# The Messenger zion baptist church

"The Church with a history and a future"



## Mr. Webster defines this word "engaged" the following way:

- 1. involved in an activity: occupied, busy
- 2. pledged to be married: betrothed
- 3. greatly interested: committed
- 4. involved, especially in a hostile encounter
- 5. partly embedded in a wall, an engaged column
- 6. being in gear: meshed

The different meanings to this word depends on the different context; for example, if you were in a building that had an engaged column, you would be very thankful for the column's commitment to keeping the ceiling above in place. The engaged fiancé is more excited about her upcoming wedding rather than a long, busy week of work. In order for your automobile to move forward, it must be engaged into gear. This month we are going to take some time to ponder this word "engaged" and its different meanings within the context of our church. Last month we followed the story of Elijah and learned how God led the prophet from burnout to balance. We identified several practical steps we could take as individuals to better our health and help us avoid those times where we may find ourselves experiencing burnout, at the end of our rope. Hopefully, as we discuss what it means to be an engaged church, we will learn or be reminded of some practical steps we can take as a church to better our health and grow.

# **Upcoming Sermon Series – An Engaged Church**

February 2– Home is Where the Heart Is: Acts 16:22-34, Mark 10:17-22

February 10– Committed and Betrothed: Revelation 2 & 3

February 17- Do I Belong?: Luke 7:36-50, Mark 2:1-12

February 24-Tillin' the Soil: Mark 4:1-9



# **Senior Adult Valentine Banquet**

Sunday, February 17th after worship Small Dining Room

Sponsored by our Youth

All seniors are invited – there is no cost for you.

Please sign up or call the church office if you plan to attend.



### FRIDAY - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST - 3RD

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT AT BLOWING ROCK

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD (ALSO 10, 17TH, 24TH)

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 AM; WORSHIP - 11:00 AM YOUTH SNACK SUPPER - 5:30 PM; YOUTH BIBLE STUDY - 6:00 CLEVELAND COUNTY RESCUE MISSION MEAL - 6:00 PM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH (EACH MONDAY THIS WINTER RESERVED)

ZION MEN'S BASKETBALL IN FAMILY LIFE CENTER - 7:30-10:00 PM

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH

YMCA YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE GAMES - 6:00-9:00 PM - FAMLY LIFE CENTER MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - 6:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING COMMUNITY MISSIONS DAY PLANNING MEETING - 6:30 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH (ALSO 13TH, 20TH, 27TH)

Wednesday Fellowship Meal Begins at 5:15 pm Children's Choir - 5:40 pm; Orange - 6:00 pm; Youth - 6:00 pm Adult Prayer Meeting & Bible Study in Adult Assembly - 6:00 pm (Revelation) Choir Practice - 6:45 pm; Praise Team Practice - 7:45 pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH (Also 14th, 21st, 28th)

Busy Hands - 1:30 in Small Dining Room

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

Brotherhood Breakfast Meeting - 8:30 am - Small Dining Room Church Security/Usher Meeting after Brotherhood - 9:25 am Church Council - 3:30 pm - Conference Room Deacons' Meeting 6:00 pm - Fellowship Building

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH

HOMEWORK CLUB - 5:30-7:45 PM

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

Lyda Poston Circle Meeting - 7:00 pm - Fellowship Building

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

SENIOR ADULT VALENTINE LUNCHEON - AFTER WORSHIP - SMALL DINING ROOM (PROVIDED BY OUR YOUTH)

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

COMMUNITY MISSIONS DAY PLANNING MEETING - 6:30 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

DEACON & SPOUSE DINNER & DEACON TRAINING - 6:30 PM - SMALL DINING ROOM

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

DEACON TRAINING - 8:30 AM--NOON - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING





Last month we looked at the story of Elijah, God's prophet, who experienced the ups and downs of life. His story showed us the genuine emotions felt as he faced burnout and despair. God intervened and helped Elijah overcome his spiritual, emotional, and physical burnout. Here are a few practical steps we identified to do in hopes of helping when we face those "end of your rope" moments in life. Divert Daily—take some time each day for yourself, to rest, to recharge your batteries. Withdraw Weekly— As our Creator God rested on the seventh day, we too should take a day of rest. For those who may have to work some Sundays, choose another day during the week to be your Sabbath. Abandon Annually—No matter how much we love our work and daily routines, we need a break to get away for rest, for reflection, and perhaps a time to hear God's voice in a different way a part from our daily distractions. After Elijah collapsed under a desert bush, emotionally, physically, and spiritually exhausted, he slept, he ate, and walked.

