

JULY 2022

# The Messenger

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

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

### Independence

During this month we are able to celebrate our independence as a country. I am thankful for the many freedoms we have as Americans, especially our religious freedom. As Baptists, this is one of the freedoms we claim as important to our faith, the ability to worship, minister, and serve God as we feel led as a local church. May we take some time this month to be thankful for our religious freedom as Christians and our independence as Americans.

As we give thanks for our independence, we also acknowledge there are many folks who are dependent on others. One specific group for us to consider are the senior citizens in our community that are homebound. In recognition of this group and an opportunity to serve those in need, we are partnering with the Council on Aging for our Zion monthly mission project. This organization delivers hot meals to 143 homebound folks Monday through Thursday of each week. In addition to these meals, they also provide boxes of seven non-perishable food items each Thursday to help them with their food needs over the weekend. As you can imagine, 7 items for 143 people for weekly food boxes amounts to over 4,000 items needed each month. If you would like to help support the Lunchbox Ministry for the Council on Aging, Senior Center you can purchase any of the items listed below or make a financial contribution to Zion Baptist and we will pick up the items needed. Donated items can be dropped off at the church office or any of the yellow mission boxes located around the church.

Lunchbox Ministry Items needed: Lance Cheese or Peanut butter crackers, pop-topped canned items such as Vienna sausage or beans, soft breakfast bars, sugar free Kool-Aid or juice drinks, oatmeal, grits, ramen noodles, applesauce, fruit cups, and peanut butter in small jars. In addition to these items, there is always a need for non-perishable food items and cleaning products to be donated to their emergency food pantry. If you are interested in volunteering to help pack the lunchbox food items on Wednesdays or help with any other need at the Senior Center, you can contact Paulette Putnam, at 704-481-7380.

Peace and Joy,  
Matt



Join us on Sunday Evening 7/31 from 5:30-7:30pm for our VBS Kickoff. There will be food and fun for the entire family. VBS will be Monday 8/1– Thursday 8/1 (Dinner at 5:30pm—VBS 6-8pm)



**SATURDAY, JULY 2ND**

TRIP TO CHARLOTTE KNIGHTS BASEBALL GAME, LEAVE CHURCH AT 4:30 PM

**SUNDAY, JULY 3RD (ALSO 10TH, 17TH, 24TH, 31ST)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL—9:30 AM, WORSHIP—10:30 AM IN SANCTUARY AND ONLINE

DEACONS MEETING—6:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

**SUNDAY, JULY 10TH**

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST MEETING— 8:00 AM IN SMALL DINING ROOM

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 13TH**

CHILDREN'S TRIP TO LAZY 5 RANCH, LEAVE 10:30 AM & RETURN AT 6 PM, BRING BAG LUNCH

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 13TH (ALSO 20TH, 27TH)**

BIBLE STUDY LED BY BRUCE MARTIN — 5:45 PM IN SMALL DINING ROOM

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE - 6:30-7:30 PM

**SUNDAY, JULY 17TH—JULY 23RD**

YOUTH CAMP AT GARDEN CITY

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH**

CHILDREN'S TRIP TO CATAWBA SCIENCE CENTER, LEAVE AT 9:00 AM, RETURN AT 3:00 PM, BRING BAG LUNCH

**THURSDAY, JULY 28TH**

JOY CLUB VISITS OAK HILL IRON IN MORGANTON, NC & HAVE LUNCH IN TOWN

**SUNDAY, JULY 31ST**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL KICKOFF, PM



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**Shared from a Friend**

Life is a journey of sweetness and sorrow,  
Of yesterday's memories and hopes for tomorrow,  
Of pathways we choose and detours we face  
With patience and humor, courage and grace,  
Of joys that we've shared and of people we've met  
Who have touched us in ways we will never forget.

Thank you for all the prayers, your many acts of kindness, and your love during this overwhelmingly sad time in our lives. Love each of you dearly.

Brenda, Debra, and the Dixon family

(If you took food to the Dixon home, you may pick up your dishes in the Small Dining Room.)

## Diakonos

Our Church has a very special group of men, and in the past, women who have agreed to be our deacons. διακονος (diakonos) is the Greek word for deacon, literally translated it means “servant.” Our deacons are imitators of Christ through their service to us. Different church traditions have different functions for their deacons. Here at Zion Baptist our deacons are folks who feel called to live out their faith by serving their church and community. They do this in many different ways using their unique gifts and talents in helping others. The main goal of our deacons is to encourage our church family in their spiritual growth and be available to minister to us in our times of need.

During the month of August, you will be asked to prayerfully nominate someone to serve as a deacon. We all are called to be servants as we imitate Christ’s example. If the work of the church was left up just to her pastor and staff, it would fall short. If the work was left up to the pastor, staff, and deacons, the church would still fall short. Only through the service of all our church family will we be able to imitate Christ and become the church God has called us to be--a church filled with diakonos.

