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OCTOBER 2020

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Chris Thompson, Senior Pastor	704-876-1520
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Rev. Scott Townsell, Pastor for Student Discipleship	980-829-3163
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Linda Cornett, Ministry Assistant	704-876-1520
Connie Dellinger, Financial Secretary	704-876-1520

EACH SUNDAY

8:15 AM	Morning Worship
9:30 AM	Sunday School
10:45 AM	Morning Worship
4:30 PM	Worship Choir
5:00 PM	AWANA
6:00 PM	Evening Worship

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CURRENTS

October 2020

OCT. 24TH
11 AM - 3 PM
FALL FESTIVAL

#SRBCFALLFESTIVAL

FREE EVENT FOR ALL!
FOOD, CANDY, GAMES
INFLATABLES, GAMES, & HAYRIDES!

Register Today @ <http://southriverbaptist.com/fallfest/>
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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear South River Family,

Harvest Time! God has been so good to overflow our cups with His bountiful supply. This is a time to rejoice. A time to praise Him. A time to remember that He is the faithful Shepherd that cares for His sheep. What a privilege to serve Him and see His hand at work in us and through us.

I am excited to see your faithfulness to give to the Harvest of Faith campaign. We are in the process of surveying the land and accessing what we need to do to bring Phase 1 to the church in the coming months. The pastoral leadership and Strategic Vision team covet your prayers as we move forward. God continues to amaze us at the potential for our 35 acres!

I am also thrilled with our Headwaters educational enrichment ministry. What a joy to see over 60 children here daily! I am thankful for those that make this ministry possible as you faithfully serve. Pray for this ministry to grow and share with others about the after-school opportunities. We recently started a Good News Club on Mondays in the Family Life Center.

Continue to pray for God's favor as we plant, water, and harvest the seed of His Word in the lives of people throughout the week on our church grounds and throughout our community.

Blessings,
Pastor Chris

PRESCHOOL

1ST SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship
Michael & Stephanie Wilhelm
Michael Layne
Donna Loudermilt
10:45 AM Worship
April Thompson
Melanie Townsell
Kayla Jones
6:00 PM Worship
Patsy Burnette
Cricket Barnette
Marie Chrastina

2ND SUNDAY

8:15 AM Worship
Erica Barnette
Patsy Weston
Anna Wright
10:45 AM Worship
Tammie Bowie
Lorene Wallace
Mary Morrison
Taylor Hedrick
6:00 PM Worship
Celena Wilhelm
Rebecca Thorpe
Alissa Coulombe

3RD SUNDAY

8:15 Worship
Jason & Jenna Sherrill
Mary Jo Frye
10:45 Worship
Bonnie Hamilton
Erica Miller
Lizzie Cook
6:00 PM Worship
Laura Campbell
Jean Isenhour

4TH SUNDAY

8:15 Worship
Tamatha Stewart
Clara Paige Beatty
Amelia Fox
10:45 Worship
Liz Deal
Andrea Thomas
6:00 PM Worship
Donna Williams
Sherrie Haithcox
Kim Mersfelder

1ST WEDNESDAY

April Thompson
Elizabeth Griffin

2ND WEDNESDAY

Heather Baldwin
Donna Gallina
Brenda Runkle

3RD WEDNESDAY

Lesley Colvert
Tara Beatty
Carol Stewart

4TH WEDNESDAY

Don & Janet Johnson
Karen Warricks

SECURITY/GREETERS

OCTOBER 4TH

Security Team #4
Greeters - 8:00
Carol Sipes - FD
Martha McCoy - SP
10:30 - Karli Townsell - FD
Mary Morrison - SP

OCTOBER 11TH

Security Team #1
Greeters - 8:00
Bridget Merritt - FD
Christie Kestler - SP
10:30 - Mary Kirkpatrick - FD
Kaitlyn Lyon - SP

OCTOBER 18TH

Security Team #2
Greeters - 8:00
Vicki Miller - FD
Erica Miller - SP
10:30 - Faye Cook - FD
Karlyn Betts - SP

OCTOBER 25TH

Security Team #3
Greeters - 8:00
Brenda Runkle - FD
Bridget Merritt - SP
10:30 - Deborah Templeton - FD
Andrea Thomas - SP

UPCOMING

GRIEF SHARE CLASSES

Classes take place on Wednesdays @ 6 pm in Room 109. They run through November 11th.



