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Our Staff:
Rev. Trent Henson— *Pastor*
Rev. Braxton Kubasko— *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Dave Dupree— *Minister of Worship & Sr. Adults*
Mr. Matthew Moore— *Minister of Youth*



After much consideration, we will stop mailing the weekly newsletter effective March 1. This decision was based upon rising costs and the inability of the post office to deliver the newsletter in a timely manner. However, we will continue to publish the weekly newsletter on Wednesdays.

Copies will be available throughout the church for pick up on Wednesdays and Sundays. This will allow you to have the information for the week without delay. If you would like a digital copy, we can email the newsletter to you. Please email dana@washingtonbaptist.org or call the church office to be added to the email list. The newsletter will also be posted to the church website each week.



New Ladies Bible Study
7-Sessions
Beginning Tuesday, January 23rd, at 7:00 PM at the home of Beckie Aughtry
Or
Wednesday, January 24th, at 10:00 AM at the home of Melanie Hughes
Please purchase book from Lifeway.com or Amazon.
Contact Melanie Hughes at 270-1331 or mhughes3440@gmail.com to register, for assistance ordering book or for more information.

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:

Sunday, January 21st-
8:30 am Early Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:45 am Morning Worship Service
5:00-7:00 pm AWANA
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service-Church Conference

Monday, January 22nd-
6:00 am Men's Monday Morning Bible Study-Lg. Conf. Rm
7:00 am Men's Prayer Time-Room 211

Tuesday, January 23rd-
10:00am& 7:00pm Ladies Prayer Time
7:00 pm Men's Fraternity- Food Pantry Chapel

Wednesday, January 24th-
5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper-Fellowship Hall
6:15-7:45 pm GriefShare-Room 218
6:30 pm The Sonshine Gang
His Kids (4k&5k) Choir- Room 330
6:45-8:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal-Handbell Room
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting
Youth Bible Study
RA's, GA's & Mission Friends
Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
Adult Choir Rehearsal

8:00 pm

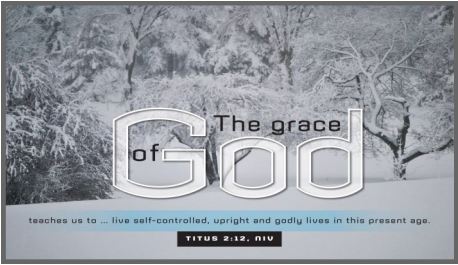
Thursday, January 25th
10:00-11:00 am GriefShare- Room 218
7:00 pm Washington 101-Sanctuary

Saturday, January 27th-
8:00-9:30 am Food Pantry Open
(USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

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Sunday School Attendance:	348
Church Attendance:	AM 467 PM 281
AWANA Attendance:	127
Sunday's Offering:	\$21,044.59
Online Giving 1/10-1/17:	\$7,778.75
Total Offerings Received:	\$28,823.34
Budget Offering Received	\$23,411.87
Budget Offering Required	\$26,300.00
Designated*:	\$2,558.25
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$2,358.25
Food Pantry	\$100.00
Gifts to Jesus	\$100.00
Reimbursements:	\$2,853.22
League Sports	\$157.00
AWANA	\$60.00
Envelopes	\$1.00
Discipleship Training	\$160.00
International Missions	\$1,700.00
Wedding Fees	\$300.00
Special Events	\$240.00
"In Mountain Shadows" books	\$235.22

*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.



WEDNESDAY SUPPERS!

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, January 22nd no later than noon.** We will start serving at 5:30 pm.

The Menu for January 24th:
Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Dessert and Tea
The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children \$24.00 max per family (children under 2 eat free).

Remote Area Medical has an upcoming clinic that we would love for you to be a part of in Greer, SC. Our clinics are staffed by volunteers, so without your hard work and dedication we could not complete our mission of serving folks in need. Take a look at the information below and reach out to our website if you would like to be a part of this clinic. RAMUSA.org
We are in need of medical professionals and general volunteers.
Any questions, call David O'Shields.
Setup Days: March 15,2024
Clinic Days: March 16, 2024 - March 17, 2024
Location: Greer High School
3000 E Gap Creek Rd
Greer, SC 29651

WBC FOOD PANTRY

DECEMBER FOOD PANTRY REPORT:
During this holiday season, we were able to minister to 243 families representing a total of 879 family members. We provided to them season greetings, weekly food support, and for Christmas, a food gift card to Quality Foods. Thanks to some of our staff, we also had a "Christmas Story" book and a choice of toys for the children that attended on Saturday, December 16. The pantry was closed on 12/23 so our staff could enjoy the Christmas weekend. For the year 2023, we served 2490 clients representing 9082 family members. These clients came from 9 surrounding counties with the most from Greenville and Spartanburg counties. Thank you, church, for your support

Update on Calgary Mission Trip: We have 17 members who are committing to participate in this mission trip to Calgary, Canada. The cost per person is \$2000 covering most of our expenses. Other members have asked how to support this trip, and we encourage you to start praying for this team and this July 2024 trip now. Also, anyone is welcome to support the trip financially with contributions spread evenly across all the participants. Please submit checks to the church office made out to Washington Baptist Church and designate Calgary Mission Trip.

