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# The Window

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*"A family of committed believers linked by love, and dedicated to sharing Christ with our community and the world."*

**Check out our new website!**  
[www.washingtonbaptist.org](http://www.washingtonbaptist.org)

**Our Staff:**

Dr. Drew Hines—*Pastor*  
Rev. Trent Henson—*Associate Pastor*  
Mr. Steven Gillespie—*Interim Minister of Music*  
Mr. Travis Henson—*Minister of Youth*  
Mrs. Toni Arms—*Minister of Children*

**THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:**

**Sunday, November 22nd**—  
8:30 am First Morning Worship Service  
9:45 am Sunday School (Classrooms & Sanctuary)  
10:45 am Second Morning Service  
4:30–6:30 pm Experiencing God— Food Pantry Chapel  
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service.

**Monday, November 23rd**—  
6:00 am Men's Prayer Time— Room 211  
Men's Bible Study—Lg. Conf. Room

**Wednesday, November 25th**—  
5:30 pm Pinto Bean Supper & Service—Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, November 26th**—**Thanksgiving—Church Office Closed**

**Friday, November 27th**—**Church Office Closed**

**Saturday, November 21st**—  
8:00-9:30 am Food Pantry Open-By Appointment only  
(USDA is an equal opportunity and provider and employer.)

**November 15, 2020:**

Sunday School Attendance	218
Church Attendance:	AM 306 PM 104
Awana Attendance	26
<b>Sunday's Offering:</b>	\$33,053.62
Online Giving from 11/11-11/17	\$9,277.00
<b>Total Offerings Received</b>	<b>\$42,330.62</b>
Budget Offering Received	\$23,829.00
Budget Offering Required	\$24,000.00
<b>Designated*</b>	<b>\$2,002.00</b>
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$1,555.00
Food Pantry	\$427.00
Janie Chapman Offering	\$20.00
<b>Reimbursements</b>	<b>\$16,499.62</b>
Poinsettias	\$490.50
League Sports (Basketball Registrations)	\$825.00
Bldg. & Grounds (Insurance check)	\$15,184.12

**\*Designated funds:**  
Approved projects are Building Fund & Special Projects.  
\*\*Special offerings as designated by the Board of Deacons.  
The work of our church is supported entirely by the faithful giving of our members.

**The Church office will be closed  
Thursday & Friday,  
November 26th & 27th.  
Happy Thanksgiving!!**

Washington Baptist Food Pantry  
Open on Saturdays from  
8:00-9:30 am  
by appointment only.

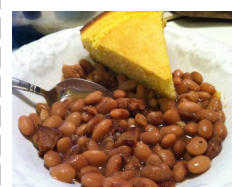


**RA & GA Christmas Ministry Project—Coming Soon!!**

We will be collecting Christmas Gifts for Connie Maxwell Children's Home again. More details coming later!!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS  
CHILD SHOEBOXES**

It is time to start work on your OCC boxes for 2020. The deadline is November 22nd. Boxes and labels for OCC are on the information table near the prayer chapel. Please leave the boxes under the table. Choose a gender and age (2-14) of a child you will focus on. Using one of the boxes provided, or a shoe box sized box of any type, fill it with toys, toiletries, small clothing items, books, coloring books, family photo, a personal note, prayers and or scripture. Put a large rubber band around it and \$9.00 inside will help cover logistics costs. See [www.occ-upstate.com](http://www.occ-upstate.com), <http://www.occ-upstate.com> for ideas and info. Your box could reach a child in one of the 130 countries. Over 9 million are delivered from the USA yearly. Thank you for your support.



**Pinto Bean Supper**

Make plans now to join us at our Annual Pinto Bean Supper and service on **Wednesday, November 25th.** We will be serving at 5:30 pm. To make a reservation, please call the church by November 22nd. This supper is free, but we need to know how many will be eating.

**Food Pantry**

Members are welcome to use pantry shopping carts to move materials around the church campus, but please return them to their assigned locations after use. All of these carts are critical to our operation every Saturday morning.



**GIFTS FOR 62 PRISONERS**

May God bless each of you who completed a Prisoner Packet. We had a total of 62 packets. A special "Thank You" to the GA's and RA's who completed 40 of those! WOW! Thanks to everyone, and may God also bless the prisoners who receive your gifts.



