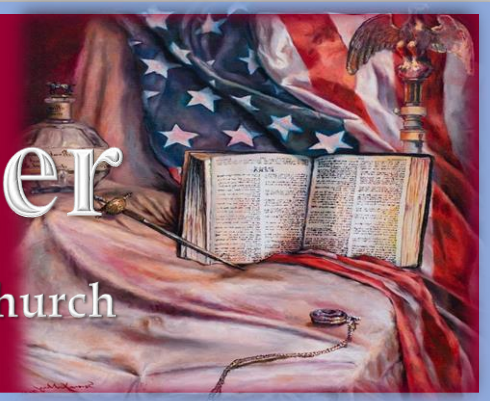




The Messenger

A Newsletter from
Murfreesboro Baptist Church
July 2022



WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

I have been thinking for over a month now about what I ought to write to you in my final newsletter column. But even with five plus weeks to mull it over, the only thing I was ever able to decide upon with certainty was that I had more to say than could ever fit into a few square inches of paper. And so, I will say only four words: "Thank You" and "Keep Going"

Thank you for all that you have done for me and for my family. The love you've given us from the moment we arrived has been tremendous and we will be forever grateful to have called this church home for this period of our lives. I am serious when I say that I do not expect to find a church as good as Murfreesboro Baptist.

But more important than my words of thanks are my words of instruction. Keep going. Keep being the church. Keep being the hands and feet of Jesus. Keep being the presence of Christ. Keep on doing all of those things that make Murfreesboro Baptist a faithful expression of God's Kingdom here on earth.



Thank You & Keep Going,
Lane



PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Sat., August 6 8 am-10 am



Please join us once again as we host the Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Saturday, August 6 from 8 until 10 a.m. Tickets are available from any Deacon and at the church office. (\$8.00 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.) Also, we need volunteers. If you would like to assist with cooking, serving, or helping with clean-up, please contact the church office at 398-3613. We look forward to seeing you for a delicious breakfast and wonderful fellowship.

MUSIC MINISTRY

My thoughts are with each of you and hope that you are having a good summer. So much has happened over the past few years that at times, it just seems like one great big "whoosh," where everything has gone by so quickly. When I find my brain going in so many different directions, I have to pause and think of what's affecting us now. I will personally miss Lane, Susan and Maggie. Lane is an exceptionally nice person, and I've enjoyed working with him. I'm praying that he and his family will enjoy their new home and location. Also, the Vincent family is in my prayers. Many others in our congregation are, too. On a musical note, our choir has off during July and part of August. I have invited various soloists to sing for us. Of course, no article from me is complete without asking folks to consider joining our choir! We are small but mighty and enjoy our time together during rehearsals and just before church. I'm thankful for the ladies and for the variety of music they have sung so well. I'm also grateful for Calvin Carter and all that he adds to our choir. Thank you for continuing to pray for our growth.

Paula Pressnell

Thanks be to God
For the Life of
Hugh Carroll Vincent, Jr.

April 1, 1934 - July 1, 2022

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Vacation Bible School

Murfreesboro Baptist Church is pleased to announce we will have a traditional VBS this year for ages 3 thru 5th grade. The theme is:



July 25 - July 29
9 a.m. - 12 noon

Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, July 27, 7:00 p.m.

Cookout

Friday, July 29 at 12 noon

If you would be willing to serve as crew leader, please let Sarah Davis know. We will have a planning meeting on July 13 at 6 pm. July 27 we will host our annual ice cream social at 7 pm. If you are willing to make homemade ice cream, please contact Frances Cole. July 29 we will end the week with a cookout. Please let Frances Cole know what you can bring. The church will provide burgers, hot dogs, and condiments.

IMPORTANT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

It is hard to believe that we are only a few months away from October and the start of a new church year, but it is that time. One key part of these preparations, as you've found in this newsletter, is the election of four new deacons. Another key part is the work of the Personnel, Finance, and Nominating Committees. In the month of July, these three committees will meet on the following dates:

Finance Committee

Wednesday, July 13 at 6:00

(Tommy Bird, Liz Brown, Wayne Brown, Charlie Cole, T.W. Hill)

Nominating Committee

Thursday, July 21 at 6:00

(Judy Clark, Erin Faile, Sara Frances Hill, Jay Revelle)

If you are unable to meet with your committee at the times listed above, please Contact Lane or the Church Office. Thank you all for your willingness to serve our church.

Please Join Us For A
Farewell Luncheon
For
Lane, Susan, and Maggie
Sunday, July 31, 2022
After Worship Services

This will be a covered dish potluck luncheon with the meat provided by the church. We ask that you please bring a covered dish or dessert.

"May the Lord *bless* you
and *protect* you.

May the Lord smile on you
And be gracious to you.

"May the Lord show you his *favor*
And give you his *peace*."

