

FEBRUARY 2020

# The Messenger

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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A few years ago, our Zion family participated in a church-wide survey. We looked at our programs, our ministries, and our missions. We asked questions to consider what we were doing well and what possibly we could do better. We identified several areas in which we felt were doing well, but at the same time asking ourselves, "Can we do better?" One of those areas that Zion is doing well is our Small Group ministries. Small groups are opportunities when we come together in smaller church circles for discipleship, missions, ministries, and fellowship. Our Sunday School classes, choir, youth and children ministries, mission groups, JOY club, softball and basketball teams are some examples of Zion's Small Group ministries. They are a vital part of our church family as they help minister within our congregation and our community. Many of y'all have shared how much you appreciate your Sunday School class and how important it is to you. Not only is it an opportunity for discipleship and Bible study, but in many classes lasting relationships are built and friendships are made.

We are looking to add another small group ministry for the upcoming spring months, and hopefully the fall, called Life Groups. The goal of these groups will be in-reach and outreach. The opportunity to build and strengthen relationships within our church, (in-reach), and being intentional to invite others to join the group, (outreach). In addition to fellowship and building relationships, another purpose of these groups will be to learn and grow in our faith. Study topics will depend on each group. Some groups may choose to study a specific book of the Bible, a book study, a life topic, or discuss the weekly scripture and sermon. One Life Group offered this spring will be the Financial Peace class, helping individuals and couples learn more about managing their monies and resources.

**What?** Life Groups

**When?** Life Groups will meet from 4—8 weeks, depending on each group. Some groups may meet weekly on a Sunday evening, while other groups may meet every two weeks on a Tuesday evening. Groups for this Spring may begin as early as the week of March 8th.

**Where?** Life Groups will meet either at church or in the community, typically in someone's home.

**Who?** Life Groups are open to anyone who wants to participate, or who has an interest in the specific topic of study. Groups are also encouraged to invite guests.

**How do I get involved?** In order for us to offer several Life Group studies, we need Hosts, Facilitators, and Participants. A Host would be someone who opens up their home, or church space, for the group to meet. A Facilitator would be someone who leads the study and discussion. Participants are folks who attend, learn, discuss, and hopefully strengthen their faith. Groups can have sign-ups for different folks to bring pickups each week and some alternate to provide childcare.

If you are interested in Hosting, Facilitating, or simply Participating you can sign up at church, online, or call the church office. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

In Christ,

**Matt**



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND (ALSO 9TH, 16TH, 23RD)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 AM; WORSHIP - 11:00AM

YOUTH PARENTS MEETING AFTER WORSHIP

YOUTH S.N.A.C. - 5:30 & 6:00 PM

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH (ALSO 18TH)**

COMMUNITY MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - 6:30 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS THROUGH FEBRUARY 20TH**

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE GAMES - 6:00 - 9:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH (ALSO 12TH, 19TH, 26TH)**

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL - 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

CHOIR PRACTICE - 6:45 PM; PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE - 7:45 PM

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH**

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST MEETING - 8:30 AM - SMALL DINING ROOM

HOUSE & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING - 5:00 PM - CONFERENCE ROOM

DEACON'S MEETING - CONFERENCE ROOM - 6:00 PM

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY - 6:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH**

TUTORING FOR CECILIA BECK'S STUDENTS - 5:30 PM

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH**

LYDA POSTON CIRCLE, 7:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH & 27TH**

BUSY HANDS - 1:30 PM - SMALL DINING ROOM

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH**

SENIOR ADULT VALENTINE LUNCHEON - NOON - SMALL DINING ROOM

FINAL WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY - 6:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH**