**Attention all 3-6 graders:** Mark your calendars now for CentriKid, June 14-18, 2021. More information will follow in January 2021.

**Wednesday Night Bible Study:  
"A Walk of Faith: the Life of Abraham"**

Join us on Wednesday's at seven as our pastor leads us in a study of the extraordinary life of faith of Abraham.



**Poinsettias for the  
Hanging of the Green Service:**

Our 20th Annual Hanging of the Green will be held on Sunday evening, November 29th at 6:00 pm. During this service, poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary. There will also be a booklet printed and distributed that evening

listing each honoree. If you wish to purchase one in honor or memory of someone, forms will be available on the tables in the vestibule and tables in the halls behind the organ and piano. The office will also have them available. If you haven't been able to attend church during these past several months and wish to purchase one, please call Patsy Edney at 848-1743 or Dana in the church office. **The deadline is Friday, November 20th.**



**Hanging of the Green**

Join us as we prepare for the Christmas Season with our annual "Hanging of the Green service." Sunday, November 29th at 6:00pm.

**Sunday, November 29th will be our 5th Sunday Reunion Service at 10:45 am**

- No 8:30 service
- Sunday School— 9:45 am
- Reunion Service—10:45 am (We will observe the Lord's Supper & Baptism)
- Hanging of the Green Service —6:00 pm

**Clothes Closet Update:**

We are still in need of gently worn Men's Blue jeans (we are completely out), Coats (any size) and/or Blankets? Please help us! Last Saturday, November 14th we served 33 families who received at least 20 items each. More people are coming to our clothes closet so we could really use your donations! Thank you for helping with this vital ministry!





**Trent's Two Cents:**

In October of 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation of thanksgiving to God. In the proclamation Lincoln listed many national blessings "in the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity" for which the American people should give thanks. Lincoln also testified to the source of these blessings by saying, "No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy." After stating these truths, Lincoln invited all citizens of the United States to observe the last Thursday of November "as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens." When the nation was divided, during political, racial, and civil tensions, Lincoln knew God was still worthy of praise for His mercy and faithfulness. May we apply this lesson to our current situation. 2020 has been a year filled with division, frustration and difficulties, but may we continue to give thanks to God. We have so many blessings for which to be thankful. "Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever" (Psalm 106:1).

In Christ,  
Trent

**Ongoing GA & RA Mission Project:**

We are still collecting can tabs for the Shriners Hospital. Please put your donations in the jars located in the children's area. Thank you so much for your support!

**Right Now Media**

Right Now Media is a Christian online resource website which Washington Baptist subscribes to for our members. It includes videos and other study/conference resources for all age groups to enhance your personal and family spiritual growth. In order to access the website you need an ID and password. We encourage you to sign up and begin to enjoy these wonderful free Christian resources. If you have not received an email from Right Now Media or signed up previously and would like to sign up for this resource, contact Trent Henson at trent@washingtonbaptist.org.



Hello Wonder Kids. I hope you all are having a great week. I know that many of you are beginning to phase back in to full-time in-person school. You all are constantly in my prayers, as well as all the teachers and staff.

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Sun., December 6 at 6:00 pm—All Childrens' choirs Christmas program

Wed., December 16 at 6:30 pm—Children's Grades 1-6 Christmas party

On Wednesday night, November 25, we will be having our annual pinto bean supper, so there will be no GA's, RA's, and Mission Friends that night. We will resume on Wednesday, December 2 and December 9 will be our last meeting until after Christmas. All mission groups will resume on January 6, 2021.

The Children's Department Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 16, from 6:30 - 7:45.

All the children's choirs are practicing for Christmas programs. If you have not been coming, it is not too late to start! The Sonshine Gang (1-6 grades) and His Kids (4 years - 5k) meet on Wednesdays at 6:30. Little Lambs (2 and 3 year olds) meet on Wednesdays at 6:50.

Worship Kids, which is held during the 10:45 worship service for children 4 years through 1st grade, will not resume until further notice. We ask that children 4 years and older attend the worship service with their parents in the sanctuary.