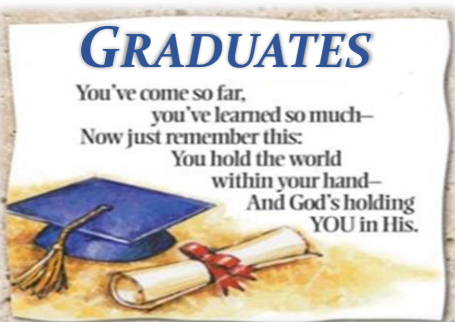
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CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN JULY



- July 7 Charlotte Cole
- July 9 Yvonne Warren
- July 11 Maggie Bass
- July 11 Frances Cole
- July 11 Jeff Llewellyn
- July 12 Mary Welch Gallop
- July 12 Linda Hassell
- July 16 Ronnie Coltrain
- July 18 Sarah Tinkham
- July 20 Steve Harders
- July 31 Lynette Bunch

Don't see your birthday? Please call the church office and let us know when your special day is.



Join us in Congratulating Hallie E. Moore Timmons And Sean M. Timmons

Hallie is a graduate of The University of North Carolina School of the Arts with a Masters of Fine Arts. Sean is a graduate of Duke University with a Masters of Divinity.

UPCOMING DATES

- July 4 Holiday - Office Closed
- July 12 Deacons' Meeting
- July 13 VBS Planning Meeting
- July 19 Food Bank of the Albemarle
- July 25 MBC Food Pantry
- July 29 Deadline to Have Name Removed for Deacon Elections
- Aug. 6 Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
- Aug. 9 Deacons' Meeting
- Aug. 16 Food Bank of the Albemarle

APPLY FOR COLLEGE Scholarships ROBERT E, LEE, III SCHOLARSHIP AND DR. BRUCE E. WHITAKER SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now being accepted for two scholarships available to Murfreesboro Baptist Church Members and their children. The Robert E. Lee, III Scholarship is awarded to Chowan University Students. The Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker Scholarship is awarded to students attending any institution of higher education, with a preference toward those studying at Chowan. Applications are available in the church office and must be completed by July 31. The finance committee will award the scholarships and notify the recipients.

USING THEIR GIFTS TO SERVE

DEACON OF THE MONTH

Bob Lee

OPENING OF THE CHURCH

Charlie Cole

USHERS

July

Johnny Jenkins, Freddie Bazen, Bob Lee, Hunter Brown

August

Colon Balance, T.w. Hill, Charlie Cole, Garth Faile

RADIO MINISTRY SPONSOR

T.W. and Debbie Hill

CAREGIVERS

- June 19 - July 2 Lynette Bunch
- July 3 - July 16 Sarah Frances Hill
- July 17 - July 30 Booker Daniel & Patty Joyner
- July 31 - August 13 Garth & Erin Faile

NURSERY CAREGIVERS

- July 3 Edward Snyder
- July 10 Susan Bass
- July 17 Elizabeth Brown
- July 24 Molly Brown
- July 31 Susan Bass

ACOLYTES

- July 3 Jack Cole
- July 10 Mary Welch Gallop
- July 17 Winslow Gallop
- July 24 Tommy McCormick
- July 31 Jeffrey Saner

SANTUARY FLOWERS

- July 3 Available
- July 10 Available
- July 17 Available
- July 24 Available
- July 31 Available

Deacon Ministry

It is time once again for our church to begin its important and yearly work of selecting four new deacons to serve as shepherds of our congregation. Along with this month's copy of the newsletter, you have received a list of those who are eligible to serve as a deacon. If you do not see your name listed and believe that you should be eligible, please contact us as soon as possible so that we can make sure you are added.

Additionally, if see your name on the list and would like to be removed from consideration, please call or email the church office. However, before you do so, I encourage you spend some time in prayer and reflection. Please do not remove yourself from consideration simply because you do not want to serve.

Being elected as a deacon is not only a high honor and an opportunity to serve your church. It is also an indication that your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ have seen God's work in you and that they have seen your willingness to do God's work. Therefore, I hope that you will make yourself open to this calling.

BLESSINGS MINISTRIES

FOODBANK OF THE ALBEMARLE

Volunteers are needed Tuesday, July 19 by 2:30 p.m. in the church parking lot to distribute food.

FOOD PANTRY

If you have committed to help us keep our pantry filled, please remember to bring twelve of your selected items to the church before the last Monday of each month. As always, any donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Thank you notes to the church were received in June from Chowan University.