Contact Steve Jenkins (980) 263-4134 for more information

WELCOME

BAPTISM			
Kevin Robertson	1292 Jennings Rd.	Statesville, NC 28625	704-880-5014
BY LETTER			
Nicky Robertson	1292 Jennings Rd.	Statesville, NC 28625	704-880-5014
Gene Hilderbrand (Bristol)	2831 Old Mountain Rd.	Stony Point, NC 28678	704-872-7849
Renee Hilderbrand	2831 Old Mountain Rd.	Stony Point, NC 28678	704-872-7849
BY STATEMENT			
Gladys Carter	103 Lark Ln.	Statesville, NC 28625	704-495-5976

2019/2020 MINISTRY BUDGET

YTD BUDGET GOALS	\$67,174.28
YTD BUDGET RECEIPTS	\$69,348.97
TOTAL GIVING TO DATE	\$69,348.97

RIPPLE KIDZ MINISTRY

Apples of all kinds! Our Fall Festival is unique in the way that it shares the Gospel. Looking past the games and all the other exciting activities, a story is being told. The story is simple, we all began in the garden as a bunch of good fruit, in our case apples. It was not long after day 7 of creation that we became a corrupt apple seed. When Adam took a bite from that forbidden tree, we too sinned through him. That sin required a price, and the payment is nothing but Christ. Without a doubt Jesus lived a perfect life and then because of His love He was crucified. His love did not remain in the grave but rose again with Him on the 3rd day. This is the story that many people will hear at our Fall Festival this year. Please come and be a part of this extraordinary event!

Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.

Romans 5:18

Pastor Stephen A. Hart

Pastor of Parent and Child Discipleship



DEEP & WIDE STUDENT MINISTRY

Itching Ears!! An itch that God is not concerned in scratching...

2 Timothy 4:1-5 - I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

This is a Daily Bread that I found from 1997. Here's what this author had to say about the issue. The apostle Paul warned Timothy that he would encounter people with an ailment he called "itching ears" (2 Tim. 4:3). Those who have this condition reject "sound doctrine" and look for teaching that suits "their own desires." For example, if they're offended by Christ's declaration, "No one comes to the Father except through Me" (Jn. 14:6), they flock to a pastor who says there are many ways to God. Or some people reject the biblical teaching that those who engage in sexual relationships outside of marriage are "fornicators and adulterers" whom "God will judge" (Heb. 13:4). So they look for a teacher who says that the sexual standards in the Bible are not binding in today's world. I deplore what these people do, but I'm afraid that I too have "itching ears." I love to hear strong affirmations of biblical standards and sound doctrine. But I don't like to be confronted with Scripture about prideful, self-righteous attitudes or lack of love for others. Undoubtedly, all of us have this malady. We need to ask the Lord to search our hearts and forgive us. He can change us so that we will listen to what His Word says and obey it. That is the only antidote for "itching ears." **By: Herbert Vander Lugt**



Got Questions puts it this way, "The truth is, God is not concerned with scratching our itches but in transforming us into the image of His Son (Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 4:4)." So, as we continue our Christian walk may we ignore the itches and continue to appreciate the transforming power of the Word of God because that is where God would **want** us to be.

Pastor Scott Townsell, Student & Parent Discipleship

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

- Alexandria Parise
Brett Thomas
- Kelton Elliott
Crystal Kennedy
- Heather Leeper
Sydney Patterson
- Lesley Colvert
- Mary Bowman
Ashton Fulbright
Billie Haithcox
Chris Keever
Michael Lyon
Daryl Martin
- Dallas Alejandro
Paul Corriher
Stephen Hart
John Wilson
- Dorothy Privette
Kaylie Robertson
- Cassandra Chege
- Eric Dixon, Jr
Salem Estes
Brittney Griffin
Sierra Ross
Toyie Templeton
- Carolyn Sprinkle
Jeff Weston
- Ethan Barnes
Wesley Rexrode
- Abby Cloer
Jeff Doan
Molly Townsell
- Veronica Coulombe
Jeremy Stewart

- Ruth James
Brice Speaks
Jeremiah Stewart
Samuel Thompson
- Devin Ashley
Samuel Heffner
Steve Jenkins
Doris Marsh
Laura Waddill
- Elizabeth Dixon
Melissa Lackey
Bryce Weston
- Tom Hunter
Tonda Lowman
Carson Weston
- Libby Campbell
- Austin Saunders
- Melissa Alejandro
Debbie Fulbright
- Ellen Pope
- Teddy Campbell
Jeff Fox
Jennifer Hedrick
Josholine Karkiker
Tony Smith
- Walter Chrastina
- Tammy Davidson
Lydia Thorpe
- Jonathan Reed

