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Pastor Keith L. Reynolds

We thank God for the success of our past fiscal year and now we press on into the new fiscal year of 2019-2020. Let me say, loud and clear, how appreciative I am for your continued faithfulness and service in this vineyard

we call Christian Fellowship Baptist Church. I pray that the peace of God will rest, rule and abide in you as you work in this vineyard. None of us know what awaits us individually or collectively when we view the path that God has laid out for our lives. We simply ask God to continue to lead and guide us as we give our best at being all of whom He has called us to be.

Let me assure you as I attempted to do so in our final church conference on the fourth Sunday in September that our church business affairs are all in good standing. The Finance Committee and the church Treasurer have submitted a budget that I totally support as how we will use the financial resources that God blessed us with through your giving. I want to say, again, thank you for a steadfast financial commitment to Christian Fellowship Baptist Church. As important as our financial support to the ministry of our church is, our ultimate efforts are on strengthening our spiritual objectives. Our spiritual objectives will always be to work on behalf of God through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We give our best to make our homes and communities, places that know the presence and power of Christ. We want to make sure that this community, in particular, knows that

Christian Fellowship welcomes all who desire to have a relationship with Christ and that we open our doors to the "least of these". We want Christian Fellowship to be a beacon of light to those who are trying to find their way as well as for those who understand the necessity of Christ in our lives. No, we are not everything to everybody, but we certainly have our priorities straight as we know our lives are in the hands of God, our Creator and Sustainer. In essence, our spirit and the spirit of the church are good. With our spirits being good trusting and believing in the author and finisher of our faith, we can build on that as we are all trying our best to be and do better. With the grace of God, we will keep pressing on the upward way.

All our ministries are ready to serve in this new fiscal year and we are looking at different ways of ensuring that all our members and their needs are being met to the best of our abilities. We are always asking and seeking greater church-wide involvement in every area of our church family. You and your gifts would be something very special. We need your thoughts and resources with which God has blessed you with. Why not get involved and then see the difference God will begin to make in every instance of your life? As we start this new fiscal year, look for somewhere to serve. Needless to say, we all have gifts and talents, and no gift is ever minimized here at Christian Fellowship. Let me urge everyone to pray fervently and ask God for His divine guidance and placement in one of the many ministries of CFBC.

Finally, as we move into this new experience of 2019-2020, we, also, pray that the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will be with you in every experience that God may allow to come before you.

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Scouting with Whatley Pack-Troop #1341

The Boy Scouts of America provides another opportunity for the church to be supportive of youth and youth organizations. The Christian Fellowship Baptist Church-Whatley Pack/Troop #1341 continues to engage scouts in a variety of community service projects, outdoor adventures, and camping experiences. Troop activities focus on building self-confidence, helping those in need, setting personal goals, learning and practicing leadership skills, and making “moral and ethical choices.” The calendar of events for September through December 2019 indicates a series of adventurous and character-building activities at venues throughout the Metro Atlanta Area. These events and venues include the following: Stone Mountain Park for camping and hiking; Clayton County Fire Station #4 (1034 Fayetteville Rd., Riverdale, GA) for a fire fighters appreciation event; Light the Night Cancer Walk at Piedmont Park in support of individuals and families affected by cancer; Spookyree Bert Adams Camping in Covington, GA for a fun-filled camping experience; Christian Fellowship Baptist Church Fall Block Party for a day of scouting and fall festive activities. Events and activities for the holidays include preparing and presenting food baskets and special gifts for those in need. . The Troop meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in Room 239. CFBC Scout leaders are Brother Henry Stephens, Deacon David Alford, and Parent Leader Sapphira Smith.

