



## Goshen Messenger

### **Celebrating What God Has Done and Looking Forward**

As I was preparing for our end-of-the-year prayer service, I was struck by how much of our 5-10-year vision we have already accomplished. Praise the Lord!

Consider some of the goals we have already accomplished or are well on our way to accomplishing:

- Remodel/update worship center to meet current functional and aesthetic needs while maintaining traditional appeal.
- Remodel/update basement space for children's ministries to make the area inviting for kids and families.
- Establish a Good News Club at Spotsylvania Elementary.
- Adopt two surrounding neighborhoods to focus on reaching with the gospel.
- Send church members through SBC of Virginia Disaster Relief to respond to three natural disasters by the end of 2027 and ten total natural disasters by the end of 2032.
- Establish mission partnerships in two locations around the world. This includes partnership with local churches and long-term missionaries and involves short-term trips.

We have made some progress on many of our other goals, but we will need to give them increased attention in the years ahead to see them completed.

Here's some of our goals that still need attention:

- Grow worship attendance to an average attendance of 150 by 2027.
  - As a church, personally invite an average of 100 people to worship each month.
  - Explore new and creative ways of spreading the word about our church in the community.
- Baptize 30 believers by the end of 2027 and 100 believers by the end of 2032.
  - As a church, engage in an average of 50 gospel conversations each month.
- Grow discipleship group attendance to an average attendance of 100 by 2027.
- Develop a comprehensive facility plan.
- Establish a partnership with a local middle and high school.
- Adopt one unreached people group to focus on praying for and reaching with the gospel.
- Establish a means of mission education in our church.

As you can see, we have so much for which to praise the Lord! He has been at work in and through our church. You can also see that there is still much work to do. Would you join me in asking the Lord to continue to pour out His blessings on Goshen Baptist Church in the year ahead? Ask the Lord to lead us in His ways that we may be faithful to do all that He has called us to do. We are including with this newsletter a copy of the full 5-10-year vision for you to use as a prayer guide in the year ahead.

Happy New Year!

Pastor Adam

# **Goshen Baptist Church**

## **5-10 Year Vision**

*“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” -Acts 1:8*

### **Our Church – Goshen Baptist Church**

#### **Ministry Goals**

- Grow and strengthen Youth and Children’s Ministries.
  - Identify and implement evangelistic activities and events for youth and children.
  - Actively share the gospel with the youth and children in our church and see them come to faith in Christ.
  - Evaluate current youth and children’s discipleship ministries and fill gaps identified.
  - Provide opportunities for youth and children to serve in the church and the community.
- Develop a discipleship training program—including a Bible 101 class.
- Build community among members.
  - Create an event calendar focused on community building among members.
  - Develop a system to ensure that all members are well-cared for by our church family.

#### **Numerical Goals**

- Grow worship attendance to an average attendance of 150 by 2027.
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  - Explore new and creative ways of spreading the word about our church in the community.
- Baptize 30 believers by the end of 2027 and 100 believers by the end of 2032.
  - As a church, engage in an average of 50 gospel conversations each month.
- Grow discipleship group attendance to an average attendance of 100 by 2027.
- Grow yearly income by 5% annually to reach \$350k by 2027.
  - Incorporate more teaching and testimony concerning wise, faithful financial stewardship into the life of the church.

#### **Facility Goals**

- Remodel/update worship center to meet current functional and aesthetic needs while maintaining traditional appeal.
- Develop a comprehensive facility plan.
- Increase worship service viewing accessibility throughout the church building by means of technology.
- Remodel/update basement space for children’s ministries to make the area inviting for kids and families.

### **Our Community – Spotsylvania**

- Establish a Good News Club at Spotsylvania Elementary.
- Establish a partnership with a local middle and high school.
- Adopt two surrounding neighborhoods to focus on reaching with the gospel.
- Provide educational support to children and families in Spotsylvania County.
- Host conferences providing information on areas of need such as marriage, family, and finances.

### **Our Nation – United States**

- Play a significant role in planting one new church by the end of 2027 and a total of three new churches by the end of 2032.
- Send church members through SBC of Virginia Disaster Relief to respond to three natural disasters by the end of 2027 and ten total natural disasters by the end of 2032.

### **Our World**

- Establish mission partnerships in two locations around the world. This includes partnership with local churches and long-term missionaries and involves short-term trips.
- Adopt one unreached people group to focus on praying for and reaching with the gospel.
- Establish a means of mission education in our church.

**Wednesday Night Meal...**Please note that we will not be having a Wednesday night meal in January. We will resume meals starting in February.