OCTOBER

- Joseph & Mary Kirkpatrick
- Brandon & Hanna LeFever
- Larry & Cathy Johnson
- Jeff & Tammy Bowie
Walter & Marie Chrastina
- Gene & Mary Dellinger
- Rob & Stephanie Wright
Ridge & Mary Zittle
- Jerry & Peggy Koch
- Howard & Julie Martin
- Michael & Stephanie Wilhelm
- Charles & Almedia Campbell
- Robert & Lesley Colvert
- Alexander & Makayla Maffucci
- David & Debbie Fulbright
- Jim & Laura Campbell

Eleanor Mae Stewart
Born 9/22/2020 2:07 PM
Weight 9.3 lbs.
Length 21 ins.
Proud Parents:
Brian & Robin Stewart



OPPORTUNITIES

PAUL DAVID TRIPP

PARENTING

14 GOSPEL PRINCIPLES
That Can Radically Change Your Family

JOIN US FOR THIS 8 WEEK CLASS FROM 5-6PM ROOM 109 LED BY PASTOR CHRIS THOMPSON

Country Ham & Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, October 3rd 6:00 am - 11:00 am

Family Life Center

Proceeds support Toy Store Nov. 30 - Dec. 5 in War, WV



WORSHIP MINISTRY

RIVER WORSHIP CHOIR

4th AM Let the Rocks Keep Silent
11th AM I'm Going Home with Jesus
18th AM Sometimes It Takes a Mtn
25th AM Break Every Chain

PM We Are Still the Church
PM Christ Our Hope in Life & Death
PM Honored Exalted & Glorified
PM Behold Our God

SPECIAL MUSIC

Chipley Ford
4th AM Living Waters Trio
11th AM Tammy Pearman
18th AM Amanda Pauley
25th AM Christie Hance

PM Jimmy Williams
PM Wynston Lyles
PM Carol Davis
PM Old Paths Trio

WEDS

7th Wilma Huffman 14th No Solo 21st Dan McGee 28th Carolyn Sprinkle

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bristol Drive
4th AM Harold Smith 11th AM Carol Davis 18th AM Wynston Lyles
25th AM Carolina Brewster

WEDS

7th No Solo 14th Wilma Huffman 21st Harold Smith 28th Dan McGee

YOUNG AT HEART

Young At Heart Chili/Soup Fellowship

Friday,
October 23rd @ 6 PM

Pastor Pauley & Amanda's home
121 Postell Drive

Sign up in SS or in the Ministry Hall
to bring chili or soup with fixins,
salads, desserts

Young At Heart Ministry Team

Wednesday,
October 7th & 14th
10 AM

Ministering/singing to Members

We need your help to minister to those
who are alone and apart
from our church family.
See Pastor Pauley to help.
We will meet at the church
and carpool to homes.

BRISTOL DRIVE



Jonathan Edwards once said that we are nothing more than a spider dangling over hell, and the only thing that prevents God from casting us there, because of our sin, is His infinite grace and mercy. But, here is where we find cause to rejoice. Our God is gracious and merciful! Knowing the justice of God, and that sinners will be punished, we proclaim the gospel. There is mercy, there is grace, and there is forgiveness found in Christ. As Paul reminds us in 2 Corinthians 4, now is the acceptable time, and today is the day of salvation. May we as the Church be emboldened by the Spirit to proclaim the good news of Christ, knowing both the justice and mercy of our God.

Pastor Wesley Rexrode,
Bristol Drive Campus

NEW MINISTRY



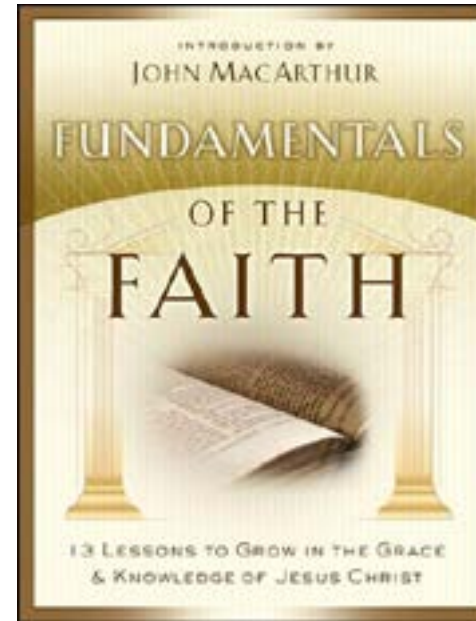
Enrollment still open in all areas

We have 65 children enrolled!