*Information Provided
by Sis. Sapphira Smith*

CFBC 2019-20 Youth Vision

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it.” – Proverbs 22:6 For our youth, Christian Fellowship Baptist Church serves as a refuge from the chaos of everyday life. Through praise and worship, our youth can focus on worshipping God and loving themselves. The church serves as a spiritual recharge and a perfect way to help keep Jesus front and center in their lives. Some of the activities that our youth participates in are as follows:

- ◆ Our annual Teen Lock-In that consist of an over-night stay at the church
- ◆ Youth Usher Board -3rd Sunday
- ◆ Young Adult Usher Board – 5th Sunday
- ◆ Annual Youth Banquet
- ◆ Christmas Play
- ◆ Easter Play
- ◆ Girls in Action 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays
- ◆ Children’s Church 2nd and 4th Sunday
- ◆ Participation in the annual CFBC Block Party
- ◆ Blankets, Hats, Socks and Gloves to the homeless
- ◆ Breast Cancer Walk
- ◆ Planting a Garden at a chosen Nursing Home or Facility

Mission work puts God first, then others, and finally the missionaries themselves. We are hoping to get our Youth to realize that there is more to life than just the here and now. Instead, we would like for them to see the “eternal perspective.”

As we move forward into the 2020 year, we have plans for our Youth to focus

- ◆ Spending time with the elderly, reading Bible Scriptures
- ◆ Baking Cookies for special interest groups in the church
- ◆ Initiating a conversation with an adult member of CFBC every Sunday to help bridge the gap.
- ◆ Pen Pals to our Youth Churches in Africa

We are hoping this will make an impact that last while giving glory to God!

*Sis. Cynthia Davis
Chair of Youth Ministry*



Meet Our Member



Sister Eva Birmingham

It is never difficult in identifying individuals to feature in our Visions section of Meet Our Members. Christian Fellowship Baptist Church is full of great people who have exciting and interesting lives that none of us would ever know about unless a few moments are taken to get their wonderful stories.

As I sought out our person for this edition, she was quite amicable to sitting down with me to tell a little about herself and her Christian journey. Eva Birmingham is a native of Tuskegee, Alabama. She is an only child who had loving parents as they all were members of Greenwood Missionary Baptist Church in Tuskegee. This church, some of you might be familiar with as it was pastored by the late Reverend Francis Harvey, who many of us had the pleasure of knowing. Eva gladly shared how her home and church life played such a significant role in her life. As a child and youth, she recalls attending Sunday School, worship services, as well as Baptist Training Union (BTU). She and her family did not live far from the church and that each day in some shape, form or fashion, the church had a great influence on her life.

After high school graduation, I was sure that she would have attended the famed historic Tuskegee Institute, now Tuskegee University. However, she chose not to go to Tuskegee, and she enrolled at Alabama A&M, in Huntsville, Alabama. Eva went on to receive her bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Following college, she began her professional career and held jobs across the country. Initially, Eva worked with the federal government agency to reduce unemployment in the community. Professionally, Eva went from Alabama to Texas, to Connecticut, to Florida and Georgia. Much of her professional career was with Aetna Insurance. While with Aetna, she held numerous positions from Customer Service Representative, Claims Processor and Instructor, and Claims Resolutions Officer.

I asked Eva, how did she arrive at Christian Fellowship. She said her daughter brought her here around 1999 and she joined in 2001. She remembers the friendliness of Deacon Ed Dean as a greeter and Vickie Robinson who first got her involved on the usher board. She said CFBC, somewhat, reminded her of her home church back in Tuskegee. You now find Eva far more involved than ushering. She is a part of WOM #4, sings with the Singing Seniors and works, tirelessly with our Senior Adult Ministry (SAM) as its leader. Eva says she loves Arts and Crafts and word games. Eva has two children, Michael and Phyllis, and nine grandchildren. We are delighted to have Sister Eva Birmingham as a part of our church family. Brothers and sisters, meet our member, Sister Eva Birmingham.

Christmas Word Search

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST Christmas Word Search

ADVENT ANGEL BETHLEHEM BIRTH
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JESUS JOSEPH MAGI MANGER
MARY MIRACLE MYRRH NATIVITY
REJOICE STABLE THREE KINGS STAR
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Camp Solid Rock 2019

Camp Solid Rock 2019 was one to remember. As one of the older campers this year, my experience was a little different. I invited two of my friends, Faith and Joshua, to, also, attend and we became known as “the seniors” at camp. We were greeted each morning for check-in by warm smiles and cheerful “hellos,”. Each day began with great breakfast and worship. We sang and read scriptures which was the perfect way to start the day. After our time in the chapel, we were dismissed by classes which was determined by age.

