I was amazed at how certain events, mission projects, and fellowship meals would all come together. It wasn't until Robbie Canipe had passed away that we realized all the work, mission, and ministry that she took care of. This was work that went far beyond her church staff job, or duties as church hostess, or as a member of the hospitality committee. It was her seeing a need and taking care of it. Robbie was one example of many unrealized blessings we have here at Zion. I am thankful for all the blessings of Zion Baptist Church, both realized and unrealized. My prayer for us is to continue to serve God and look for ways to use our gifts to help, it may be serving in a more visible ministry or a calling to help "behind the scenes." Whatever the need, may we all listen for God's call to serve.

*Matt*

# September

## 2018 Activities



### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND (ALSO 9TH, 16TH, 23RD, 30TH)

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 AM; WORSHIP - 11:00 AM  
CLEVELAND COUNTY RESCUE MISSION MEAL - 6:00 PM  
(PROVIDED BY THE WEBB KISER & MAX CORNWELL S.S. CLASSES)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH (ALSO 12TH, 19TH, 26TH)

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL BEGINS AT 5:15 PM  
ORANGE - 6:00 PM; YOUTH - 6:00 PM  
ADULT PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY IN ADULT ASSEMBLY - 6:00 PM  
CHOIR PRACTICE - 6:45 PM; PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE - 7:45 PM

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH (ALSO 13TH, 20TH, 27TH)

BUSY HANDS - 1:30 PM - SMALL DINING ROOM

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST MEETING (HUBERT WELLMON COOKING TEAM)  
7:30 AM - SMALL DINING ROOM

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

LYDA POSTON CIRCLE MEETING - 7:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING  
(HOSTED BY: JOAN SHARPE & BRENDA DIXON)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

BABY SHOWER FOR SAVANNAH RICHARD - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING - DROP-IN FROM 2-4 PM,

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

DEACONS' MEETING - 6:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

GCCBA DEACON TRAINING AT POLKVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

GYC TRIP TO THE BEACON - LEAVE CHURCH AT 5:30 PM

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING - 3:30 - 5:00 PM - CONFERENCE ROOM  
CHURCH PLANNING MEETING - (CHURCH COUNCIL & DEACONS) - 5:00 PM

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

YOUTH SUNDAY



**September Soles--Shoes Needed** During this month we will be collecting shoes and/or money to purchase shoes for the children in need at Union and Casar Elementary Schools. Shoes can be dropped off outside the sanctuary in the box or at the church office. We are requesting new or slightly used kid sizes up to adult size 7. Monetary donations can be dropped in the donation shoebox or given to the church with "Shoe Gift" noted.



**Coming in October--** Canned food drive for Burns High School students

## Wedding / Baby Shower Ministry Guidelines

Effective September 1, 2018 there will be some changes in the contact information for any church-wide wedding and baby shower. Copies of the revised handout have been placed on the table across from the elevator on the main floor, at the main entrance of the church, and on the table near the welcome center on the first floor. Please call either of the shower sub-committee chairs listed if you have questions.

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*All ladies of the church are invited to a baby shower*

*For Savannah Edwards Richard*

*On Saturday, September 15th*

*2:00 - 4:00 pm, Drop-In*

*Zion Fellowship Building*

*Nursery theme: Mountains, Bears, Arrows*

*Colors: Light blue and navy*

*Registered at Walmart and Target*



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**The Lyda Poston Circle** will meet on Tuesday, September 11th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Building. Joan Sharpe and Brenda Dixon will be hosting. The program will be provided by Michelle Strickland, church Partnership Coordinator for the United Christian Missions, a local non-profit Christian International Mission organization headquartered in Boiling Springs. The focus of the United Christian Missions is "Providing hope . . .changing lives."

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## Wednesday Fellowship Meals Begin on September 5th

Depending on numbers, the cost will remain the same as before: Adults - \$4, Children K-12 years - \$3, up to Kindergarten - No charge.