### **Deacon Nominations**

*In years past Zion Baptist has nominated and elected deacons on two specific Sundays. Usually on the 1st or 2nd Sunday of August those in worship attendance would nominate five people who they believe would be the best deacons for our church. Those nominations would then be contacted and asked if they would be willing to serve as a deacon for the next three years. Once those individuals have agreed to serve, those names are listed on a bulletin insert and then on the 3rd or 4th Sunday of August, and those in worship attendance would nominate five people from the list to serve as deacons. In consideration that not all of our church family has returned to in-person worship, the deacons have decided to modify this process to allow for everyone who wants to nominate and elect deacons to have this opportunity.*

### **Nomination**

*There will be two weeks for folks to nominate deacons. Nomination forms / bulletin inserts will be available at church and during worship from Sunday, July 31st through Sunday, August 14th. Nomination forms can either be placed in the offering plate during our worship services or dropped in several nomination boxes. Folks may also come by the church office to fill out a nomination form, or may choose to mail or email their nomination choices to the church. Next, all folks nominated will be contacted to see if they are willing to serve as a deacon. Everyone who was nominated and has prayerfully agreed to serve as a deacon will be listed on the deacon election ballot. Those names will be presented to the church on August 21st.*

***Deacon elections*** will be on Sunday, August 28th. *For those who will not be in-person on Sunday the 28th, they can come by the church office the week prior to elect deacons, or may choose to mail or email their election choices to the church. Also, our homebound can contact a deacon or family member to have them bring an election form to include in this process. As we approach the time for our deacon nomination and election process, please prayerfully consider who God is placing on your heart to elect. Also, if you have never served as a deacon, but after prayer may be feeling led to consider this role, feel free to contact any of our deacons or pastor for more information about being a deacon servant leader.*



Thank you for your continued support of Zion Baptist Church during this past year. Here is our giving report, weekly, YTD with budget and expenses:

**Offerings:**

<b>June 5th</b>	<b>\$7,396.00</b>	<b>June 19th</b>	<b>\$11,143.00</b>
<b>June 12th</b>	<b>\$7,298.00</b>	<b>June 26th</b>	<b>\$7,743.00</b>

As of June 30th, giving is \$14,900.00 above expenses and is \$14,055.00 below the budget. The weekly 2022 budget is \$7,541.58.

Many folks are mailing in their offerings, some are giving online via our webpage or mobile phone app, and some are folks are dropping off their offerings at church. Wanda, our church secretary, will be available Monday through Friday from 8:30am -1:30pm. We do also have a church mailbox attached to the office that remains locked, if you choose to drop off your offering here. The church mailbox and office locked box are checked daily each evening.

### **Haiti Missions**

To donate money, write your check to Zion Baptist Church or donate directly online at [caribbeanchristianclub.org](http://caribbeanchristianclub.org)

### **Love Offering for the Gaines Family**

Robbie and Brittney Gaines have now in NC. Baby Ivy has been transferred to the Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte. We are very thankful for the improvement he has made. This offering is to help the Gaines family with medical expenses. Please make your check payable to Zion Baptist Church and we will send the funds to the family.



### **July Activity**

On July 28th the JOY Club will visit Oak Hill Iron in downtown Morganton, NC. We will leave from the Church at 10 am and have lunch in Morganton.



4 Tim Lail  
 6 Ava Aderholdt  
 Harvey Horn  
 Shawntay Mayes  
 10 Brian Hord  
 Courtney Morehead  
 Ted McSwain  
 Sarah Proctor  
 11 Janice Barbee  
 12 Dale Jackson  
 Kim Lee  
 13 Sue Dawson  
 Jarred Morehead  
 15 Myra Wilson  
 17 Bob Ingle  
 18 Amy Greene  
 Scott Wellmon  
 19 Adam Snellings  
 20 Gene Metcalfe  
 22 Lily Cornwell  
 23 Lincoln Cornwell  
 Matt Storie  
 24 Kim Blanton  
 28 Frank Horn  
 29 Jimmy McSwain  
 Michael McSwain  
 30 Kathy Ledbetter  
 31 Cinda Cabaniss  
 Brandon Sharpe



### Kitchen Announcement

If you or your group make coffee on Sunday mornings, please make sure the coffee maker is turned off and cleaned afterwards. Also please clear and clean the kitchen counter. We want to take care of our nice facilities. Thank you.



16th Brian & Joy Hord  
 17th Philip & Rachel Proctor  
 21st Woody & Pam Fish  
 25th Franklin & Janice Barbee



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



### Summer Fun at the Ballpark

Join the Zion Church family for some summer fun at the ballpark. We are planning a trip to the Charlotte Knights baseball game, on Saturday, July 2nd, a 7 pm game followed by fireworks. The cost is \$10. We will leave from the church at 4:30 pm. Contact Cody Dorsey, Matt Storie, or call the church office if you are interested in going with us.