The class I was in consisted of children in middle school and the three seniors. As the older group, we were in very engaging courses each day. We began our day in bible literacy class with Mrs. Barbara Johnson and Dr. Amarylis Grogan. We took an in-depth look at the book of Psalms. As we learned, most verses contain many poetic devices which enhances the meaning. In addition, we were able to do SAT/ACT prep. As a senior, this was very helpful and beneficial. If I had received this prep in middle school, I would have been extremely grateful. I am glad that the younger kids were able to get exposed to it early.



After this, we transitioned to find delicious lunches prepared by Mrs. Francine Reed and her staff, followed by recreation lead by Coach Terrow Davis in the gym. The afternoon classes were computer applications and science. In science with Dr. Barbara Morgan and Ms. Loretta Phelps, we were able to conduct experiments and learn about transferring our data to a graph. We even had a straw tower building competition. In our computer class with Deacon Joseph Mahone, we learned about all the technology within the church and we did online SAT/ACT prep.

As each day came to a close, we gathered in the Fellowship Hall to watch a movie and enjoy our evening snack until getting picked up. On Thursday, we traveled down to Sharpsburg for a private screening of *The Lion King*. It is safe to say that everyone enjoyed themselves, both campers and adults. On Friday, we had our closing ceremony. Each class shared what they learned throughout the week. Our class presented our poetic device findings in Psalms 23. All in all, I had a great time at Camp Solid Rock. No matter the age, everyone who attends leaves very enriched.

by Nashida Asadullah



Our Unknown Legend

Few of us know of the accomplishments of our own Barbara Jean Lee Johnson. Most of us know she is the director of our Women's Choir and sings in the Sanctuary and Combined Choirs. However, there is much more to know.

In September of this year, Barbara returned to her alma mater, Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, to celebrate fifty years of women at Kenyon and fifty years of the Black Student Union (BSU). Kenyon College was established in 1824 as an all-male Episcopal seminary. Luminaries include President Rutherford Hayes, Swedish Prime Minister Olaf Palme, poets John Crowe Ransom and Robert Lowell, and actors Paul Newman and Allison Janney.

In the fall of 1969, Barbara enrolled in Kenyon's first class of women and its first BSU. She was the first treasurer of its Coordinate College for Women and a freelance contributor to the Collegian, Kenyon's student newspaper: Her "That Which Is Me" articles are now in the college archives in perpetuity. She was the only female member of the committee tasked with writing the BSU constitution and later became the organization's secretary. In 1971, Barbara was accepted into the English Honors program within which she, in 1973, submitted and defended her senior honors thesis, -- Tradition and Invisible Man, now in the college archives in perpetuity. For her work, she was awarded high honors in English. In addition to her academic accomplishments, she played roles in two dramatic productions, On Milkwood and You Can't Take It with You.

Barbara is the first African American woman to graduate from Kenyon College. She graduated *cum laude*, with high honors in English.

In 1972, Barbara married our own Deacon Johnnie L. Johnson.

"During the spring of 1973, Barbara was asked to join the Senior Society. As a member of the Society, she was privileged to breakfast with Shirley Chisholm, not only the first African American woman elected to the U.S. Congress, but also the first African American awarded an honorary degree for Kenyon."

After graduation, she worked as a systems analyst at the Allstate Insurance Company's home

office for five years, but then answered the call to teach. In 1980, Barbara began teaching English at her high school alma mater, Roosevelt High School, in Gary, Indiana. After she and Johnnie moved to Stone Mountain in 1987, she eventually became a secondary english teacher in DeKalb County. During her career in Georgia, she was twice selected as Teacher of the Year, as Star Teacher, and as an Oxford scholarship recipient. This scholarship afforded Barbara six weeks of literary study in 2008 at Oxford University in Oxford, England where she earned a grade "A" for her course work. She retired from teaching in 2013.

In the meantime, John and Barbara's firstborn, Kamille, became a Kenyon legacy graduate with a major in molecular biology and a concentration in African/American studies. Recently, Kamille was elected president of the Kenyon Alumni Council, and her mom was a featured speaker at the September celebration of fifty years of women at Kenyon.

Barbara and Johnnie also have three sons, Darryl, Garrett and William, and a daughter, Rachel, eight grandsons and three granddaughters.