CHILDREN'S SNOW TUBING

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD**

COMMUNION

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH**

YOUTH SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER FUNDRAISER - 6:00 PM, FAMILY LIFE CENTER

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH**

JOY CLUB GAME NIGHT - 6:00 PM, SMALL DINING ROOM



## **Upcoming Mission Opportunities**

### **Kentucky Mission Trip, March 19th-22nd**

We will be traveling to Kentucky to work at the Cleft Rock Retreat Center. This trip is open to folks of all ages and skill levels. Cleft Rock Retreat center relies on volunteer church groups to help with the maintenance, repairs, and cleaning needs. We will be repairing and sealing a wood cabin, installing a dishwasher with the necessary plumbing and electrical work, repairing a handicap ramp, cleaning the inside of cabins and meeting facilities, and any outdoor work such as cutting up wood, clearing off hiking trails, and raking up leaves. We are hoping to have one group from the church travel on Thursday morning and return Saturday evening, and also have another group travel on Friday afternoon and work Saturday and return Sunday afternoon. There is no cost for this trip. If you are interested in serving or have any questions, contact Matt or anyone on the Missions Committee.

### **Zion 5K Run for Missions and Connect Cleveland County**

We are hosting our 5K Run for missions again this year on March 28th. This year we are inviting several kids' running clubs from the local elementary schools and allowing them to run/walk/hop/skip for free. This will be an opportunity, not only to raise monies for missions, but to have numerous folks from the community visit our church. We will need several volunteers to help on race day with signups, directing the runners on the course, and helping with the finish line. Folks can also help by providing water, bananas, oranges, and baked goodies. We will also need help getting local businesses to sponsor the race and provide door prize giveaways. Monies raised will go toward our Haiti mission partnership and a new mission project from Zion called Connect Cleveland County. The goal of Connect Cleveland County is for Zion folks to engage in a variety of mission projects to help those in need in Cleveland County. Sunday School classes, youth group, several individuals or families will decide on a mission project of their interest and passion. They will submit a request for any funds they need to complete the project to the mission committee. Then they will go and serve.



## JOY Club February Activities

**Monday, February 10th** - Burger Day at Toscano's  
Meet at the restaurant at 11:30 am

**Sunday, February 16th** - Senior Adult Valentine  
Luncheon after Worship

**Friday, February 28th** - Game Night, 6:00 pm  
in the Small Dining Room

## Community Mission Day—April 4



**What is Community Mission Day?** It is a day where folks from different churches gather together to serve on various mission projects. We meet for breakfast, then head out in small groups to help build handicap ramps, clean gutters for homebound, cook lunches for the men's and women's shelter, visit with people in the nursing homes, and serve God in other various ways. Most projects are completed by lunch time while others may finish up in the afternoon. If you are interested in helping with the planning of Community Mission Day, join us for our upcoming meetings 2/4 6:30pm, 2/18, 3/3 in the Fellowship Building. Sign-ups will begin in March. Contact Matt if you have a specific project idea and/or are interested in leading a project.



**Zion Kionania Retreat—Flat Rock, NC May 15-17**

## February Prayer Requests

### CHURCH FAMILY

Kim Blanton  
Ronnie Blanton  
Jessica Brooks  
Hal Cabaniss Family  
Dick Canipe  
Sue Dawson  
Dixon Fletcher  
Lib Gantt  
Clyde Gold  
Gary Gragg  
Jewel Greene  
Tim Hamrick  
Jenny Harrill  
Dan Hoyle  
Bob Ingle  
Dale Jackson  
Kim Lee  
Dale Mayes  
Marshall Mayes  
Terri McSwain  
Mickey Morehead  
Rachel Proctor  
Tap Ramsey  
Barbara Reynolds  
Jessica Yarboro  
Barbara Wellmon  
Betty Wellmon  
Scott Wellmon

A silent request from church family

### HOMEBOUND

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

### MISSIONS

### THOSE IN THE MILITARY

### OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY



### **“My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.” John 15:12 NIV**

Though not a fan of making New Year’s resolutions, Jen Kramer decided to add meaning to 2018 by declaring it #theyearoflove. Each day she wrote a “love note” to a different person, expressing gratitude and offering encouragement. Recipients ranged from waiters and custodians to relatives and a terminally ill friend.

