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## **Ebenezer Baptist Church**

An Attitude of Thankfulness

William Arthur Ward said, "Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." In the chaotic year of 2020, let us have an attitude of thankfulness and tell others what a blessing they are to us. Anighya, Larry, Brenda and I thank you all for the love and support you provide to us and your labor in the ministry. The work of the church takes us all.

This year has been a challenge, and we will emerge stronger. Although patience is a hard lesson to learn, this year has taught us to be more patient with each other. It has taught us that God is truly with us as we go through the pandemic. 2020 reminded us of the need to check on each other and to love our neighbor. It has reminded us to look out for the health and well-being of others as well as our own. We must "always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all" (IThessalonians 5:15).

This month, let's continue to "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (I Thessalonians 5:16-18). As believers our joy is not dependent on our environment or health. Let us continue to rejoice in Jesus who gives us joy. H.A. Ironside reminds believers to praise God and trust in Him. "We would worry less if we praised more. Thanksgiving is the enemy of discontent and dissatisfaction."

Focusing on God in the storms or pandemics we face allows us to rely on Him and step out in faith. Praising God fixes our perspective, and prayer allows God to align our spirit with His so we can utilize our relationship with Him as we face our fears. This results in us being even more thankful for God's work in our life, family, church and world.

May we have an attitude of thankfulness carrying out God's will for Ebenezer and our lives. Thank you, Lord, for working in my life and the life of Ebenezer. Thank you for the lessons we have learned so far in 2020. Thank you, Sarah and Reed, for loving me and working with me in the ministry. Thank you, Anighya, Larry and Brenda, who bless me as well as the church. Thank you for each member of Ebenezer and the many members who work sacrificially to see that the Gospel advances and God is truly glorified. Sarah, Reed and I love you all! Thank you for the privilege of being your pastor.

Grace and peace to you,

Bro. Chad Phelan

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#### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 8- Sasha Delong
  10- Judy Clark
  12- Stella Kate Dickerson
  18- Caleb Delong
  22- Renee Emberton
  25- Cristin Smith
- 30- Pam Hardy

#### **NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 15- Robert & Jennifer Brown
- 17- Dale & Pam Hardy
- 18- Joe & Shirley Fugate
- 23- David & Pam Orum

25- Caleb & Sasha Delong

#### **CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE**

#### Week of:

- 11/1- Dianne Evans, Marion Dobbs
- 11/8- Sonya Henry, Amber Hudgins, Claudia Bales
- 11/15- Thom & Debi Wilson, Harvey Major
- 11/22- Dianne Evans, Marion Dobbs
- 11/29- Sonya Henry, Amber Hudgins, Claudia Bales

#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

11- Sherri Casteel

27- Zach Suter

19- Daniel Schussler

November IBryan SuterNovember 8Bob EdmondsNovember 15Jeff DelongNovember 22Thom WilsonNovember 29Jerry Henry

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday School 9 AM Morning Worship 10 AM Children's Worship 10 AM Wednesday: Prayer and Bible Study 7 PM

## **EBENEZER HAPPENINGS**

November 3	Deacon's Meeting 6 PM
November 4	OCC Packing Party 7 PM
November 11	Business Meeting 7 PM in Church
November 16-	23 OCC Collection Week (see calendar for times)
November 22	Community Thanksgiving Service will be virtual 6 PM
November 24	Prayer Meeting (Tuesday night)
November 25-	27 No school
November 26	Thanksgiving - Church Closed
November 29	Bank Sunday

## **Community Happenings:**

- November 2 Women's Night of Prayer 7 PM @ Cedar Hill Baptist
- November 3 No School/Election Day
- November 10 Summit TN Baptist online 9-11 AM
- November 29-December 6 Week of Prayer for IMB & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



On November I be sure to set you clocks back one hour and change your smoke detector batteries! We Need You! We need volunteers for the Cold Weather Shelter which helps the homeless in Robertson County on nights in the months of Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb. and March. We need folks to help with sign in and scanning, overnight chaperones, devotionals, meals and laundry. Please consider a couple of nights a month to help those less fortunate in our county. Call Linda Ring at 615-212-8735 if you need more info on orientation. Orientation is required and will be Sat., Oct 24th and Sat., Oct. 31st, both are at 9-10 AM at Epiphany Baptist Church, 211 W. 1st Ave., Springfield. Background checks required with cost of \$10.00. Must be 18 years old. 1 just received this on Wednesday, but wanted to get it out there in case anyone was interested.

The Elect Sunday School Class is collecting the following items for the homeless children and youth in Greenbrier:

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!



In November Operation Christmas Child would like to collect the \$9 shipping fee for the boxes we pack at our packing party.

OCC Week is November 16-23. We will be offering curbside collecting Monday - Friday 3 PM - 7 PM, Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM, Sunday Noon - 5 PM and Monday 11/23 from 8 - Noon.

If you can help during National Collection Week, please see Michael or Tammy Kelly.

OCC trip to Atlanta - We will leave the church Friday AM, work a 6 hour shift in the processing center preparing the shoebox filled cartons for shipment, spend the night and return by Saturday afternoon. It is a whirlwind trip but one of the most rewarding that you will ever take part in. Please contact Michael or Tammy for details and to sign up to go.

This year OCC has an online tool that will allow you to provide a shoe box without ever leaving your home. For \$25 you can prayerfully select items, include a personal note and/or picture as well as track where it goes. Our goal is 250 online shoeboxes. Visit our website www.Ebenezergreenbrier.com or Facebook page https:// www.facebook.com/ebcgreenbrier/ for a link:



Women's Night of Prayer November 2 @ 7 PM

Cedar Hill Baptist Church

Featuring: Prayer Warriors in the Workforce

## Don't forget

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November 3

# November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Clocks Back Smoke Alarm Battering	2 Women's Night of Prayer 7 PM Cedar Hill Baptist	3 No School Election Day Deacon's Meeting 6 PM	4 OCC Packing Party 7 PM	5	6	7
8	9	10 Summit TN Baptist online 9-11 AM	11 Business Meeting 7 PM	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	OCC Collection Week					
	3-7 PM	3-7 PM	3-7 PM	3-7 PM	3-7 PM	10 AM-2 PM
22 OCC Collection	23 OCC Collection	24 Prayer	25 No School	26	27 No School	28
12-5 PM Community Service		Meeting 7 PM		No School Church Closed		
Virtual @ 6 PM	8 AM-12 PM			Thanksgiving		
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