CHURCH STAFF REV. LANE BASS PASTOR

PAULA PRESSNELL.....ORGANIST & CHOIR DIRECTOR TOM CAULKINS.....PASTOR EMERITUS TERESA MARTIN.....ADM. ASST.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 1:30 252-398-3613 www.murfbc.org

Our Shared Commitment to Supporting Missions and Ministry for June 2022

| | June 5 | June 12 | June 19 | June 26 | Monthly Total | For the Year |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Weekly Budget | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$15,769.24 | \$153,750.09 |
| Weekly Tithes & Offerings | \$3,127.00 | \$4,660.00 | \$1,328.00 | \$1,085.00 | \$10,200.00 | \$149,027.45 |
| Other Income | | | | | | \$286.17 |
| Over (Under) | (\$815.31) | \$717.69 | (\$2,614.31) | (\$2,857.31) | (\$5,569.24) | (\$4,436.47) |

Eligible For Deacon Elections

Deadline: Friday, July 29, 2022

If your name appears below, but you will be unable to complete a 3-year term as deacon (October 01, 2022 thru September 30, 2025), you must call the church office by 12:00 noon on Friday, July 29 to have your name removed.

Alston, Susan
Awuni, Jill
Aycock, Charlie
Aycock, Dell

Bazen, Freddie
Benthall, Susan
Benthall, Raymond
Boyd, Heather
Boyd, Russell
Brett, Kathy Copeland
Britt, J. W., Jr
Broadhead, Christopher
Broadhead, Genevieve
Brown, Bruce
Brown, Hunter
Brown, Liz
Brown, Sarah
Brown, Shirley
Brown, Wayne
Bunch, Mike
Bunch, Vanessa
Burgess, Brice
Burgess, Kyleen

Cavin, Karen
Clark, Judy
Coltrain, Betsy
Combs, Dorothy

Davis, Sarah
Day, David, III
Dennis, Craig
Dilday, Mabel
Dixon, Diane

Faile, Erin
Faile, Garth
Farnham, Carole
Farnham, David
Forbes, Lisa
Forbes, Tommy
Fowler, Sandra
Fowler, Steve
Futrell, Earlene
Futrell, Larry

Gallop, Mariah
Gatewood, Aldeen

Harders, Lori
Harders, Steve
Hassell, Alice
Hill, Carol
Hill, Sara Frances
Hill, Shirley
T.W. Hill

Jenkins, Catherine
Jenkins, Johnny
Johnson, Don
Johnson, Lynn
Joyner, Patty

Llewellyn, Jeff
Llewellyn, Patti

McCormick, Joel
McCormick, Lauren
McLean, Ben
McLean, Peg
Miles, Terry
Mitchell, Christina
Mitchell, Jennifer
Moore, Danny
Moore, Hallie
Moore, Lynne
Moore, South
Murray, Margaret

Peterson, Kirk
Piper, Darren
Piper, Tracey
Place, Jennifer
Place, Tim

Rainey, Ed
Rainey, Verlie
Revelle, Elicia
Revelle, Gertrude
Revelle, John Page
Royce, Philip
Royce, Rosemary

Sumner, Chris
Sumner, Leslee
Surface, Sallie

Taylor, Gerald
Taylor, Jennifer
Thomas, Hal
Thomas, Kay
Tinkham, Gilbert
Torres, Christina
Torres, Jessica
Torres, Mary
Torres, Pat
Trent, Daynelle
Turner, Bob

Vincent, Hugh
Vincent, Janet

Warren, T. K.
Warren, Yvonne
White, Travis

Currently Serving

Mike Alston (Rotating Off)
Colon Ballance
Thomas Bird
Lynette Bunch
Charlie Cole
Ronnie Coltrain (Rotating Off)
Booker Daniel
Mary Etta Flowers
Linda Hassell
Bob Lee
Rachel Peterson (Rotating Off)
Jay Revelle (Rotating Off)

Not Eligible Until 2023

Frances Cole
Charlie Gallop
Debbie Hill
Brinson Paul

Not eligible Until 2024

Mike Alston
Ronnie Coltrain
Rachel Peterson
Jay Revelle

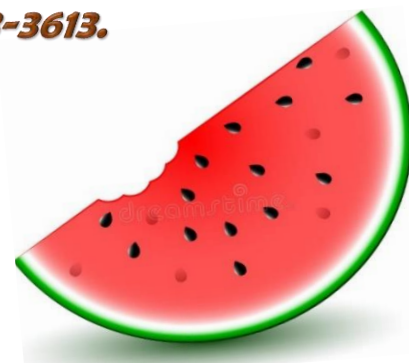
Come Join Us...

For a Delicious Breakfast & Fellowship!

*Anyone wishing to volunteer to cook, serve, or help with clean up,
please contact the church office at 398-3613.*



Pancake And Sausage



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Saturday, August 6, 2022

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

Eat-In or Take-Out

Adults....\$8

Children 12 & Under.....\$5

Get Your Tickets From Any Deacon and in the Church Office

Tickets Available In Advance and At The Door!

Breakfast Located in Church Fellowship Hall

Murfreesboro Baptist Church
200 West Main Street
Murfreesboro, N. C. 27855

Return Service Requested

