



**GOSHEN**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

September 2025

## Goshen Messenger

### God's Work at Goshen

I am so thankful for all that the Lord is doing in and through Goshen Baptist Church.

When I think about our **partnership with Spotsylvania Elementary**, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for all that God has done. We have served the students and staff at the school in a number of ways over the years, but our Friday Food Bag program has been a constant touchpoint for us at the school each week since 2019. Our Good News Club was made possible because of the relationship that we had already developed with the school. Volunteers are always needed to help with Good News Club. How might the Lord desire to use you?

I love hearing Sarah and Laura share about God's work in our **youth and children ministries**. They both gave wonderful reports of the Lord's faithfulness to our kids and teens at our ministry rally on August 24. I also have the privilege of seeing these ministries firsthand, as I am in the youth Sunday School class almost every Sunday and then get to lead games at AWANA each week. As always, we need more adults to pour into the lives of our students. Would you pray for more to step up and serve? Would you consider being part of the answer to your prayer?

I am really encouraged that 20 people have already signed up for our **systematic theology class** on Sunday evenings at 5pm beginning September 7. I am so thankful that our church has such a strong desire to know God through His Word. If you haven't signed up yet, there is still room for you! You can find the link to sign up on the front page of the Goshen app.

What God has done with our **disaster relief ministry** over the last year is nothing short of remarkable. We have sent multiple teams of people from our church to serve and minister in the name of Jesus. They have been on the ground in the weeks following a disaster, and they have gone back months later to help with the process of rebuilding. We even have a new disaster relief trailer that was donated to our church! God is using our disaster relief volunteers to meet real physical needs, but He is also using them to share the hope that is only found in Jesus. Maybe God is also calling you to serve in this way.

In addition to disaster relief, we have sent out **two mission teams** this year to Puerto Rico and the Standing Rock Reservation. I love when we have the opportunity to pray for our members as they go and then hear of all that God has done through them when they return. God is at work in Puerto Rico and on the Reservation. I am thankful that He allows our church to be a part of His work. There will be trips to Puerto Rico and the Standing Rock Reservation next year. Would you consider going with one or both teams?

I could go on and on recounting all the things the Lord has done and is doing in the life of our church. God is good. His love endures forever. His faithfulness extends to all generations.

God bless you,

Pastor Adam

**Wednesday Night Meal...**Mark your calendar for Wednesday, September 3 at 5:30pm for our Wednesday Night Meal. Pizza, salad, and dessert will be on the menu. Please sign up on the bulletin board or through the Goshen App so we have an idea of the number attending. Suggested donation of \$3 per person and no more than \$10 per family.

**Friday Food Bags/BJ's Coupons...**We will begin our sixth year of the Friday Food Bag ministry with Spotsylvania Elementary School. Each week we deliver a bag of food/snack items for children to take home over the weekend. The school provides us with the number of bags needed. This number can change throughout the school year. Last year we provided 57 bags for the majority of the school year. We appreciate any unused BJ's coupons to use towards purchasing the items. During our first shopping trip to begin restocking items, we were able to save \$171.25 with coupons. Thank you for your generous support and continued prayers for this ministry.

**SBC Disaster Relief Call-Out...**We will be assisting the SBC on Sunday, Sept. 7 through Saturday, Sept. 13 to help rebuild in Mountain City, Tennessee. There is no training required, only a background check. For more information you may contact Randy Wolfe at 540-538-7179. If you are not able to go but would like to support the effort, designated gifts to Goshen for Disaster Relief are being accepted.

**Ladies Bible Study...**Our Tuesday morning ladies Bible study will begin again on September 16. The group will meet each week at 9:30am at the home of Mary Vakos. They will be studying *Psalms 23: The Shepherd with Me* by Jennifer Rothschild. Please contact Mary Vakos at 540-582-5953 for more information.

**Systematic Theology Class...**Pastor Adam will be teaching systematic theology on Sunday evenings at 5pm beginning September 7. Our textbook for the course will be Wayne Grudem's Systematic Theology. You can register for the class by going to the church app or by going to [goshenbaptistchurch.subspla.sh/9h364bp](http://goshenbaptistchurch.subspla.sh/9h364bp). There is no charge for the course if you do not want a copy of the book. See Pastor Adam with any questions.

**Good News Club...**We are currently looking for volunteers for our Good News Club at Spotsylvania Elementary. We love the relationship that we are able to have with this school and can't wait to continue bonding with the students and sharing the love of Jesus. We will be losing some current volunteers after this fall, so please reach out if you're interested in helping out. Contact Susan Schubel at 540-840-3713 for more information.

**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.

**School Supplies...**The children's ministry would like to thank everyone who donated supplies this past month. We have received an abundance of supplies and material and are so grateful for everything that was given. All of these resources will be in our Sunday School and AWANA classrooms ready to help teach the Gospel to all our little ones! Thank you for your generous giving!

**2 Samuel Sermon Series...**We're in the midst of our new sermon series through 2 Samuel. Be sure to join us each Sunday as we continue to see God's work among His people and how ever page of the Old Testament points us to Jesus.

