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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*



Janie Chapman State Missions Offering

State Goal is
\$2,100,000.00
Our church goal is
\$6,000.00

We have received-
\$2,654.00

BASKETBALL SIGN UPS

Tuesday **Grades K4-12th**
September 5th **and a mens team**
through **Sign up online through**
Tuesday **WBC website**
October 10th

Contact Gregg Moore or Brooke Edwards with any questions
(864-979-2173 or 864-907-0947)



WEDNESDAY SUPPERS!

To make reservations, please sign up by filling out insert in Sunday's bulletin or call the church office by **Monday, September 25th no later than noon.**

We will start serving at 5:30 pm.

The Menu for September 27th:

Egg Casserole, Grits, Bacon or Sausage, Homemade Biscuits, Dessert and Tea

***The cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children**

(children under 2 eat free).

***PRICE INCREASE BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 27th!!**
Making a reservation assumes responsibility for paying even if you are unable to attend.



WBC church goal: 1,000 shoeboxes

WBC OCC inspiration night - Wednesday, October 4th at 7pm. Come hear testimony of how this ministry has blessed the lives of our members

WBC OCC launch - Sunday, October 8th Pick up your shoeboxes to take home to

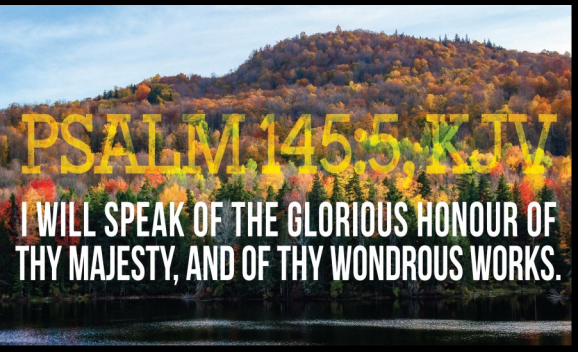
fill with your family and friends

WBC OCC churchwide packing party - Wednesday night, November 15th. Come join in the fun as our church family packs 600 shoeboxes

Thank you for all of the donations and support you've given to us! Because of you, we have collected all the items we need for the boxes, two months early! All that we need now is monetary donations to cover the shipping, and because of the large amount of boxes we are filling, our goal is \$6,000. Donations will be taken from now until November 12, on which we will take up an offering in church for Operation Christmas Child before the Packing Party on the 15th and the boxes are shipped out a few days later. You can mark an envelope with "Operation Christmas Child" to designate it for that use, or you can use that same designation for an online donation. Thank you again for all of your support, and we are excited to see what God does through our church as we approach the holiday season!

THIS WEEK AT WASHINGTON:	
Sunday, September 24th	
8:30 am	First Morning Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Second Morning Worship Service
4:00-6:00 pm	Constitution Committee-Room 304
5:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
5:00-7:00 pm	AWANA
5:30-7:00 pm	Experiencing God Bible Study-Room 303
6:00 pm	Evening Worship Service
Monday, September 25th-	
6:00 am	Men's Morning Bible Study- Lg. Conf. room
7:00 am	Men's Prayer Time-Room 211
Tuesday, September 26th-	
4:30-5:30 pm	First Place-Room 211
7:00 pm	Men's Fraternity- Food Pantry Chapel
	Faith & Foundations- Room 218
	Ladies Bible Study-New Parlor
Wednesday, September 27th-	
10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study- Home of Melanie Hughes
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Supper
6:15-7:45 pm	GriefShare-Room 218
6:30 pm	The Sonshine Gang- Room 324
	His Kids Room (4k& 5k)- Room 330
6:45-8:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal
7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	Youth Bible Study
	RA's, GA's & Mission Friends
	Young Adult Ministry-New Parlor
	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, September 28th-	
10:00-11:30 am	GriefShare- Room 218
Saturday, September 30th-	
8:00-9:30 am	Food Pantry Open-By appointment only (USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.)

September 17, 2023	
Sunday School Attendance:	322
Church Attendance:	AM 372PM 253
AWANA Attendance:	119
Sunday's Offering:	\$26,127.65
Online Giving 9/14-9/19:	\$10,177.50
Total Offerings Received:	\$36,305.15
Budget Offering Received	\$30,388.15
Budget Offering Required	\$26,300.00
Designated*	\$3,617.00
Kingdom Vision (Including memorials)	\$1,537.00
Food Pantry	\$100.00
Janie Chapman Offering	\$1,980.00
Reimbursements	\$2,300.00
Discipleship Training	\$50.00
Keenagers- Retreat	\$1,550.00
Wednesday Supper 9/13	\$525.00
Basketball Registrations	\$175.00
*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.	



MY GAME, HIS GLORY BASKETBALL CAMP

OCTOBER 5TH-7TH
Washington Baptist Church Gym

\$15 PER BOYS AND GIRLS
PLAYER GRADES 3RD-8TH

SIGN YOUR CHILD UP BY SEPTEMBER 22ND TO GUARANTEE A SHIRT

CONTACT BROOKE EDWARDS WITH ANY QUESTIONS 864-907-0947



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 **October 5th**

(note new date) at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

Please call the church office or sign up online by Monday, Oct. 2nd if you are interested. We look forward to meeting with you!

