

Sharing the Ministry

Deacon of the Week

Tim Freeman (336) 240-2565



Ushers

12/19 - Tim Freeman/Ronald Hartley/Spencer Shoaf/Luke Shepherd
12/26 - Ronnie Beck/Harold Burns/Randall Allman/Rick Lomax

Nursery Workers

12/19 - Jessica West/Angie West 12/26 - Lee/Marlena Fleeman

Children's Church

12/19 - Sandra Beck/Lisa Ridenhour 12/26 - Kelli Hopkins

Office Secretaries

12/19 - Karen Allen 12/26 - Amy Freeman

Counting Committee

12/19 - Amy Freeman 12/26 - Karen Allen/Sherri Manno

Record of Faithfulness

Sunday School	70
Sunday Worship	130
Wednesday	31
	11:00 a.m. 14
	6:30 p.m. 17

Financial Information (12/12)

Needed weekly \$3,839.00

Budget Offering	\$ 4,086.00
Total (month)	\$ 6,844.00
Other Offerings	\$ 355.00
Building Fund	\$ 165.00

Welcome to Worship

Sunday morning

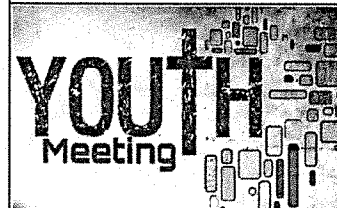
December 19, 2021

Today



Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata
"Forever God is With Us"

Message:
What Does God Want for Christmas?
John 3:16



Youth Meet Tonight

6:00 p.m.

Deacon/Spouse Christmas Party
Tonight at 6:00 p.m.
At the Parsonage



Christmas Eve Worship Service
Friday, December 24, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Service of Lessons and Carols
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Let's
Connect!

Connect Groups begin
Sunday, January 02, 2022

Information pamphlet included with bulletin

The Worship Service at Eleven O'clock
 Sunday morning, December 19, 2021
 The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome/The Work of the Church

Lighting the Advent Candle - Adam & Stacey Wilson

Invocation

Offertory Hymn #87 - Joy to the World

Offertory Prayer

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

The Chancel Choir of Churchland Baptist Church
 presents Forever God is With Us
 David Wood, Narrator

The First Noel

Forever God is With Us - Nancy Swicegood - soloist

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

He Started the Whole World Singing - Nancy Swicegood - soloist

No Brilliant Fanfare (with Away in a Manger) Sarah Hand - soloist

Angel's Son

Wondrous Star

All is Well

Finale

Message - Dr. Huckaby

What Does God Want for Christmas? - John 3:16

Invitation Hymn #121 - Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Benediction - Dr. Huckaby

Postlude - Roy Hicks

Opportunities
 to Serve



Sunday
 9:00 a.m. Handbells
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 6:00 p.m. Deacon/Spouse Christmas Party (parsonage)

No Wednesday Services

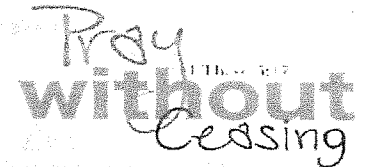
Friday 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship (those participating in the program please be here at 6:00 p.m.).

Deadline for information in the bulletin is Thursday at noon

Prayer Concerns

Active in Military

MAJ GEN Tony Bauernfeind
 MSG Andrew Barbee
 CAPT Nathaniel Lee Crouch



Nursing Home/Shut-ins/Long Term Concerns

*Kay Mischler	Jeff Patterson	Thomas Carter
Karen Williams	*Dallas Newsome	Sue Williams
Jeannette Hicks	John Shoaf	Carol Bailey
Mary Jane Barnhardt	Carolyn Bascomb	Linda Swinson
Brenda Hartley	Doug Ellis	Tracey Prince
David Stiffel	Mr & Mrs. Joey Freeman (Jamison/Declan)	
Bud Vanhoy	The family/friends of Alan Fritts	
	The family/friends of Trish Edwards	
	The family/friends of Bethany Pennino	

*if you have concerns that you wish to have listed, please contact the church office, the pastor or one of the deacons. Concerns are listed for two weeks unless added time is requested.



West Davidson Food Pantry/Clothes Closet desperately needs the following items Pop-top canned fruit, individual fruit or applesauce for backpack program Canned chicken Soup.

Attention Men, please sign up in the vestibule for the Saturday Connect Group that begins January 08 at 8:30 a.m..



Connect Groups help us live out these four aims in community together. **Listening to God** together means that God's Word, the Bible, is at the heart of our Connect Groups as God's Word convicts, encourages, teaches, and trains us as it shapes our life, together. After listening to God, we want to **talk to God together**. Connect Groups are a means by which we can be honest about our needs and pray for each other. This group should be the place where love is the theme. Our prayers are not only for each other, but for the lost. Here is our vision statement for Connect Groups at Churchland Baptist.

