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Westfield will celebrate 49 years of God’s blessings on Sunday, November 3. Join us! A covered dish meal will follow worship. WBC will provide the meat and drinks; individual church members will bring veggies and desserts. If you haven’t already RSVPed, please call Jackie Elmore at 892-6011.

As is becoming tradition in recent years, representatives from Baptist Children’s Homes will celebrate Homecoming with us. Our guest speaker will be Sam Barefoot, and children from both Oak Ranch and Thomasville will be visiting with us.

This gives us a chance, even as we celebrate what God has done for us, to remain ministry-focused. As we celebrate God’s blessings and experience fellowship and belonging with God’s family, we don’t keep that just for ourselves. Homecoming Sunday is a chance to share a foretaste of Heaven with each other and with some of the most vulnerable children among us.

We will also receive the Thanksgiving Offering for Baptist Children’s Homes on Homecoming Sunday. Our goal is \$5000. By participating in the Annual Thanksgiving Offering, we help provide hurting children a caring home with regular meals, clean clothes, and loving houseparents to care for their needs. Most importantly, we are helping share with them the hope of Jesus Christ. Romans 8:24a: "For we are saved by hope...."



Vision Statement

To share Christ with all by leading and nurturing through a Ministry of love, fellowship, Bible study, prayer, worship, praise and proclamation of the Gospel; to seek God’s guid-

Upcoming Events



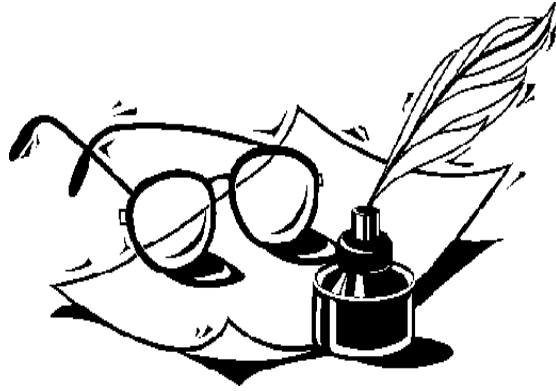
November

- 2 Men’s Workday - Church Clean-up
- 3 Homecoming (49th!)
- 10 Deacon’s Meeting
- 17 Business Meeting
- 24 Christmas Tree Decorating—2 p.m.
- 28 Thanksgiving Day

December

- 1 First Sunday of Advent
- Sr. Citizens Christmas Store
- 8 Christmas Post Office opens
- Moravian Love Feast
- 14 Choir Christmas Party
- 15 Cantata
- 18 Christmas Caroling
- 24 Christmas Eve Service—5:30 p.m.
- 25 Christmas Day

You may remember the story of the Texan who was being recognized for his great success in business and with finances. At the banquet given in his honor, one speaker after another paid high tribute. Finally, they asked if this renowned businessman would say a few words.



From the Pastor's Pen

"I am deeply moved," he said. "This town has been good to me; you are wonderful friends. When I came here fifty years ago, I had one suit and it was on my back. The rest of my possessions were tied up in an old red bandanna.

Now I own the bank, the newspaper, two hotels, five oil wells, and a radio station. Yes sir, this town's been good to me."

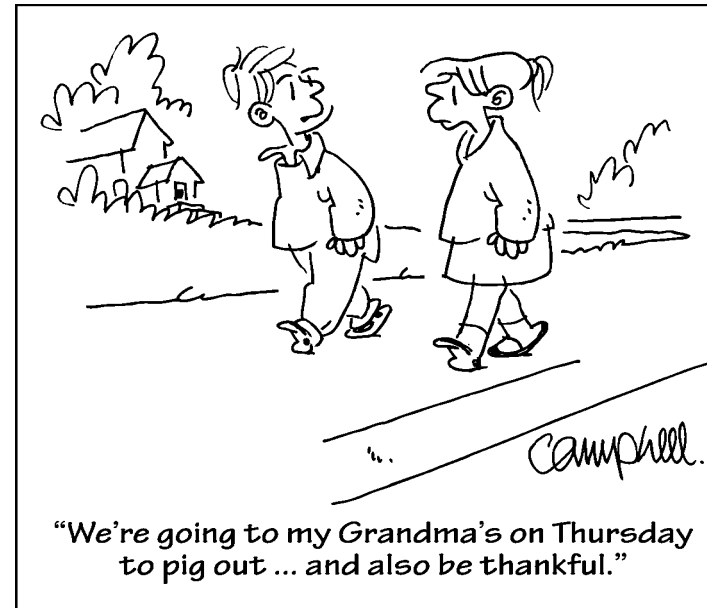
"Bill," someone asked, "tell us what you had in that old red bandanna."

"Well, to the best of my recollection, I had tied up in that old rag \$450,000 in cash and \$700,000 in bonds and securities."

The truth of this funny little story is this: in the world's eyes we look poor and weak. We are vagabonds walking down the highway with nothing but the clothes on our bodies and a red bandana worth of possessions. But the real question is: **what is in the bandana?**

What are the contents? Though we look sad and poor in the eyes of the world, we are rich before God's eyes. We are fully provided for by a Father who takes care of our needs. We have a wealthy Father and a healthy inheritance. We have much to rejoice about this November. As we prepare our homes and our tables for Thanksgiving, let's take a moment to remember all that God has given us and all that God continues to do for us.

Adam



Happy Thanksgiving!