Free Flu Shots

Wednesday, October 18th from 5:00-6:30 pm.
In the classrooms near fellowship hall



We have several older people in our church who want to be able to come for our night services, but are not able to drive.

We simply need someone to be willing to use our church bus or their own vehicle to pick up these members of our church.



It's a wonderful and simple way to serve our Lord! If God would incline your heart to help in this way, please contact Braxton Kubasko or Kenny Hughes.

Trent’s Two Cents:

I have enjoyed peaching through the book of Jonah on Sunday evenings. Jonah is a familiar story but very challenging. Jonah forces us to examine our relationship with God and others. Jonah makes us consider our obedience to God, the downward spiral of sin, repentance, God’s salvation, and our compassion toward others. We will conclude our study of Jonah this Sunday evening by reading what Jesus has to say about Jonah and how the story points us to Him. I hope you will be able to join us.

Your pastor,
Trent
(trent@washingtonbaptist.org)


Breakfasts for the Blue Ridge High School Football Team:
We are again blessed with the opportunity to minister through a Friday morning breakfast and Devotional to the Blue Ridge High School Football Team. Some of these young men may not hear the message of Christ except here, so we feel led to include the opportunity for our members to contribute to or even sponsor a breakfast for these players. If you, as an individual or a group, such as a Sunday school class feel so led to participate in this ministry by contributing to one or more of these events you can put in the offering plate marked “football breakfasts.”



NEWS FROM THE WMU MINISTRY TEAM
Please don’t forget! Missions start at home. We are collecting paper products for the Daily Bread, Soup Kitchen ministry for homeless people, located in Greer! Please put your donations in the WMU receptacles located throughout the church! May God bless you as you give!

Upcoming WMU Meeting
Tuesday, October 3rd is right around the corner! We are excited to be working on Operation Christmas Child Projects and learning more about missions! Our menu includes hot dogs, chips, and desserts! The sign up sheet is on the WMU bulletin board. We hope to see you there!


**Love and Prayers from God’s Servants.
The WMU Team**



RA & GAs Ongoing Mission Project Update...
My Granddaughter, Emma Shanks, in Cooper City FL has been saving pop tabs for our Shriner's Ministry! Debbie Shanks recently visited her family in Florida. She brought back tabs for our Shriners Tab Ministry. Please continue to save your tabs. We never know how many families we bless by doing this ministry! The receptacle for the tabs is in the Children's Department or you can put them in the WMU receptacles in plastic baggies! Thanks so much for your support! We love you Washington Baptist Church Family!




**Tuesday, October 31st
6:00 – 8:00 pm**
Make plans to join us for a night of food, fun, and sweet treats for all ages. We need volunteers for Trunks of Treats, games and more. We also need your donations of candy and baked goods. Black buckets are located throughout the church for candy donations and baked goods will be needed for the cake walk the day of the event. Please see the bulletin board for sign up sheets or contact Melanie Hughes at 270-1331 or mhughes3440@gmail.com for more information.



Natalie Sammons
By Letter

Gifts to the Church
.....given to Kingdom Vision Fund in memory of Doris Greer by Hugh & Ann Sistare and Jim & Shirley Brown.
.....given to the Food Pantry in memory of Doris Forest by Jean Cartee.
.....given to the Kingdom Vision Fund in honor of Andrea Schneider by the Joint Heirs Sunday School Class.

Clothes Closet


Clothes Closet Update:
We are in need of men’s blue jeans all sizes. A special thank you to Matthew and the youth for their help in switching out season’s. No summer clothes accepted. Please do not leave anything outside, use the shute.
Thank you for your help!~Evelyn

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED....to work in the nursery and help with computer check in 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month in the morning and evening. There are countless stories of how our nursery workers have changed the lives of our young people and their families...do you want that to be part of your story? If you are interested in serving contact Jenna Pinckney- 864-979-0250.

Camp McCall memories! Don't forget to sign up for the Fall Family Retreat, October 27-28. This is a great time of fellowship, inspiration, and outdoor fun for the family! The sign up sheet is on the WMU bulletin board! Please write down how many people will be attending from your family. The cost is \$25.00 per person. See Nan Spearman with any questions.



If you believe in the power of prayer, you will definitely want to join this group! We are wanting to organize a women’s prayer group. We are still in the planning stages, so your input would be appreciated! Please turn your name in at the church office or contact Claudia Burkhalter or Nan Spearman and we will have more information soon!



The Washington Church Family would like to express Christian Sympathy to Ronnie Barbare in the loss of his mother.

