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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 1: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM, Olive Bessent Meeting @ Noon, Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Wednesday In The Word, Mission Journey Kids and Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

October 4: Senior Adults Concert @ 4:30 PM

October 5:Sunday School Training @ 3:00 PM, Student Foundation Night @ 4:15, Young Adults @ 6:30 PM

October 8: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM, Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Wednesday In The Word, Mission Journey Kids and Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

October 9: Senior Adults Fish Fry @ Noon

October 12: Acts 1:8 @ 3:00 PM, Brotherhood Men's Seafood Bash @ 5:00 PM, Stewardship Meeting @ 6:15 PM, Young Adults @ 6:30 PM

October 14: Luna Belle Meeting @ 6:00 PM

October 15: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM, Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Wednesday In The Word, Mission Journey Kids and Student Discipleship @ 6:00 PM

October 19: Fall Family Event @ 4:00 PM

October 26:Service for Chery Stevens @ 4:00 PM, Young Adults

October 29: Wednesday In The Word @ 11:00 AM, Choir Practice @ 5:45 PM, Wednesday In The Word, Mission Journey Kids and 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

11:00 am & 6:00 pm - Wednesday In The Word

5:45 - 7:00 pm - Celebration Choir

6:00 - 7:15 pm - Student Discipleship

6:00 - 7:15 pm - Mission Journey Kids



# THE OUTREAC

North Conway Baptist Church Newsletter



## **Current Sermon Series**

## On That Day: Major Lessons from the Minor Prophets

Though small in size, the Minor Prophets are large in truth. They want us to remember that a day is coming when the Lord will return and judge the unrighteous and bless the righteous. On That Day, we want to be sure that our hope is fully anchored in Jesus Christ. In this series, we will examine a book a week to see its key meaning and focus.



Celebrating the Baptisms







Abbi Santa **Tammy Hughes**  **Briley** Hitt



- Pray for our Ministry Teams:
  - Staff Pray for our Children's Director, Chery Stevens, and her family as they relocate for her husband's new job. Pray that they will have a smooth transition and that God will richly bless them in their new location.
  - Personnel Team—Pray for our personnel team as they begin the process of finding and hiring a new Children's Ministries Director.
  - Building and Grounds/Stewardship—Pray for the renovation of the Student area in the west wing.
     We are currently waiting for our contractor to become free enough to begin our project. Pray that this will happen soon so we can stay on track to have the renovation finished by year's end.
  - Deacon/Elders—Pray for our newly elected deacons: Glenn Cole, Eddie Goff, Barrett Grooms, and Rockey Reavis. Pray for them as they serve the church over the next three years as Deacon/Elders.
- Pray for our Upcoming Events
  - O 2025 Vision: Koinonia—Pray for our Table of 8 fellowship groups. Our second group has been formed and is planning their dinners for the next two months. Pray for our group leaders as they organize this new set of meals. Pray as well for the dinners that they will be effective ways of building strong relationships in our church.
  - Mission Trip to Thailand—Join us in thanking God for the amazing trip that our Thailand team had.
     They are all back safe and had a very encouraging trip. We will be hearing from them in our November Family Conference.
  - YA Group Pray for our brand new Young Adult
     (YA) Sunday night Bible study and fellowship time.
     We launched last month and have had about 18
     each night. Pray that God will help us to continue
     to grow this group and that the weekly meeting will
     be effective for the spiritual growth of our
     participants.
- Pray for our Student Ministry
- Student and adult leaders as we begin planning for what we hope will be a life transforming weekend for our students.
- Sunday school teachers as they prepare each week to open up and share God's word with our students.
- The planning and execution of the student center renovation project that God would oversee all that is done and He would be glorified throughout the process.



- Pray for our Children's Ministry
  - Please pray for our Fall Festival community event, S'mores of Jesus, as we partner with Coastway Church and Pathway Church. Pray that our community will experience God's love through this event.
  - Pray that we will serve in unity as we reach our neighbors.
  - Pray that children will grow to understand the gospel in a tangible way.
  - Pray for the safety of those in attendance.
- Pray for our Music Ministry
  - Please pray for our upcoming Music Ministry Fellowship at the home of Tony and Allison Johnson. Pray that we will have good weather and a sweet time of fun and fellowship with our North Conway Music Ministry Family.
  - Please continue to pray for many on our team that are experiencing health challenges, treatment and surgery. We are praying for good reports and that these special people will be healthy and able to continuing serving the Lord by using their gifts to honor Him.
  - Pray for our Ladies Worship Team that will be leading music for our Upcoming Women's Conference.

