



The Balfour Bugle

Newsletter of Balfour Baptist Church

1642 N Fayetteville St
Asheboro, NC 27203

AUGUST 2021

From Pastor Gary

We are well into summer and our schedule has not really slowed down very much. Our church is now transitioning back to some sense of normalcy. What is normal? We are not really sure, but we know that the word of the Lord must be first and foremost in our efforts. Our Nominating Committee is working diligently trying to fill the openings we have on our committees. Our Personnel Committee is in the process of presenting a candidate for our Minister of Youth Pastor. We are continuing to pray for God's direction for our Music Minister's position. We have now completed the selection of deacons for the coming year. Our Building & Grounds Committee are working to address the parking lot extension and resurfacing our parking lot that currently exist. So, as you can see, we have a lot going on. In just a couple of weeks we will start Vacation Bible School. This week I am proud to say that right now we have over 60 people signed up to pray about the Abortion Clinic in Greensboro for Love Life. Plans are being made to get our Sunday School back in normal operation. A very busy time, a time where we need the prayers of all of our people for God's blessing and His direction for Balfour Baptist Church.

EXTENSION MEMBERS – PRAYER LIST

Nursing Homes

Linda Cockerham, Faye Dunning (Clapp's)
Brenda Williams (Brookstone Haven)
Joline Mills (Woodland Hills)
Mark Gazaway (Woodland Hills)

Live at Home

Joe Church Betty Dyer
Uzina Morris Juanita Moody
Raeford & Mary Lee Routh

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members. We pray the church will be a blessing to you.

Joe & Lynn Myers
1915 Cedar Rd.
Asheboro, NC 27203

From Pastor Mark

Greetings to everyone, hope everyone is doing well as we are in the summer season? Wanda and I had a great vacation with our family and some well spent time together as we are patiently waiting on the arrival of our next grandson in mid-August. Things are very busy around here as we fill in the positions of Sunday School teachers and other positions around the church. We have VBS starting August 1st, on Sunday night running through the 5th, on Thursday night. I'm asking YOU if you would be willing to pray for VBS and also for the LOVE LIFE program that we as a Church family took part of with our fasting and prayer time, our prayer walk on the 24th, of July. We as the CHURCH of the Living GOD must stand up to these things in our society that snuff out the life of the voiceless in the name of freedom of choice! May God have mercy on us, HIS church, if we don't get involve with these kinds of GODLESS acts in our world! If you would be willing to help us in the areas of children's church, VBS, or Sunday School just get in touch with me or Patricia Underwood. Praying that the LOVE of our GOD would consume you and your families as we move forward for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ! Blessings, Pastor Mark

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please send in all thank you notes, announcements, etc., no later than Monday, September 20th. We are going to only publish the newsletter **bi-monthly** since there are limited activities during this time.

SYMPATHY

A heartfelt sympathy goes out to **The Family of Kathryn "Kat" Church** and to **Tony Concutelli**, in the loss of his mother, Connie Concutelli.

HONORARIUMS

Donations have been given in honor of **Billie Jarrett** by Sam & Debra Rogers & Kayla for the **general fund**.

Donations have been given in honor of **James & Betty Moran** by Max Bell for the **general fund**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CUOC ITEM: The month of August is **TBA**.

WMU MEETING: The WMU will meet Tuesday August 10th, at 11:00am and September 14th, at 11:00am in the fellowship hall.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Wednesday, August 11th, 8:30am at 42 Diner. All men are welcome to come enjoy food, fellowship and fun.

DEACONS MEETING: August 12th, 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.

RBA AUGUST NIGHT OF ENCOURAGEMENT: Monday, August 16th, 6:30pm at Glenola Baptist Church, 8330 US Hwy 311S, Archdale, NC.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Pastor Mark & Wanda's Anniversary is Tuesday, August 17th. If you would like to send them a card their address is: Rev. Mark & Wanda Wilburn, 1134 Heathwood Drive, Randleman, NC 27317.

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING: Our monthly Business Meeting will be Sunday, August 22nd, at 6:30pm immediately following Sunday School.

THANK YOU

Balfour Baptist Church, thank you so much for your cards, calls & most of all your prayers during my health issues. I am so thankful for our church and church family. Our Pastors have been wonderful, and we are truly blessed to have them. With much love, Becky Brown

Dear Balfour Church, on behalf of Communities in Schools, I wanted to thank you for the tremendous support you have given in participating in the Backpack Program! You were always willing to meet the need at NAMS, no matter how large the numbers grew!

We are so grateful to Balfour Church and Glenda Smith, for all the hard work. According to my calculations, y'all provided around 960 bags of food at the cost of about \$5,000! Your church is such a leader in our community, and we appreciate your support! I hope we can continue to work together! Sincerely, Joanne Corsbie

To the Balfour Church Family, the generosity shown in so many ways during the sickness and death of my parents, will forever be remembered. From the calls, visits, cards, prayers, and donations in memory of my parents, I am so grateful to each and everyone.

Although it was a trying time, the love and continued prayers continue to be felt and greatly appreciated. Mom and Dad loved Balfour and the church family. Balfour has been a part of my family as long as I can remember. Thank you all for the love shown to my parents and me. It will never be forgotten. With love, Robin Ingold Nalley

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Donations have been given in memory of **Roger Byers** by Anita & Joy Millikan for the **general fund**.

Donations have been given in memory of **Mark Strider** by Sam & Debra Rogers & Kayla and Richard & Melissa Reid for the **general fund**.

Donations have been given in memory of **Kathryn "Kat" Church** by Bonnie Davenport, Johnny & Dianne Auman, Monroe & Patsy Kidd, Roger & Brenda Pritchard, Becky Howard, Bill & Janet Tyler, Phyllis Garner, Pinewood Country Club, Jack & Nancy Cagle, Richie & Debbie Hughes, Darrell & Lisa Kennedy, Joe & Topy Kearns, Lyndon & Ann Beane, Johnny Gatlin, and Dr. Bryan & Cheryl Freeman for the **general fund**.

Donations have been given in memory of **Connie Concutelli** by Joe & Topy Kearns for the **general fund** and by Barry & Lisa Bunting for the **Building Fund**.

FINANCIAL CASH REPORT

Copies of the Financial Cash Reports for business meetings are available on the front pew.

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