We are so proud to have Barbara Jean Lee Johnson and her entire family as part of our CFBC family.

Submitted by Sis . Marjorie (Babe) Bennett

WEEKLY WORSHIP

Sunday Morning 9:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday Evening 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Call 6:00 a.m.

(641) 715-0700 and use access code 185351

Wednesday Evening Prayer 6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 -8:00 p.m.

Thursday Morning 10:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Weekly Sermon Summaries - cfbcnow.org

CFBC Basketball Ministry: A Beacon of Light and Hope



The Christian Fellowship Baptist Church Basketball Ministry has a rich history and continues to be one of the signature programs for youth in the church and the church community. Deacon Cecil Rivers, chair of the popular Basketball Ministry, was interviewed by Sister Beverly Hall, a member of the CFBC Publicity Committee. Deacon Rivers gave a passionate overview of the purpose and provided insights about the ministry which has become synonymous with his name. The Questions and answers (Q/A) below highlight the mission and goals of the ministry.

Q. (bh): How and when did the Basketball Ministry begin at Christian Fellowship? Who started it? What was the reason for starting it? What gave you that inspiration?

A. (cr): The Basketball Ministry was created about twenty years ago, initially started by the church to try and create an outlet for the children of Clayton County and of the church and it never really, really flourished and then when I joined, Simon Hubbard, who was a deacon at Christian Fellowship at the time, was also a football coach at Morris Brown and knew that I played basketball and the day I joined the church, he announced to the church that we now have a chairman for basketball.

Q. (bh): How many boys currently participate in the program and how has that number changed over the years?

A. (cr): Right now, currently, there is anywhere between 80 to 110 on a weekly basis every Thursday from 5:00 until 9:00. Initially, when they started the program, they had around 10 to 15 boys. Once I took over the program and we began to install things, it grew from 30 and 40 up to now where we consistently have anywhere between 75 to 110 boys on a weekly basis.

Q. (bh): What are the age group of the participants?

A (cr): We now deal strictly with 7th through 12th grade. We initially took in Come One/Come All, but we found that those that are adults, we really had the service of the church, the pastor and counselors, so we chose 7th to 12th grade because we wanted to influence the group that was still on a learning curve basis and was still in an influential position. 7th to 12th grade.

Q. (bh) What is the program structure each week? I call it Pray, Play, and Eat.

A (cr): The program structure is one in which they come in; they sign in at the door. When they sign in at the door, we do that for accountability so that nobody can say that some crimes happening in Clayton County with their names and they were in the gym. So we sign them in and we have them come in. We have a running clock just like a gym for any high school in which they played organized games with referees and officials. They participate against one another in ways we like because it helps with conflict resolution. Also, they have rules and regulations in that we don't allow any pants hanging low showing your underwear. You don't wear hats in the church. You don't curse and you don't fight in the church. Everything we teach them and every rule we use is quality driven.

Q. (bh): How do you recruit the boys to participate in the ministry and are there any specific requirements for them to participate?

(cr): The only requirement is 7th to 12th grade. We just recruit them. It's pretty much by word of mouth. Most of these guys start off in the 7th grade and they continue all the way until they graduate from high school. Even some come back after high school.

Q. (bh): What life lessons do you think team sports give to young men like this?

(cr): It has taught them conflict resolution. It has taught them how to negotiate their difference of opinion. It has shown them how to love one another and, most importantly, it has shown them what the love of God can do within as driven by Christian values because quite a few of them, in fact, some have come back that are now ministers themselves. A lot of those who were lost are now in other programs. Some of the ones who were in the ministry even played professional basketball.



Q. (bh): How does the ministry feed their spirits and do you have any specific or favorite success stories?

(cr): We feed their spirits by teaching them – first of all, we pray with them every time they gather. We also talk to them about God. We bring in at least one speaker, if not two, every month that is a lawyer, a doctor or minister or some successful male role model that will tell them how they got where they are. We encourage them with our requirement that once a month, we request that they go to church somewhere, if not at Christian Fellowship and when they come in, they need to bring us a program, showing us that they have attended church somewhere.

