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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 2-5: Student VBS @ 6:00 PM

August 5: Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Kids Summer Bible Study @ 6:00 PM

August 6: Ladies Summer Bible Study @ 6:00 PM

August 9: Acts 1:8 Meeting @ 3:00 PM, Students Back to School Foundation Night @ 4:30 PM, Brotherhood Meeting @ 5:00 PM, Kids Back to School Pool Party @ 6:30 PM

August 11: BCM Golf Cart Prayer Drive @ 6:00 PM

August 12: Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Student Discipleship, and Kids Summer Bible Study @ 6:00 PM

August 13: Ladies Summer Bible Study @ 6:00 PM

August 16: Deacons Meeting @ 3:30 PM, Children's Volunteer Information Meeting @ 4:00 PM, Family Conference @ 5:00 PM

August 19: No Activities

August 26: Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Student Discipleship, Mission Journey Kids Kick Off @ 6:00 PM

August 30: Beginning of the Journey @ 3:00 PM

NCBC WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

8:30 am - Prayer Warriors
8:45 am - Common Grounds (coffee)
9:15 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Morning Worship

Wednesdays

5:45 - 7:00 pm - Celebration Choir
6:00 - 7:15 pm - Student Discipleship
6:00 - 7:15 pm - Kids Summer Bible Study

JOIN OUR CHURCH APP!

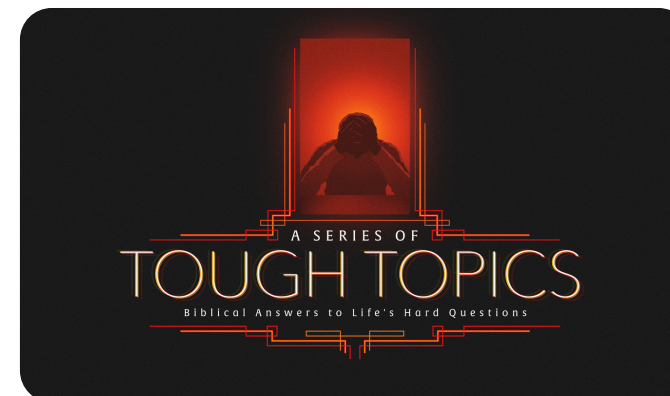
The best way to stay connected and find out about church events is to download the Church Center App. Scan the QR Code, search for North Conway Baptist Church, & set up a personalized login.



THE OUTREACH

North Conway Baptist Church Newsletter

**August
2026**

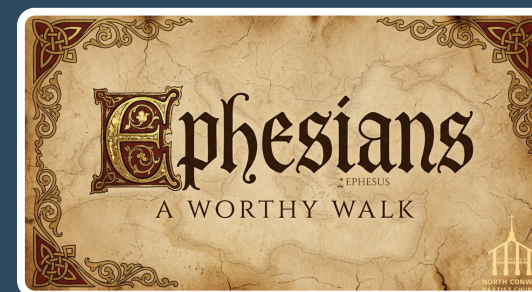


Upcoming Sermon Series: Tough Topics: Biblical Answers to Life's Hard Questions

Every summer, we pause our usual exegetical sermon series to address challenging topics from a biblical angle. This year, our series on tough topics will focus on two main questions: first, what is God's will for my life? Second, what does gospel unity entail? Although we frequently use phrases like "God's will" and "gospel unity," their true meanings can be unclear. What do we really mean when we say them?

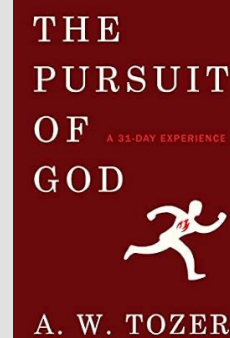
Join us on the last two Sundays of August to find biblical answers to these complex questions.

Save
the
Date



Wednesday in the Word

Mark your calendars for Wednesdays starting September 9, as we resume our Bible study sessions at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM. This year, we will explore the book of Ephesians, delving into themes of grace, the Church, and the Christian life.

