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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 2: Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Mission Journey Kids and Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

September 4: Brotherhood Baseball Game

September 6: Promotion Sunday, Student Foundation Night

September 8: Luna Belle Meeting @ 6:00 PM

September 9: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM, Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Mission Journey Kids, Wednesday In The Word, and Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

September 13: No Brotherhood Meeting in lieu of baseball game, Sunday School Training, and Acts 1:8 Meeting @ 3:00 PM

September 16: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, Mission Journey Kids, Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

September 20: Mission Sunday, Deacons Meeting @ 3:30 PM, Family Conference @ 5:00 PM, Missions Fair @ 6:00 PM

September 24: Senior Adult trip to see Le Grand Cirque @ 6:00 PM

September 23: See You At the Pole @ 7:00 AM, Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, Mission Journey Kids, Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

September 27: Salt and Light Meeting @ 5:00 PM

September 30: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, Mission Journey Kids, Student Discipleship @ 6:00 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 - Mission Journey Kids

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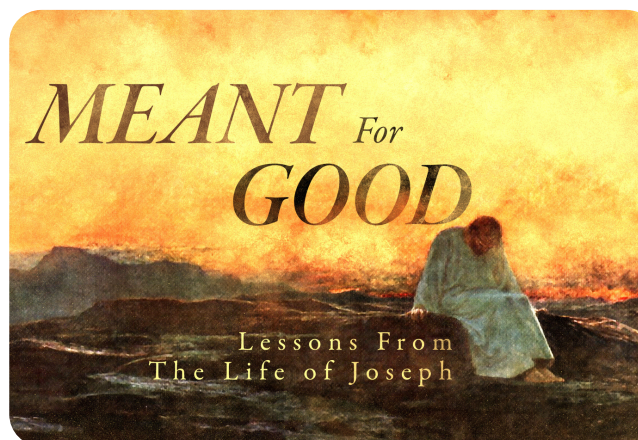
The best way to stay connected and find out about church events is to download the Church Center App. Scan the QR Code, search for North Conway Baptist Church, & set up a personalized login.



THE OUTREACH

North Conway Baptist Church Newsletter

September
2026



Upcoming Sermon Series: Meant for Good: Lessons from the Life of Joseph

Life is full of hard moments, betrayal, and unexpected trials, but God is always at work behind the scenes. In our new sermon series, Meant for Good, we explore the incredible life of Joseph. From the pit to the palace, Joseph faced bitter rejection and deep pain. Yet, his story reminds us that what others intended for harm, God redeems for a greater purpose. Join us as we discover how our own trials are never wasted in the hands of a faithful God.



Welcome New Deacons

David Skipper,
Heath Hardwick,
Loren Richardson,
and Matt Johnson

Go, therefore
and make
disciples of
all nations



MISSION SUNDAY
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Join us for
a special
day dedicated
to missions.

10:30 AM
Worship Service

Welcoming a
Guest Speaker



5:00 PM
Family Conference

Celebrating our
Partnerships

6:00 PM
Missions Fair

Connect directly with our
ministry partners, both
local and international





Pastor's Note

This month, we are excited to kick off our Wednesday in the Word series through the book of Ephesians. If you've never studied Ephesians, you're in for a treat, because it is arguably one of the most powerful and relevant books in all of God's Word. In his commentary on Ephesians, Tony Merida gave several excellent reasons to study this book, and to whet your appetite for why you should be a part of this study this year, here are three of my favorites.

1. Ephesians deepens our understanding of the gospel.

Unfortunately, we live in a day when there is much superficial Christianity, in which there is a lot of shallow teaching around us. However, if one is committed to teaching through Ephesians, it is simply impossible to remain shallow. As we'll see in the first three chapters, Paul takes a deep dive into the glorious riches of the gospel and its true meaning.

2. Ephesians magnifies the importance of the church, perhaps more than any other NT letter.

As Merida points out, we live in a day in which people do not really value the church. They are inclined to think, "If nothing else is going on this weekend, then I guess I will go to church." However, when we look in the book of Ephesians, we read how the church is central to God's eternal purposes; the church is put in eternal perspective. As Paul will say in chapter 3:10, it is through the church that God has chosen to make known his "manifold wisdom."