Q. (bh): Success stories? I know you said that some have gone on professionally.

(cr): Quite a few have and now are happily married men with successful jobs. Some are naval, air force and military officers. One or two are now ministers. So it has had phenomenal success with men that have been there, including some who have played in the NBA.

Q. (bh): Do you get any parent participation? If so, would it be possible to get a quote as to how the ministry has affected their child?

may ask a question what the program is. Aside from that, no, we have not had any parent participation.

Q. (bh): Are there other sponsors to the program other than Christian Fellowship?

(cr): Absolutely! The Atlanta Hawks, last year, brought me down to their game and made me their Hero-of-the-Year for the program at Christian Fellowship and they donated a check to the basketball ministry. 2 Live Stew, a segmented sports casting show came in and they also speak to the boys. They also wrote a check their 501-C3 and donated that money to the basketball ministry as a sponsor. Also, Big Daddy restaurant provided the food for them at least twice a month and for three or four years, they provided that food completely free. Big Daddy Restaurant should definitely get all kinds of kudos for support of the community that he has shown. He has fed thousands of boys at his own cost.

Q. (bh): What other supporters or CFBC specific names should we mention?

(cr): Vohnterrell Miller and Royal Clark. The Phi Kappa Kappa Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. of Ft. Gillem and Ft. McPherson has been my rock because they send at least four to five members every week to help minister to these boys. Special thanks to Peter Derico, Rodney Sylvester and Rodney Walker.

CFBC Basketball Ministry: A Beacon of Light and Hope cont'

Q. (bh): In there anything else specifically you would like to add?

(cr): Yes. Make sure that when you get finished, make it known that footsteps in the sand, to God be the glory because he is the one that drives this program. Our ultimate goal is not to just come into the gym, but for them to be lead to the sanctuary and to worship God, which is the purpose of the program.



WMU Woman Of The Year 2019



Sister Rita Douglas was named our Woman Missionary Union (WMU) Woman of the Year for 2019 at the WMU Annual Celebration and Installation Service held on September 15, 2019.

Rita has been an active member of WOM#2 for 25 years and serves as Secretary/Treasurer and Project Leader for group mission activities. She also participates in church-wide mission projects, serve as a greeter, member of the usher board, acting director of mission friends, and camp Solid Rock. She says that she enjoys working with children ages 3-6yrs and is always looking for creative ways to teach stories from God's word. She attended the 2019 Go Georgia Conference seeking new tools and teaching methods to help shape their spiritual development.



Rita is a kind hearted person with a gentle spirit and a caring smile. She is even tempered, dependable and faithful. It is an honor and pleasure to work with Rita in Mission Friends and I am very grateful to have her as a member of the WMU Leadership team. CFBC, please congratulate Sister Rita Douglas, WMU Woman of the year for 2019.



Submitted by Esther Grissom



Community Block Party

Saturday, October 26th

12:00 p.m. 400 p.m.

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Good News. Great Joy



Every shoebox gift you pack enables us to reach children worldwide with the good news of God's love and the true meaning of Christmas.

NEW MEMBERS



Sis. Mildred Ellis



Bro. Jayquan Hickson



Bro. Zachariah Kabara



Sis. Jasmine Lee



Lakenya Hopkins

*Picture Not
Available*

India Rowe

SICK AND SHUT-IN MEMBERS

*Please remember our sick
and shut-in members through
prayer, cards and calls.*

*Sister Merrell Bloedoorn
3140 Spreading Oak Drive, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30311*

*Sister Frances Ellington
2230 Larchwood Street SW
Atlanta, GA 30310*

*Sister Gloria Jean Griffin
6920 Kimberly Mill Road
College Park, GA 30349*

*Sister Carmen Murray Lane
1302 Meadow Circle
College Park, GA 30349*

*Deacon Troy and Sister Mary Potter
5494 Park Place South
College Park, GA 30349*

*Sister Doris Steverson
536 Pelham Place
McDonough, GA 30253*

*God will give you
strength for
every battle,
wisdom for every
decision, peace
that surpasses
understanding.*

*Be strong and take heart, all you who
hope in the LORD. (Psalm 31:24 (NIV))*

*Brother Wesley Carter
133 Poplar Pointe Drive
College Park, GA 30349*

*Sister Evelyn Dortch
Hearthside Club Lafayette
105 Meeting Place Drive #117
Fayetteville, GA 30214*

