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Blessing of the Backpacks August 17 | 10:00 AM

All school age children are asked to bring their school Backpack to worship and participate in the Blessing of the Backpacks.



Northeast NC Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Regional Gathering

First Baptist Church of Ahoskie September 28, 2025 | 3:45 PM - 7:30 PM

All FBC Ahoskie folks are invited. The gathering will feature informative breakout sessions, a fellowship meal and meaningful worship. The event is free, however the meal is \$10.00. More information is forthcoming.

Women's Bible Study
10:30 AM
August 14 & 21 · September 11
October 9 & 23

2025 Deacon Nominations

Deacon Nominations are approaching. Members are invited to prayerfully consider who would serve our church well as a deacon for three years beginning January 2026. If you would like your name removed from the ballot, call the church office by September 19, 2025.



Worshiping Together

August 17, 2025 10:00 AM Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

> Amazed at His Teaching Mark 1:21-28

Dr. Dennis N. Bazemore

Online Church Directory Training

Sunday, August 17 & August 24 Fellowship Hall Following the Morning Worship Service

On Sunday, August 17 and August 24, following the morning worship service, members of our church will be available in the fellowship hall to assist you in downloading the new online church directory. If you have not contacted Jessica with your updated email address, please do so to gain access to the app. Printed copies of the directory will be available at a later date upon request.



2025 Budget Preparation

Budget preparations forms will soon be issued to committee chairs and other appropriate persons. They are encouraged to consider their budget needs for the year 2026, and return completed forms by Tuesday, October 14, 2025, to Sharon Hill. Financial Secretary.

Building & Grounds Meeting Monday, August 18, 2025 | 7:00 PM









Deacons' Meeting Tuesday, August 19, 2025 | 7:00 PM

ADJUSTED SUMMER HOURS THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2025

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 AM WORSHIP: 10:00 AM

Faithful & Free Bicentennial History Books

We have Faithful and Free Bicentennial History books available for pick up at each church entrance. Written by Dr. Jesse J. Croom, his vision for these books would provide a love for our heritage, hope for our future and thanks to our loving God. Please consider making a donation to our Heritage and Hope Fund.



Worship Decorating Committee Advent Planning & Banners

It is hard to believe, but the Worship Decorating Committee is already planning for Advent! We have some Chrismon's in need of repair and we would also like to make some new ones.

We are also trying to repair and make some new banners. We don't want to have all the fun so we are inviting others to help. Many of you may have made them in the past and we need your expertise! If you are interested in helping with this project, there will be a sign up sheet on the second-floor bulletin board. Dates will be determined based upon interest.

Churchwide Project

We are collecting aluminum pop tabs from any container (soda can, soup can, pet food, etc.) to benefit the Ronald McDonald House in Greenville, NC. The leadership of Ronald McDonald House takes the pop tabs to a local recycler to turn them into money to provide for the families who stay in the house.

The Ronald McDonald House program helps reduce stress and financial burden for families when they must travel far from home to access medical care for their child.



Collection ends August 2025!

$Stewardship\ Statement$

August 10, 2025

Weekly Need	\$ 10,096.71
Weekly Offering	\$ 6,735.16
Difference	\$ -3,361.55
YTD Needs	\$ 323,094.72
YTD Offerings	\$ 282,695.14
YTD Difference	\$ -40,399.58
Benevolence	\$ 100.00
Heritage & Hope	\$ 100.00

Thank you for your generous gifts!

September 2025 First Baptist Church of Ahoskie

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Church Offices Closed	2 •10:00 AM WMU Group 4	3 •10:30 AM Ahoskie Garden Club	4	5	6
7	8 •7:00 PM Finance Committee Mtg	9 •10:00 AM WMU Group 2 (September only)	10	11 •10:30 AM Women's Bible Study	12	13
14	15 •7:00 PM Building & Grounds Mtg	16 •7:00 PM Deacons' Mtg	17 •12:00 PM Ahoskie Woman's Club	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Northeast NC CBF Regional Gathering 3:45 PM - 7:30 PM	29	30				
Sundays • 9:00 AM Sunday School • 10:00 AM Worship	•2:00 PM Staff Mtg				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
- 18 Alice Brown

- 18 Hudson Rose
- 19 Jim Minton
- 20 Betty Jean Parker
- 22 Millie Britt
- 22 Joanna Dunn
- 23 Hudson Harrell
- 23 Henry Joyner
- 25 Sandra Pierce
- 27 Clair Saunders
- 28 Beverly Parker Baker
- 29 Alice Jenkins
- 30 Katherine Jernigan

If we have neglected to acknowledge a birthday, please let us know by calling the church office.

SERVING IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Week of August 17 - 23, 2025

Minister on Call

Dr. Dennis Bazemore, (910) 890-2940 dnbazemore@gmail.com

Deacons on Call

Claire Presley, 287-6132 Penny Rose, 287-4482

Childcare During Worship - August 17

Ages 1 & 2: Pat Daniels & Roxie Thompson Ages 3 & 4: Nancy Perry & Mary Page Pierce Kindergarten: Alex & Sarah Grace Britton

Ushers - August 17

Alex Britton, Gloria Freeman, Dempsey Pierce, Nathan Pierce, Stuart Pierce, Nat Riddick; Balcony: Walt Pierce

Sound System Operator - August 17

Chris Slachta

Security Monitor - August 17

L. Taylor Rose

Floral Offering - August 17

Earl & Linda Futrell, Austin & April Yeager

Home Delivered Meals - August 18

Susan Earley & Lynell Eure

Food Pantry - August 22

Carolyn Arrington, Noreen Hannon, Margaret Winn

Week of August 24 - 30, 2025

Minister on Call

Dr. Dennis Bazemore, (910) 890-2940 dnbazemore@gmail.com

Deacons on Call

Jamie Burns, 332-9461 Kari Pierce, 217-8017

Childcare During Worship - August 24

Ages 1 & 2: Georgia Copeland & Debbie Greene Ages 3 & 4: Will Blanchard & Michelle Boyd Kindergarten: Sarah Jenkins & Henry Pierce

Ushers - August 24

Kay Byrd, Sophia Byrd, Lee Byrum, Doug Cobbs, J.C. Doughtie, Bill Magette; Balcony: Brad Hauser

Sound System Operator - August 24

Rick Burns

Security Monitor - August 24

Michael Harrell

Floral Offering - August 24

Elizabeth Craft & Family

Home Delivered Meals - August 25

Barbara Roberson & Margaret Winn

Food Pantry - August 29

Carolyn Arrington, Amy Cooke & Vicky Overman