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The Viewmont Vision

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From Our Pastor . . .

About a week ago Ronna and I were discussing how quickly this calendar year is passing by. The days are slipping through so quickly it can be hard to keep up. One of us said, "we are going to blink our eyes and it will be Thanksgiving Day and we will blink our eyes twice and it will be Christmas Day!" I am sure you can resonate with just how true that statement is. As the days, weeks, and months pass, we all wonder where the time has gone. More importantly, we wonder what we have done with it all

Admittedly, we get caught up in the everyday race to the end of the day. It feels like a marathon most days. Get up, get everyone ready and out the door, move through the day, return home, eat supper, give baths, and go to bed. The next day, we wake up and do it all over again. Your routine may be similar or yours may be different. But one thing remains the same: we all are granted twenty-four hours in a day. We are all granted the very same amount of time and we are all asked to be good stewards of that time. We blink our eyes, and it is gone.

One of the aspects of everyday life that Ronna and I have discussed and prayed about together is our need to spend more of the time we are given giving thanks to God. We often move through the minutes and hours of the day, so busy and hurriedly, that when the end of the day comes, we are so tired it can be difficult to stop and give thanks to God. This should not be!

In reading through the psalms, we find the call to give thanks to the Lord on numerous occasions. Most often when this command and invitation is offered, it is followed by "His love endures *forever*." That word, *forever*, is important because it points to all of time. But what about our responsibility and response? The psalmist also points this out saying "I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise will always be on my lips" (Psalm 34:1).

Just days after the conversation with Ronna about the fast-paced passing of time, the Holy Spirit called out and asked the question if I am *always* blessing the Lord and if praise to the Lord is *always* on my lips? It caused me to stop, take a hard look at the routines and practices in my daily life, and ask the Holy Spirit to help me make the necessary adjustments to correct course.

At all times? That means "at all times." All the time. There is not to be a moment that passes where we are not ready to bless and praise the Lord. Even on the toughest of days, we bless the Lord. Even on the best of days, we bless the Lord. This is all because we firmly know that God is always worthy of the praise. And if God is always worthy of it, shouldn't we always be ready to respond to the faithfulness of God with praise? Thanksgiving? Gratitude? This still leaves room for lament and supplication before God because even in our lament, we can and should give thanks to the Lord – after all though our situations may have changed, thus causing the lament, we give thanks that the Lord has not changed.

Thanksgiving Day will be here before we know it and then it will be gone. But the truth of the matter is this, the Lord is *always* worthy of our thanksgiving and gratitude. The Lord is *always* good; His love enduring forever. May each day be stuffed with our response to the never-failing and always-present faithful love of God. May that response be the lifting of our praises and thanksgivings unto God all the days of our lives.

Our family thanks God for YOU....

-Andrew

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Sundays LIVE at Viewmont

November 7 ~
"Tychicus: Heart Healthy"
Ephesians 6:21-24

November 14 ~

"Jesus:

We

Will Keep Going" Revelation 1:17-18

November 21 ~
"The Same Every Year"
Psalm 93:1-5



Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes are available in the church lobby.

Please pray for this opportunity to share the Gospel with children around the world.

Take a shoebox, fill with toys & other special items, & return it by Sunday, November 21st.

For more information, go to http://samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Broadcast Ministry Our worship service is broadcast live

each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. on:

WHKY-TV Channel 14 Alexander CTV Channel 7 Caldwell CTV Channel 7 Spectrum TV Channel 7

Also on www.youtube.com Search: Viewmont Baptist Church Hickory NC

Ministers Hospital Visitation Schedule

Monday Tugsday Wgdngsday Thursday Friday Rev. Jimmy Rogers
Pr. Andrew Rawls
Regiani Pereira
Minister Rotation
Peacon of the Week





Choir Members *Welcome!*



Viewmont would like to have 1 or 2 extra sound system techs. WILL TRAIN! Please see Jimmy Rogers or Tommy Kincaid

The Food Pantry is in Need Of jelly at this time. Thank you so much for your continued support!

As You Pray, Remember . . .

The Family of Dolores Winkler on her recent death.

The Family of Bob Olsen on the recent death of his brother, Michael Olsen.

The Family of Beth Rogers on the recent death of her father, Daniel Hildebran.

Missions and Evangelism News

Our 4th quarter missions emphasis is **Baptists on Mission: Disaster Relief**.

Any money designated to "Missions" for the months of October through December will go toward disaster relief.

With your giving you will help Baptists on Mission provide hot meals, debris removal, childcare, family assistance, and other types of aid needed during times of disaster.