We need volunteers to run recess games from 12:15-1:45 pm

**We have a place for you who have 2 hrs to give
anytime from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm.**

BIBLE STUDIES

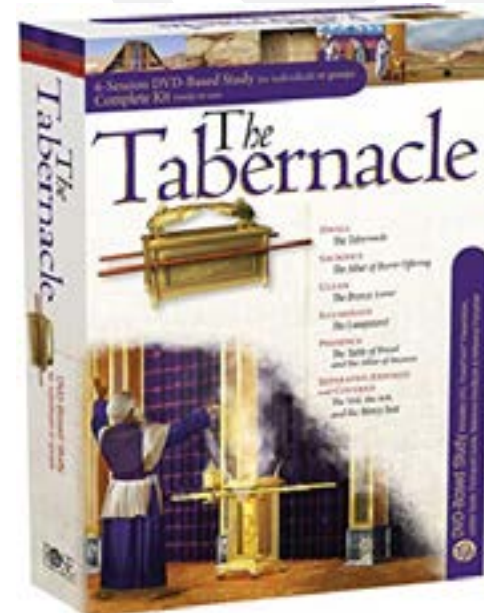


**Adult Bible Study
for new believers or
refresher for the faithful**

**Wednesdays 7:00 pm
Room 110**

**Led by Ed Runkle
Books are free**

**Contact Ed Runkle or
show up for the class**



Women's Bible Study

**Wednesdays 7:00 pm
Room FLC #4**

Ending October 28th

**Led by Christie Kestler
Cost for book - \$8 each**

**Contact Janet Johnson if you would like
to start attending**

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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Bible Study
Thursdays - 7:30 pm
Family Life Center Gym

Resumes on October 22nd
Led by Elijah Pope

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

October Study
Answers In Genesis
Sundays - 9:30 am



DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRY



Message Series
with Pastor Chris
Wednesdays
@ 7:00 pm



Mark Your Calendars

November 22nd - Family Thanksgiving Meal 5 PM
November 30th - December 5th - Toy Store for Christ, War, WV

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				3:00-6:00 pm Food Distribution (FLC Parking Lot)	9:00 am Ladies Bible Study (FLC #2)	6:00 am Country Ham/Pancake Breakfast
				1	2	3
Bible Read Wk 41 The Lord's Supper AM 9:30 am River Walk Class (Rm 109) 5:00 pm Parenting Class (Rm. 109)	10:00 am Pack Food Bags		10:00 am YAH Ministry 6:00 pm Grief Share 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Ripple Kidz & Student Worship Bible Studies (FLC #4; Rm 110)	3:00-6:00 pm Food Distribution (FLC Parking Lot)	9:00 am Ladies Bible Study (FLC #2)	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Bible Read Wk 42 5:00 pm Parenting Class (Rm. 109)	10:00 am Pack Food Bags		10:00 am YAH Ministry 6:00 pm Grief Share 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Ripple Kidz & Student Worship Bible Studies (FLC #4; Rm 110) 8:00 pm Stewardship Mtg	3:00-6:00 pm Food Distribution (FLC Parking Lot)	9:00 am Ladies Bible Study (FLC #2) 6:30 pm Fabric of Christmas Kick-off (Choir Room)	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Bible Read Wk 43 9:30 am River Walk (109) 5:00 pm Parenting Class (Rm. 109) Business Mtg - PM 5:00 pm AWANA (Duct Tape Night)	10:00 am Pack Food Bags		6:00 pm Grief Share Ripple Kidz Council 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Ripple Kidz & Student Worship Bible Studies (FLC #4; Rm 110)	3:00-6:00 pm Food Distribution (FLC Parking Lot)	9:00 am Ladies Bible Study (FLC #2) 6:00 pm YAH Chili/Soup Fellowship (Pauley Home)	11:00 am Fall Festival 5:00 pm Youth Outing
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Bible Read Wk 44 5:00 pm Parenting Class (Rm. 109)	10:00 am Pack Food Bags		6:00 pm Grief Share Student Ministry Council 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Ripple Kidz & Student Worship Bible Studies (FLC #4; Rm 110)	3:00-6:00 pm Food Distribution (FLC Parking Lot)	9:00 am Ladies Bible Study (FLC #2) 6:00 pm Conceal Handgun Class	9:00 am Conceal Handgun Class
25	26	27	28	29	30	31