

# NOV - Birthdays

11/01 Vera McDowell, Larry Southerland  
 11/03 Darius Mack, Whitney McKee  
 11/05 Sherry Mitchell, +Harry McDougald  
 11/06 Latonya Bethea,  
 11/09 +Edna Walters  
 11/10 Lamont McCallum  
 11/11 Jacob Savannah, +Rev. Annie Leazer  
 11/12 Aja McLaurin, +Lenora Smith  
 11/13 Anthony McDuffie  
 11/14 Braylan Campbell, +Douglas Thompson Sr., +Lula McNeill  
 11/15 +Roy Leazer, +Pauline Pressley  
 11/18 Maya McDonald, Dorothy McCall, +Gail Barfield  
 11/19 Daryl McKiver, Leana McNatt,  
 11/20 Regina Walters  
 11/21 +Samuel Leazer Sr.  
 11/22 KrystleMelvin, Lisa Fenner, +William Mcneill Jr  
 11/23 George Lessane, Alma Dawson  
 11/24 Fred Gwyn, Michelle McKinnon  
 11/26 Mary McMillan  
 11/27 Rodne Brown, +Vashtie McEachern, +Odessa Williams  
 11/28 Shelby Foy

## Upcoming Events

- Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – Calendar Ministry meeting at 6pm in the Chapel
  - Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – Election Day, VOTE!!
- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Laymen League breakfast- ALL are welcome
  - Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Youth Virtual Bible study via zoom at 7pm
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving feeding for First Baptist homes and Mohr plaza
- Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – Deadline for calendar birth dates, memorial, and anniversary

## Contact Information

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Sick and Shut In

Sis. Lela Crawford	Sis. Melissa Stephens	Bro. Willie Hall
Bro. Joe Hall	Sis. Laura Cade	Sis. Shirley Blount
Bro. James Dockery	Sis. Betty McNeill	Sis. Alma Dawson
Sis. Linda Blackmon	Bro. Tony Bridgett	Bro. Kenneth Jenkins
Sis Louise Underwood		

# November

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## *Seasoned Spotlight* *Honoring those who have served* *honorably in the military*



An Act approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation's history; after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation (Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars. Veterans Day is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

## A Moment in Black History

**November 2, 1983** - President Ronald Reagan signs law designating the third Monday in January Martin Luther King Jr. Day, 1983.

**November 11, 1989** - The Civil rights Memorial in Montgomery, AL is dedicated.

**November 6, 1990** -Sharon Pratt Dixon (now Kelly) was elected mayor of Washington, D.C., making this a first for a woman of any race.

### THANKFUL!

**T**ruth ~ And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

*John 8:32*

**H**eaven ~ But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him”

*1 Corinthians 2:9*

**A**rmor of God ~ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. *Ephesians 6:11*

**N**eighbors ~ Let each of us please his neighbor for his good to build him up.

*Romans 15:2*

**K**indness ~ Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. *Ephesians 4:32*

**F**orgiveness ~ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to Forgive us our sins and to cleanse us From all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:19*

**U**ltimate Sacrifice ~ For Christ also died for our sins once for all, *the* just for *the* unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the Flesh but made alive in the spirit. *1Peter 3:18*

**L**ove ~ “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”

*John 3:16*

### Calendar Ministry

*To our First Baptist Church family and friends. We are preparing to send out our 2023 calendar, so if you would like to keep or add your birthdays, anniversaries or memorials of you and your loved ones please be sure to send the information to the church office on or before November 27, 2022. Please be sure to have the correct spelling on all names and the exact dates of those special days.*

*To help make this calendar the best that it can be, we are asking that everyone give \$2.00 per each birthday, anniversary and memorial. Thanks in advance for your support and consideration.*

## Having An “Attitude of Gratitude”

*“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you” – 1 Thessalonians 5:18*

Paul gave a list of exhortations to the church at Thessalonica in his letter. On the list was this: “Thank God no matter what happens. This is the way God wants you who belong to Christ Jesus to live” (1 Thess. 5:18 MSG). In other words, our Heavenly Father requires that we have an attitude of gratitude.

This requires us to be grateful for all the Lord has done and for what He’s already given us: life, health, basic needs etc. Everything we have is a gift from God!. We should be grateful for it all.

Paul instructs the church that this attitude of gratitude should be in all circumstances. He didn’t to give thanks for all circumstances but rather give thanks in every circumstance. We are not to give thanks for evil but when know that even in the worst situations, God can bring something good.

So many people want to know what God’s will is for their lives. God reveals his will when we do what He requires of us: Be grateful. That means we have a heart of thankfulness for all God has done.

We can be grateful in everything for several reasons: God has a plan for our life. God can use everything in our life for good and whatever pain we feel, we know that it is not going to last forever.

So how do we approach situations that seem and look bad. Instead of saying “Why is this happening to me?” ask the Father, “God, what do you want me to learn from this?” Learning from God helps us to grow more like Christ.

Paul concluded this exhortation saying that this is God’s will in Christ Jesus concerning us. In other words, an attitude of gratitude helps us to see and know that all things are working together for good, so instead of complaining, let’s give thanks in everything.