We too need to take time to sleep (7 hours or more a day for adults), eat healthy, and exercise. Elijah traveled for 40 days to Mt. Horeb, the mountain of God. There he went to a cave, a quiet place. It can be difficult to rest if the noise of life is still playing loud. Find a quiet place. Find a holy place / a sacred space to encounter God. Pray an honest prayer; if you are hurt, angry, sad, or depressed, let God know. He can handle our emotions. Look for God in unexpected ways (perhaps in the silence with a sense of Holy). When Elijah had a bad attitude, God sent him on mission. When we serve on mission we focus on God and helping others rather than ourselves and our problems. Next time we get down, we should turn our focus to God.

Sermons can be found here: zbcshelby.org/sermons/



North Carolina Baptists on Mission is hosting a conference on Friday April 5th and Saturday April 6th at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. There will be opportunities of worship, time to be encouraged by speakers such as Bob Goff, and numerous breakout sessions to learn more about becoming engaged in missions. Cost of the conference is \$20 and includes lunch on Saturday. You can join us for all the sessions -- Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday afternoon, or choose those that best fit your schedule. Call the church office or go to zbcshelby.org to register. Registration due by March 25th.

# February Prayer Requests

### **CHURCH FAMILY**

Dick Canipe Sue Dawson Mike Falls Gary Gragg Jewel Greene Knox Hamrick Tim Hamrick Betty Hendrick Natalie Humphries Bob Ingle Dale Jackson Kim Lee Dale Mayes Marshall Mayes Thomas & Christian McSwain Mickey Morehead Rachel Proctor Jim Ramsev Barbara Reynolds

> Matt Royster Myrtle Sparks Jessica Yarboro Barbara Wellmon Jessica Wellmon

### **HOMEBOUND**

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

### **MISSIONS**

THOSE IN THE MILITARY
OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY



# Answer to Prayers

Eveline Brice, Marc's wife, has received a clean bill of health from all her doctors (no cancer remains following full treatments of chemo and radiation). She wants the news shared with all who have prayed for her and says, "Thank you for your prayers. Prayers have been answered." She gives praises to her God for the new life that He has given to her. She knows He gave doctors wisdom and knowledge, but HE is the only one who HEALED. She loves the Lord and as long as she lives, she wants to serve Him and be obedient to His voice. In July, she will retire from Bethware School and move to Haiti to serve on mission with Marc.



- 2 Leonard Fletcher
- 3 Marcia Alsobrook Steve Edwards
- 4 Daniel Gold
- 5 Leah Barker Lem Hafer
- 6 Jewel Greene Andrew Yarboro
- 8 Kirstyn Shelton
- 10 Brandy Wright Dick Canipe
- Harold Eaker
- 12 Veva C. Gold Cole Hord
- 14 Mike Spangler
- 15 Donnis Baynard Levi Cornwell
- 16 John Carroll
  Brad Lail
  Oliver McMurry
  Phyllis Waters
- 17 Franklin Barbee
- 19 Kathe Sparks
- 20 Linda Raynor
- 21 Hal Cabaniss
- 22 Katie Cabaniss Jim Ramsey
- 23 Woody Fish
  Bryon Gragg
  Josh Hollifield
  Kelly Snellings
  Tim Tallent
- 24 Dennis White
- 25 Jeff Carpenter Jay Brooks
- 26 Bonnie Gold
- 28 Carolyn Horn



3rd Jeff & Judy Carpenter

14th Ron & Linda Alexander
Dale & Aimee Jackson

19th Kenneth & Brenda Wellmon

25th Tom & Lisa Fitts

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



### February 6th

Hostesses: Libby Senter S.S. Class Menu: Soup and sandwiches

### February 13th

Hosts: Brotherhood Menu: Breakfast for supper

### February 20th

Hostess: Jane Cooper Menu: To be announced

### **February 27th**

Host: Cody Dorsey--Basketball fundraiser Menu: Hot dogs with all the trimmings

Please make reservation changes by noon on Monday, so we can have an accurate meal count. Thank you.

# **Upcoming Projects for 2019**

<u>Haiti Medical and Construction Trip</u>— March 3<sup>rd</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup>. We will partner with FBC Salisbury to work with Marc Brice and his ministry in Haiti. We are collecting children's vitamins and financial donations for food for the orphans.

<u>Community Mission Day – Spring (Church-wide and Partner Churches)</u> This will be the third year of planning this mission project. We will meet in February to plan the mission projects. Meetings will be on February 5th and February 19th.

<u>Guatemala Mission Project July 7/13-7/20</u>— This will be sponsored by the youth ministry, but we typically open up the trip to others in the church to help with their mission project. It typically consists of construction projects, VBS with children, working with youth, etc.