## *July Prayer Requests*

### **CHURCH FAMILY**

Jessica Brooks  
Danny Cartee  
Sue Dawson  
Larry Dixon Family  
Robbie & Brittney Gaines family, Baby Ivy  
Tim Hamrick  
Jim Hendrick  
Myrna Hollifield  
Bob Ingle  
Houston & Caroline Lattimore—twin sons on  
6/25: Jace 7.7 lbs. 19.5", Judd 5.14 lbs. 18"  
Dale Mayes  
Marshall Mayes  
Buck Proctor  
Rachel Proctor  
Linda Raynor  
Randy Raynor  
Jean Silver  
Lisa Spangler  
Scott Wellmon

### **OUR HOMEBOUND**

Janice Cabaniss - *White Oak, Shelby*  
Sue Cabaniss - *cancer*  
Gary Gragg—*White Oak, Shelby*  
Billy Wright

### **MISSIONS**

Will & Lucia Meeks - Honduras  
Mark Brice - *sciatica pain; Haiti people, mission, orphanage, new church location.* Eveline Brice—*medical tests.* Mark's mother—*needs good rehab place in Haiti*  
Fuente de Salvacion - Guatemala  
Daniele Selena Tercero - hospital chaplain, Honduras

OUR NATIONAL & STATE LEADERS  
HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND FIRST  
RESPONDERS  
TEACHERS AND STUDENTS  
UKRAINIAN PEOPLE & CHURCHES  
FAMILIES & VICTIMS OF SHOOTINGS IN  
TEXAS AND NEW YORK



Dear Zion Church Family,

I want to express my gratitude for the scholarships I have received. I will apply the scholarships to my time at the University of Tennessee at Martin while I pursue a Veterinary Science degree. I am grateful also for the Bible that will be a constant connection to my church family and my Heavenly Father. I welcome your prayers as I continue through this journey.

Stevie Brown

To the Lee Cornwell Family,

Thank you for your generosity in funding the Lee Cornwell Scholarship. I am very thankful to be the recipient of this award. I will be attending UNC Wilmington in the fall and majoring in biology. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal. I appreciate your generous support.

Sincerely, Ava Aderholdt

Zion Baptist Church,

Thank you for presenting me with a Bible and the Mills & Earcie Cornwell Scholarship. I am honored to receive both. I will be attending UNC Wilmington in the fall and majoring in biology. I'm thankful for my church family. I appreciate your confidence in me and willingness to contribute to my future education.

Sincerely, Ava Aderholdt

Zion Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for the scholarship. I will be using it to pursue my education at Appalachian State University,

Thank you,  
Owen Storie

To Zion Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for all the sweets donated for Senior Sunset at Burns High! I takes a village, and we are so glad you are a part of ours!

Burns High School

To Lee Cornwell Family,

Thank you guys very much for your support. I hope that I can make you and the rest of the church family proud with my upcoming achievements.

Sincerely, Peyton Osborne

To the Church Family, thank you all very much for your support in my endeavors, and I hope that you continue supporting me on my path towards a Master's in Computer and Electrical Engineering at NC State.

With sincere gratitude, Peyton Osborne



### **July Activities:**

Wednesday, July 13th—Trip to Lazy 5 Ranch. Leave from the church at 10:30 am and return at 6:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch.

Wednesday, July 27th—Trip to Catawba Science Center. Leave from the church at 9:00 am and return at 3:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch.

Vacation Bible School—July 31st through August 4th. Kickoff is on Sunday evening, July 31st. For Vacation Bible School we are going to be journeying together back to the Marketplaces of ancient Jerusalem! Step back in time to where Jesus walked to the Cross, smell the fresh, warm bread; weave a basket of reeds; make clay pots... Can you hear the music echoing through the Marketplace? Engage all senses as you discover a different time and a fresh experience, walking with Jesus together!



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### Garden City Chapel Retreat

Zion Youth will be attending camp at Garden City Chapel from July 17 through July 23rd (Sunday through Saturday). We will Be joining North Parkersburg Baptist Church (Lea's home church) As they have also been attending there for years.

I'm so excited for our communities to join together for this trip And I can't wait to see the incredible bonds that are formed. These are the people that helped shape my faith, so I'm looking Forward to learning about Jesus and worshipping all together!

Lea

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

#### *Week of July 3rd*

Frank Horn, Jeff Cornwell

#### *Week of July 10th*

Matt Cornwell, Clyde Gold

#### *Week of July 17th*

Tommy Harrill, Tim Tallent

#### *Week of July 24th*

Terry Clark, Houston Lattimore

#### *Week of July 31st*

Thomas Fletcher, Eddie Harrill

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

**The bulletin is printed each week on Friday 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—JULY 11TH AND 25TH**

**Deadline for submitting information for publication in the August newsletter, July 28th.**

**SECRETARY'S OFFICE HOURS:**

**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**

**8:30 AM - 1:30 PM**