3. Ephesians offers practical answers to basic questions about the Christian life.

As we work our way through this book, we're going to answer such questions as:

- Why worship God?
- What is so amazing about grace?
- Who are we?
- Why is the church a big deal?
- What should we pray for?
- How can we be unified?
- How do "new" people live?
- What is God's plan for marriage?
- How should we parent?
- How should we see our vocation?
- How do we fight? (spiritual warfare)

These are just a few reasons to study this incredible book. I encourage you to come and be a part of our study this year on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. or 6 p.m. We hope to see you there!

-Pastor Will

Happy Birthday

- 1 Kathy Harris

3 Cynthia Jordan, Erich Kemper

7 Laura Fowler, Russell Porter

8 Ernest Sapp, Ellison Johnson

9 Darlene Hickey, Bryce Skipper, Cross Hardwick

10 Tindall Sellers

11 Judith Green, Loren Richardson, Chuck Fowler, Kale Skipper

12 Bill Harris, Rocky Gregory, Emma Anderson, Janet Norman

13 Emma Tufts

14 Clara Rogers, Angie Johnson, Mason Faine

17 Helen Vaught
- 18 Dionne Grainger

19 Cheryl Backus

20 Greg Backus

21 Scott Hayes, Ellie Tyler

22 Richard Sarvis, Jeffrey Fulmer, Shane Day

24 Kennedy Grooms, Rosie Worthington, Ruthie Worthington

25 Kyler Skipper, Priscilla Johnson

27 Judy Shelley, Rhett Pierce

28 Josh Pierce

29 Levi Turner

30 Laura Murdock, Adam Wood



NCBC STUDENTS

September 6

Promotion Sunday
Foundation Night
Kickball at Conway
Rec. Center

October 4

Parent Meeting
FUGE Camp
Foundation Night
Student Center

November 1

Foundation Night
Movie Night
Student Center

November 20-24

Fall Retreat
Fort Caswell, NC



Students, we invite you to join us for our 2026 Fall Retreat at Fort Caswell, Oak Island, NC!

Middle School: November 20-22

High School: November 22-24

The cost is \$150, which includes lodging and meals. Please register by October 1st, as spaces are limited. Scholarships are available for those facing financial hardship.

For more information, reach out to Bryce.

Note From Bryce

Fall 2001 was a big time for me. I walked into Conway High for the first time, lost as can be. It was a big place, and I felt very small. The first classroom I walked into belonged to Mrs. Dennis. 9th-grade English. I had zero desire or need for 9th-grade English. I made it a point to make every joke I could and be the class clown. My goal was to make Mrs. Dennis' life as difficult as possible. In return, she made me read about Fitzgerald's Gatsby, Lee's Atticus Finch, and Huxley's Brave New World. It was legalized torture, and I hated it. I was unruly at best in that class and a thorn in Mrs. Dennis' side that entire year. With that said, she had earned every bit of my respect for dealing with me. I knew I was terrible, and she gave nothing but kindness and patience back to me. It was in that class that we all sat and watched 9/11 unfold, and to this day, I have not and will not forget her bravery in how she handled herself in front of 30 terrified teenagers. Fast forward to 2004...my senior year! I had earned a spot in AP English with none other than Mrs. Dennis. I picked up right where I left off 3 years earlier...difficult to deal with. She got me back with Hamlet and Julius Caesar. She even took our entire class to see the Broadway company of Les Misérables perform at the old Palace Theater. I made jokes the entire 3-hour show. Here's the actual truth...I loved it all. She introduced me to a world of words that I had never known before. I was way too cool to admit that then, but her classes changed my life...she changed my life. She saw something in me that I never saw in myself. She pushed me to read deeper. She encouraged me to write. She led this too cool for school athlete to be passionate at 17 about composition. She managed to do all that with grace and patience while also caring for and teaching hundreds of other students. Mrs. Dennis made a difference in my life. I say all that to say, as our students walk back into their schools, my prayer is that they all come across a Mrs. Dennis. School is hard. Academic pressure. Athletic pressure. Social pressure. Pray for them. Pray for safety. Pray for focus and determination. Pray for boldness. Pray for Godly friends and teachers that make a difference. Parents, grandparents, teachers, adults...encourage our students! You never know the lasting impact you are making through just a few kind words. Students, 1 week down...an entire school year to go. You got this!

