Grace Chapel Baptist SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

A Glance at Grace ...











September Church Events

September 2 - BIG Ministry September 3 - Leadership meeting September 8 - House of Agape September 11 - Men's Bible Study September 14 - SAM's Ministry September 18 - Men's Bible Study September 19 - Women of Grace September 25 - Men's Bible Study

Please see pages 4, 7, 9 for current, upcoming, save the date events and important ministry information.

House of Agape Opportunity 2nd Friday of each month Cook (at Grace): 3:00p - 4:45p Serve (at Agape): 5:00p - 6:30p





Dear Grace Chapel Baptist Church Family,

I'm blessed by the Lord to get to be your pastor, and I'm also blessed by the Lord to have a few moments from time to time to just sit and think about being your pastor. As we sang "There is a Fountain" this last Lord's Day Morning, the refrain rang out in my heart, "Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more." First of all, praise be to God that there is a day on the way in which God's people will be delivered from the presence of sin in our own lives and from the effects of sin in the world around us. But also, how humbling and sobering it is for me to get to dwell on my sacred task of helping the people of God make it safely to that appointed destination. My work is to present this little portion of Christ's Bride to Him on the Day when He returns to take her for Himself as a group of folks mature in Him. Sheep who know His voice well. Sheep who will not follow another. And all this is to happen through the ministry of His Word to His people, to the praise of His glory. I'm thrilled to get to be a small part of the Lord's plan to save a people for Himself and to get them safely home.

I've been here now for 9 full months. I must say again, time has really flown by! I'm grateful for how the Lord is at work in our midst. Several of you have started to bring some of the things you're thinking through in life to me and I'm so grateful for that. I don't pretend to have any magic bullets, but I'm delighted to spend time talking with you and pointing you to the Word as the Lord works in your life. It also just helps me pastor you better as I get to know you on a deeper level, struggles and all.

At the congregational level, we have officially survived Christmas in August (it wasn't easy for me either), but I truly hope you will delight in the mystery of the Savior's birth all year round, and we'll do it together again here in just a few months. As we press on in Matthew, continue to come expecting to encounter Jesus. This Gospel is so clearly about who He is and what He has done on our behalf. Before long we will be in the thick of Jesus' teaching, and I pray that will be a blessing to us all, and that the Lord would use it in our lives to make us more like Jesus.

On Sunday nights we are preparing to wrap up our time in the BF&M 2000. I hope you have learned a little bit about what it means to cooperate with the SBC and the core beliefs that make that possible. Continue to shoot me your questions as they come to you!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Thomas

Gouth boys trip to Boone & Gouth girls day out





























Men's Ministry - BIG 1st Saturday of each month @ 9:00am



BIG Ministry breakfast & devotion will be September 2nd @ 9:00am. Our men always have a great time of fellowship cooking, cleaning and hearing the word. Come out and see what God is doing in the lives of men just like you.

Women of Grace 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30pm



Please join us on September 19th @ 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. Pastor Thomas will give the devotion during the first 20-30 minutes, then our ladies will fellowship. Janice has offered to cook lasagna for us then we will sit back and enjoy each others company. Come join us!

Young Professionals - (age 18-30) "Young Pros" Sunday School (10am) & last Thursday of month (6:30pm)

During the month of September, the Young Professionals Sunday school class will be finishing the spiritual discipline of silence and solitude. We will begin to shift gears to discuss Journaling toward the end of the month. As we continue to study spiritual disciplines, we are reminded that the purpose for them are to conform us to the likeness of the Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 8:29).

We also have played in two softball games and won both! We have enjoyed the fellowship and everyone's competitive spirit coming out!

Caleb & Emalee Clayton

Men's Bible Study Every Monday Night @ 6:30pm

No Men's Bible Study on Sept 4th



Men, if you want to dive deep, discussing, learning and exploring the Bible, join us in the fellowship hall. Invite your friends and neighbors from other church's too. All men are welcome! Eat before you come, bring it with you or grab something on your way home.

In God's Service - Gene Brumfield

Senior Adult Ministry - SAM's 2nd Thursday of each month @ 6:30pm



Please join us September 14th @ 6:30 p.m. We look forward to sharing the word with you and enjoying each others company.