A new reservation list will be started. No names are carried over, so it is very important that you fill out a new form. Again there is the option of having a standing reservation, or you may sign up weekly. Sign-up cards are available in the backs of the pews or you may sign up by calling the church office. To sign up weekly, please call the church office by 12:00 pm on Monday. It is very important that if you have a standing reservation, you notify the office by Monday at 12:00 pm if you know that you are not going to attend. We are well aware that unexpected events happen and plans change at the last minute. These things cannot be avoided, but please help us get the most accurate count possible. Menus for the month will be printed in the Messenger to help plan your activities.

Help is always needed from any individual or group who would prepare a meal. If you or your group would be willing to prepare one or two meals as a fundraiser or just to help out, it would be appreciated. Wednesday night meals involve preparing for 60-70 people. Menus do not need to be fancy or complicated. No cost is involved for those preparing the meals, only time and a little work. Continuation of this helpful and meaningful service depends on getting additional help. Please call Iris Spangler (home phone 704-751-1774) or call the church office at 704-487-8216 if you can help.

If you are not comfortable cooking, but are willing to come early to help set-up, fix ice or take up money, it would be appreciated. And if you have a few minutes after eating a delicious meal, we can always use help clearing and wiping tables, washing a few dishes or pots, and sometimes sweeping the floor.

Wednesday Fellowship meals were designed to encourage participation in mid-week church activities, both for adults and children. Meals are ready at 5:15 so you can enjoy eating and fellowshiping until activities begin at 6:00. Come and have a good meal and catch up on church news and events.

# September Prayer Requests

## CHURCH FAMILY

Ronnie & Juanita Austell  
Barbara Bridges  
George Cabaniss Family  
Joann Cabaniss Family  
Sue Dawson  
Pam Fish  
Gary Gragg  
Amy Cartee Greene  
Jewel Greene  
Tim Hamrick  
Eddie Harrill  
Bob Ingle  
Dale Jackson  
Kim Lee  
Barbara Maloney  
Dale Mayes  
Marshall Mayes  
Ted McSwain  
Dannie Moore  
Mickey Morehead  
Rachel Proctor  
Randy & Linda Raynor  
Barbara Reynolds  
Lisa Spangler  
Myrtle Sparks  
Jessica Yarboro

## HOMEBOUND

Dorcas Barbee  
Mary Helen Cabaniss  
Sue Cabaniss  
Gene Cornwell  
Veva C. Gold  
Bob Horn  
Ora Trivett  
Billy Wright

## MISSIONS

## THOSE IN THE MILITARY

## OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY



## **SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION DAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND**

PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO BE HERE AT 9:45 FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AS CLASSES CHANGE

## **WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 5TH**

- FELLOWSHIP MEAL AT 5:15 PM  
Sign up on a pew card or call the church office.
- CHILDREN'S CHOIR AT 5:40 PM  
Bruce & Carol can't wait to see all of you!
- HAND BELLS AT 6:00 PM  
We would love for everyone to join us!
- YOUTH AT 6:00 PM; ORANGE AT 6:00 PM
- ADULT PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY - 6:00 PM IN ADULT ASSEMBLY
  - CHOIR PRACTICE WILL CHANGE BACK TO 6:45 PM
  - PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE BEGINS AT 7:45 PM



1 Nicholas Hastings  
 2 Tonya Payne  
 3 Matt Boatwright  
 4 Ronnie Humphries  
 5 Chris Hendrick  
 9 Aaron Cabaniss  
 Austin Edwards  
 Marie Horne  
 Louise Martin  
 11 Blake Goforth  
 Barbara Reynolds  
 Melanie Storie  
 13 Barbara Wellmon  
 16 Brad Cornwell  
 Ronnie Blanton  
 Myrtle Sparks  
 17 Linda Moore  
 18 Terry Clark  
 Easton Gragg  
 Sonya Ivester  
 20 Kris Howard  
 23 Iris Spangler  
 24 Jess Bankhead  
 Betsy Bankhead  
 25 Mike Bankhead  
 26 Colton Fletcher  
 27 Cecilia Ward  
 28 Debi Metcalfe  
 Natalie Humphries  
 Aubrey Bumgardner  
 30 Candace Gold  
 Leslie Wellmon



