

10/01 Chanel Carter

10/02 Knox Thompson

10/03 Shaunta Johnson, Teral McNair

10/05 Lydia Moore, Elisha Little Jr.

10/07 Audra Williams

10/09 Margaret Lessane, James Dockery Sr, Carol McDougald

10/10 Sylvester Pruitt, Wendy Tyndall, Mr. & Mrs. T.C. Southerland

10/11 Sharon Southerland

10/12 Lula Fletcher, +Mildred George

10/14 Linda Southerland, Jessica Wine, Jonathan Kennedy, Nyla McEachern

10/15 +Anthony Berry

10/17 Gwen Thompson, Christine Berry, Judy Shelby, Stephanie Pipkins

10/18 Patrick Sinclair, Alice Melvin, Anthony Thompson, +Edna Walters

10/19 Jessica McEachern, Ciera McEachern

10/20 Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Leazer

10/21 Roland Little, +Lisa Fenner

10/22 Tommy Holt, Wanda Dockery

10/23 Dezeborah Evans, Jordan Scott

10/24 Daejon Crowder, +Henry Blount

10/25 Ian Thompson, +John Leazer, +Mary Evans

10/26 Wanda Odummo, +Mary McCrae

10/27 Sadie Graham, Jeff Holman, Mr. & Mrs. Craig Southerland

10/28 Cornell Underwood, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Williams

10/30 Jamilia Flowers, Ethan Brown

10/31 Abijah Southerland, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie McCall, +Gloria Melvin

Upcoming Events

- October 10th Family & Friends Day
- October 17th Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday
- October 24th Susie Scale Floral Club Anniversary
 - Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-1:30
 - Website: <u>www.firstbaptistlumberton.com</u>
 - Conference Call: 435-777-2200 ID #: 739-3939
 - Text to give: Text "give" to (910) 407-7393
 - Cash App: @fbclton

Sick and Shut In

Sis. Lela Crawford Bro. Joe Hall Bro. James Dockery Sis. Louise Underwood Sis. Melissa Stephens
Sis. Laura Cade

Bro. Willie Hall Sis. Shirley Blount

Sis. Betty McNeill Si Sis. Linda Blackmon

Sis. Alma Dawson

Bro. Herbert Evans Sis. Katie Barnhill

Bro. Tony Bridgett

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Seasoned Spotlight
Sis. Ruby McCallum



Ruby McCallum was born in Lumberton, NC. She graduated from J. H. Haywood High School in 1958. She attended A&T College in Greensboro NC and transferred to Fayetteville State University in Fayetteville, NC to be closer to her mother. Ruby was one of the first teacher's assistant to work at South Lumberton Elementary School. When her husband Andy McCallum, returned from Vietnam 1967, they moved to Fort Devens Massachusetts with the 10th Special Forces Group. Ruby worked for Digital Equipment Corporation (Computer Giant) as a recruiter. She left Digital for a management position at State Street Bank in Boston, MA. Ruby gave up a promotion to Vice President to relocate with her husband to Columbia Maryland, and after 15 years in MD Ruby returned home to Lumberton. Rub is the proud mother of two son's Andre' and Jason, grandmother of two lovely grandchildren Paige and Brock. Ruby has served as President of Susie Scales Floral Club, member of E. B. Turner Choir, Chairperson of June Birthdays and Cancer Awareness Month, President of Seasoned Saints, and current President of Women of The Church.

A Moment in Black History

October 04, 1996 –Congress passes a bill authorizing the creation of 500,000 Black Revolutionary War Patriots Commemorative coins.

October 14, 1902 – Dr. Allison Davis a leading social anthropologist and educator, challenged the cultural bias of standardized intelligence test. Dr. Davis argued that Black's low scores were not the results of lower intelligence but the result of middle-class cultural bias posed in the questions.

October 1985 – National Breast Cancer Awareness Month dates back to October 1985. This is when the first organized movement to bring attention to the dangers of breast cancer occurred in the United States. Since then, campaigns to educate the public about this disease have continued to thrive and multiply.

Women of the church I would like to give you a big thank you for your donations and support on our Women's Day Annual Celebrations. I especially want to thank Sis. Shelby Foy, Sis. Alice Melvin, Sis. Catherine McArthur, Sis. Elaine McNair and Sis. KaNisha Addison for their outstanding support on our special day. I also want to thank Deacon Salters and his staff for the excellent support they continue to provide. Finally, I want to thank God for allowing us to be here.

Love, Sis. Ruby McCallum President of Women of the Church

Bereavement Ministry

Mission Statement

The mission of the Bereavement Ministry of First Baptist Church is to provide support and comfort to Christian members and others reaching out to the church when notified of death of a love one

Purpose

The purpose of the ministry is to offer the services of the church through contact with the ministry to provide spiritual comfort and support and the love of God first through prayer and scripture and offering the plan of salvation to those who have not yet accepted Christ as their personal savior. To contract the Pastor. The ministry will help anyone who needs help with arrangements with the Pastor Matthews.

Deaconess Carol McDougald President of Bereavement Ministry

MINISTRY MATTERS HAVING THE MIND OF CHRIST (Philippians 2:5)

In our current bible study, we have been looking at the Apostle Paul's letter to the church in Philippi. In the 2nd chapter, Paul shares the way they should live a Christian life. Unity is essential for the body of Christ, therefore we are encouraged in this chapter to be like minded, have the same love, be one in spirit and be one in purpose. What helps us to obtain these is humility and service.

Humility and Service causes an end to anything done out of selfish ambition or with self interest. Instead, we are always looking for ways to help others. The hymn writer declared, "If I can help somebody as I pass along.....then my living will not be in vain". Helping is providing service to someone. That somebody doesn't always have to be a member of your church, family or organization, etc. Anyone that is in need qualifies as "somebody". To help them requires us to forget about ourselves. We can't be the main priority when it comes to ministry.

Paul shares that the best example of humility and service is Christ. Therefore, he exhorts that the same mindset and attitude expressed by Jesus should also be in us. Although Christ was God in flesh, he remained humble, not thinking that he was equal with God. Christ gave up his divine privileges and became or humbled himself to the position of slave or servant. Jesus told his disciples that he didn't come to be served but rather to serve. His love for God was shown in His service to mankind. Our love for God should be displayed in our service to others.

Because Christ served and humbled himself, His name is above every other name. When we serve and humble ourselves, God will exalt us in due time because we are "Having the Mind of Christ".

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 July, you would need to turn it in no later than June 30th. Thank you and continue to be blessed!

Sincerely, Kanisha Addison Executive Secretary