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

**E2Kids Conference...**Join our children's ministry for the E2Kids Conference that SBC of Virginia will be hosting at Spotswood Baptist Church on September 5 from 7-9pm. This conference is designed to equip children's ministry leaders with different teaching, discipling, and outreach tools. Please reach out to Laura Bonner if you are interested in attending.

**Student Conference...**The Redefine Student Conference is coming September 6! Please help us spread the word by handing out postcards to anyone in grades 6-12 whom you think may be interested. You may sign up at [ww.goshenbaptistchurch.net/redefine-student-conference](http://ww.goshenbaptistchurch.net/redefine-student-conference).

**Goshen Guild...**Student Ministry will be hosting The Goshen Guild on Sunday, September 21. Goshen Guild is a mission to reach the students of our community through popular table-top role play games. For more information, see the Student Ministry page on our website.

**AWANA...**AWANA (for grades K-5) has resumed! Join us each Wednesday night at 6:15pm. You can register on our website under the children's ministry tab. Feel free to reach out to Laura Bonner if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

**Summer Book Club...**The summer book club will meet one final time on Sunday, August 31 at 5pm. They will discuss chapters 5-8 and the conclusion of *Tim Keller on the Christian Life*.

**Red Cross Blood Drive...**We will be hosting a blood drive here in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, October 15 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).

**SBCV Missions Offering...**We are collecting our Vision Virginia State Missions Offering during the month of September. This offering supports important ministries of our state convention like church planting, disaster relief, seminary scholarships, church strengthening ministries, and many other important projects. Begin considering how you can give generously and sacrificially to this offering. More information about this offering is available at [www.sbcv.org/2025-vision-virginia-week-of-prayer-offering-for-state-missions](http://www.sbcv.org/2025-vision-virginia-week-of-prayer-offering-for-state-missions).

**Hike Old Rag...**Join us on September 1 for a Labor Day Goshen family hike of Old Rag! If you are not yet signed up and would like to attend, please contact Pastor Adam at [pastoradamblosser@gmail.com](mailto:pastoradamblosser@gmail.com) ASAP. A \$2 day-use ticket will be needed.

**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!

**Homecoming...**Mark your calendar for Goshen's Homecoming 2025 on Sunday, October 5! We will be highlighting our growing disaster relief ministry. Shawn Ames from SBC Virginia will be here to preach God's Word and help us think about how compassion ministry allows us to minister the gospel in Jesus' name. The elders will be presenting a newly created Goshen Legacy Award to a representative of the family of Rev. John Gordon. Rev. John Gordon died earlier this year. He pastored Goshen from 1963-1967 and was very active in Baptist Disaster Relief in Virginia

**Jukebox corner...**Have a favorite song or a song we haven't done in a while? Please feel free to share it with Travis or any member of the Worship team. Whether it's a hymn, worship song, or just a special piece that speaks to your heart, we would LOVE to hear it. Let us know and we'll do our best to include it in an upcoming service!

**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.

**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 Bonner & Aaron Bonner)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Elementary – Grades K-2 (Kaitlin Laskowski & Serenity Nolan)**  
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 Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Systematic Theology I (Adam Blosser)**  
What: Doctrines of Scripture and God  
When: Sundays at 5:00pm  
(Beginning September 7)
- **Morning Ladies Bible Study (Mary Vakos)**  
What: *Psalms 23: The Shepherd with Me*  
by Jennifer Rothschild  
When: Tuesdays at 9:30am (offsite)  
(Beginning September 16)
- **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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| 2. Anne Smith<br>540.729.0799<br>1001 Northside Drive<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22405        | 6. Margaret Stanchik<br>540.898.6069<br>10111 Hillside Lane<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22408          |
| 3. Rose Rudd<br>540.786.6520<br>6355 Autumn Leaf Circle<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22407      | 7. Carol Walker<br>540.848.1942<br>9208 Mill Pond Road<br>Spotsylvania, VA 22551                 |
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## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

02 Leah Dye  
03 Josh Grimes, Chris Czubowicz  
08 Desiree Warlick, Rick Moore  
09 Sharon Houston, Mitchell Brothers  
15 Alicia Moore  
18 Abigail Dye  
21 Lee Brothers, Hannah Bonner  
22 Sawyer Britton  
27 Joanne Goodin  
29 Mary Dawn Vakos, Abigail Bonner



### **TELLERS...**

Terry & Vickie Falls and Ted & Susan Schubel

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

9/7 – Warren Payne

9/14 – Randy Wolfe

9/21 – Connie Laskowski

9/28 – Bob Kelly

### **Greeters...**

9/7 – Al Bonner & Winnie Boyce

9/14 – Bill Vakos & Susan Schubel

9/21 – Terry Kerr & Eve Bonner

9/28 – Christina Pierce & David Chambers

### **Nursery...**

9/7 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Karen Jones

9/14 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Theresa Brubaker

9/21 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Eve Bonner

9/28 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Linda Kerr

### **Children's Church...**

9/7 – Aaron & Laura Bonner

9/14 – Dan & Kaitrin Smith

9/21 – Aaron & Laura Bonner

9/28 – Michael Martin & Nathan Brothers