*Deacon Willie Fanning
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Atlanta, GA 30318*

*Sister Ethel Hatney
6724 Delaware Bend
Fairburn, GA 30213*

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5840 Crabapple Drive
Mableton, GA 30216*

*Brother Robert Reese
6508 Woodrow Road
Lithonia, GA 30038*

*Sister Cleatie Wood
2197 Jones Road NW
Atlanta, GA 30318*

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT - Missions



A Servant's Prayer

Lord Give me the heart of a servant,
A willingness to do your will.
To comfort the soul of the troubled,
wipe away their tears when they are ill.

Let my feet walk the path of righteousness,
to complete whatever tasks, I'm asked to do.
Let my hands work tirelessly,
in loving service to you.

Father; quench the fire of my sinful flesh,
Seeking to pleasure my own selfish desires,
Let a humble Spirit burn in me, like an eternal fire

Let me run swiftly toward the ones in need,
Directing their thought and heart to you.
to comfort their fears of the unknown,
that you will carry them safely through.

Lord when my service on earth is over,
and your will I can no longer do,
Take me home to the place promised,
So, I can praise and serve you.

Ephesians 6:6-10

Ephesians 6:6-10

"Not by the way of eye service, as people pleasers, but as servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is slave or free."

THE CFBC CHURCH COUNCIL

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Boy Scouts - Henry Stephens
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Recreation - Cecil Rivers
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Sunday Morning Bible Study - John Harris
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Transportation - Russell Brooks
Trustees - Emerson Carey, Karen Swilley and Jeff Chism
Male Ushers - David Henderson
Female Ushers - Martha Honeywood
Weddings - Alma Kirk
Wednesday Bible Study - William Wright
Woman's Missionary Union - Esther Grissom
Youth Ministry - Cynthia Davis

IT'S FINE TODAY

Sure, this world is full of trouble
I ain't said it ain't.
Lord, I've had enough and double
Reason for complaint;
Rain and storm have come to fret me,
Skies are often gray;
Thorns and brambles have beset me
On the road — but say,
Ain't it fine today?
What's the use of always weepin',
Making trouble last?
What's the use of always keepin'
Thinkin' of the past?
Each must have his tribulation —
Water with his wine;
Life, it ain't no celebration,
Trouble? — I've had mine —
But today is fine!
It's today that I am livin',
Not a month ago.
Havin'; losin'; takin'; givin';
As time wills it so.
Yesterday a cloud of sorrow
Fell across the way,
It may rain again tomorrow,
It may rain — but say,
Ain't it fine today?

Submitted by Marjorie “Babe” Bennett

Visions Newsletter contains submissions from our
Pastor and the church membership. It is published by the
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Christian Fellowship Baptist Church

Fourth Quarter Calendar Highlights

October

Pastor Appreciation Month

- 05 Sisters Who Care Conference
- 05 Deacons' Meeting
- 06 Baptism / Communion
- 06 Installation of Church Council
- 12 WMU-Brotherhood/Mission Conclave
- 13 CFBC Fellowship Meal
- 19 Annual Usher Training/Luncheon
- 20 Youth / Young Adult Observance
- 26 Community Fall Festival

November

- 02 Deacons' Meeting
Baptist World Day of Prayer
Retirement Celebration Dr. Emmanuel McCall
- 03 Baptism / Communion
- 09 Mission Conclave/Veteran's Day
Celebration
- 10 CFBC Fellowship Meal
- 17 Youth / Young Adult Observance
- 23 SMBS Review
- 27 Lighting of Christmas Tree
- 28 Thanksgiving Day
- 30 Deacons' Meeting

December

- 01 Baptism / Communion
- 07 Christmas Store/Media Center “Give a Child a
Book”
- 14 WMU Christmas –Mission Projects
- 15 Youth / Young Adult Observance
CFBC Church Conference
- 22 SMBS Christmas Program
Christmas Musical Program
Collegian Recognition
Fellowship Meal
BIG
- 28 SMBS Review
- 31 New Year's Eve-Watch Night