

Boykins Baptist Church Messenger

August 2026

From the Pastor's Desk

Grace Notes

As we approach the wind down of summer and the ever-quickenning pace of back to school, we begin to wonder how did the summer pass so quickly?

I ponder all of the projects that I wanted to complete, but just didn't complete. Most of them were physical projects around the house or my office that I told myself were vitally important. Was I attempting to fool myself? If they were so absolutely important, why do they remain unfinished?

- 1) God's priorities are higher than our priorities. My priorities pale in comparison to God's. My vision is only for a brief period of time, but God's vision is throughout eternity.
- 2) Because God's priorities are higher than ours, we must listen to God's priorities. If we slow down long enough and focus on God, we might just catch a vision that contains God's plan.
- 3) Once we catch God's vision for our church, then we need to do everything in our power to align our vision with God's. Service in God's Kingdom is not a democracy, but an autocracy. In this world and autocracy is not a positive term, but as it relates to God it is the most wonderful term known to man. This suggests that God has a plan, a plan not to harm, but a plan to prosper.
- 4) Maybe you need a reminder nudge to prioritize God's work. If that is you, please consider this as your reminder nudge.
- 5) Boykins Baptist continues to have a strong ministry in Boykins and beyond, and we are

looking to add additional ministries to support. Your ministry ideas are valued and appreciated!

I serve God by loving and serving you! It is my prayer that God will continue to strengthen our fellowship to accomplish his work in Boykins and beyond. I am grateful to each of you for your prayers and support of the ministry of Boykins Baptist. If you have not found a place that you can serve, please talk to me and we will find one together. I believe that the best days of Boykins Baptist are in the future!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Steve

New Bible Study for Fall



We will partner with Boykins UMC for Bible Study beginning Tuesday, September 8 from 1:30 - 2:30 pm.

- September's Study will be hosted by Boykins UMC
- October's Study will be hosted by Boykins Baptist

We will study the Gospel of Matthew. Please invite friends and other community members to join!

Blessing of the Backpacks & School Supplies Drive

Our Blessing of the Backpacks is scheduled for August 30 during worship. We will be collecting school supplies to donate to our local schools through August 26. Please see the following lists:



Back to School Supply Lists:

Meherrin Elementary School



- No. 2 Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pink Erasers
- Broad Tip Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Scissors
- Pocket Folders
- Wide Ruled Spiral Bound Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks

Southampton Middle School & Central Middle School, Gates County, NC

- No. 2 Pencils
- Mechanical Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pink Erasers
- Blue/Black Ink Pens
- Washable Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Bottle of Glue
- Scissors
- Pencil Box or Bag
- Pocket Folders
- Expandable Folder with Dividers
- Notebook Paper
- Ruler
- Highlighters
- Scientific Calculator
- 3" x 5" Index Cards
- Wide Ruled Spiral Bound Notebooks
- Composition Notebooks
- Pocket Dictionary
- Post-it Notes



Important Notes

Help Wanted!

Choir Director/Pianist for BBC
Please contact Sara Crowder,
757-647-8337

Counting Team for August:

Harrell Turner (chair), Laura Baldwin,
Sara Crowder, Olivia Claud

How to Reach Us at BBC:

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Deacon Chair.....Laura Baldwin

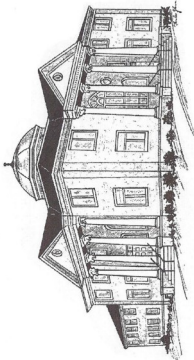
Finance Committee Harrell Turner

Secretary/Treasurer..... Ashley Johnson



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service Winston Browne, III	3	4	5	6	7	8 Scott Biggers Debbie Ricks
			Franklin - Southampton County Fair			
9 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service Gayle Johnson	10	11 Rod Edwards	12	13	14	15 Harrell Turner Josh Turner
16 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service	17	18	19	20	20	22
23 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service Tylor Dunlow Gavin Anderson	24	25	26 Judy Long	27	28	29
30 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service Jenny Baugham McClenney	31					



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