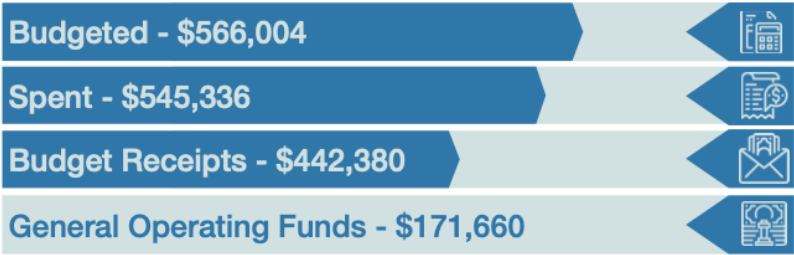


The Pursuit of God Book

Join us in our exploration of the theme of pursuing God by acquiring your own copy of the new version of the book.

You can purchase it at the Next Steps desk for just \$14.00.

2026
Year to Date Snapshot



Happy Birthday

- 2 Joann Durant, Connie Gragg, Blake Piver
- 3 Caroline Gilreath, RJ Porter
- 4 Richard Fritz, Jean Johnson, Dorothy Conklin
- 5 Bodie Lorenzo
- 6 Emerson Welborn
- 7 Reta Cribb, Denise Hardwick
- 8 David Welborn
- 9 Ella Hodge
- 10 Beth Piver
- 11 Eli Tyler, Eli Santa
- 12 Audra Bergevin
- 13 Margaret Sapp, Tim Taylor, Joan Brown
Elisa Frenti
- 14 Johanna Floyd
- 16 Sue Long
- 19 Janice Cummings
- 20 Loreese Thomas
- 21 Ryker Elliott
- 22 Russell Fowler
- 23 Faye Barker, Carolyn Deason
- 24 Peter Carson Gilreath
- 25 Patsy Ray, Gatlin King
- 26 Tammy Hughes
- 27 Ashley Cribb, Laura McKee, Preston Tyler
- 29 Sara Runfola, Bianca Schutte
- 30 Montana Kemper



2026 Church-Wide Focus:

*The Great Pursuit - Longing for
a Deeper Relationship With
God*

Too many Christians believe that their pursuit of God ends at salvation. But the truth is, that is only where it begins. Throughout our lives, we must thirst for a deeper and deeper relationship with God, like a deer pants for water. The desire for Him must become the sole focus of our lives, and we must refuse to accept any substitute. So this year, we will focus on how we can nurture a more intimate relationship with God—not just knowing about Him, but truly knowing Him.



Our deepest sympathies
are extended to...

...David and Tammy Clardy,
upon the death of David's
brother Robby

With Gratitude

To Our Church Family,
A special heartfelt thank you to each of you
for your cards, visits, calls, food, flowers, but
most of all, thank you for your prayers for
our dear mamma, Era Lee Williamson, during
her sickness, and continued prayers for our
family as we try to find our new normal
without our rock. But praise God, we have
arms around us. He is our solid, forever rock.
We love you all,
Sheila and Larry Ray, Teal Britton, Leah
Cartrette, and their families

Pastor's Note

The Safety of Our Children

We have all been watching the events unfold at Pawleys Island Community Church. It is heartbreaking to hear that a sister church would knowingly allow a registered sex offender to serve at the church and preschool, in close proximity to children. It is also heartbreaking to see the media response. This situation has brought reproach upon the Universal Church and upon the name of Christ. Of course, we join in prayer for and with PICC; we pray for the children and families affected, for the church members displaced from worship and their community, and for the judicial system, that justice will be swift, clear, and complete. But above all, we pray for the gospel to take root in the midst of this terrible situation, for we know that God is present even in the darkest valleys.



While we focus on PICC, we also reflect on our own church. I want to assure you that your staff are carefully reviewing all our policies, procedures, and documents to ensure North Conway remains a safe place. A place where children can learn about God's love and experience it through caring adults. Where parents can rest assured that their children are safe and loved when in our care. Where volunteers can serve confidently, knowing church leaders are making wise decisions to maintain safe and secure environments. These are the actions the gospel demands of us! We cannot effectively share the gospel in an environment that fosters sin, harm, hurt, or abuse.