The experiment may have stemmed from the sudden, unexpected death of Kramer’s father while she was away at college. “Why don’t we say those things to people while they’re here?” she tells the *Chicago Tribune*. “It’s easy to be kind, and it’s easy to tell people how you feel.”

Kramer’s campaign didn’t cost a cent, yet it changed her life and touched hundreds of people in the process. Wherever she went, she discovered that “love showed up.” It’s simple, Kramer says: “You just have to look.”

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# FEBRUARY

## Birthdays

- 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 Dick Canipe  
Brandy Wright
- 12 Veva C. Gold  
Cole Hord
- 14 Mike Spangler
- 15 Donnis Baynard  
Levi Cornwell
- 15 John Carroll  
Brad Lail  
Oliver McMurry  
Phyllis Waters
- 17 Franklin Barbee
- 19 Kathe Sparks
- 20 Linda Raynor
- 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



**5-K Road Race**  
Saturday, March 28th

**Community Missions Day**  
Saturday, April 4th

# FEBRUARY

## Anniversaries

- 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 5th**  
Hostess: Emily Parker & Dana Bradshaw  
Menu: Chicken pie

**February 12th**  
Hostess: Iris Spangler  
Menu: Ham, potato salad, tomato pie

**February 19th**  
Hostess: Church staff  
Menu: Lasagna & salad

**February 26th**  
Host: Jane Cooper  
Menu: Pork loin

*Please make supper reservation changes by Monday at noon.*





## Financial Update

We praise God for your support and gifts to Zion. As of January 29th, our 2020 budget giving is \$32,147. We are \$1,980 above budget and \$7,090 above spending. As a reminder, you can mail in your weekly offerings, give online at [zbcshelby.org](http://zbcshelby.org), or use the Easytithes Zion Baptist giving app to support our church ministry budget needs. Thank you for your continued financial commitment to support Zion Baptist Church.

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## Snow Tubing



Who likes playing in the snow? And having fun with friends? If you do, and you're not doing anything on your day out of school, then you're in luck! We plan to go snow tubing on Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at Hawk's Nest Tubing facility in Blowing Rock, NC. We plan to leave the church by 9:00 a.m., eat an early lunch in Boone, and snow tube during the 12:00 session. After our tubing session ends (at 1:45), we will load the bus around 2:00 and leave; we should be back to the church by around 4:15. Rates for snow tubing at Hawk's Nest are \$20/person. Please plan to come on out and have a blast with us!

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## Valentine's Banquet for Seniors

The ZBC Youth invite all seniors to come and join us for good food (and an even better time!) on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The youth group will host a luncheon immediately following the morning worship service on February 16<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center that will include lunch, games, and fellowship. Come on out and join us!

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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### VIDEO MINISTRY

Tommy & Connie Harrill

### NURSERY WORKERS

*Sunday, February 2nd*

Eddie & Jenny Harrill

*Sunday, February 9th*

Linda Cornwell, Anita Horn

*Sunday, February 16th*

Kim Blanton, Linda Raynor

*Sunday, February 23rd*

Jane Cooper, Susan Brown

### HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

*Sunday, February 2nd*

Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker

*Sunday, February 9th*

Donnis Baynard

*Sunday, February 16th*

Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker

*Sunday, February 23rd*

Donnis Baynard

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

*Week of February 2nd*

Dannie Moore, Steve Boatwright

*Week of February 9th*

John Carroll, Franklin Barbee

*Week of February 16th*

Matt Cornwell, Clyde Gold

*Week of February 23rd*

Tommy Harrill, Tim Tallent

### PRESCHOOL CHURCH

*Sunday, February 2nd*

Connie, Katie & Emma Harrill

*Sunday, February 9th*

Jason & Emily Parker

*Sunday, February 16th*

Ben & Jessica Yarboro

*Sunday, February 23rd*

Jerry & Laura Wellmon

### 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 11TH & 25TH**

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

### **Secretary's Office Hours:**

**Monday - Friday  
8:30 am - 1:30 pm**