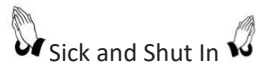


May Birthdays

05/01 Jeremiah Blount
 05/02 Nicole Salters, Maurice Floyd
 05/03 +Norma Leak
 05/04 London Dunlap, Leigh Crowder
 05/05 Audrianna Morrison, Charles Berry, Jr., Fredrick Gwyn, Dean Thompson Jr., +Lessie Ware, +John Thompson
 05/06 Mary Ann Stephens
 05/08 Cameron Dammons, Destine Alford, Carl McDougald, +Mary Caple
 05/09 Glenn Coleman, Xzavier Ginns
 05/12 Selena McDougald, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest McDougald
 05/13 Deloris Jennings, True Faulk
 05/15 Beulah Woods
 05/16 +Hiawatha Berry Sr.
 05/17 Layla Regan, +Charles McDonald, +Don McEachern
 05/18 Dianne McNair, Sabrina Cruz, Phillip Regan, Benjamin Harris, Cheadra Floyd, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McKee
 05/20 Bryan Southerland, Tiffany McMillan, Sharon Walker
 05/21 Dean Thompson, Rolinda Little, Damita Stephens, +Hattie McDonald
 05/22 Michael Campbell, Cathy McKinley
 05/23 Ayanna McNatt
 05/24 Christe O'Rourke, Dr. Thomas Southerland, +Vinnis Parnell
 05/25 JaRonta Bullard, +Laddie Evans
 05/26 Rosalind Dockery
 05/27 Richard Thompson, David Thompson
 05/29 Angelica Tisdale, Nikki Johnson
 05/30 Tyra Holman, Sammy Morrison, Dr. & Mrs. Howard Davis Sr.

Upcoming Events

- May 6th – National Day of prayer
 - May 9th – Mother's Day
- Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-1:30
- Website: www.firstbaptistlumberton.com
- Conference Call: 435-777-2200 ID #: 739-3939
- Text to give: Text "give" to (910) 407-7393
 - Cash App: @fbcilton



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| 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. Louise Underwood | Sis. Neangela Brown | Sis. Linda Blackmon |
| Bro. Tony Bridgett | Bro. Herbert Evans | |

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Season Saint Spotlight's

Sis. Sadie Graham



Sadie Marie Salters Graham is the mother of two children Wanda Salters Omodunni and Carlton Eugene Graham. She is the grandmother of 5 grandchildren and she is a lifelong resident of Lumberton, NC. Sadie has been on the E.B. Tuner chorus and a devoted member of First Baptist Church for over 55 years. Sadie has a passion for singing and enjoys Wednesday night prayer services.

A Moment in Black History

May 02, 1920 – First game of the national Negro baseball league is played in Indianapolis.

May 15, 1942 – 93rd Infantry activated and assigned to combat in the South Pacific; the first African American division formed during World War II.

May 22, 1966 – Bill Cosby becomes the first African American to receive an Emmy for best actor in dramatic series, for his role in I Spy.

Reflections of a Mother

I gave you life, but cannot live it for you.
I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.
I can give you directions, but I cannot be there to lead you.
I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.
I can take you to church, but I cannot make you believe.
I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you.
I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you beautiful inside.
I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.
I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.
I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.
I can teach you to respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.
I can advise you about friends, but I cannot choose them for you.
I can advise you about sex, but I cannot keep you pure.
I can tell you the facts of life, but I can't build your reputation.
I can't tell you about drinking, but I can't say "no" for you.
I can warn you about drugs, but I can't prevent you from using them.
I can't tell you about lofty goals, but I can't achieve them for you.
I can teach you about kindness, but I can't force you to be gracious.
I can warn you about sins, but I cannot make you moral.
I can love you as a child, but I cannot place you in God's family.
I can pray for you, but I cannot make you walk with God.
I can teach you about Jesus, but I cannot make Jesus your Lord.
I can't tell you how to live, but I cannot give you eternal life.

I can love you with unconditional love all of my life....and I will!!

With love and strength from Jesus Christ our Lord.



Celebrating Mothers



The saying “April showers bring May Flowers” is so appropriate for the month of May as we celebrate Mothers. Mothers are the flowers in our garden of life that exemplify beauty, strength and honor. Whether you are a man or woman, you have been impacted by a mother or “mother figure”. They carried us before we came into this world and most were the primary nurturer and our first teacher. The mother figures may have not had children biologically yet they provided many invaluable gifts through their services as aunts, teachers in church and school and throughout the community.

On Mother's Day, we take time to honor mothers living and those who have been called home. The Scriptures show that even at the cross, Jesus was concern about the care of his mother and the Apostle Paul credits Timothy's mother, Eunice for instilling in him faith in God.

I thank God for Ruth Elizabeth Matthews being the greatest mother to me and I celebrate my wife, Carla Evonne Matthews and all mothers, living and deceased for the love and service you have provided for your children and those God put in your life.



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 you can drop it off at the church. In the 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 June, you would need to turn it in no later than May 26th. Thank you and continue to be blessed!

Sincerely,
Kanisha Addison
Executive Secretary
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