

Ebenezer Baptist Church

Spiritual Vitality in the Age of COVID-19

A challenging school year, presidential election year, and the streets raging with protests have all led to uncertainty. I write to remind you of your spiritual vitality. Your spiritual health is a significant component of your overall well-being along with your physical and mental health.

2020 has been a tough year. Ebenezer has gone to one Sunday service with Sunday school classes online. The novelty of online small group Sunday schools quickly subsided. In-person church attendance is down as many choose to watch the service online. Whether worshipping in-person or online, we must not neglect being the body and studying the Scriptures together—even though the way we do it is different than we have done in the past.

In the midst of uncertainty, God reminds the people through Isaiah of the victory and His glory. Then he tells them in Isaiah 35:3–4 (NKJV), “Strengthen the weak hands, And make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are fearful-hearted, Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, With the recompense of God; He will come and save you.”

Be strong and live! While we must take precautions, do not neglect your spiritual health. It will help with your physical and mental health. God will grow your faith and take away your fear. A believer must not be afraid to live. His desire for us is to live!

Zephaniah 3:17 (NKJV), “The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.”

Believers know God is ever-present. The One who is the source of salvation and stronger than COVID-19 is present and will quiet your life. He will rejoice over you, so pull the covers down and get out of bed. Let’s face each day knowing the ever-present God will guide our days and give us life for all eternity.

For His Glory,

Bro. Chad Phelan

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3- Renee DeLong	5- Sherril Dobbs	7- David Cohea
9- Thomas Johnson	11 Cynthia Cantrell	14- Adalyn Sader
14- Katherine Birdwell	14- Courtney Claiborne	15- Thom Wilson
20- Bobbie Morgan	23- Carl Brownfield	24- Sherry McCoy
29- Haley Hasty	30- Gary Suter	

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSERIES

5- Bryan & Tammy Suter	14- Alex & Cristin Smith
19- Richard & Claudia Bales	20- Randall & Marion Dobbs
21- Jack & Dianne Evans	

DEACON OF THE WEEK

September 6	Eddie Suter
September 13	Gary Suter
September 20	John Twist
September 27	Wayne Semore

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Week of:

8/30-	Thom & Debi Wilson
9/6-	Sonya Henry & Amber Hudgins
9/13-	Dianne Evans & Kathleen Woody
9/20-	Vicki Clark & Marion Dobbs
9/27-	Harvey Major & Bro. Chad

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday School through Conference Calls
Morning Worship 10 AM
Children's Worship through Email Link
Wednesday: Prayer and Bible Study 7 PM

EBENEZER HAPPENINGS:

September 1: Deacon's Meeting 6 PM
September 8 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM
September 9 Business Meeting 7 PM
September 15 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM
September 22 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM
September 27: Bank Sunday
September 29 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM

Community Happenings:

September 26 "Sprinkling Robertson County With Praise and Prayer", 10 AM Springfield Court House Square

Thank you for the items for **Operation Christmas Child**. For the month of **September** we would like to collect **Games**. Please drop the items off at church. Thank you for the many items that you have already given. **Please be collecting your shoe boxes!**

The Elect Sunday School Class is collecting the following items for the homeless children and youth in Greenbrier: **With school starting back please consider donating** individual **food** items, especially fruit cups, breakfast bars and macaroni and cheese. They do have access to a microwave so individual non-perishable microwavable items are welcome. Thank you for your donations. Please drop the items off at church.

The Master's Table is a Soup Kitchen that serves a hot meal to anyone that comes by from 10 - 11 AM , Monday-Saturday. Right now, they have some needs that you or your church may be able to help with: three compartment to-go boxes; ground beef; napkins, plastic forks (Sam's sells these for \$10 per 600), spaghetti pasta, and spaghetti sauce. If you bring these items to church we will get them to the Master's Table. Thank you for your continued support!

"Sprinkling Robertson County With Praise and Prayer
September 26, 2020 10 AM
Springfield Court House Square

September 26, 2020 is a National and Global Day set aside for Praise, Prayer, Repentance, and Return to God!

We will have a brief time of Worship and then divide into small groups. A leader will be with each group as they move to surrounding areas of the square for an intimate time with God in Praise and Prayer. **Social distancing and masks are to be honored!**

Come and pray for our world and nation...Our faith in action will be powerful!

Zena Smith and Ann Schneider, Prayer Facilitators

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Golden Offering for TN State Missions
September 13 - September 20

SEPTEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Golden Offering for	TN State Missions	Week of Prayer 9/13 - 9/20				
		1 Deacon Mtg 6 PM	2	3	4	5
6 Church Council meeting postponed	7 Labor Day No School	8 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM	9 Business Mtg 7PM	10	11	12
13 Golden Offering Week of Prayer	14	15 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM	23	24	25	26 Sprinkling Robertson County with Praise & Prayer 10 AM Springfield Courthouse Square
27 Bank Sunday	28	29 Relaunch Committee Meeting 6 PM	30			