3rd Scott & Barbara Wellmon  
 Jeff & Melanie Wallace  
 4th Blake & Pam Goforth  
 10th Zach & Madelyn Parker  
 14th Kendall & Joan Sharpe  
 18th Keith & Tonya Payne  
 20th Terry & Sherrie Clark  
 Dennis & Vanna Wright  
 30th Ben & Jessica Yarboro

*If we have omitted your birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office and we will be glad to add it to our calendar.*

## Upcoming Church Activities and Events

9/16 Deacons Meeting - 6:00 pm, FB  
 9/23 Church Council, 3:30 - 5:00 pm,  
 Conference Room, Church Planning  
 Meeting (Church Council and Deacons)  
 5:00 pm  
 9/30 Youth Sunday  
 10/21 Outdoor Brush Arbor Worship and  
 Fellowship (Covered dish meal)  
 11/17 Church Family trip to see the Charlotte  
 Hornets Game, 7:00 pm. Contact the  
 Church office to sign up.



### September 5th

Hostess: Iris Spangler  
 Menu: Crispy chicken sandwiches,  
 baked beans, chips

### September 12th

Hostess: Emily Parker  
 Menu: Baked potato bar, salad

### September 19th

Hostess: Marcia Alsobrook & Linda Raynor  
 Menu: Grilled chicken & salad

### September 26th

Hostess: Jane Cooper  
 Menu: Chicken pie, field peas,  
 slaw, dessert & tea

*Please sign up for the meal by Monday at noon. If you have a standing reservation but cannot attend, please call the church office or make the change on a reservation card.*





A new beginning is always exciting! All of the Sunday School classes have their curriculum in place. Some classes are trying something totally new. Those using the Gospel Project begin a new cycle of the study of the Bible in chronological order, with daily devotions following each Sunday's study to enrich each lesson. Please join us each Sunday at 9:45 am.

The new Sunday School church year begins on September 2nd. Please note the changes in the Children's Departments. Pre-K and Kindergarten will meet on the first floor, below the sanctuary, on the organ side. First and second graders will meet on the first floor, below the sanctuary, on the piano side. Third through sixth graders will meet on the second floor in the room near the elevator.

Please leave outdated literature in your classrooms. It will be picked up soon and taken to the associational office.

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## Homework Club



Volunteers are needed to help tutor children with Cecilia Beck's ministry. We need at least 5-7 volunteers to help. We eat dinner with the children from 5:30-6:30 and spend time getting to know them. From 6:30-7:30, tutor and read with the children. From 7:30-7:45 the children share what they have learned. Please contact Jenny Harrill or the church office if you would like to help. Our church helps the second Monday evening of each month.

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## Haiti Mission Trip

There is great excitement and anticipation as the Zion mission team prepares to go to Haiti early in the morning on September 9th. Please remember the people of Haiti, Marc Brice, and the team. Those on the team are Ronnie Blanton, Terry Clark, Jane Cooper, Brian Fletcher, Megan Fletcher, Leonard Fletcher, Kathi Fletcher, Thomas Fletcher, Clyde Gold, Chelsea Hamrick, LouAnn Hannah, Tim Lail, Bruce Martin, Caroline Martin, Matthew Royster, Storm Smith, Tim Tallent, and Dennis Wright.

Any financial help you can give to help purchase fans (at this time, money for five fans has been donated; five more commercial fans and five regular fans are needed), wire bolts, screws, etc., that will be carried on the plane will be most appreciated. A check has already been sent to buy wood for church pews and plumbing supplies (these will be purchased in Haiti). All money given will be used to help in the rebuilding of the last stage of the big church in Rousseau. What a blessing, and God is glorified! (When you donate money, please designate to "Haiti church" in the memo line and on the envelope.)

## Golden Years Club

**September 18th - Dinner Trip to the Beacon in Spartanburg, SC.** We leave church at 5:30 pm. Bring money for your meal and some Tums for the ride home!