**POTENTIAL PROJECTS:** If you are interested in helping serve in any of the following ways, contact anyone on the mission committee or Matt.

<u>Tutor at Schools</u> – (Julie Daves, Middle School BMS, CMS, SMS) 704-472-2886 Mentor, Lunch Buddy, Friend, Encourager, usually 45 minutes a week, not always every week. Also volunteers are needed for test proctoring in May. <u>Bethel Colony Women's drug rehab facility in Lenoir</u>— Bethel Colony recently purchased an older Methodist retreat center and is in the process of renovating the facilities to open a women's drug rehab center. They are currently working on several cabins for the women to stay in and will begin to renovate next year the old conference/dining hall area. The retreat is one hour away.

### **Cleveland County Rescue Mission Volunteer Needs:**

Fund Raisers (hosting, sponsorship, event planning, printing, graphic design)

<u>Chapel Leaders</u> (small group leaders, fathers, mothers, clergy/pastors, teachers, husbands, wives)

<u>Transporting Residents</u> to appointments, school, and work (anyone, retired person, someone who enjoys driving and brief conversations)

<u>Professionals</u> (legal assistance for applicable and pre-screened residents, accountants/financial planners for personal budgeting and life skills training for the homeless)

One-on-One Faith Based Counselors (licensed counselors, counseling and MSW students, pastors, substance abuse counselors of faith)

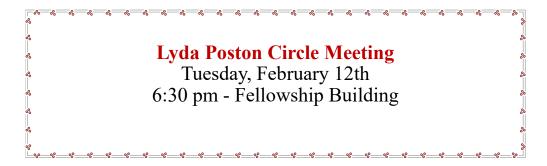
<u>Medical Services</u> (all nurses and medical professionals, retired nurse or medical professional, medical and nursing students, parish nurses, medical office professionals, to staff on-site clinic)

<u>Life Skills Training</u> (overcomers, life coaches, mentors, parents, teachers, anyone called to disciple others in a walk of faith in Jesus Christ).

### **Project Needs:**

The following projects would be a blessing to CCRM Men's Mission: painting the first floor hallways (they are currently two different shades of "sand") and we'd like to have them all repainted the same color, in that color family; finishing and paining the baseboards of the stairwells with flat, black baseboards; painting the exposed overhead pipes on the first floor. A paper products drive is needed for the mission: paper towels and toilet paper.

**Lazarus House:** Zion will most likely help with the renovation and possible wiring of this transitional home for the Rescue Mission. They will keep us updated when the project is ready to begin.





# **Tubing at Jonas Ridge**

Get ready to tube! The ZBC Children's Ministry will reschedule tubing for sometime soon. Be on the lookout for an email and a text from Carson on tubing.



S.N.A.C. (Sunday Nights at Church)

We will not have youth S.N.A.C. on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> in light of returning from the Winter Retreat. We will resume youth S.N.A.C. the following Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see everyone there!

# Youth Valentine's Luncheon

The youth will be sponsoring a Valentine's Luncheon for Senior Adults in the church! All seniors are invited for a time of fellowship and food, all provided and served by our youth (and their parents). Seniors who plan to attend are asked to RSVP through the bulletin inserts on Sunday mornings or by contacting the church office or Carson (704-300-8068). We hope to see everyone there! Youth parents, be on the lookout for an email from Carson soon with information about the luncheon.

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### VIDEO MINISTRY - February

Tommy & Connie Harrill

### PRESCHOOL CHURCH

Sunday, February 3rd
Charles & Rhonda Yarborough

Sunday, February 10th Brian & Joy Hord

Sunday, February 17th
Miranda & Aubrey Bumgardner

Sunday, February 24th
Jeff & Mary Cornwell

### HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Sunday, February 3rd
Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker
Sunday, February 10th
Linda Cornwell
Sunday, February 17th
Vanna Wright
Sunday, February 24th
June Lail

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Week of February 3rd
Tommy Harrill, Dick Cabaniss
Week of February 10th
Jeff Cornwell, Bruce Martin
Week of February 17th
Dannie Moore, Franklin Barbee
Week of February 24th
Steve Boatwright, Clyde Gold

### NURSERY WORKERS

Sunday, February 3rd Melanie Storie, Anita Horn, Lisa Spangler

Sunday, February 10th
Ronnie & Kim Blanton, Linda Raynor

Sunday, February 17th

Betsy Boatwright, Anzie Horn, Sandra Cartee *Sunday, February 24th* 

Sherrie Clark, Kathe & Elizabeth Sparks

# 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 - FEBRUARY 12TH & 26TH

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION IN THE MARCH MESSENGER - FEBRUARY 25TH

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