COVID PRECAUTIONS

With the rise of COVID cases in our immediate community, we strongly encourage you to wear a mask while in Sunday School and worship.

There are plenty of masks available at the entrances to the building should you need one.

Let's continue to be wise and careful during these difficult times.

CHURCH REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER:

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Budget Approved:	\$ 49,160.00
Budget Offering:	\$ 47,472.00
Designated:	\$ 27,371.00
Total Given:	\$ 74,843.00
Total Budget Expenses:	\$ 45,714.00
Total Designated Expenses:	\$ 26,127.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 71,841.00

CHURCH REPORT FOR 2021:

Budget Approved:	\$589,914.00
Budget Offering:	\$463,050.00
Designated:	\$149,741.00
Total Given:	\$612,791.00
Total Budget Expenses:	\$375,504.00
Total Designated Expenses:	\$ 64,044.00
Total Expenses:	\$439,549.00

October, 2021 (4 out of 5 Sundays)

Avg Bible Study Attendance:	69
Avg In-person Morning Worship:	106
Avg YouTube Live:	<u>63</u>
Total Avg Worshippers:	169



Viewmont Baptist Church's Luncheon & Ornament Swap December 4th, 2021 12:00-2:00 pm

- ·Sign up to decorate a table
- ·Invite a friend
- ·Sign up in the Gathering Area
- ·Bring a covered dish to share
- Bring a wrapped ornament







It's time to decorate our sanctuary with poinsettias. Purchase your flowers today to remember the special people in your lives. They will be displayed during our services November 28th through December 19th (pick up your flower following the candlelight service). You can order through Sunday, November 21. Payment <u>must</u> accompany your order. Place this order form <u>with payment</u> in the offering plate or bring to Amie at the church office. All the poinsettias will be RED.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

In Memory of	or	In Honor of
\$10.00	6-1/2" Pot, w/Sleeve	
\$20.00	8" Pot, w/Sleeve	
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November 2021

Monthly Planner

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Each Monday 10 a.m1 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:55 p.m. Each Tuesday	se Team Rehearsal e Study ship Service and Harvest Food Distribut t Handbell Choir Rehearsa e Study Fellowship (BSF) d Bible Study	Monday-Friday 7:15 am-6:00 p	Minister's Meeting Children's Choirs/You Prayer Meeting & Bib Children's Missions Sanctuary Choir Reho	le Study earsal ol Ministry	Our chief ministries Pray withou Every morning and every set a time of dediction of the Prayer for our world community. Prayer for God to bring both how very troubless.	t ceasing! ery evening at 8:00, icated prayer. I, our nation, our r the Holy Spirit of be and healing to a
	1	2 6 PM Property Committee, Gathering Area	3 11 AM Full Staff Mtg 5:45 PM Church Conference	4	5	6 Fall Back
7 Time Change	8	9 6 PM Finance Committee, Gathering Area	10	HONORING ALL WHO SI CAPTURE DAY Preschool Cle		13
14	15	16 6 PM Deacons Gathering Area	17	18	19	20
21 12:30 PM-1:30 PM Sabbath Soup Kitchen @ Hicko Soup Kitchen Operation Christm Child Shoebox Ingathering	Vision Newsletter Articles Due	23	24	Happy Thanksg Churce Preschool C	ch Offices Closed	27
28 OF ADVENT	29	30				

Opportunities for Service

Sunday, November 7 - Time Change

9:00 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

9:45 a.m. Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service in Sanctuary

Monday, November 8

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Second Harvest Food Pantry 5:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 9

10:00 a.m. Co-Ed Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee

Wednesday, November 10

9:30 a.m. Minister's Meeting

5:45 p.m. Children's Choirs/Youth Ministry Prayer Meeting/Bible Study in

Sanctuary

6:15 p.m. Children's Missions

6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 11

Friday, November 12

Saturday, November 13

Monday - Friday

7:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Weekday Preschool Ministry

<u>Monday - Thursday: 8 am-5 pm/Friday: 8 am-2 pm</u> Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

5:30 p.m. AA, Youth & Activities Building

Welcoming:

11/7: Roger & Laminda Fox 11/14: Katie Mitchell 11/21: Chuck Baxley

11/28: Ronnie & Susan Watts

Viewer Response

11/7: Judy Downs 11/14: Judy Downs 11/21: Cheryl Ramsey 11/28: Ann Jurney

Ushers for November

Todd Bowman, Chris Jones, Tammy Buff, Bob Hibbitts, Sherwin Speight, Ralph Yount

> November 2021 Deacon of the Week

November 7~ Marion Roseman November 14~ Brenda Starnes November 21~ Timothy Turner November 28~ Terry Abee Our Church Staff

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