



Westfield Baptist Church

Christ-centered. Family-focused. Bible-based.

July/August 2024 Newsletter

Operation Christmas Child

August is the perfect time to start collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. School Supplies are are sale and great items to add to every shoebox.

Some ideas include:

Pencils and sharpener • Pencil case • Erasers • Pens • Crayons • Markers • Notebooks • Index cards • Calculator • Scissors • Ruler • Glue stick • Small adhesive tape



Upcoming Events:

- July 15-19 Student Ministry at Fuge Camp
- July 16: Prayers and Squares
- July 21: Special Called Business Meeting, Nominate Deacons, Director, and Nominating
- July 30: Golden Agers
- August 2-3: Yard Sale
- August 7: Back to School Dinner and Prayer Night
- August 15: Golden Agers
- August 25: Special Called Business Meeting to vote on Deacons, Director and Nominating



What Makes a Good Church *Good*?

What constitutes a good church? Is it the music? The youth programs? What about the preaching? And what exactly about the preaching? What's the difference between good preaching and bad preaching?


Biblically and theologically, what makes a good church a good church?

Over the next three months, we'll explore these exact sorts of questions and more in what could be one of the most important sermon series I'll ever preach at Westfield Baptist Church. What we discover and subsequently put into practice from this series will likely shape the future of our church culture, vision, strategy, and mission.

In anticipation of this sermon series, I commend to you the book *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church* by Mark Dever. The healthy "marks" in Dr. Dever's book aren't ultimately original to him. They're first taught in the Bible, of course, and have since been celebrated and practiced throughout the centuries in churches of all shapes, sizes, and traditions. What makes Dr. Dever's book particularly helpful, however, is how he succinctly describes a healthy church under the heading of nine distinct marks:

1. **Expositional Preaching:** Faithfully interpreting and proclaiming the Word of God.
2. **Biblical Theology:** Understanding and teaching the grand narrative of Scripture.
3. **A Biblical Understanding of the Good News:** Grasping the true essence of the gospel.
4. **A Biblical Understanding of Conversion:** Recognizing the transformation that comes with true faith.



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5. **A Biblical Understanding of Evangelism:** Sharing the gospel effectively and authentically.
 6. **A Biblical Understanding of Membership:** Valuing and committing to the local church body.
 7. **Biblical Church Discipline:** Maintaining the purity and integrity of the church.
 8. **A Concern for Discipleship and Growth:** Encouraging spiritual growth and maturity.
 9. **Biblical Church Leadership:** Establishing leadership that aligns with scriptural principles.

These marks are fundamental to being a good and healthy church and, I believe, will prove essential as we grow to understand our nature and purpose as a church.

As we embark on this journey together, I encourage you to engage deeply with these topics. What we learn and implement will not only shape our present but will also pave the way for a vibrant and faithful future at Westfield Baptist Church. This series is an invitation to reflect, grow, and commit to being a church that takes membership seriously, loves one another deeply, serves our community meaningfully, stewards God's resources carefully, strives for personal and corporate holiness vigorously, expounds God's Word thoroughly, and seeks to glorify God pervasively in all things.

Join us as we explore what it means to be a *good* Church.

In Christ,

Pastor Blake



A Note from Tricia

Hi Friends,

Summer is in full swing and I am enjoying every moment of it! We had a wonderful week of VBS. I think this was one of my favorite VBS themes. We had a great week celebrating Jesus, making new friends, and having fun together. Thank you to everyone who helped make our week amazing. We were able to pass our decorations on to a church in Patrick County, so that other kids can "Start the Party".

Following VBS, Travis Taylor and I took 4 young boys to Centri-Kid camp at Gardner Webb. We had a great week as we learned that "God Gives Great Gifts". The boys also really enjoyed being able to meet some D-1 athletes from Gardner Webb and see their many sports fields. We are already looking forward to next summer at Centri-Kid. If you have a child who is in 2nd-5th grade, we would love to have them join us next summer! (Save the date for June 9-13, 2025).

We still have a calendar full of events for this summer including Terrific Tuesdays and Wednesday Night Live Events. Ministry. I'll include the list of events in this newsletter. We hope you will make plans to join us! We have 9 girls heading to camp on July 15 along with myself, Melissa Sutphin, and Royce Clodfelter. Please keep us in your prayers.

Beginning this August, we will be introducing a new curriculum plan for our Kids and Student Ministries. I'm excited to share this with our parents and volunteers on Wednesday, July 31 during Wednesday Night Bible Study. Pastor Blake will be leading our Students and Kids while I share about our new strategy for Kids and Student Ministry. I am also looking for more volunteers to be a part of our Wednesday Night Programs. If you have ever thought about serving on Wednesdays, now is the time!

