



Balfour Baptist Church News

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1642 North Fayetteville Street
Asheboro, North Carolina 27203-3709

NOVEMBER 2025

From Pastor Mark

Greetings Folks, THANK YOU, THANK YOU all so much for your love and kindness for Pastor appreciation. I am humbled by your kindness and love for me and Gary. Is it me, it seems like the time is passing by so quickly these days? Just a thought, as the days are passing us by, don't forget to draw closer to HIM. Time is something that we can't pull back and have a do-over. Now that we're through October and headed into the holiday season, let us be found doing good for His Kingdom. We have Operation Christmas Child around the corner and then Christmas Cantata and before we know it, it's a new year. Wow, time is moving on! Our prayer should be that we stay steadfast in our walk with Him and that He will guard our pathway as we journey over the next couple of months serving HIM. With that thought in mind ask yourself this question: If I knew that the Lord was returning next week what would I change in my life and "what would I do to help or tell others about the return of Christ?" Folks, may we be found faithful in doing so, or as our Trail Life boys say, "Walk Worthy." May His blessings be added to each one of you, and His mercy applied to us, as we give mercy to others. May His love be seen in you and me, but most of all may others see HIM in us to make them want a relationship with HIM! Blessings, Pastor Mark

EXTENSION MEMBERS – PRAYER LIST

Nursing Homes

Betsy Glasgow, Peggy McKenzie (Clapp's)
Mozelle Hunt, Martha Gazaway (Brookdale)
Virginia Coley (Westchester Harbour)
Nancy Mason, Steve Hedgpeth, Doug Smith (Cross Road)
Billie Jarrett (Alpine Health & Rehab)

Live at Home

Virginia Cole	Hilda Handley
Rosalyn Scheid	Fannie Sherron
Mike & Nancy Meekins	Nancy Williams

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR STAFF MEMBERS

Patricia Underwood – Thursday, November 6th,

Chris Oaks – Friday, November 14th,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PASTOR'S WIFE

Wanda Wilburn – Monday, November 24th,

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CUOC ITEM FOR NOVEMBER: "Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce" "

ASHEBORO PRAYER WALK: The Asheboro Prayer will be on Saturday, November 1st, at 9:00am, beginning at the Courthouse.

AWANA LEADERS MEAL: Wednesday, November 5th, at 5:15pm.

NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION: Monday, November 10 & Tuesday, November 11. Contact Pastor Mark for more information.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Wednesday, November 12th, at 8:30am at Jed's. This is for all men and boys to come out and enjoy the food and fellowship.

WMU MEETING: Wednesday, November 12th, at 11:00am in the fellowship hall.

DEACONS MEETING: Thursday, November 13th, at 6:00pm in the church office. Contact is Gary Brown.

CANTATA PRACTICE: Saturday, November 15th, 9:00am-1:00pm.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Please send in all thank you notes, announcements, etc. by **THURSDAY**, November 20th.

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING: Sunday, November 23rd, immediately following the PM Service.

AWANA MINISTRIES: Wednesday Nights at 6:15pm. Awana will **NOT** meet on Wednesday, November 26th. Contacts are Hope Kinder & Katie Jones.

PATRICIA'S VACATION: Wednesday, November 26th.

OFFICE CLOSED: Thursday, November 27th & Friday, November 28th, for Thanksgiving Holidays.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Children's Christmas Party, "Breakfast in Bethlehem" (ages 3 through 5th grade) is November 29th, 10 am until noon. There is a signup sheet in the Welcome Center. Please sign up soon. We need a count for purchasing food.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Rick & Patricia Walker on the birth of a granddaughter, Sadie Grace, born October 15, 2025, and weighing 8 lbs. 6 ounces.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BALFOUR BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, November 8, 1931, at 2:00 P.M., a small group of people met in a classroom at Balfour Elementary School. After singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and hearing a brief sermon, the group of nine voted to form a church in the North Asheboro Community to be called Balfour Baptist Church. As a result of that vote, Balfour Baptist Church was established. Throughout the following years Balfour has remained faithful to its mission to be a lighthouse in our community. On November 8, 2025, Balfour Baptist Church will have completed ninety-four years of ministry to the North Asheboro area. Historical Committee

THANK YOU NOTES

This year's golf tournament raised \$12,300 to benefit pediatric brain cancer. **THANK YOU** to all who participated in any way to make this possible. God Bless, the family of Mark Strider.

Thank you, Balfour Church, for the gorgeous flower arrangement that was sent for my brother Dwight's service. Thank you for your love and prayers during this time of grief. Carolyn Santanella

Dear Church Family, We thank you so much for your prayer and care support for our family during the illness and passing of my brother, Hayden Allen. The flowers were beautiful, and the cards and calls were much appreciated, but most of all your prayers sustained us. We love and sincerely appreciate our church family. Charles and Sandra Allen and Family

To Somebody Special, You knitted 2 beautiful multi-use squares and left them for me in a gift bag in the welcome center. You put your time & energy into a gift for me! It was a sweet surprise for my birthday. May God bless you specially and I thank you so much. In His name, Diane Dubis

The flowers were beautiful, and we thank you for your continued prayers. Your support is a blessing. Brenda Allen & Tina

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, cards, calls, and prayers at the passing of my sister, Phyllis Tysor. Also, we are grateful that our church has online services available. Even though she could no longer attend in person, she was still able to enjoy the worship service every Sunday morning on her computer. That was such a blessing for her. Deborah Draughn & Family

Balfour Baptist Church & Mark, Thank you so very much for the flowers sent for Mom's service and Mark thank you for speaking her eulogy. You are greatly appreciated! Thank you, Susan & Randy, Kent & Shelby

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers you sent for Mama's funeral. We appreciate everything that has been done for our family during this time, from the calls, cards, flowers, food, and most of all the prayers. The Family of Agnes Smith

SYMPATHY

A sincere heartfelt sympathy goes out to The Family of **Rev. Scott Jackson** and to Carolyn Santanella in the loss of her brother, **Dwight Thomas**.