**Christmas Cards...**Please make sure to check the fellowship hall and pick up any remaining Christmas cards.

**Wednesday Night Activities...**All of our regular Wednesday evening activities will resume on January 7.

**Sanctity of Life Sunday...**We are observing Sanctity of Life Sunday by kicking off the annual Baby Bottle Campaign to support IMGN Life (Choices Women's Center). Baby bottles are available for you to take home and fill with spare change, with all bottles due back by Sunday, February 1.

**2 Samuel Sermon Series...**Join us on Sundays at 10:45am for our sermon series in 2 Samuel. We will resume our study of 2 Samuel on January 25.

**Parenting Conference...**Mark your calendar for February 20-21, 2026. We will be hosting Tate and Wendy Cockrell for a parenting conference. More details will be forthcoming. You won't want to miss it!

**SBCV Winter Bible Conference...**You're invited to the first ever SBCV Winter Bible Conference on February 10 in Hampton from 10am-3pm. This conference dives deep into Paul's final charge to Timothy. There will be four sessions that will give you the opportunity to be refreshed, inspired, and equipped to make a lasting Kingdom impact. Please contact the church office for more information or to register.

**Systematic Theology II...**Pastor Adam will be teaching Systematic Theology II on Sunday evenings beginning February 15. About half of the 10-week course will be spent covering the doctrine of man, and the other half of the course will cover the doctrine of salvation. This is the second course in a series of three systematic theology courses, but you do not have to have taken the first course to participate in this one. Our textbook for the course will be Wayne Grudem's Systematic Theology. You will experience the most benefit from the course if you have a copy of the book and read the chapters being taught that week prior to class. However, reading the chapters is not a requirement for the course. Registration for the course will open soon. When registering, you will have the option of purchasing a copy of Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem. You can also register for the course without purchasing the book. The charge for the book is \$30, and it will be used for all three Systematic Theology courses. There is no charge for the course if you do not want a copy of the book. You can also purchase the book on your own.

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering...**We collected our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions during the month of December. Our goal this year was \$17,000. 100% of the funds raised will be sent to the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to place missionaries on the field. We are excited to announce that we have exceeded our goal with the final total still to be determined.

**Youth Evangelism Conference...**The Student Ministry will be heading to Virginia Beach on Friday, Jan. 16 for YEC. We will be leaving after school on Friday and returning Saturday afternoon. Students from Grades 6-12 are welcome to join us! Register <https://subspla.sh/n6q62bv>. Cost is \$62.00. Please contact Sarah at Goshen.Sarah.M@gmail.com with any questions.

**S Family at Goshen...**We are excited to welcome the S family to Goshen on Sunday, January 18! They serve in Southeast Asia but are currently in the US on stateside assignment. During the Sunday School hour, we will all meet together in the sanctuary where they will share about their work. Then, during the worship service, J will be preaching. Following the service, we will have a potluck meal in the fellowship hall where you will be able to meet the S family and get to know them better. Make plans now to join us for this exciting day.

**Friday Food Bags...**We would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the Friday Food Bag Ministry at Spotsylvania Elementary. When we began the school year in August we delivered 40 bags, and by mid-September they requested 45. Beginning November 20, we delivered 50 bags to students each week. The counselors have expressed so much gratitude to Goshen and all that is done for these students, and were especially grateful during the recent government shutdown, as it had been difficult for so many families during this time. Thank you again for your ongoing support to this ministry!

**SBC Disaster Relief...**Thank you for your gracious giving to our disaster relief. These funds will help in aiding in trips, buying supplies and tools, and helping share the good news of Jesus wherever we go. If you ever wish to be a part of a deployment or get involved, please contact Randy Wolfe or any of the other current disaster relief team volunteers.

**Children's Church...**We are very excited to start our new curriculum this month, The Bible in One Year. If you have a child, ages 4-7, we would love for them to join us during our children's church time during the service. We would also love to add to our volunteer list! If you are interested or have any other questions, please reach out to Laura Bonner.

**Wednesday Night Youth...**Join our youth ministry on Wednesday nights at 6:15pm for youth group! They are studying Romans this year. Contact Sarah Martin at [goshen.sarah.m@gmail.com](mailto:goshen.sarah.m@gmail.com) for more information.

**Kids Ministry Conference...**SCBV is hosting a Kids Ministry Conference at Swift Creek Baptist Church from 9am-3:30pm on March 7. This is a great day to have fellowship with other volunteers as we learn to better equip ourselves in this area of ministry. This is a free event. Please contact Laura Bonner if you are interested in joining us!