We already have a robust children's policies handbook that details many ways we strive to keep our children safe, including:

- Required background checks on anyone who works around our children and students.
- A dedicated security team who patrols our campus on foot and through 32 mounted cameras during all services.
- A check-in and check-out system for all children's events.
- Continued training so our staff and volunteers can stay up to date on abuse prevention and care.

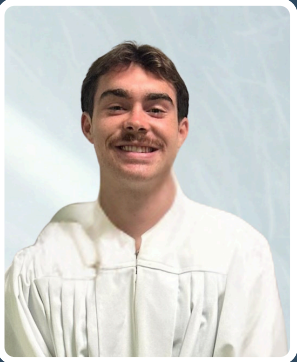
On the one hand, it is sad that we live in a world that would require this level of security at a church. On the other hand, praise God that we are a church that cares enough about our members (adults and children) to put in the hard work to ensure we can all worship in a safe and secure environment. If you have any specific questions about our children's policies, please contact me directly.

-Pastor Jay

Welcome
New
Members



Bob and Evon
Peddycord



Zach
Berg - Schutte



Jennifer
Johnson



Bruce and Mary
Cummings



Celebrating the
Baptism of...

Zach
Berg-Schutte
July 5

UPCOMING EVENTS



Brotherhood Men's Group

Join us for the monthly Men's meeting on Sunday, August 9, at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This event offers a chance for fellowship, sharing experiences, and building camaraderie. All men are welcome, and we look forward to an engaging evening together!



BCM Golf Cart Prayer Drive

NCBC will partner with Coastal BCM for a golf cart prayer drive at the Coastal campus, Hackler course, on Tuesday, August 11th, at 6:00 PM. If you're interested in attending, please sign up on the church website.



Joyful Endeavors - Senior Adults

The Senior Adults will travel to the Church of the Lost and Found in North Myrtle Beach to see the Jay Stone Singers on Saturday, August 15. Departure from NCBC will be at 4:30 pm. Please sign up at the Welcome Center's "Next Steps Desk".



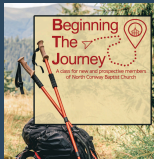
Children's Volunteer Training

We invite you to attend a volunteer training and information session on Sunday, August 16, at 4:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome! This event is also a great opportunity for anyone interested in volunteering to learn more.



Lunch and Fellowship

For the Monday, August 17th, fellowship, the Sunshine Ladies will gather for lunch at 11:30 AM at Logan's Roadhouse (1136 Oak Forest Ln.). If you need a ride, please reach out to Patsy Ray. Please sign up at the Welcome Center's "Next Steps Desk".



Beginning the Journey

The "Beginning the Journey" class at North Conway Baptist Church is for new and prospective members and covers the church's identity, beliefs, and membership responsibilities. The next session is on Sunday, August 30, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. Registration is available on the church's website or app, and childcare is offered with sign-up.

WORK DAY / CLEANING DAY

Many Hands - One Church - Stronger Together.



Friday, August 7 • 8:30 AM



Pressure washing Window cleaning



Bring your favorite cleaning towel or paper products



Men and women are urged to participate



Another weekend day will follow for those not available



NORTH CONWAY
BAPTIST CHURCH

Family Conference

Sunday, August 16th, at 5:00 PM.

Remember to join us for this month's Family Conference and Deacons/Elders election

We will also vote on the Ministry Placement Teams



NCBC STUDENTS

Note From Bryce

One of my favorite television shows is about the behind the scenes chaos of working in the White House. The President in that show had a favorite line, "What's Next?". Things moved quickly, and problems were non-stop, so..."What's Next?" I have always loved that. Give a problem or a task its moment, then move on to the next thing. If only I could take the advice! I catch myself far too often worried about the distant things. On the flipside, I can get way too caught up in the details of a current problem that I lose sight of what is right in front of me and forget the bigger picture. I think we can all relate to that, right? We are living our blessed life, looking through telescopes in search of God's plan for us off in the distance. Or we are running around like headless chickens as the world flies by and we wonder why God isn't "using" us. God is ALWAYS at work around us, and if we don't watch out, we will miss our opportunity and calling to join Him in that work. With our feet firmly in the here and now, our prayer should be, "Lord, What's Next?". There is always an opportunity here and now to follow and obey Him. Are we listening for God's direction, and will we be willing and ready for What's Next? Come out for Student VBS! August 2-5. 6-830. Dinner provided. THEME: WHAT'S NEXT?!