Connect Groups exist at Churchland Baptist so that we can see people Connect in Community and grow spiritually. We believe God created us to do life together and only then can we experience the full life He intends for us in Him.

Connect Groups at Churchland Baptist are as follows:

Sunday morning Connect Groups (formerly known as Sunday School) - all ages.

Monday Connect Group (formerly known as Ladies Bible Study) - Ladies only

Wednesday Connect Groups (formerly known as Wednesday Bible Study) - for all ages

Saturday Connect Groups - Men's Bible Study

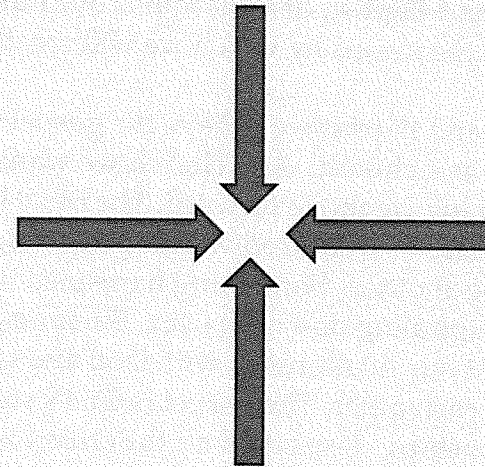
Scripture Basis for Connect Groups

Matthew 28:18-20 – ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 - Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not easily broken.

Churchland Baptist Church Connect Groups

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Churchland Baptist Church
Lexington, North Carolina

Connect Groups at Churchland Baptist

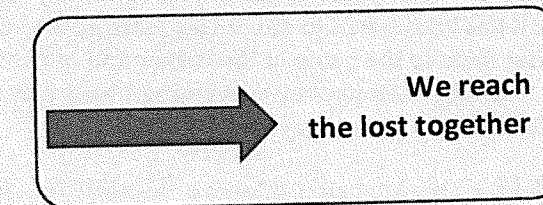
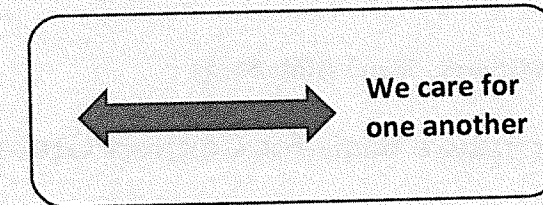
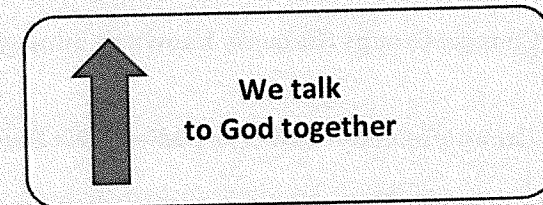
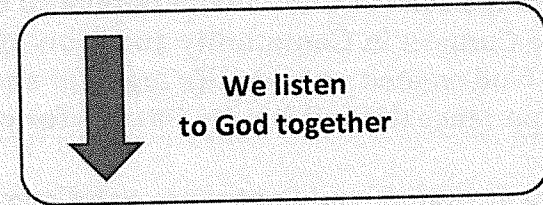
Introduction - the Long-Range Planning Committee has set a goal of reaching 300 in the next five years. It's a goal that's entirely within our reach. We have the great facilities, a great location and great people. It's tempting to resort to quick fixes and gimmicks to reach our goal. Many of them work in the short term but have no lasting power. So as we think about this Churchland Baptist growing numerically in the next five years, we need to think about doing some things that will not only help us grow but sustain growth in the following five and ten years.

According to Jesus, our responsibility as Christians and as a church is **discipleship**. The last words of Jesus before ascending to Heaven we know as the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20). Those verses remind us that *as we go we are to make disciples and teach*. At Churchland Baptist, discipleship is our number one responsibility and the means by which we will create lasting growth.

At Churchland Baptist we believe the gospel shapes everything we do as a church. As a church we want to be aligned with Scripture in how we move forward. The Bible begins and ends with the same picture of what God wants: people rightly connected to Him, and to one another. Something happened in Genesis 3 that has set the world spiraling downhill - sin. Sin messes up relationships - first our relationship with God and second our relationship with each other. The gospel is God's story that reconnects relationships. Jesus died on the cross for us so that we can be reunited to God and to each other. As a church, Jesus gathers together a loving family who trusts Him. Then, Jesus sends us out with the good news of salvation.

