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Internship Thank You

From start to finish, I've thoroughly enjoyed all aspects of my internship at First Baptist Church of Ahoskie. Involvement in worship, worship planning, preaching, passport camp, choir rehearsal, and VBS, has been fulfilling, and opened my eyes to what it means to be a servant of the Church. I've been able to do all of these things because you have seen the potential in me, and I would like to say thank you.

However, the internship did not start in Ahoskie. Orientation was at CBF headquarters in Decatur, GA. There, I met with other interns to be trained for various situations for our upcoming internships. It was meaningful fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ. In Decatur and Ahoskie, I have made connections and friendships that will last past this life. I've been part of FBCA since my first semester at Chowan, and I can say that this internship allowed me to make connections with the entire Church body more so than when I was just a member. I've been able to have meaningful conversations with the personnel, members, and community around the church.

My internship did not end with preaching on July 30. I was able to go to St. Simons, GA for the debriefing retreat, *Selah Vie*. There, the interns and others gathered once again to talk about our internship experiences, and enjoy fellowship with one another.

I have had a great time this summer, therefore, it's hard to try and fit everything that I'm thankful for from this experience in this short article. So in all aspects of the internship, thank you.

Brayden Conboy



Worshiping Together

August 13, 2023 11:00 AM Ordinary Time

Ordinary People for Extraordinary Service

Matthew 4:18-22 Rev. Dennis Bazemore

Nominating Committee



The Nominating Committee would like to be sure they have contacted everyone who is interested in serving. If you have not been contacted, please contact one of the following committee

members: Charles Freeman, Debbie Greene, Claudia Morris, Peggy Springfield, Mary Ann Umphlett, or Andy Woodard.

Worship Leaders



We love to involve everyone who is willing in Sunday morning worship leadership. Though we know many who love to serve in this way, your church staff is wondering who else might be interested. We don't want to leave anyone out! If you are interested, please contact Jessica Pyle, Communications Coordinator, in the church office.

A Big Day for Our Children & Youth Sunday, August 27, 2023

The last Sunday in August is going to be a big day for our children (birth through grade 5) and our youth (grades 6-12). First, those who promote to new Sunday School classes will do so at the beginning of the Sunday School hour.

- Ages 1 & 2: Room 106
- Ages 3 & 4: Room 105
- Kindergarten, Grades 1 & 2: Room 104
- Grades 3-6: Room 308
- Grades 7-12: To be determined.



Second, as part of our worship service, we will hold our traditional presentation of Bibles for the new 1st graders, and 6th graders.



Third, for all the school age children and youth, we're going to hold our first *Blessing of the Backpacks*. Well, we're really going to be offering a blessing for our *students* for the school year, but one way to do this is through a *Blessing of the Backpacks*. Students are asked to bring their backpacks to worship. There will be a designated spot in the sanctuary for them to place their backpacks when they arrive in the sanctuary.

In Sympathy



We offer our sympathy to the family of FBCA member, Bess Leary, who died on August 2, 2023. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2023, at 11:30 AM at First Baptist Church of Ahoskie.

WMU Churchwide Project for International Chowan Students

We are looking to collect 20 new double/full sized sheet sets for the International Chowan University students. Please bring donations to FBC Ahoskie and place them in the closet across from the kitchen. Contact Claire Presley at (252) 287-6132 if you have any questions.

Church Security Update

At their July 18, 2023 Deacons' meeting, the deacons approved a recommendation to employ a



deputy from the Hertford County Sherriff's Office to provide security on Sundays from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Though a start date has not been set, the deacons wanted to inform the church of these plans.

Stewardship Statement

August 6, 2023

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Weekly Need	\$ 9,550.14
Weekly Offering	\$ 14,070.00
Difference	\$ 4,519.86
YTD Needs	\$ 305,604.48
YTD Offerings	\$ 256,172.70
YTD Difference	\$ -49,431.78
Benevolence	\$ 360.00
H & H	\$ 100.00

Thank you for your generous gifts!

September 2023 First Baptist Church of Ahoskie

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Communion	4	5 • 10 AM WMU Group 2 & 4	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 • 7 PM Building & Grounds Mtg	15	16
17	18	19 • 7 PM Deacons' Mtg	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Sundays • 9:45 AM Sunday School • 11:00 AM Worship • 2:00 PM Chairo	Mondays • 3:00 PM Staff Mtg	•5:15 PM Children's Music & Missions •7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir •8:00 PM Vocal Ensemble		Fridays • 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC) The Gathering Place		

September Birthdays

1	Betty	Cooper

4 Tony Marra

6 John Alexander

6 Helen Chamblee

7 David Barnes

9 Jayne Frei

10 Larry Freeman

11 Rick Burns

11 Libby Pierce

12 Jean F. Parker

13 Earl Futrell

15 Reid Burgess

18 Alice Brown

18 Hudson Rose

19 Jim Minton

20 Jean Parker

22 Millie Britt

22 Joanna Dunn

23 Henry Joyner

25 Sandra Pierce

27 Clair Saunders

28 Beverly Parker Baker

30 Katherine Jernigan

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Week of August 13 - 19, 2023

Minister on Call

Rev. Anita Thompson, 395-0061 anita@fbcahoskie.org

Deacons on Call

Kari Pierce, 217-8017 Chuck Revelle, 862-6322

Childcare During Worship - August 13

Ages 1 & 2: Joyce Leary & Taylor F. Rose Ages 3 & 4: Elizabeth Davis, Ben & Leah Woodard Kindergarten: Melanie Byrum & Winnie Matthews

<u>Ushers - August 13</u>

Josh Brinkley, Lily Ann Brinkley, Tim Frei, Eley Whitehead, L. Taylor Rose, Peggy Springfield; Balcony: Andy Woodard

Sound System Operator - August 13

Frank Britt

Security Monitor - August 13

Bill Magette

<u> Floral Offering - August 13</u>

Earl, Linda & April Futrell, Austin Yeager

Home Delivered Meals - August 14

Jayne Frei

Food Pantry - August 18

Carolyn Arrington & Vicky Overman

Week of August 20 - 26, 2023

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Childcare During Worship - August 20

Ages 1 & 2: Nancy Perry & Mary Page Pierce Ages 3 & 4: Claire & Jordan Harrell Kindergarten: Lily Ann Brinkley & Anna Dawson

<u>Ushers - August 20</u>

Heath Britt, J.C. Doughtie, Duck Harrell, Nat Riddick, Justice Zoch, Reagan Zoch; Balcony: Larry Freeman

Sound System Operator - August 20

Brandon Zoch

Security Monitor - August 20

Brian Outlaw

Floral Offering - August 20

Glenn, Mark, Russell Overman & Family

Home Delivered Meals - August 21

Linda Bazemore & Elizabeth Craft

Food Pantry - August 25

Carolyn Arrington & Vicky Overman