**October 23rd - Hotdog Roast at the Fire Pit, 6:30 pm**

**November 15th - GYC Annual Thanksgiving Meal, 6:00 pm, Small Dining Room**

**December 4th - This year the GYC is taking a trip for their Christmas meal.** Everyone, regardless of age, is invited to join us as we travel to NarroWay Theater, just south of Charlotte, for a Christmas show and meal. The meal is served at 6:30, with the show following. We have reserved 25 spots, but can add more if needed. Contact the church office or Jenny Cabaniss to sign up.

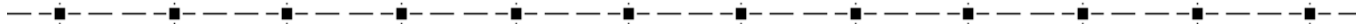


## Promotion Sunday

We're moving on up! On the morning of **Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, children that are advancing out of their current Sunday School class will move up to the next class. There will be signs and volunteers present to help children know to which Sunday School classroom they should go. We hope to see you for Sunday School!

## Wednesday Nights

We're excited that it's that time of year again! Starting on the evening of **Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**, we will resume usual Wednesday evening activities for children. Following the fellowship meal, the schedule will begin with **children's choir at 5:40-6:00** and follow with **children's Orange activities from 6:00-6:45 p.m.** Pre-K will meet in the pre-K Sunday School room whereas K-6 children will meet in the Orange room and then split into small groups according to age. Come on out for Wednesday nights filled with fun, friends, and growth in faith! We hope to see you there on Wednesday!



## S.N.A.C.

We're getting the squad back together. On **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**, we will resume **S.N.A.C. (Sunday Nights at Church) for youth**. As usual, we will begin with a **snack supper at 5:30 p.m.** and then hold **Bible study from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** We hope that you'll be able to make it out! You won't want to miss what we have planned for Sunday nights this year!

## Parents' meeting

On **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**, we will hold a **youth parents' meeting immediately following the morning worship service** in the **small dining room** of the Family Life Center. If your child plans to participate in youth events this coming school year, then please plan to attend this meeting. We plan to cover events for the upcoming school year, opportunities to get plugged in to the youth ministry at ZBC, and you will have the opportunity to sign up to provide a snack supper. The meeting will be brief out of respect for everyone's time. We hope to see you there!

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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### VIDEO MINISTRY ~ September

Tim & June Lail

### PRESCHOOL CHURCH

*Sunday, September 2nd*

Jerry & Laura Wellmon

*Sunday, September 9th*

Tonya & Maggie Payne

*Sunday, September 16th*

Charles & Rhonda Yarborough

*Sunday, September 23rd*

Brian & Joy Hord

*Sunday, September 30th*

Miranda & Aubrey Bumgardner

### HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

*Sunday, September 2nd*

Vanna Wright

*Sunday, September 9th*

Marcia Alsobrook

*Sunday, September 16th*

Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker

*Sunday, September 23rd*

Linda Cornwell

*Sunday, September 30th*

Vanna Wright

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

*Week of September 2nd*

Steve Boatwright, Bruce Martin

*Week of September 9th*

Ronnie Blanton, Dean Jenks

*Week of September 16th*

Dick Cabaniss, Franklin Barbee

*Week of September 23rd*

Terry Clark, Kenneth Wellmon

*Week of September 30th*

Frank Horn, Todd McMurry

### NURSERY WORKERS

*Sunday, September 2nd*

Betsy Boatwright, Anzie Horn, Sandra Cartee

*Sunday, September 9th*

Sherrie Clark, Kathe & Elizabeth Sparks

*Sunday, September 16th*

Eddie & Jenny Harrill, Becky Dorsey

*Sunday, September 23rd*

Thomas & Adrienne Fletcher

*Sunday, September 30th*

Dana & Maggie Bradshaw, Jean Silver

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

The bulletin is printed each week on Thursday Morning. Please forward any announcements, inserts, or prayer requests to the office by 10:00 am on Thursdays for publication the following Sunday.

**NEXT CHECK WRITING DATES - SEPTEMBER 11TH & 25TH**

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION FOR  
PUBLICATION IN THE OCTOBER MESSENGER - SEPTEMBER 28TH**

**Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday  
8:00 am - 1:00 pm**