In the coming days, Churchland Baptist will practice the command of discipleship through **Connect Groups**. This will be the place where we meet to disciple and "do" church. It would be our hope, prayer and ultimate goal that every member of Churchland Baptist be involved with a Connect Group. Connect Groups at Churchland Baptist will be:

- a place to listen to God together as we study God's Word and make application into our life.
- a place to talk to God together as we pray for each other in an informed way.
- a place to care for each other as we bear each other's burdens and encourage each other as we follow Jesus.
- a place to reach the lost together as we share the Gospel.



Sunday Connect Groups (for all ages)

Children/Youth meet at 9:45 a.m.

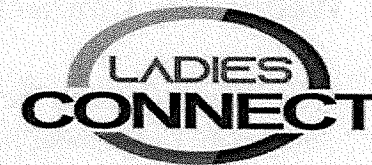
Adults Meet at 9:45 a.m.
in the Adult Wing

Coffee Connection/Welcome
Center opens at 9:15 a.m.



SUNDAY
CONNECT

Monday Ladies Connect Group 10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.



Twelve Women of the Bible (part 1)

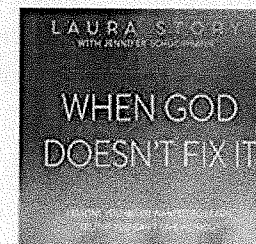


Introduction - In this study, Lysa TerKuerst, Elisa Morgan, Jeanne Stevens and others look at the spiritual lessons learned from twelve biblical women in the Bible and their implications in life today.

January 10	Mary, the Mother of Jesus (comfort/courage)
January 17	Mary Magdalene (outcast/follower)
January 24	Mary of Bethany (Faith/action; feet/faith)
January 31	Martha (identity in Jesus)
February 07	Woman at the Well (messes/messages)

When God Doesn't Fix It (Laura Story)

Introduction - In this study, Laura Story helps us understand that we aren't the only ones whose lives have taken unexpected turns and even heroes of our faith experienced brokenness. God may not fix everything. In fact, although your situation might not ever change or get better, with Jesus *you* can - not because of your faith, but because of the faithfulness of God.



February 21	Don't be surprised by trouble.
February 28	Best-made plans
March 07	When God Doesn't Fix It
March 14	Why? The Question on Replay
March 21	A Better Broken

Twelve Women of the Bible (part 2)

March 28	Proverbs 31 Woman (How not to do it all)
April 04	Deborah (Fight like a girl)
April 11	Ruth (Staying focused in a world of distractions)
April 18	Puah/Shiphrah (How to fight your fears)
April 25	Esther (Letting God be in control)
May 02	Priscilla (Living a life of blessed Ordinary)
May 09	Mary & Martha (Finding life in death)
May 16	Elizabeth (How to win the waiting game).
May 23	Anna (How to Live a devoted Life)

Children's Connect Classes

Ages (birth-5th grade)

Curriculum:
Gospel Project/Kids



Youth Connect Classes

Grades 6-12

Curriculum: Grow/Students



Grow

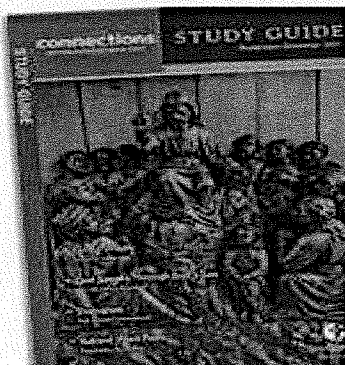
Adult Connect Classes

Senior Adult - Larry Shaver (teacher)

Median Coed - Benny Shoaf (teacher)

Young Adults - David Wood (teacher)

Curriculum:
Connections: Lectionary
based Bible Study

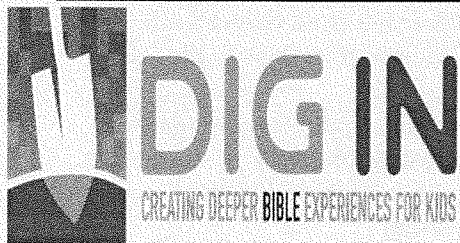


Wednesday Connect Groups

Children/Youth Schedule
6:00 p.m. (light meal provided)

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Classes for children/youth

WEDNESDAY
**CONNECT
NIGHT**



Children's Connect Classes
(Kid's Club)

Ages (pre-K - 5th grade)

Youth Connect Classes
(Grades 6-12)

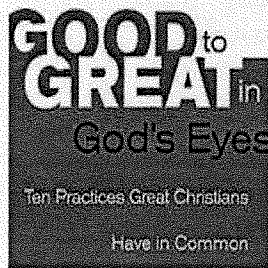
Curriculum: Grow/Students
Meet in the Adult Wing