We need help in the nursery during Sunday morning and evening services!
On the second Sunday mornings at 10:30 am of each month we are in need of 2 volunteers and 2 volunteers for the fourth Sunday in the 8:30 am service. On the second Sunday night of each month we need 1 volunteer. On the third Sunday night of each month we need 2 volunteers. If you are able to help in any of these capacities please contact Jenna Pinckney, 864-979-0250



Trent's Two Cents:
Sunday night I preached on Ephesians 3:20-21. Paul wrote these verses based on his prayer in the preceding verses. Paul is giving us an incentive to pray in this passage by describing the God to whom we pray. Our church truly believes in the power of prayer. Everything we do at Washington is bathed in prayer. Prayer is a part of every worship service and every business meeting. If your name is on our prayer list, be assured, people are praying for you. I am thankful for the many prayer ministries we have in our church like our prayer text ministry that sends out the latest prayer needs and updates, and our prayer letter ministry that lets people know that we are praying for them. I am also thankful for our prayer groups that are meeting at the church throughout the week. Our men's prayer group meetsevery Monday morning at 7:00am in the classroom across from the gym to pray. This group has been meeting every week for over 25 years and God has worked in amazing ways through this ministry. Now, we also have a women's prayer group. Our women meet in the prayer chapel next to the church office on Tuesdays at 10:00am and 7:00pm. Last Tuesday, I happened to be at the church during both of these times and saw them praying. It was a powerful thing to see people in there praying both morning and night. Thank you to all who participate in our prayer ministries. There is no way to measure the eternal impact of these ministries. All are welcome to join these ministries at any time. It is a great way to build relationships and grow spiritually. Let us continue to pray because we know the fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much, and God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think (James 5:16; Ephesians 3:20).


Your pastor,
Trent (trent@washingtonbaptist.org)

Thank you!!
Many thanks for your prayers and other expressions of concern for Ruth during her illness. We also appreciate Trent's timely visits to the hospital.
Love, Don & Ruth Kelley

*Washington Baptist Church,
Thanks for once again showing up faithful for our children at Christmas. It means so very much!!!
We appreciate all your many prayers and support.
God Bless and Merry Christmas,
Dr. William Nicholson*

Gowensville Christian School
New 7th-12th Grade Christian School in Landrum
Hiring staff beginning in January 2024
Early enrollment beginning in February 2024,
Opening August 2024

gowensvillechristianschool.com



The Gap Creek Singers' Choir, is a community choir directed by Billy Jones. They perform both secular and Christian music, and are looking for singers. If you love to sing, they would love to have you join. Practice begins on Tuesday night, January 23, at 7:00 at Victor Baptist Church.

The Washington Church Family would like to express
Christian Sympathy to the family of James Pennington and Rhonda Carrigan in the loss of her father Sarrell Strange.

Stay informed: Would you like to stay up-to-date on legislation working its way through the SC Assembly? If so, go to scbaptist.org, click on the "about" tab and select Public Policy. Scroll down and click on "subscribe to our newsletter" tab to sign up for the monthly newsletter and Action Alerts.



Gifts to the Church
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of James Pennington by Linny & Cheryl Moore and Shirley Brown.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Patrick Gibson by Shirley Brown.
.....given to the Food Pantry in memory of Carolyn Waddell by Belinda & Tommy Tapp.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Jim Brown by Gregg & Mitzi Moore.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Joan Hellar by Freida Gray and Marsha Bennett.

NEWS FROM THE WMU MINISTRY TEAM
This month we will be collecting diapers for Greer Relief. Please help us with this ministry by making a contribution. Diapers may be left in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church building. Thanks so much for your support!


Thanks go out to Washington Baptist Church Family for the commitment and support, in not only meeting our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal, but going over! We have sent in \$27,034.75! We praise the Lord for this opportunity to bless others around the world with the message of Christ!


Attention all ladies! February 6 is right around the corner.
We will meet at 6:30 in the fellowship hall for baked spaghetti, salad, bread and dessert, followed by our meeting. We are excited to support in our church mission trip to Calgary, Canada and plan to work on small gift items to be used in evangelism on the trip! Please sign up in the sheet on the WMU Bulletin board and join us for a night of missions, food, and fellowship!
We hope to see you there!

Servants of Christ, The WMU Ministry Team

Text Prayer Chain
If you would like to join the Text Prayer Chain, Please contact Melinda Fowler by text or call 864-593-5129

Karen has a new book out!!
Grab your copy of Karen Cobb's children's book, "Let's Have Tea at Grandma's." Karen tells the story of having a traditional English tea with her grandchildren. The cost is \$25. Contact Karen at 979-2091 to reserve your copy.