So blessed to serve you,  
Toni



You just don't know how great it is to go by the Sunday School rooms and see all of you! I know we don't have everybody back yet, but we are thankful for those who come. All the teachers stepped right up when we decided to have Sunday

School again, without question! We are so blessed.

I ask each of you, whether you are back or not, to continue to pray for your teacher and the members. Prayer is a powerful tool that is made available to us, if we will use it. God says we are to call out to Him and He will answer you and show you great and mighty things, which we do not know. Jeremiah 33:3 Look forward to seeing you this Sunday.

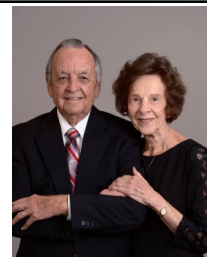
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**Deacon Profile:**

**Bruce Durham**

Spouse: Lannie  
Address: 4211 Jordan Rd.  
Greer, SC 29651  
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Bruce has been a member at WBC all of his life.



**Awana is going GREAT!!** Clubbers don't forget get to do your verses, Cubbies on Marco Polo, Sparks with your Leader, T&T on Marco Polo, and Trek with Mrs. Melanie between 4-4:30pm. Check your email for information! See you online!

**Cubbies at 2:00pm - Google Meet**  
**Sparks at 3:30pm - Google Meet**  
**T&T at 4:00pm - Google Meet**  
**Trek at 4:30 - Zoom Meeting**



**Trent's Podcast—**

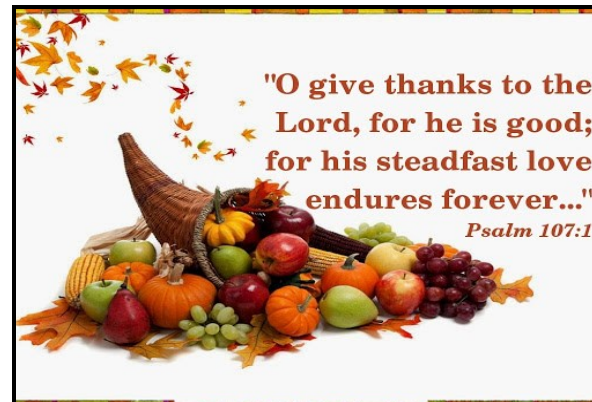
Don't forget to check out Trent's Podcast—"Washington Weekly." To listen to this podcast all you have to do is visit the new church website at [www.washingtonbaptist.org](http://www.washingtonbaptist.org). Click on the 'menu' button and look to the bottom, right under "Events & Media." Click on "Podcast" and it will take you directly to the podcasts. The most recent on will be at the top. **You can also find them in Apple Podcasts.** Make sure to check it out!



**LIVE STREAMING OF THE SERVICES :**

To watch the services, go to the website at [www.washingtonbaptist.org](http://www.washingtonbaptist.org) and click on the 'watch now' button. Also, Washington has a YouTube channel! Simply go to YouTube .com on your device and search for Washington Baptist Church, Greer. Click on the subscribe button to the right of the church logo. Once you subscribe, you can watch the services. If you need any assistance, please call the church office. If you need additional help, call the church office.

*"But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses."*  
Mark 11:26.



**Please make welcome our newest member:**

Ana Marie Dear by Baptism

**Gifts to the Church**

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Guynelle Rainey by the Jim & Shirley Brown and Ronnie & Gale Knight.

.....given to Food Pantry in memory of Donald Moore by Tom & Carl LaMartina.

.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Curtis Spearman by Tom & Carol LaMartina.

**Thank you!!**

WBC Family,  
Thank you so much for all the cards, calls and visits after my ankle surgery several months ago. Words cannot express how much I have appreciated the prayers and outpouring of love. I am blessed to be part of such a caring church. God bless you all!  
Vivian Forrester

Much appreciation to our WBC family for all the prayers for our great grandson Gunner Forrester during his heart surgery in MUSC. He's at home and growing stronger each day. Please continue to pray for him as his 2nd surgery will be early next year. God bless our wonderful church family. Love you all!  
John and Vivian Forrester