-Mr. Bryce
"Want to change the world, there's nothing to it."

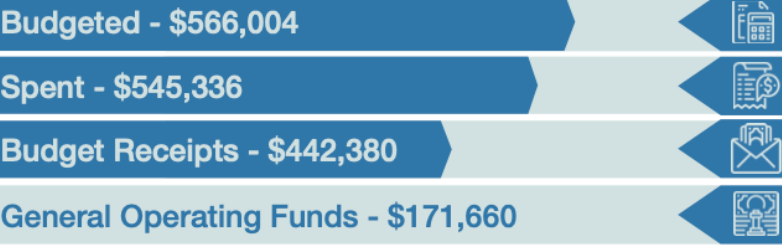
NEWS & UPDATES



Our deepest sympathies are extended to...

...Dan and Jean Burdan, upon the death of their sister-in-law, Ginni Burden
...The family of Jackie Johnson upon her death

2026
Year to Date Snapshot



Prayer Requests



- Pray for our Ministry Teams:
 - Deacon/Elders – Pray for our newly elected deacons, Loren Ricahradson, David Skipper, Heath Hardwick, and Matt Johnson. They will be joining the other eight returning deacons to start the new year in September. Pray that these men will serve the Lord and the people of North Conway well as both deacons and elders.
 - New Ministry Leaders – The church adopted our new slate of ministry teams and team leaders at the Family Conference last month. Pray for each of these leaders and volunteers as they begin their new year of ministry in September. YA – Our YA (Young Adults) Ministry to college and career aged adults will kick off its new year in September. Pray for the YA Council, a group made up of college students and recent graduates, as they take on some of the leadership. Pray for new students to get involved in the Sunday night bible study each week.
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- 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.
 - Fall Festival – Please begin to pray for this year’s Fall Festival. We are excited to be moving this event off campus and into our community. This move is a great opportunity to engage our community more directly, but it comes with a lot more logistics. Pray for the staff as they plan and prepare for this event.

- Pray for our Pastoral Care and Education Ministries
 - Pray for our Wednesday in the Word series this year through the book of Ephesians, that we would have a good turnout and that the study would be spiritually beneficial.
 - Pray for our Sunday School training on September 13, that our teachers would be encouraged and equipped.
 - Pray for our deacons and new deacons as they faithfully care for and shepherd their families.
 - Pray for Harry Rabon, our new leader of the Homebound Team, and for the Homebound Team as they care for our church members who are unable to attend church.



- Pray for our Children’s Ministry
 - Please be in prayer for our Mission Journey Kids Leaders and students. MJK is a mission discipleship class for preschool and elementary-aged children. In these classes, kids will learn about missionaries while going deeper into their own relationship with Jesus. Pray for their mission projects throughout the year and for the kids as they learn to share the gospel with others. The theme this year is “Mission Explorers”. We will be learning about missionaries in Florida, California, Italy, East Asia, and beyond. Please pray that those reached through mission projects will learn that they are chosen and called by God to go and produce fruit.
 - Please pray for our Preschool and Elementary Sunday School Teachers. For some, this is their first year serving in this way, and for others, they've been serving for years. We thank God for these leaders who serve each week faithfully, all year long. Please pray for their hearts, minds, and souls to find their rest in Jesus. Please pray for them as they prepare each week to share the love of God with children of all ages. Please ask God to protect them - their minds, their hearts, and their families. Please pray that they will be strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit in their daily lives and as they lead children closer to Jesus.