"Wanna change the world? There's nothing to it."
Mr. Bryce



Prayer Requests



- Pray for our Ministry Teams:
 - Deacons – Pray for our Deacon Nominating process. We had a great number of nominations. Pray for the staff as they contact the top nominee. Pray for the nominees that they will see the need and have the desire to serve. Pray for the Deacon Nomination Council as they interview each candidate to ensure they meet all the biblical qualifications. Pray for the church as they make the final vote at our August Family Conference.
 - Church Council – Pray for the church council and staff as they continue the Ministry Placement process. This is a great opportunity each year to get new people involved in ministry throughout the church. Pray that every church member will find a place of meaningful service at North Conway.

- Pray for our Upcoming Events
 - 2026 Vision – Pray for our new year's church-wide focus The Great Pursuit. Pray that our church will find tools to help them deepen their relationship with God.
 - Summer Ladies' Bible Study – Pray for our Ladies' Summer Bible Study that continues this month. This year, the ladies will be studying through the book of James using a study written by our Pastor's wife, Frances. Pray that the study will be a meaningful time of biblical engagement for all participants.
 - Beginning the Journey – Pray for our new members' class that will be offered on August 30th. We already have several people signed up. Pray for each person and family that is considering joining the church. Pray that God will lead them to the right decision.

- Pray for our Student Ministry
 - Pray for our students during VBS that the Lord would bless the fellowship and discipleship.
 - Pray for our upcoming 6th graders as they are preparing for big changes at school and church.
 - Pray for our Sunday School teachers, new and returning, as they begin preparing for the new church year and the new students they will receive in their classes.
 - Pray for our graduated Seniors as their Student Ministry days officially come to a close and they begin their college/young adult life in earnest.



- Pray for our Children's Ministry
 - Please pray for all children heading to school this month.
 - Please be in prayer for our preschool and elementary groups, who will begin their new Mission Journey Kids year this month. Please pray for the preschool and children's area teachers beginning a new church year. This includes our Sunday School teachers and our Mission Journey Kids leaders. Please pray for the many families represented in our ministry. Pray for protection, spiritual growth as a family unit, and Godly discipleship within the home.
 - Please pray for all children who will be heading to school this month.

- Pray for our Music Ministry
 - Pray that we exalt Christ's greatness, dwell in His Word, and joyfully proclaim the Gospel of Christ with thankfulness in our hearts to Him.
 - Pray for the Lord to raise up someone with technical skill, an ear for music, who is willing to be trained and serve as an additional audio tech for our Music Ministries. Pray for those who have shown interest in being trained and equipped.
 - Pray for those who are interested in the Music Ministry to take the next step and join our team for rehearsals on Wednesday nights.

- Pray for Pastor Will's Ministries
 - Pray for our Sunday School Enrollment Challenge as we seek to enroll 50 new guests by next March. Pray that God would use this effort to reach people with the gospel, make disciples, and strengthen our Sunday School ministry and church.
 - Pray for the members of our church family who are facing health challenges and difficult circumstances. Pray for peace, comfort, and even joy in the midst of their trials.
 - Pray for our deacons as they continue to care for the families in their Family Ministry Plan. Pray that God would give them strength to encourage and minister to our church family well.



"INTERNATIONAL CAFE"



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"KIDS SUMMER BIBLE STUDY"



"KIDS SUMMER FUN"



"LADIES BIBLE STUDY"



"STUDENT IMPACT"



"STUDENT IMPACT"



"LADIES BIBLE STUDY"



Congratulations to parents Morgan and Josh Pierce, their sons Ryan and Rhett, and proud grandparents, Ray and Robin Causey, on the arrival of Monroe Christine, born on July 6.

Welcome



Congratulations to parents Taylor and Cross Hardwick, as well as sister Chanleigh, on the arrival of Kason Chandler, born on July 23.

