Baptisms

Sunday, February 18, 2024

Wake Forest Campus 9:15am

- 1. Bridget Thomas
- 2. José Morales
- 3. Hannah Hammer
- 4. Devin Solomon
- 5. Joey Smith
- 6. Syd Hill



Bridget Thomas

Life Verse: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

- John 3:16

God has done what He said He would do in my life, and this only the beginning of His promises to me. He has restored my life in ways that only He and I know and I am so grateful.

I want to be baptized to show I have recommitted my life to Jesus.



José Morales

Life Verse: "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing... Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

- Psalm 23:1,6

Jesus has always been part of my life, so choosing Him as my Lord and Savior was a natural step. My sins and old life have been left in the past.

Now, I want to take the next step in baptism to show that I am cleansed by His blood and am a new creation. My identity is in Jesus.



Hannah Hammer

Life Verse: "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."

- John 10:11 (KJV)

I go to a Christian school where I learned about Jesus. I got very interested in learning more about Him and asked Him into my heart.

Jesus died on the cross for our sins because He loves us so much and wants us to join Him one day in Heaven. I want to be baptized to show that I have new life in Him.



Devin Solomon

Life Verse: "Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity."

- Joel 2:13

I was saved at age 8 while attending Awana at a church in Havelock, NC. My family brought me up in the Lord. However, half of them are Catholic and the other half Baptist, so their arguing about who was right pushed me away from church and the Lord.

Growing up, I was abused and neglected and it pushed me into a really dark path of stealing, abusing drugs and the people around me and myself, and being in out of jail. I never stopped believing in the Lord, but I never devoted myself to Him.

Since I've found my way back to the Lord, I've focused more on my Bible studies. I've found more peace, love and empathy for everyone around me and for myself. I am still pushing for better, but this time doing it through the Lord. I am willing to do His will, wherever He takes me.

I am so thankful and want to show the world that He has made my life new.



Joey Smith

Life Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding."
- Proverbs 3:5

I have grown up hearing about Jesus and have always felt Him in my heart. Since receiving Him as my Savior, I can feel His forgiveness.

I want to be baptized to show the church and my family that I have accepted Jesus.



Syd Hill

Life Verse: "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."

- Psalm 23:1-4

Before I knew Jesus, my life was empty. I always felt lost. As I began to search for God again, I slowly started to feel His presence. It felt like He was with me even when I was alone. I had a dream in which God told me that even though I felt like I had lost Him, I was never lost to Him.

Since giving my life to Christ, my life is exponentially better. My cup is full and I am never alone. I have grown closer with my friends and family since meeting Jesus. I also have gotten better at connecting with strangers now that I understand that we are all children of God.

Today I want to be baptized to reaffirm my faith. I feel like I didn't truly know Jesus until now and I want to share it with the world.



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Sunday, February 18, 2024

Wake Forest Campus 11:00am

- 1. Kate Brown
- 2. Benjamin Mann
- 3. Aleigha Brown
- 4. Logan Batton



Kate Brown

Life Verse: "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

- Psalm 34:18

Although I have been a Christian most of my life, I recently went through a really difficult time with my mental health and turned to God in desperation. Before I truly allowed Jesus to be the Lord of my life, things were rough. I felt so alone and didn't feel that I had anything or anyone to live for.

When I finally submitted to the Lord, I started to feel His presence. He began giving my life meaning and I felt Him calling me to start studying His word in a Bible study. I've been so happy since finding Jesus. I've cried and thanked Jesus for saving me and for being my Lord and Savior. I thank Him everyday for His presence in my life. I no longer feel alone; I now feel that I have a purpose Jesus made just for me.

I have accepted God into my life and want to show others I have fully submitted to Him through baptism.



Benjamin Mann

Life Verse: "'Don't be alarmed,' he said. 'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him."

- Mark 16:6

One night in my bedroom, I prayed and asked Jesus to come into my heart. I am so thankful that He died on the cross and rose from the dead so that my sins could be forgiven and so I can go to Heaven one day.

I want to be baptized so that I can show others that I belong to Jesus!



Aleigha Brown

Life Verse: "Let all you do be done in love."

- 1 Corinthians 16:14

When I was younger, I knew of Jesus but I didn't have much of a relationship with Him. My sisters and I knew about Jesus from our grandma or from going to church functions with friends.

I did not truly develop a personal relationship with Jesus until my junior year of high school. The junior year was considered the most important year because you start focusing on college and planning your future. But I had no idea as to what I was going to do. It seemed as though everyone else had it figured out, except for me. I felt lost and had an anxious feeling I could not shake.

So one night I began to pray. I talked to Jesus about what was going on in my life. It made me feel better, so I continued every night. As my relationship with Jesus grew, I slowly started to feel better about school. As I learned to trust Jesus, I discovered that I didn't need to have life figured out on my own. His plan for me is far greater than any plan I could figure out on my own.

It's now been a few years since that night. My relationship with Jesus has grown so much stronger, and hard days don't seem guite as difficult knowing that He is right there with me.



Logan Batton

Life Verse: "What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?"

- Romans 8:31 (NIV)

Ever since I can remember I have believed in Christ as my Savior. I have grown up as part of a Christian household that always goes to church on Sundays and serves in many ways. Even though I have been surrounded with this belief and understood it, I never really tried to personally grow in my relationship with God.

That changed recently when some of my extended family members were troubled with the possible threat of cancer. I remember spending every night praying for their safety and healing. After a couple weeks they were healed! In one person, the possible cancer cells were no longer detected, and in the other the cancer cells were very much weakened. When I heard the news I felt a true sense of God's love and compassion. This has led me to start working harder then ever towards strengthening my relationship with God.

I want to be baptized so that I can announce my belief in the Lord and my relationship with Him in front of a crowd of people.