**Sunday, November 22nd:**

**Sunday Nursery Workers:**

8:30 am Kelly Edwards, Andrea Weaver and Mackenzie Edwards

**Sunday Computer Security:**

8:30 am—Wade Roddy  
Sunday School— Debbie Wade and 10:45 am— Open

**Safety Team:**

**Vestibule**

8:20-10:30—Aaron Hudson

10:30-12:00—Steve Wilder

5:45-7:00—Steve Wilder

**Children/Preschool Area**

8:30-10:30—Benjamin Van Patton

10:30-12:00—Gary Underwood (Lock all doors at 11:00)

**Youth Area/Fellowship Hall**

9:30-12:00—Kevin Phillips (Lock all doors at 11:00)

**Video Surveillance—Located in Food Pantry**

8:20-10:30— Gregg Moore

10:30-12:00—John Susie (Lock all doors at 11:00)

5:45-7:00—John Susie (Lock all doors at 6:05)

**Wednesday, November 25th**

**Vestibule**—6:45-8:00—Steve Church

**Children/Preschool Area**—6:45-8:00—Mike O'Bryant (Lock all doors at 7:05)

**Video Surveillance—Located in Food Pantry**

6:45-8:00—Joe Aughtry (Lock all doors at 7:05)

**HINES-SIGHT:**

Our God is unique in so many wonderful and indescribable ways. One thing that sets Him apart from us is His ability to remember and forget all at the same time! Yes, you read that right. Let me explain. With all the billions of people who populate this world, God remembers each one. David reminds us in Psalms 139 that we can't go anywhere that God doesn't remember where we are. Jesus explains that God has even numbered the hairs of our head. In other words, you can run from God, but you can't hide from Him. He's already found your hiding place! God remembers! By the same token, God also forgets. That is, as we confess and repent of our sins, God forgets them and never brings them up again. He promises, "For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more." Jeremiah 31:34 I find that to be very comforting. While the devil, who is called "the accuser of the brethren," is more than happy to remind us of confessed sin, God never does. Now if we remain in sin and refuse to deal with it we will face Holy Spirit Conviction. But if we ask God's forgiveness and forsake our wicked ways, He remembers our sin no more. I am so thankful for His undeserved and unmerited grace!

So you see, it's no contradiction! God is good at remembering, but He's also good at forgetting! What a mighty God we serve!

I look forward to seeing you Sunday!

Your Pastor  
Drew Hines

**5th Sunday Love Offering for the Henderson's:**

We will be collecting a love offering for Kerry & Neltia Henderson on Sunday, November 29th. You can mail to the church to be sent to Kerry or mail straight to Kerry. His address is 1971 Commonwealth Way Grayson, GA 30017-1744. If you would like to help in their ministry, please make checks payable to Kerry Henderson. DO NOT make checks to WBC as this offering will be given straight to Kerry. If you are using as a tax donation, please make check payable to Global Frontier Missions—in memo line put 'For Kerry Henderson'.

**Washington Baptist Church Christmas Card Delivery!**

It's that time again! Our Awana Staff is offering to WBC Church & Sunday School Members \$0.25 Christmas Card Delivery starting November 30th thru December 16th.

Drop-off Mailboxes will be located near the elevator on the lower level and upstairs on both sides of the Sanctuary, near the Choir room and Children's Area. Cards can be picked up in the mailboxes located in the hallway behind the Sanctuary and some will be delivered to Sunday School Classrooms.

Please place any payments in an envelope and mark it as **"Christmas Card Delivery Payment"**.

You can leave payments in the Drop-off mailboxes or put them in the Offering plate during Services. All proceeds this year will again go towards WBC's own "Gifts for Jesus".

We love this Christmas tradition at Washington and hope everyone enjoys giving and receiving all the Christmas Cards and saving a little on postage too!

**With this year continuing to being so different and some of our Members not attending regularly; there may be more cards than normal that are not picked up. Unfortunately we will not be able to mail every card that isn't picked up.**

**For your convenience, if you would like any of your cards that are left behind to be returned to you, just include your return name on the envelope and we'll be able get them back to you. Thanks so much!**



Volunteers are still needed for **Children's Computer Security** for Sunday School and the 2nd worship service, Sunday night service & Wednesdays. If you would like to help, please contact Wade Roddy at 270-6197.