1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

We love y'all - Jamie & Tanya Demby

YOUTH - Student Ministry Student Training Out Reach Ministry Go. Make. Baptize. Teach

GCBC family, thank y'all so much for your prayers over our youth ministry. Our trip to the mountains ended up turning into a boy's retreat. We caught some big ol' trout, we tubed, we hung out around the fire, and we ate some good food. Our time in the Word was spent in Romans. We looked at the first 4 chapters and talked about the essential components of the gospel. We were also able to take some of our ladies who have just aged out of the youth group out for a time of fun and fellowship to celebrate them. Thank you also for all of your hard work to pull off the Back to School Bash! There isn't much better than a potluck and a slip-n-slide.

Pastor Thomas, Jamie & Wade



Wednesday Night Kids

Thank you for allowing your children to come learn God's Word with us! We have been having a wonderful time seeing the promises of God and His faithfulness.

We have been studying the Old Testament and have just completed Joshua. In the course of our study we have talked about what sin is and the consequences of sin. We have also talked about how we can glorify God. Through it all we have related our lessons to Jesus and how He fulfills the promises of God.

In September we will focus on repentance through our study of Israel's unfaithfulness (Judges 1-3), Deborah and Barak (Judges 4-5), Gideon (Judges 6-8), and Samson (Judges 13-16). If you would like your child to attend and would like to know more, please come see us! We would love to have more.

Toni and Michelle



Backto School Bash & Meal





















Backto School Bash - Slipn Slide











































OCTOBER 7, 2023 NOON UNTIL 7:30 PM



Blessed are the Peacemakers

All are welcome to join us for food , Christian fellowship, and music to show our appreciation for all Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters, EMS, First Responders, as well as our US. Armed Forces members!



October 2 - Men's Bible Study October 9 - Men's Bible Study October 13 - House of Agape October 17 - Women of Grace October 26-29 - Women's Trip October 7 - FEED "Back the Badges" October 12 - Sam's Ministry October 16 - Men's Bible Study October 23 - Men's Bible Study October 30 - Men's Bible Study

Nednesday Night Grace Kids











Weekly opportunities at Grace
Sunday School 10:00am
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00am
Sunday Night Service 6:00pm
Monday Night Men's Bible Study 6:30pm
Wednesday Kids Ministry
Wednesday Night Service
Wednesday Student Ministry 7:00pm



We have a great group of kids that are eager to hear God's word, share their experiences and of course enjoy a few minutes of play! Please email the office, info@gracechapelbaptist.net, if you are interested in signing up for a night to teach. Don't miss out on this opportunity to invest in our kids!

DEACONS

Please feel free to contact them if you have a need or concern.

Grace Kids Nursery

<u>September</u> **3** - Tumblin

10 - Brumfield/Black **17** - Judd **24** - Adams

October **1** - Clavton 8 - Tumblin 15 - Black/Brumfield



23 - Adams 30 - Judd

We need your help! If you are interested in volunteering in the nursery, please let the office know. Email: info@gracechapelbaptist.net

September Anniversaries

14 - Jeremy & Shannon Kimble 18 - Wade & Tamera Tumblin

If you are a member of Grace Chapel and your birthday or anniversary was left off the list, please notify the church office.

September Birthdays

- 1 Thomas Broom
- 1 Karolina Burnette
- 11 Terri Thomas
- 13 Jamie Demby
- 23 Joe Barton 30 - Bethany Grace Kimble



~ Church Business ~

H URS Office Phone: (803) 818-5683

OFFICE Grace Office Hours 9am-1pm Monday - Friday

CHURCH CLEANING CREWS – (volunteers)

<u>September</u> 1**October**

6 -**15 - Brumfield/Tumblin**

13 - Burnette/Hoover

20 - Barton/Demby/ Judd 27 -

22 -29 - Melton

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Thank you all for taking time out of your busy schedule to beautify and sanitize the Lord's House. We could always use more help because most of our teams consist of just one family. If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer in this service, please email info@gracechapelbaptist.net. It is a blessing to serve in the Lord's house.



Church office will be closed Monday, September 4th.

Mack Owens

Wade Tumblin

Members: Thank you so



much for your dedication to the church as we "Build Back Biblically."



(803) 322-0805 (803) 627-1112

Tommy & Phyllis Broom Jason & Jackie Embry Austin Stacks Jordon & Makayla Taylor



We have two serious allergies within our congregation. Please let the kitchen staff know if you bring a dish with any of these ingredients so they can notify the members.

Thank you! Food: Onions, Cinnamon, Spice Scent: Cinnamon, Spice

Scan the QR code, with your cell phone to go directly to our Grace online page.

