

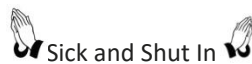
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- 03/07 John McMillan, Lena Thompson
- 03/09 Hazel Kennedy, Nala Dunlap
- 03/11 +Dr. Howard Davis Sr
- 03/12 Laura Cade, Jordyn Jenkins
- 03/14 Jennifer Williams
- 03/15 Fredrika Sinclair, +T. C. Southerland
- 03/16 Tyronisha McNell
- 03/17 +Lequire Watson Sr, Mr. &Mrs. Reginald McKinley
- 03/20 Rev. David Houston
- 03/22 Jacory Faulk
- 03/23 Jacolby Thompson
- 03/24 Kaleigh Regan, Sylvia Evans, Charles Cromartie Sr, Kahalia Williams
- 03/25 Sorrette Oliver, +Arthur Foy III
- 03/26 Wixie Stephens
- 03/27 +Joyce Coleman, Marian Carmichael, Rev. Arthur Foy
- 03/28 +Aggienora McCormick
- 03/29 Linwood McLean
- 03/30 Arine Lowery
- 03/31 William Dudley Sr.

Upcoming Events

- **March 17th – St. Patrick’s Day**
- **March 20th – Trustees Anniversary**
- **March is Women’s History Month**
- **Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-1:30**
- **Website: www.firstbaptistlumberton.com**
- **Conference Call: 435-777-2200 ID #: 739-3939**
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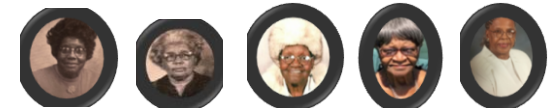
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Sick & Shut-In

In Honor of Women’s Month we would like to honor All Past and Present Presients of the Women of The Church

Charity Thompson, Ethel Leggett, Elizabeth Matthews, Mildred Davis, Alease McDougald,



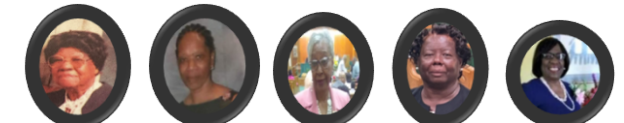
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Priscilla Leazer, Lucille Watson, Corene Thomas, Georgi Mosby, Evenly Easton



Nellie Blount, Marian Carmichael, Ruth Allen, Edna McMillan, Addie Hines



A Moment in Black History

First Black Woman To Win an Olympic Gold Medal – A 25-year-old Alice Coachman was competing in the high jump finals at the 1948 Olympic Games in London, where she became the first Black woman to win an Olympic gold medal.

First Woman Millionaire In America – Madam C.J. Walker, who made her fortune in Black hair care, remains the first self-made woman millionaire—of any race—in the United States district courts.

First woman and Black woman Vice President of the United States – “Herstory” was made on Jan. 20, 2021, when Kamala Harris was sworn in to become the first Black and South Asian woman Vice President of the United States.

Women’s History Month

Every year, March is designated Women’s History Month by presidential proclamation. The month is set aside to honor women’s contributions in American history. Did You Know? Women’s History Month started as Women’s History Week. Women’s History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California. The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a “Women’s History Week” celebration in 1978. The organizers selected the week of March 8 to correspond with International Women’s Day. The movement spread across the country as other communities initiated their own Women’s History Week celebrations the following year. In 1980, a consortium of women’s groups and historians—led by the National Women’s History Project (now the National Women’s History Alliance)—successfully lobbied for national recognition. In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women’s History Week.

“From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indiana families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.”

~President Jimmy Carter’s Message designating March 2-8, 1980 as National Women’s Week

Subsequent Presidents continued to proclaim a National Women’s History Week in March until 1987 when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as “Women’s History Month.” Between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women’s History Month. Since 1995, each president has issued an annual proclamations designating the month of March as “Women’s History Month.” The National Women’s History Alliance selects and publishes the yearly theme. The theme for Women’s History Month in 2021 captures the spirit of these challenging times. Since many of the women’s suffrage centennial celebrations originally scheduled for 2020 were curtailed, the National Women’s History Alliance is extending the annual theme for 2021 to **“Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced.”**

...Continue Women’s Month

Shelby Foy, Mary Cole-Greenlee, Gwen McKiver, Alice Melvin, Sharon Scott, Ruby McCallum,

Vivian Breedren



Thank God for Godly Women

As we celebrate Women's Month, Old Testament gives us several examples of great women. From Ruth to Esther, we see women in different situations, relying on God and having great success. The description of a virtuous woman found in Psalm 31 is a blueprint that many aspire. In the New Testament, we see Mary, the mother of Jesus walking not only as a mother but as a disciple. In the Apostle Paul's ministry, there were women who served in different capacities. In Paul's letter to Titus, he admonishes that the elderly women mentor the younger women. Some may argue or debate this request but this is something that has been going on for generations. In the Old Testament, Naomi instructs Ruth on what to do in relations with Boaz. It was Naomi's directives and Ruth's willingness to follow through on it that helps bring her union with Boaz. Titus is admonished to make sure that the older women become teachers of good things.

Women who pattern themselves like those in Scripture have been great teachers and examples to other women and others. From the mother who instill in her children to say their prayers at the breakfast table as well as at night, to the teacher who encourages her students to do their very best; the many things that women do impact us all.

We see the many accomplishments of women all over the world and even here at First Baptist! Every facet of ministry has a woman's imprint, from their leadership, motherhood, sisterhood and service. Thank God for godly women!

Keeping In Touch

Hello fellow church members and friends. I hope everyone is staying safe and practicing social distancing. I would like to encourage anyone who would like to write an article or have some information, or an upcoming event that they would like to be in the newsletter, please email me at kanishaaddiosn@gmail.com or drop it off at the church. In case you would like to submit an article for the upcoming month newsletter, you would need to have it in by the last Wednesday of the month. So if you would like to do an article for the month of March, you would need to turn it in no later than February 28th. Thank you and continue to be blessed!

Sincerely,
Kanisha Addison
Executive Secretary
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