“Six days you shall labor, but on the seventh day you shall rest; even during the plowing season and harvest you must rest.”
~Exodus 34:21


**REFRESH
my
HEART
in
CHRIST.**



PHILEMON 1:20

Sunday, September 24th:
Extended Session Workers:
8:30 am– Julie & Hannah Willimon and Megan Hines
10:45 am– *Babies*– Amie Terry, Anita Ayers and Brooke Martin
1 yr. olds– Norma Lyda and Katie Yancar
2&3 yr. olds– Betsy & Freddy Couch
6:00 pm– Cheryl Moore and Melanie Pinckney
Computer Check In:
8:30 am– Jenna Pinckney
Sunday School– Debbie Wade
10:45 am– Dina Dryden
Ushers for September :
Joey Merrell, Chris O’Bryant, Mike O’Bryant and Hugh Sistare
(Please meet in Vestibule by 8:20)
Safety Team:
VESTIBULE
8:15 – 10:30 – Eddie Smith
10:30 – 12:00 – Keith Kirkland
5:30 – 7:00 – Rusty Edwards
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 – Rusty Edwards
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 – John Susie
10:30 – 12:00 – Roger Black
5:45 -7:00 – Roger Black
GOLF CART
8:00 – 12:00 – Avery James/Kaleb Edwards
5:30 – 7:00 – Avery James/Kaleb Edwards
WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 27th VESTIBULE
6:45 – 8:00 – Kenny Hughes
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE – LOCATED IN FOOD PANTRY AREA
6:45 – 8:00 – Daniel Ross
(LOCK DOORS AT 7:05)
CHILDREN-PRESCHOOL AREA
6:45 – 8:00 – Mike O’Bryant
(LOCK DOORS AT 7:05)
YOUTH DOORS
6:45 – 8:00 –Ronnie Styles (LOCK DOORS AT 7:05)
GOLF CART – 6:30- 8:00 – Rusty Edwards


Notes
from
Dave



Now is a great time to join the Adult Choir. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings after Prayer Meeting at 8:00 and Sunday afternoons at 5:00 prior to evening worship. **We are just beginning to rehearse Christmas music!** Come join us as we lead God’s people in worship each week!

New River in Concert here at Washington Sunday, October 8 at 6 pm! Help us spread the word!


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



~Kubasko Korner~
What is the Reformation?
As the days are starting to get cooler and we head into Fall, we begin to see pumpkins and hay bales and Halloween decorations being placed in front yards; and heading towards the 31st of October, most are distracted by costumes and candy to remember another October 31st many years ago that paved the way for the people of God today. On that day in 1517, a monk by the name of Martin Luther tacked 95 Theses, or items for consideration, onto the church door in Wittenburg, Germany. Such a thing was not abnormal at the time, as scholars and priests would often do this to debate or discuss Biblical and theological ideas, but this time there was something different about this document, the man who put it on the door, and the Spirit of God that moved with it. This singular action would change the course of history, and summed up a wave of spiritual awakening in Europe that has helped spread the Gospel to the four corners of the earth. You see, Luther was a man driven by conviction - a conviction the Holy Spirit had laid on his heart and a conviction that had begun to boil in Europe in the minds and hearts of many that the only guide to God’s truth should be His Word - not the Catholic church. Although Luther never intended to split the church, he was willing to risk such a thing for the sake of truth. What followed was a life of constant danger for Luther and his family, and yet again he was willing to risk this for the sake of the Gospel. Many other men and women of God suffered this same persecution that caused Luther to write in his hymn, *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, “Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still – His kingdom is forever!” Over the next several weeks, I want to share the stories of some of the men of God of the Reformation that encapsulates the period from 1382 until 1685, hoping that this gives us some perspective this October 31st, the 206th anniversary of the Reformation, so that we understand truthfully a reality of persecution that we do not face today but that we need to live out in our faith walk in these words of Luther before he was excommunicated by the Catholic church for standing on God’s Word: “Since [you] require of me a simple, clear and direct answer, I will give one, and it is this: Unless I am convinced by the testimony of the Scriptures... [then] I am bound by the Scriptures I have quoted. My conscience is captive to the Word of God...Here I stand. I cannot do otherwise. God help me. Amen.”

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

Honoring Our Veterans in 2023
On Veterans Day this year, we want to honor all those who have served our country and now rest in our church cemetery by placing flags on the graves of our service members. We need your help by registering any of your loved ones who have served either by scanning the above QR Code, going to our website, or by using the sign-up sheets in the hallway. As a part of this, we are also partnering with Wreaths Across America to honor our veterans on December 16th of this year with a wreath on their grave. As a part of registering for Veterans Day, you will be asked if you would like to sponsor a wreath for your veteran. The cost is \$12.



Moore News...
We had a great time of Bible Study and painting this past Wednesday. Be on the lookout across social media for pictures of some of our student’s artwork. 9/25 is the first day of the Reach The Ridge Rally, and it is quickly approaching. The theme of this three-night event is on repentance. Please pray for our speakers listed and for all the students that will be attending.
~Matthew
(matthew@washingtonbaptist.org)