Baptist Men Workdays

Thanks for all your help this year! We've built wheelchair ramps, installed handicap rails, and served others while also maintaining the grounds. We have two scheduled workdays in November.

- Nov 2 Homecoming Cleanup Day**
- Nov 24 Christmas Decorating—2pm**



Our Members at Home

Evelene Gardner
Harnett Woods
604 Lucas Road
Room 217

O.W. "Bill" Godwin, Jr.
1505 Lakeshore Drive, Dunn
892-7347

Mary Frances Gordon
Senior Citizens Village
Room 115



through October 27th

Budget Requirements	\$160,732
General Fund Offerings	125,014

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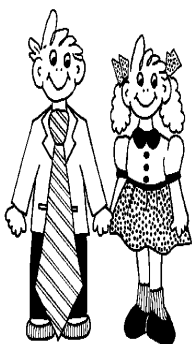
THIS MONTH

***Violet Jackson
Betty Bass
Steve Cooney
Jimmy Marks
Charles Wilkes**

Deacon of the Week

**Nov. 3 Abe Elmore 892-6661
Nov. 10 Steve Cooney 270-307-3451
Nov. 17 Lucy Simpson 892-3620
Nov. 24 Edwin Bass 894-1899**

CHILDREN'S



Sermon

**Nov. 3 Adam English
Nov. 10 Trent Carpenter
Nov. 17 Joe Carr
Nov. 24 Chris Cottingham**

Altar Flowers

**Nov. 3 Charlie & Midge Carpenter
Nov. 10 Ronnie & Jeanne Autry
Nov. 17 Abe & Jackie Elmore
Nov. 24 Terry & Angela Godwin**



NURSERY WORKERS

**Nov. 3 Bebe Melvin
Nov. 10 Sylvia Campbell
Nov. 17 Kim Carpenter
Nov. 24 Patty Parham**



Sunday School Teachers

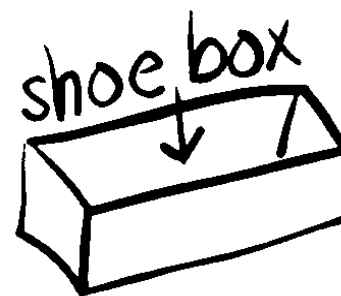
We currently have no teachers signed up for preschool Sunday School! Contact Edwin Bass (Nominating Committee) or Sylvia Campbell (Sunday School Director) to help!



Westfield Baptist Church,

Thank you for the food you brought us after Dwayne Pope's passing and the use of your community building.

Diane B. Pope



Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be dedicated during morning worship on Sunday, November 17. This is the last opportunity to turn them in to the church before we take them to the collection site. Thank you for your gifts!

Thank You

For your support of our World Hunger offering last month. Through our Cookie Walk we raised \$718.00.

Our Total World Hunger Offering is \$1,718.00.

Poinsettias for Christmas

It is time to think about Christmas. If you are interested in ordering a Poinsettia for the holidays in memory or in honor of someone, please complete an order form and return it and a check to Betty Bass, Jimmy Marks or Vicky Cooney.

The flowers will be available for pickup after the Christmas Eve service.

Christmas Card Mission Project

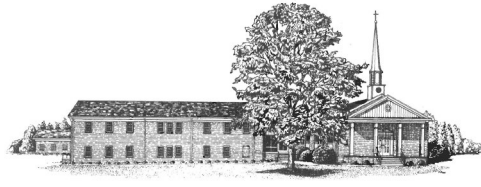
Everyone is invited to participate in the November Associational WMU Mission Project. We are providing Christmas Cards for the men's prison in Lillington. All cards are to depict the true Christmas message, in word as well as Scripture.

Sign some of the cards with Westfield Baptist Church (Do Not sign your name). Do not seal the envelopes. They also request some cards that are not signed. These are for the inmates to mail out.

'I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, I was homeless and you gave me a room, I was shivering and you gave me clothes, I was sick and you stopped to visit, I was in prison and you came to me.

...Then the King will say, 'I'm telling the solemn truth: Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me—you did it to me.'

- from Matthew 25, The Message



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& Birthdays
Anniversaries

- 2 Edwin & Betty Bass
- 3 Charles & Pam Wilkes
- 3 Grace Wise
- 4 Alice Holt
- 6 Marian Honeycutt
- 9 Carolyn Hair
- 10 Cierra Smith
- 15 Rita Tart
- 18 Jordan Hair
- 20 Pam Wilkes
- 23 Steve Cooney
- 24 Joyce Ballard
- 24 Adam Carter
- 28 Robert Eldridge

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 All Saints Day	2 Workday Church Cleanup
3 49th Homecoming	4	5 Election Day Silent Prayer 7-7:30	6 Wednesday NIGHT Activities	7 Chris vacation Nov 7—12	8	9
10 Adam away—guest preacher Irma Duke Deacons Meeting 6:30	11 Veterans Day	12 Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	13 Wednesday NIGHT Activities	14	15 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	16
17 OCC Shoebox Dedication 6:30 pm BUSINESS MEETING	18	19 Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	20 Wednesday NIGHT Activities	21	22	23
24 Christmas Decorating in Sanctuary 2 p.m.	25	26 Silent Prayer 7-7:30 p.m.	27 Office Closed NO Wednesday Activities	28 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving!	29 Office Closed	30
Sunday Schedule 9:15 a.m. Bible Study for all ages 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship		Wednesday Schedule 5:45 p.m. K.I.S.S. 6:30 p.m. Dicipleship for All Ages 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice				