



WEST CORINTH BAPTIST CHURCH

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October 2026

Welcome to our monthly newsletter! We are excited to bring you the latest news and events happening at our church. We hope you find these updates helpful and engaging. Feel free to reach out to our pastor, staff, deacons or committee chairs if you have any questions, need further information, or simply want to share something. Let's continue to grow in faith together! Read on for the highlights of the month!

God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine.

Ephesians 3:20



See our Facebook page for real time updates on church activities and events!



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To God be the Glory



God's Daily Bread for Your Soul



Deuteronomy 8:2-3

As Christians, we know we ought to read the Bible. But in a culture that offers so many options for filling our minds and hearts, we're often tempted to underestimate the Bible's importance to our spiritual nutrition. In Deuteronomy 8:2-3, Moses reminded the people of Israel of their experiences in the wilderness, a land where they had nothing but the clothes on their backs, the animals in their herds, and whatever possessions they could carry. Yet their greatest need was for the Lord, their Leader and Provider. And the main way they came to know Him was through His words. Without God's Word, His people wouldn't know how to have a relationship with Him or live out His good plan for their lives. In the desert landscape, such estrangement from the God on whom they depended would be fatal.

You and I don't live in a physical desert. But we live in a spiritual wilderness—a world in chaos because of sin. And we're all human creatures who depend on our Creator for every material and spiritual necessity. He provides His Word to nourish our souls, just as He provides food for our bodies. We need daily time spent feeding on it, ruminating on it, absorbing it. To thrive, we must move beyond learning about Scripture and start devouring its every word.

So read the Bible every day, even when you only have time for a few verses. Find Bible studies that dig into the text. Use a concordance to explore topics. Memorize a new verse every month. Don't settle for spiritual malnourishment when you have the richest bread at your fingertips. Scripture is more than a menu special to enjoy on Sundays; it's God-sent, life-sustaining provender for your soul. Savor it often—and eat up!

--Megan Bean



**The Ladies Bible Study
meets each Thursday at
9:30am! All ladies are
invited.**



**The quarterly
business
meeting will
be
Sunday,
October 18th
at 6:00pm.
Please plan to
attend.**

Let's Celebrate...

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Let's Celebrate!!

Mike Tabor – 5th

Ed Cox – 16th

Emma Leazer – 20th

Angela Hinson – 21st

Nancy Barrier – 26th

Bennie Springs – 28th

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

Caleb & Taylor O'Neal – 4th

Howard & Valerie Bowen – 11th

Mike & Carolyn Sims – 14th

Tony & Sheila Morton – 19th

Billy & Laura Williams – 30th



**The Deacon Board for the 2026-2027
church year is as follows:**

Tom Childers

Gleen Hinson

Sam Gregory

Michael Hinson

Scott Hardwick

Caleb O'Neal

Michael Hayes

**Please pray for our deacons that they have
a servant's heart and that God will bless
them with compassion, love, wisdom and
commitment.**

Parents' Night Out

For our Parents Night Out meeting last month, we had 26 children and youth. It was extremely hot, so all activities were indoors. This month, we will learn about Jacob and Esau as found in Genesis 25. We are hoping for cooler temperatures and outdoor recreation!



This month marks our 10-year anniversary for Parents Night Out so we are planning a special celebration! We are very blessed with financial support and volunteers to keep this program going. Over the last ten years, with the exception of Covid, we have met every month! What a blessing!

PNO Photos:

Top Left: Several boys giving a high five after a competitive win.

Middle Left: Older children playing Pictionary.

Lower Left: Younger children working on their lesson books.

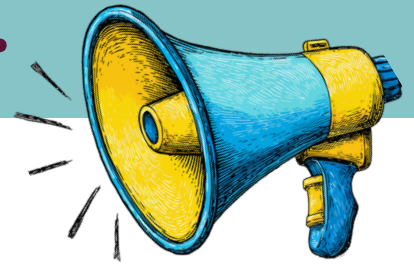
Top Right: Preschoolers making torches from our lesson on Gideon.

Middle Right: All ages trying to be the first table to get the ping pong ball in a red cup.





Church News...



Our shout out this month goes to our Nominating Committee and Deacon Board! Thank you to the Nominating Committee for all their hard work filling positions for the new church year; and, thanks to our Deacon Board for addressing the financial and budget matters so important to our church. We appreciate all you do!

NEW YEAR



Please be in prayer for our church as we start our new church year October 1st. Special thanks to all those who volunteered to serve on our various committees and areas of responsibility. We are excited to see what God has in store!

October Events:

- Oct 2nd Parents Night Out
- Oct 4th Pastor Appreciation
- Oct 10th Youth Fundraiser
- Oct 11th Deacons Meeting
- Oct 14th Daughters of the King
- Oct 17th Senior's Fish Fry
- Oct 18th Quarterly Business Mtg
- Oct 24th Fall Festival
- Oct 25th Baptist Men

EVENTS

Save The Date:

Children and Youth Christmas
Dinner Theater
Saturday, Dec 5th

Singing Christmas Tree
Saturday, Dec 12th
Sunday, Dec 13th

2026

OCTOBER

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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



October Meeting
Wednesday, October 14, 2026
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM



Ladies of ALL Ages are encouraged to attend! A light meal will be provided as we gather together for fellowship, encouragement, and mission work. During our October meeting, we will be putting together Blessing Bags to hand out to participants of the LifeChoice Rowan Diaper Drive on November 14, 2026. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to serve together and share Christ's love with families in our community.



LifeChoice Diaper Drive:

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the LifeChoice Diaper Drive! Your generosity and willingness to serve are greatly appreciated. We are still collecting diapers and wipes for the upcoming event. Every donation helps us support families in our community.



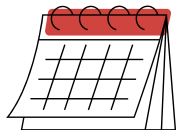
Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Saturday, November 14, 2026

West Corinth Baptist Church & LifeChoice Rowan Diaper Drive

Diaper Drive: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

or until we run out of diapers and wipes!



Volunteer Schedule:

Breakfast will be provided at 8:30 AM.

We will begin setting up for the Diaper Drive at approximately 9:00 AM.

Tent stations will be set up for:

- LifeChoice Registration
- Diaper & Wipe Distribution
- Prayer Station

Volunteers are needed to help man each station. If you would like to serve, please see Valerie Bowen to sign up. Thank you for continuing to support this important mission and for helping us share Christ's love with families in our community.

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED

Serving Together • Growing Together • Sharing Christ



Children and Youth Ministry



Children and Youth Sunday Worship:

In children's church, Joshua 1:9 has been the focus. "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." The children and youth are studying the life of David and how important it is to be obedient to God. God used David to carry out His will. Even when David killed Goliath, God used a young boy to do a grown man's job, and God delivered!

Wednesday Nights: From now until Christmas, each Wednesday and Sunday night the children and youth will be practicing for their Christmas program. Dates will be communicated in which there will be no practice. Starting in January, the youth will resume the Experiencing God series.

Activities: Please keep reading for details regarding the Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raising Event the youth are sponsoring for the Backpack Program. Also, if you purchased a ticket, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex and designate if you are dine-in or take-out.

Pastor Jesse has tentative plans for the youth to have lunch and watch a movie on Saturday, October 10th. Watch your bulletin for details.

As a reminder, we will practice on Sunday and Wednesday nights for the Children and Youth Christmas Program. All ages are encouraged to participate.



Children's Church Schedule:

Music: Mike Tabor

Teacher Assistant: Vernelle Davis

Oct 4 th	Sam and Jeanna Gregory
Oct 11 th	Scott and Vernelle Davis
Oct 18 th	Mike and Melissa Tabor
Oct 25 th	Mike and Angela Hinson

Pastor Jesse's Thought For The Month:

You crown the year with your
bounty; your wagon tracks overflow
with abundance.

Psalm 65:11

Children and Youth Workers: Mike Tabor, Brett Hager,
Melissa Tabor, Angie Rogers and Hannah Walton



Seniors!!



The Seniors will have a fish fry on Saturday, October 17th at 4:30pm at the church. Don't forget to see the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Pastor Search Committee Update:

On Sunday, September 27th, the Pastor Search Committee will share information including our advertisement for our new Lead Pastor. We have worked diligently to prepare our interview questions, and will begin to run ads on Monday, September 28th. The committee asks for your prayers as we continue the search for our next pastor.

Thank you,
Pastor Search Committee



The next
committee
meeting is
Tuesday,
October 20th
at 7:00pm.

PASTOR APPRECIATION!



Please join us for a traditional breakfast
on Sunday, October 4th at 9:15am
as we recognize

Pastor Greene and Pastor Jesse.

Please take time to tell both of them how
much they are appreciated by sending a
card or text!

It is also high attendance for Sunday
School as we kick off our new church year!
Everyone is invited so please come.

Experiencing God



STUDY



Last month's newsletter contained a summary of the Experiencing God course which ran through the summer months. Our last meeting was after the August newsletter release. See the photos taken on the last evening!

“Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.” – Psalm 139:7-10



“Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” – Hebrews 13:5

Bridge The Gap

We kicked off a new youth ministry, Bridge The Gap, on Wednesday, September 16th. In attendance were our youth and several church members who volunteered to serve as a support group for our youth. We had pizza and salad while completing a questionnaire to help us get to know each other better. We then completed an exercise where each person had five minutes to draw objects that describe themselves. Then, as a group, we identified who the ‘drawer’ was for each picture. Next steps include pairing our youth with adults and then determining the parameters of the program. Please pray for this program that it will help meet the needs of our youth.

Heritage Day 2026!



We celebrated our heritage on Sunday, August 30th with a special service followed by a meal of ham, chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, mac and cheese topped off with a roll. We had various drinks and desserts and a great time of fellowship. Thank you to all who donated, served and attended!





Please support our youth by purchasing a spaghetti dinner plate at a cost of \$10 each for pick-up or dine-in on Saturday, October 10th from 4:00 - 6:00pm. All proceeds will go to provide weekend meals to Tile I school children (40% or more of the school is on free or reduced school meals). This drive supports schools in Rowan and Avery counties through the food security initiative, **OPERATION FULL PLATES**. By supporting the 69 children in this program for 4 weekends, our church will be providing over 1,300 meals to children when they are facing food insecurity when they head home on Friday. All proceeds will go to purchase food off of an Amazon wish list as provided by **OPERATION FULL PLATES**. Once the money is raised, our youth, along with other volunteers, will provide the assembly line to package the food for **OPERATION FULL PLATES** to distribute in November.

We need your support! Please purchase tickets for your family or simply make a donation to West Corinth Baptist Church and put Youth Meal or **OPERATION FULL PLATES** on the memo line! Our goal is \$2,000 which covers the meal cost for this program. This is an aggressive goal for our youth which is why your help is so needed. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Jesse.

FALL FESTIVAL!

Please come to this year's Fall Festival on Saturday, October 24th from 4-7pm! We have a number of activities planned including trunk or treat, the cake walk, roasted hot dogs and more! If you'd like to volunteer, please see Dean Orbison. Also, please sign up for Trunk or Treat in the narthex. Please join us and invite others!

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES!

The Outreach Committee in the following church year is very committed to REACH out into our community to the unchurched and the lost. We have lots of new housing developments in our area which are needing us to show Jesus' light and an invitation to our church. We also need to REACH out to those that are hurting and displaced. Not only in our community, but in many areas of our state and nation.

Everyone of our congregation is a part of the Outreach Team. We need everyone to have a burden for the lost. We need fresh ideas on how to invite people to our church. Those on the "committee" want to invite ideas that any of you may have to achieve the Great Commission. Please offer these ideas to any of the people that are planning outreach events. We need to work together because our days are growing shorter before the Lord's return, and we need to be about His work and service. We all welcome your comments!