Grow

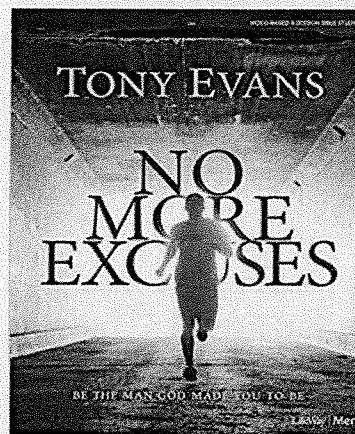
Adult Connect Group
Meet in the Adult Wing
11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

January 05 – March 23, 2021
Good to Great in God's Eyes

Overview – Often times we allow our spiritual growth to grow stale and we settle for the status quo. Our desire should be to get to the next step spiritually. In this study we will learn the practices that will enable us to become “good to great in God's eyes.” These are ten practices that great Christians of all ages have in common. As we apply these principles to our life, it will jump start our relationship with God by providing you with a practical and biblical means to obtain true greatness.



Saturday Morning
Men's Connect Group
8:00 a.m.



Introduction - Our Saturday morning Connect Group for men will meet on Saturday at 8:00 a.m. We will meet every two weeks and will be working through a study written by Tony Evans called No More Excuses. Sometimes circumstances in life make it difficult for men to be all God wants them to be. In this study Tony Evans will urge men to stop looking at their circumstances as excuses and instead to see them as challenges and opportunities for success. In this study we will explore examples of men of God throughout the Bible. This study will challenge men to lay down our excuses, stop compromising, and fight to be a man of character and commitment. Despite our setbacks, failures, and pressures, we can still find purpose, meaning, and direction in life and become the man God has called you to be. Here's our schedule:

January 08	No More Hiding Behind the Past (Joseph)
January 22	No More Holding Back (Elijah)
February 05	No More Weak Leadership
February 19	No More Going Through the Motions (Solomon)
March 05	No More Compromising Your Integrity
March 19	No More Sifting Through the Rubble
April 02	No More Half Stepping
April 23	No More Standing on the Sidelines

Conclusion - Here's the goal of our study: we want to become the man God has called us to be; we want to learn from the examples of men in the Bible; we want to overcome setbacks and obstacles on the path to spiritual growth; we want to see hard circumstances as opportunities for growth; we want to be challenged to be a man of character and commitment; we want to know how to fight for purpose and meaning in our life; we want to lead with strength and godliness; we want to make decisions and take action while keeping our Godly character intact, and we want to commit to walk through life with other men who will point us to Jesus.

What Does God Want for Christmas?

John 3:16



Introduction – what do you give to the person who has everything? It's an interesting question but an even better question might be, what would we give God for Christmas? Here are some suggestions to get us started:

- The Gift of R_____ (John 17:24-26)
 - S_____ (Romans 3:23)
 - S_____ G_____ (Philippians 2:12)
 - B_____ (Psalm 119:11)
 - p_____ (Philippians 4:6)
 - C_____ (Hebrews 10:25)
- The Gift of W_____ (Luke 2:17)

Conclusion – the last verse of Christina Rossetti's poem, *In the Bleak Midwinter*, suggests that she too had considered the question, "What does God want at Christmas?" What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a wise man, I would do my part; Yet what I can I give Him – give my heart.

Memorial Gifts



Building Fund

In honor of the Lord Jesus Christ by Ricky Lomax.
In memory of Kenny Wright by Thales & Madeline Davis
In memory of Alan Fritts by Nelson & Barbara Bostian
In memory of Tony Hartley by Betty Lomax
In memory of Phyllis H. Alderman by Betty Lomax
In memory of Kenny Wright by Betty Lomax
In memory of Alan Fritts by Churchland Baptist Church

Budget

In honor of Kenny Wright Family by Bob Nelson
In honor of John & Tracey Shoaf by Harold & Ann Burns
In honor of Our Family - Brandon, Meghan, Savry, Salter,
Brent, Benji, Michele, Carson, Spencer & Ryan by Benny &
Barbara Shoaf
In honor of Dr. John & Karen Huckaby by Earl & Tina Cooper
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL by Earl & Tina Cooper

volunteer with
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Children's Workers Needed!

With our Children's Policies and Procedures going into effect in January we will be needing more volunteers to work with children. We need workers for the Nursery on Sunday and Wednesday and also workers for the Children's Connect Groups on Wednesday.

There is a sign up sheet in the vestibule, please help us as we reach children with the Gospel. Please sign up!

In lieu of flowers a monetary gift has been given today to HIS honor and in honor of our grandchildren, Austin, Ashtyn, Katelyn, Sydney & Ella - by Ronnie & Sharon Griggs.



Communion - if you are unable to attend the Christmas Eve service and would like to share Communion, the pastor will be in the office next week. If you need another time please call the pastor (336-929-8713).