- Pray for our Student Ministry
 - Pray for our students as they head back to school and face all that comes with it.
 - Pray for the rising 6th graders as they join our youth department. Pray they will acclimate quickly and find their place as they start to dive deeper in discipleship.
 - Pray for our Sunday School teachers, new and seasoned, as their students change and class dynamics change. Pray that the Holy Spirit will lead and guide them each week as they prepare their lessons. Pray for Fall Retreat as planning gets underway. Pray for a fruitful signup and the leaders as they begin to plan the events and discipleship of that impactful weekend.

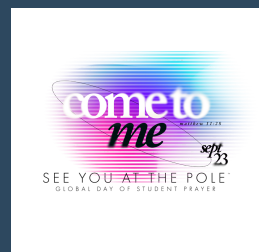
- Pray for our Music Ministry
 - Pray that the Word of Christ will dwell in us richly as we sing Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs together with thankfulness in our hearts to Christ.
 - Pray that as we pursue Christ, we will have a greater understanding of who He is, be drawn to Him and desire to know Him more.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Lunch and Fellowship

For the Monday, September 21st, fellowship, the Sunshine Ladies will gather for lunch at 11:30 AM at Damon’s (2985 S. Ocean Boulevard, Myrtle Beach). If you need a ride, please reach out to Patsy Ray.



See You At The Pole

On Wednesday, September 23rd, students from around the world will gather around school flagpoles to pray for their schools, friends, families, nation, and the world, asking for God’s help and guidance. Through our Heart4Schools partnership, NCBC will host the SYATP prayer rally at Conway Elementary School at 7:00 am.



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.



Adult Sunday School Teacher Training

The next Sunday School Teacher training is on Sunday, September 13, from 3-5 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We'll focus on forming meaningful relationships, part of our LIFE vision. All current and prospective teachers are welcome. We'll discuss deepening connections and introduce a new supplement to enhance discipleship, launching in January. Please mark your calendars!



Joyful Endeavors - Senior Adults

Le Grand Cirque

Senior Adults, join us for an exciting outing to Broadway at the Beach to see Le Grand Cirque on Thursday, September 24. This thrilling performance costs \$25.50 per person. Please pay NCBC by September 13 to secure your spot. Departure from NCBC is at 6:00 PM. Please sign up at the Welcome Center Next Steps Desk.

Ocean Drive Concert

The Senior Adults will travel to the Church of the Lost and Found in North Myrtle Beach to see 2nd Chance Ministries on Saturday, September 26. Departure from NCBC will be at 4:30 pm. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.



Luna Belle Strickland

Tuesday, September 8, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Salt & Light

Join us Sunday, September 27, at 5:00, in the Fellowship Hall, for our Salt & Light Fall Kickoff! All ladies are invited! We will hear from ladies of all ages in our church who have participated in mission trips. Please come learn more about mission opportunities & how you can get involved!



2026 Offering Goal:
\$2,222,000

Season of Prayer for
State Missions
September 6-13, 2026

Conway Community FALL FESTIVAL

TRUNK OR TREATING • FOOD • PRIZES
FACE PAINTING • INFLATABLES • GAMES

Fun for the whole family!

Sunday, October 25

4:00pm - 6:00pm

Conway Rec Center | Lady Bug Park
1518 Jenkins Drive, Conway

ENTRANCE IS FREE!

Sponsored By:



PATHWAY CHURCH



Heritage
BAPTIST CHURCH



Fountain
Church
From the Source, for the Community

Find your place at our FALL FESTIVAL

HOST A TRUNK

Create a fun, interactive experience (game, etc.) right outside of your car trunk.

We provide the candy, you provide the theme and game/activity! Scan this QR code and select Trunk Host at the top of the form.



CANDY DONATIONS

Candy, candy, candy! We need lots of candy! Please donate candy for our trunk hosts to share with our community.

Donations can be dropped by the Women's Restroom. Please bring donations by October 18th.

GIFT BASKET DONATIONS

Help us create exciting gift baskets for guests to win. These gift baskets provide us and partnering churches the opportunity to connect guests back to our churches. To view the items or to sign up to donate, scan this QR code.



Items due by October 18th

SERVE AT A STATION

This event will take many hands. Please consider serving at one of the stations provided for our community, such as: food, games, inflatables, and more. Check out the list of positions and volunteer to serve by scanning the QR code.



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