Clyde Paschal, Sam and Angie Rogers, Spencer Hensley and Vernelle Davis

Go ye into all nations!



A Note About Our Livestream Services:

We are thankful to be able to offer livestreaming as a way for those who cannot attend in person to remain connected to our church services. We also appreciate your understanding when a livestream is delayed or unavailable.

Our livestream ministry is currently handled by two volunteers who faithfully give their time whenever possible. As with all our volunteers, work, family, and other responsibilities sometimes prevent them from being at every service. Occasionally, technical difficulties arise. When only one volunteer is present, it may take a few minutes to address the problem while also managing the other responsibilities of the live service. If you are unable to connect to the livestream, we encourage you to wait 10 minutes and try again. There are also times when a service may not be livestreamed such as business meetings, prayer services and certain gatherings that may not be suitable for livestreaming (example being the recent Experiencing God series).

We understand and appreciate some members depend on the livestream and we are grateful that this technology allows them to remain connected. We do thank you, however, for your patience, understanding and continued support when things do not always go exactly as planned.

Women's Conference



The Conference theme was to lean in with open hearts and be ready to be transformed as we follow Jesus - On Mission Together!



Daughters of the King sponsored a group of ladies who attended the Womens' Evangelism and Discipleship Conference in Greensboro on September 19th. It was a great day of fellowship and worship. See comments below (and on the following page) from those who attended and a special thank you to Cheryl Leazer for driving the bus and to Valerie Bowen for coordinating!



My favorite part of the conference, ON MISSION SEATED AND SENT, was the opportunity to worship with 934 women from 134 churches across North Carolina. Seeing God move as we share His love and teachings throughout all the sessions provides the spiritual lift needed to continue His work. Valerie Bowen



~I really enjoyed today's women's conference and hearing the different testimonies shared throughout the day. The last couple of months have been defeating and difficult for our family, so one moment today really spoke to my heart. The speaker read Galatians 6:9-9. I opened the Bible app on my phone to make sure I heard her right and to my surprise it was already on Galatians 6:9. It may seem like such a small thing, but in that moment, it spoke volumes to me. It was exactly the reminder I needed. That even in difficult seasons, we shouldn't grow weary in doing good, because in due time, we will reap a harvest if we don't give up. I'm so thankful for the reminder today to keep trusting, keep going, and have faith that God is still working even when we can't see it yet.
Briana Brown-Ikard

~A great day of learning, worship, and prayer! I enjoyed all of the speakers and sessions. Being one of over 900 women in one place learning to become better disciples was very special. A very inspiring day and so glad I went! Jeanna Gregory

~These lessons at the conference helped me to learn to work alongside my neighbors and to share His Word. I know that if God sends me, I will not fail. God is the answer TO ALL THINGS!
Felicia Hayes

~I had never heard the expression of being "seated" at God's table explained with such emphasis. It really opened my eyes to what a wonderful and blessed event that I am privileged to be a part of. The entire conference was a great experience! Joyce Hinson

~Compassion Without Exhaustion - Matthew 14:13-22. Jesus was the first to show compassion. He was the first to supply our needs. Jesus deserves all the glory, and He restores all who come to Him. He sees them as sheep without a shepherd until they come to Him. Linda Moody

~This conference was a blessing. It made me realize that God may put me in a place, even when it may be uncomfortable, to be a witness and a light for Him to someone. I need to see those opportunities and take them boldly. Vernelle Davis

~The Women's Evangelism conference was such a blessing to me. During one break out session, the speaker talked about courage, sacrifice and trust and how we need to make ourselves available and willing to serve. The example given was coal mine workers and how one worker holds the rope while the other worker lowers himself down into the unknown. What trust the lowered worker places in his comrade. We should exercise that same trust in our Lord and Savior and have faith that He will deliver us no matter the circumstances. Kathy Hardwick