MEMORIALS

Memorial donations have been given to the memory of Agnes Smith by The Bible Study Sunday School Class, Rachel Hupfield, Jesse Moore, Mike & Robin Jones, Roger & Brenda Pritchard, Charles & Sandra Allen, Monroe & Patsy Kidd, Rodney & Donna Smith, Diane Dubis and James & Betty Moran for the general fund and by Calvin & Sandra Patterson for OCC.

Memorial donations have been given to the memory of Austin Hunter Reitzel by Kathryn Reitzel for OCC.

Memorial donations have been given to the memory of Hayden Allen by Lyndon & Ann Beane and Roger & Brenda Pritchard for the general fund.

Memorial donations have been given to the memory of Dwight Thomas by Roger & Brenda Pritchard and Diane Dubis for the general fund.

Memorial donations have been given to the memory of Rev. Scott Jackson by Bill & Janet Tyler for the Family Life Center.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

OCC begins with our Packing Party on Sunday, November 16th, at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. Come out and be a part of sending God's message all around the world. Then collections begin Monday, November 17th and run through Monday, November 24th. Collection times are 1 – 3pm and 6:00 – 8:00pm daily. Sunday times are 1-5pm. We will need volunteers to help with the collections. Signup sheets will be available later.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA (WAA)

Wreaths Across America will be placing wreaths on Veterans' graves at Oaklawn Cemetery, December 13, 2025. Donations will help WAA pay for the wreaths. If donations are sent from members willing to help pay for them, the mailing address is to the Treasurer of WAA, Patsy Anna Barker, 612 Hemlock Dr., Asheboro, NC 27205.

RESERVING & USING THE CHURCH FACILITIES

The church calendar is filling up fast with family and Sunday School Class gatherings for the rest of the year. Now is the time to plan and reserve your spot on the calendar. Please clean up behind yourselves so the area will be ready for the next group.

FINANCIAL CASH REPORT

Copies of the Financial Cash Reports for business meetings are available, by request, at the church office the week before the meeting.

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November 6

Chris Oakes

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November 14

PASTOR'S WIFE

Wanda Wilburn

Monday

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AHG (American Heritage Girls)
TRAIL LIFE FOR BOYS
Every Monday Evening at 6:30pm



AWANA MINISTRIES
Every Wednesday Evening at 6:15pm

November 2025

SERVICE TIMES:

Sunday Morning Worship: 8:30am & 11:00am Sunday School: 9:45am
4:45pm Choir Practice 5:30pm Mission Kids 6:00pm Evening Worship & Youth Ministries
Wednesday: 6:15pm Awana Ministries & Youth Ministries 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & College & Career

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9am Asheboro Prayer Walk Fellowship Hall Reserved All Day
2	3	4 Girl Scouts Annex	5 Awana Leaders Meal 5:15pm	6 Patricia Underwood's Birthday	7	8 Sanctuary Reserved Annex AHG 9AM—1PM
9	10 NC Baptist Convention Greensboro	11 Girl Scouts Annex	12 Men's Breakfast 8:30 Jed's WMU 11AM	13 Deacons Meeting 6:00pm	14 Chris Oakes Birthday	15 Cantata Practice 9AM—1PM
16 OCC Packing Party 5:00pm Fellowship Hall	17	18	19	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22 Fellowship Hall Reserved 1-4PM
Operation Christmas Child Collection Week November 17—24						
23 Monthly Business Meeting PM Service	24 Wanda Wilburn's B'day Last Day of OCC	25	26 Patricia's Vacation Day	27 OFFICE CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29 Children's Christmas Breakfast 9am-12 Annex Reserved All Day
30 PM Service John Davenport						

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Sally Barnes

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	1	2 Senior Adult Meal 12 Noon	3 Awana Leaders Meal 5:15pm	4	5 Christmas Meal Woodrow Class	6 Asheboro Prayer Walk 9am Fellowship Hall Reserved
7 Lottie Moon Speaker AM	8	9 Staff Family Christmas Meal 6PM	10 Men's Breakfast 8:30 Jed's WMU 11AM	11 Fellowship Hall Reserved	12 Ladies of Balfour Christmas Fellowship	13 Christmas Meal Bible Survey Class
14 Christmas Meal New Beginnings Class	15	16 Girl Scouts Annex	17 Last Awana Night before Christmas	18 Newsletter Deadline	19	20 Frances' Birthday Choir F-Hall & Sanctuary
21 Sunday School & 10:30am service only Choir Cantata Children Handbells	22	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED Christmas Eve Communion 8pm	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 Sally's Birthday
28 Monthly Business Meeting PM Service	29	30	31			



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