I'm sure our kids and students aren't ready to hear this, but Back to School is just around the corner. On Wednesday, August 7th we will have our Back to School dinner and prayer time at 6:00pm. We will dismiss at 7:00pm so that your family can get a good night's rest before the first day of school.

It's been a great summer so far and we still have more memories to make! Thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

Tricia Lowe



Westfield **KIDS** Ministry

These events are designed for Kids K-5th Grade. We will need adult chaperones at all events. If you are interested in helping please contact Tricia.

- **July 23: Kids Fun Day at WBC (10:00a-2:00pm)**
 - Just like an All-Nighter, but during the day! We'll watch a movie, play games, make slime, enjoy lunch and finish up outside with water games. Please be sure to wear clothes you can get wet!
- **August 11th: Kids Ministry Pool Party (5:00 pm)**
 - The Estrada Family Home
 - Pizza will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
 - Parents are asked to attend and will be asked to supervise the pool in 10 minute rotations.



These events are designed for Students 6th-12th Grade. If your student recently completed 5th grade, they are welcome to join us. We will need adult chaperones at all events. If you are interested in helping please contact Tricia.

- **Sunday, July 14: Pool Party (5:00 pm)**
 - Scott and Jill will be hosting and providing hot dogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
 - Parents are invited to attend
 - If you would like to ride the church van, we will leave WBC at 4:30 pm.
- **Tuesday, August 6: Fun Day (To be determined by students)**
 - Choices:
 - Dave and Busters
 - Surge Trampoline Park
 - Bowling and Laser Tag in Greensboro
 - Destination Unknown

Westfield
KIDS
Ministry

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE



- July 10: Messy Color Night
- July 17: Kids Game Night (Tricia @ camp with students)
- July 24: Water Kickball
- July 31: Switch-It Up Night: Tricia will be leading parents and Blake will lead the kids
- August 7: Back to School Dinner
 - Dinner Served at 6:00pm. Spending time in prayer for school year. Dismissed at 7:00pm, so that everyone can get a good night of rest before first day of school.

Save the Date!

Yard sale to support
OCC Shoeboxes
and Good Shepherd Advocacy Ministries,
a 501(c)(3) public charity.



**YARD
SALE**
August 2-3





Golden Agers Upcoming Events

- July 30: Arbor Ridge in Winston Salem to Visit with Hazel Burkhart, 11:00 am.
- August 15: Ridge Crest in Mt. Airy to visit with Roxie Owens, 11:00 am.
- September 19: Wreath Making at WBC, 1:00 pm
- October 17: Bingo at WBC, 1:00 pm
- November 21: Bible Jeopardy at WBC, 1:00 pm
- December 19: Christmas Party at WBC, 5:00 pm

Please sign up for each event you plan to attend! We hope that you will invite friends to join you.

Family Ministry Campout

We are tentatively planning a Family Ministry Campout at Beechnut Campground in Mt. Airy. We have 10 tent sites reserved for the weekend of August 23-25. If you would be interested in attending please contact Tricia Lowe before August 1.





July 2024

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Sunday School 9:45 a Worship	Every Monday Walk in Faith 4:30 pm		Every Wed. Bible Study 6:30 pm Kids/Students	Every Thurs. Walk in Faith 4:30 pm		
	1 WMU 11:30 a	2 Staff Relations 6:00 p	3	4	5	6
7 Student Min. Small Group 5:00-6:30pm	8 Finance 6:30p	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Deacons Mtg 6:30 pm	16 Prayers and Squares 1:00 p Youth at Camp (15-19)	17	18	19	20
21 Nominate Deacons, Nominating, Directors	22	23	24	25 Tricia Out of Office (25-30)	26	27
28	29	30 Golden Agers 11:00 am	31			



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July

- 2 Linda Heller
- 3 Osley Johnson
- 8 Jan Gale
- 18 Matt Harris
- 20 Kelly Davis
- 22 Duane Fogleman
- 28 Cook'e Jessup,
Travis Love

- 4 Luke Mabe, Lukah
Watson
- 5 Tammy Manuel
- 8 Landri Taylor
- 11 Kallie Hutchens
- 14 Chuck Chilton Jr.
- 16 Kathy Sutphin
- 18 Sophia Etrada, Ivy
Martin
- 24 George Chilton
- 28 Isaiah Bowman

August

- 1 Reegan Sutphin
- 2 Meredith Fogleman

- 30 Gisela Beseth
- 31 Alice Arrington



Sundays:
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

Telephone Conference System
336-374-1445, code 27053

Wednesday
6:30 pm Family Dinner
7:00 pm Adult Bible Study
 Kids & Student Ministry

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"We proclaim Him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ."
 Colossians 1:28

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