**Red Cross Blood Drive...**We will be hosting a blood drive here in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, April 7 from 10am-3pm. There are still plenty of spots available to schedule an appointment or to donate. You may schedule online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

**Online Giving...**We offer convenient online giving through our website at [goshenbaptistchurch.net](http://goshenbaptistchurch.net) and in the Goshen Baptist Church app.

**Prayer Requests...**One of the groups we offer in our new Goshen app is our Prayer Community. We encourage you to join this group and use this tool for your prayer requests. This is an easy and great way to get requests out immediately without having to go through the church office. If you have any questions about the app or how to join one of the groups, please contact the office.

**Emails From Goshen...**Are you on our church email list? If you have not been getting our emails, please let us know so we can add you to the list.

**Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting...**Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm for our adult prayer meeting. Lee Brothers is leading each week.

**Sermon & Bible Notes...**You can take sermon and Bible notes in our church event using the YouVersion Bible app. It will save your notes for access at any time. When you are in the app, select More>Events and search for Goshen Baptist.

**Goshen Merch Shop...**We now have an online Goshen Merch Shop which you can find at <https://thechurch.shop/shop/goshenbaptist/>. The shop has various clothing items in multiple colors with our Goshen logo and new items have been added. You will pay for your items directly at the link and they will ship directly to you. If there is something you would like to see in the shop, please let the office know, and we may be able to make it happen based on availability.

**Goshen Baptist Church Mobile App...**Have you downloaded our church app (available from the app store) on your device? Search for Goshen Baptist Church in the app store. Make sure to enable push notifications through the app. You can also listen to or watch past sermons, share prayer requests, connect with a group, and access online giving. Contact the church office with questions.

**New to Goshen?...**Are you new to Goshen? If you have not had an opportunity to have a visit with Pastor Adam, he would love the opportunity to sit down with you, get to know you, and answer any questions you may have about our church. Would you send him an email at [pastoradamblosser@gmail.com](mailto:pastoradamblosser@gmail.com)? Please include your name, the names of other family members, and the best way to get in touch with you.

**Groups at Goshen...**Have you gotten connected to one of our Bible study and fellowship groups at Goshen? Growth in our understanding of God's Word often happens in the context of a small group Bible study. We all also need fellowship with other Christians. At Goshen, we have lots of options for getting connected. See the following list and contact the church office with any questions.

**Small Group Options...**

- **Sonshine Class (Mary Vakos, Connie Laskowski, Mark Jones)**  
What: Master Work Bible Study  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **The Seekers (Josh & Haley Grimes)**  
What: Study of the Epistles  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **The Seniors (Robert Daniel)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Bible 101 (Wade Haney)**  
What: Basic Bible Study  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **PreK-K – Ages 3-Kindergarten (Laura & Aaron Bonner)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Elementary – Grades K-2 (Kaitlin Laskowski & Serenity Hague)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Elementary – Grades 3-5 (Dale Trigg, Laura Dye, & Mary Eure)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Youth – Grades 6-12 (Sarah & Michael Martin)**  
What: The Book of Matthew  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Evening Ladies Bible Study (Linda Shrum)**  
What: Study of the Book of Acts  
When: Thursdays at 6:30pm (offsite)



*Please visit or call and make their day special too!*

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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

07 Winnie Boyce  
08 Harper Morelock  
13 Mahea Thomas  
14 Robert Martinez  
16 Randy Wolfe, Michael Laskowski  
17 Wendy Warlick  
18 Emily Hoskins  
20 Nick Thomas, Kristin Mays  
24 Christopher Moore  
25 Lydia Blosser, Seth Britton  
27 Sabrina Perry  
29 Linda Kerr



### TELLERS...

Terry & Vickie Falls & Ted & Susan Schubel

### Deacon/Elder of the Week...

1/4 – Robert Daniel

1/11 – Connie Laskowski

1/18 – Bob Kelly

1/25 – Mary Vakos

### Greeters...

1/4 – Al & Eve Bonner

1/11 – Chip & Theresa Brubaker

1/18 – David Chambers & Robert Daniel

1/25 – Kelly Ashley & Warren Payne

### Nursery...

1/4 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Theresa Brubaker

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Karen Jones

1/11 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Linda Kerr

1/18 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Theresa Brubaker

1/25 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Cookie Sodergren, Eve Bonner

### Children's Church...

1/4 – Michael & Desiree Warlick

1/11 – Nathan Brothers and Jordan Brokaw

1/18 – Dan & Kaitrin Smith

1/25 – Michael Martin and Laura Bonner