Just in case we have inclement weather, you will be able to get updates on service cancellations/changes on channels **WYFF 4 or WSPA, Facebook and the church website.**

"And a voice came from Heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."
~Mark 1:11



Sunday, January 21st:
Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am– Lisa Chisam and Maddi & Macie Hanley
10:45 am– *Babies*– Nell Eastland, Lauren Dryden and Meredith Moore
1 yr. olds– Patsy Edney and Mallory Kubasko
2&3 yr. olds– Brad & Elizabeth Miller
6:00 pm– OPEN
Computer Check In:
8:30 am– Roxanne Bruce
Sunday School– Amy Baker
10:45 am– Katelyn Strange
Ushers for January:
Jack Hollifield, Ralph Styles, Steve Church and Mitchell Whiteside
(Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
VESTIBULE
8:15-10:30– Blake Butts
10:30-12:00– Steve Wilder
5:30-7:00 pm– Mitchell Whiteside
FELLOWSHIP HALL
8:15-10:30– Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00– Jeffrey Lynn
(LOCK ALL DOORS AT 11:00)
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA
8:15-10:30– John Forrester
10:30-12:00– Marvin Woodward
YOUTH DOORS
8:15-10:30– Ronnie Barbare
10:30-12:00 Jeffrey Lynn
CHILDREN/PRESCHOOL AREA & LOCK ALL DOORS AT 6:05
5:45-7:00– Ronnie Styles
AWANA
5:00-7:00 Mike O'Bryant/Chris O'Bryant
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE– LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
8:15-10:30-Joe Aughtry
10:30-12:00– Mike Sloan
5:45-7:00– Avery James
GOLF CART–
8:00-12:00– Avery James/Kaleb Edwards
5:30-7:00– Kaleb Edwards

WEDNESDAY– JANUARY 24th
VESTIBULE– 6:45-8:00– Joe Aughtry
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE-LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
6:45-8:00– Gregg Moore
CHILDREN-PRESCHOOL AREA
6:45-8:00– Mike O'Bryant
YOUTH DOORS
6:45-8:00– Ronnie Styles
GOLF CART
6:30-8:00– Rusty Edwards

Notes  from **Dave**
January is a great time to join the adult worship choir! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 8:00 following Prayer Meeting and Sundays at 5:00 prior to evening worship service. We will begin preparing for Easter soon so consider being part of our worship ministry!

Sr Adult Movie Morning is Tuesday, January 30 at 10:00 in the Youth Room. We will be showing the heartwarming film **"Lifemark"** produced by the same folks who produced **"War Room"**, **"Fireproof"**, and **"Overcomer."** You will love this movie based on a true story. **Be sure to sign up on the bulletin board** and we'll have refreshments ready for you!!

I love serving with all of you!
Dave (dave@washingtonbaptist.org)

~Kubasko Korner~
It's been such a blessing to talk to so many of you about our church reading plan and know that so many are being involved as a part of it - you will be blessed by reading it and by increasing your knowledge of it as we continue to see the narrative of the whole Bible rather than as 66 separate books. I also hope that you have taken some time to think about how God could grow you, shape you, and use you as a part of this church in this new year. We have so many different Bible studies, prayer groups, and discipleship courses with even more to come, and we are excited to share not just the Bible reading plan and ways to study the Bible, but also our focus on Family Worship this year. But there are also ways for all of us to serve as a part of our congregation. If you have gifts, be that with our children or students, helping with a church ministry, teaching, evangelism, prayer, or anything else, please feel free to reach out to me - I would love to get you connected with a ministry that could use your unique gifts and talents!
Right now, I would point out particularly our Nursery, which is short on volunteers - if you love our children and want a way that you could minister to them and their families, I would encourage you to volunteer! You can always volunteer at one service and go to another so there's never a case where you would miss worship! Pray with me for ways that God can continue to use us this year and beyond!

In The Service of Christ,
Braxton Kubasko
braxton@washingtonbaptist.org)

Moore News...
On Wednesday nights we have been walking through Romans 8 and we just recently studied verses 14-15, "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" Christians are sons and daughters of God and that is a wonderful truth that we should spend more time meditating on. I recently read a quote by J.I Packer who wrote about the importance of understanding our adoption as children of God, and I want to share this with you. Packer wrote, "You sum up the whole of New Testament teaching in a single phrase if you speak of it as a revelation of the Fatherhood of the holy Creator. In the same way, you sum up the whole of New Testament religion if you describe it as the knowledge of God as one's holy Father. If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child, and having God as his Father... For everything that Christ taught, everything that make the New Testament new, and better than the Old, everything that is distinctively Christian as opposed to merely Jewish, is summed up in the knowledge of the Fatherhood of God. 'Father' is the Christian name for God."

-Matthew
(matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)

New to Washington? Want to know more about us?
Our pastors host an event called Washington 101. This is a special time for new members or guests to ask questions and learn more about our church.
The next Washington 101 will be **January 25th** at 7pm in the Sanctuary.
Please call the church office or sign up online by Monday, January 22nd if you are interested. We look forward to meeting with you!