- Pray for Pastor Will's Ministries
  - Pray for our Q3 Sunday School Teacher
     Training on October 5, focused on building
     meaningful relationships. Pray that God will
     use this time to deepen fellowship and true
     koinonia in our groups.
  - Pray for our Joyful Endeavors ministry, that it would continue to show love, care, and encouragement to our Senior Adults through events and outings.
  - Pray for Donna Bishop and the Homebound Team as they faithfully visit and care for our homebound members.

# **NEWS & UPDATES**



### 2025 Church-Wide Focus:

Koinonia - Building Authentic Community in the Body of Christ

This year, our focus will be on fellowship—not just casual gatherings for meals, but true biblical fellowship. This is where believers in Christ come together in love, faith, and encouragement. As described in the Book of Acts, koinonia played a vital role in the early church's rapid growth. The same power is available to us today. As we work towards building community this year, we pray that God will use our efforts to bless us profoundly.



## Our Deepest Sympathies are extended to

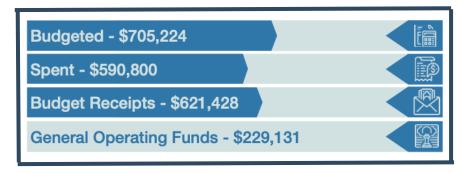
... The Worthington family, upon the death of Linda Worthington.

### With Gratitude

I want to sincerely thank the entire church for all you did for our families during the loss of my mother. My dad, sister, and I were all overwhelmed by the cards, visits, meals, and prayers we received. Losing a loved one is never easy, but you truly helped us carry that heavy burden over the past month. Words cannot express how much it means to us.

~Pastor Jay, Tony Worthington, and families.

## August 2025 Year to Date Snapshot



# Happy Birthday

- **1** Banks Wood
- 4 Gwen Cox
- **5** Lindsey Conklin
- **6** A.B. Hardwick, William Smith, Mary Wayne Martin
- **7** Ted Gragg, Nancy Morgan, Frances Gregory, Charie Cribb
- **9** Janice Wood
- **11** Larry Keen
- **12** Derek Pride
- **14** Logan Johnson, Joseph Worthington
- **15** Tania Frenti
- **16** Matt Johnson
- **17** Joyce Johnson
- **19** Josua Thomas, Kevin Cox
- **21** Betty Hughes
- 22 Trinity Woods
- 23 Casey Skipper, Meadow Kemper
- 24 Abbi Santa
- **25** David Skipper, Daniel Skipper, Lauren Skipper
- **26** Bill Johnson
- **27** John Fezell, Nedra Moore, Justin Turner, June Wood
- **30** Aden Day



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



### **WMU News**

Olive Bessent WOM
The meeting will be on
Wednesday, October 1, at Noon
in the Conference Room.

Luna Belle Strickland
The meeting will be on Tuesday,
October 14, at 6:00 PM in the
West Wing

Coastline Donations
Throughout the month of
October, NCBC will be collecting
donations for the Coastline
Women's Ministry. A list of
needed items, along with baby
bottles for monetary donations,
can be found on the table
outside the men's restroom.



### **Senior Adults**

Ocean Drive Concert

On October 4, the Senior Adults will visit the Church of the Lost and Found in North Myrtle Beach to see the Garden City Quartet and the Coastal City Quartet. They will depart from NCBC at 4:30 PM.

Fish Fry

Senior Adults, join us for a Fish Fry Lunch at the church on October 9 at noon. Everything will be provided.



#### **Sunshine Ladies**

The Sunshine Ladies will meet for lunch and fellowship on Monday, October 20, at 11:30 AM, at Red Lobster at Coastal Grand Circle Mall. If you need a ride, please contact Patsy Ray at 843-421-5068.

Sign-ups for all the events are at the Next Steps desk



# Brotherhood MEN'S GROUP

# OCTOBER 12 SEFOOD BASH



- 5:00 PM
- RUSSELL FOWLER'S FARM 4441 HWY 319
- GUEST SPEAKER: REV. JASON DEFOORTOPIC: BIBLICAL ROLE OF MEN IN THE
- CHURCH AND REACHING MEN IN OUR
  COMMUNITY
- \$12
- SIGN UP BY OCTOBER 5

NOVEMBER 9
ALL SPORT
TURKEY SHOOT
AND FRIED
TURKEY DINNER

- 4:30 PMNCBC
- NCBC
   FELLOWSHIP
   HALL
   CHEST SEEAK
- GUEST SPEAKER: T.J. JOHNSON
  - FREE



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Pumpkin Contest
SCAN HERE



# NCBC STUDENTS

Foundation Night
October 7

Foundation Night
FUGE Parent Meeting
November 2

Fall Retreat

**November 21-23** - Middle School **November 23-25** - High School

### **Note From Bryce**

I'm sure many of you have been keeping a close eye on the tropics as have I with two storms off our coast. I took notice when the first projection had Imelda landing right here on the Grand Strand bringing with it dangerous rain totals we now know all too well. Imelda was a mess; unorganized and wandering around waiting for just the right environment to get its act together before slamming into us. That's when Humberto showed up and did his thing. Humberto, a Cat 5 hurricane with the raw power to devastate if it were to have made landfall but by the grace of God, no one will have to experience it's power firsthand. I'm no Piotrowski but my understanding is the sheer power of Humberto created a magnet for Imelda and completely changed it's trajectory. Pardon my analogy but I can't help but see a likeness to our own struggles as students at times. Isn't it true that far too often we allow others the power to influence us? Especially in weak moments when we can't seem to get our act together; sin, peer pressure and even the desire for comfort draw us away from God's will for our lives. God's word tells us that we are to be vigilant and grounded in the things of the Lord so that we don't get knocked off course. This is a two-way street also; we should never forget we also have influence! When we see friends and family struggling, we are called to encourage and build each other up; to be the light in others' darkness. Never forget the guys that carried their friend to Jesus. In a world full of Imeldas, be a Humberto.

-Mr. Bryce

"Want to change the world? There's nothing to it!"









"Only God can turn mourning into dancing."

# **Note From Chery**

October has always been my favorite month of the year. It's when Fall begins...leaves change and fall from the trees, the smells of warm apple cider and pumpkin spice fill the air, crisp autumn morning air...in my opinion, it's hard not to love Fall!

Sometimes seasons of the year drag by slowly; other times they come and go too quickly. But what we know to be true is that God has a purpose in every season. The same is true in the seasons of our own lives. The author of Ecclesiastes says it well in chapter 3:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

- 2 a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
- 3 a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down,
- and a time to build up;

5 a time to cast away stones,

- 4 a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
- and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace,
- and a time to refrain from embracing;
- 6 a time to seek, and a time to lose;
- a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
- 7 a time to tear, and a time to sew;
- a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
- 8 a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

The seasons of life may bring moments of joy, sorrow, excitement, or pain. They may call for us to say goodbye or welcome new beginnings. Whatever the season, we can trust that God only leads us to the path that is best. Only God can turn mourning into dancing. We can be thankful for the moments He said no or not yet. We can be grateful for the moments He said wait. In those moments, we can trust that He was working in our hearts to refine who we are because only God knows the season that comes next for us. He is faithful to prepare our hearts for what's to come. Not only that, but He goes with us and never leaves us as we travel the journey ahead of us.

Though this season is difficult, and the overwhelming feeling of sadness can often overwhelm me, I want to leave you with the peace that I have found on this journey...in this season...God is sovereign in all things, and His care for our lives is deeply intimate. In joy. In contentment. In sorrow. In pain. In fear. In goodbye. It's all meant to point us back to a loving Father who's never far away from us. He desires to be with you in every moment of every season.

I've seen it in the people He's put along my path. I've experienced it in how He's prepared my heart for things to come. I've felt it in the care of special friends. And I've witnessed it in the testimonies of other believers in Christ. God is with us and He has good plans for us. It's our job to trust Him in every season. Sometimes, trusting Him is the obedience He's calling you to in whatever season you're facing. May we do that today and every day.

So as we say goodbye, may we cling to our Heavenly Father, who is the giver of good things and who knows what's best for us even when it brings sadness. Sadness in separation comes from the joy shared in the togetherness. And I'm forever grateful for the moments we shared together. Seven years wasn't long enough, but we can trust that God won't leave us in this season of sorrow. For joy comes in the morning. And that, my friends - my dear sweet family - is where a new season will begin. Let's trust Him with it.

Thank you church family for the love, support, kindness, and encouragement you have extended to our family through this season in our lives. Though we are extremely sad to leave our church family, we are looking forward to this new adventure God has placed before us. I am incredibly excited and blessed to have the opportunity to continue to serve North Conway as a remote ministry director. Please continue to pray for our family as we seek God and trust Him to guide our steps of obedience. North Conway Baptist Church has been a tremendous blessing to our family, and you will always be family to us, no matter where we are. May God continue to bless this church. We love you all and we are grateful for your friendship.



Performance by NCBC Kids

# Sunday, October 26th 4:00 pm

After the ceremony,
join us in the
Fellowship Hall for
a reception. A card
basket will be
available for you to
share your
encouragement and
appreciation for
Chery and her
family; your kind
words will mean so
much as they start
this new chapter.

