

THE ALEXIS INFORMER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ALEXIS BAPTIST CHURCH

A Grateful Heart

It was the day before Thanksgiving, and little Emma sat at the kitchen table watching her grandmother roll out pie dough. “Grandma,” she asked, “what are we going to thank God for this year? We don’t have as much as we used to.”

Her grandmother smiled, wiped the flour from her hands, and pointed to the old clock on the wall. “Sweetheart, that clock doesn’t stop ticking just because the day gets hard. Neither does God’s goodness. Every second He gives us breath, love, and hope — and that’s more than enough reason to give thanks.”

That evening, as the family gathered around the table — not a feast fit for a king, but a meal blessed by grace — Emma bowed her head and prayed, “Thank You, Lord, for all we still have and all You still are.”

The room was quiet for a moment, and then her grandmother whispered, “That’s the real meaning of Thanksgiving — not counting what’s missing, but remembering Who never changes.”

Every year Thanksgiving looks a little different than the year before, but we can always be thankful that our God never changes and that our God still blesses us. Thank God for the blessings of this year and for the anticipated blessings of the coming year.

Dr. Scott

WMU Mission Project

Our Mission Action Project for November is the Angel Tree Ministry. The angel tree ornaments will be available Sunday, November 9th.

See insert for instructions.

Thank you for your willingness to help and be a blessing to others this Christmas season.



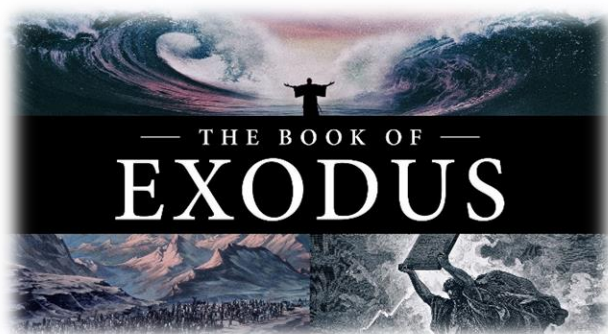
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MINISTRY

Sunday School AND Youth

SUNDAYS @ 9:00 AM
UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM # 300 B

We've just begun a verse-by-verse study of the Old Testament Book of Exodus which is packed full of life lessons for the followers of Jesus!

Hope to see you on Sunday!!!



EACH WEDNESDAY

GYM *and* JESUS

6:30 – 8:00 PM @ FLC

Middle and High School students are invited and encouraged to join us each week for recreation and discussion oriented Bible study geared especially for youth. Over the years, this weekly event has proven to be a great opportunity to develop friendships, have fun and, most importantly, grow in our understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Christ.

Hope to see you there --- and please bring your friends !!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Youth Summer Camp

JUNE 20-25, 2026



NewCamp Ministries

newcampministries.com

Our Middle and High School students will again have the opportunity to attend NewCamp 2026 at Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee on June 20-25, 2026. Additional information will be shared in January. Registration will begin soon thereafter. In the meantime, please mark your calendars to reserve the week in your personal schedules. Thank you!

Upcoming Events & Information



Dear Church Family,
We would like to thank everyone who lifted us up in prayer this past year in the loss of our fathers. Thank you for all the cards and prayers during that time. We would also like to thank you for loving and accepting our family during the past 8 years. We are going to miss our church family. Our New address: 1387 Kinder Valley Rd.
Rural Retreat, VA 24368

Allen, Janice, Liz & Malachi Widner



Dear Church Family,
Thank you for your continued support of the Alexis Baptist Care Team through your financial giving as well as donations of supplies. It is a joy to be able to encourage others through this ministry. Over the years we've received many positive responses from those who've received cards. What a blessing! We share this blessing with you as part of the support team! THANK YOU!

Alexis Baptist Care Team

ISABEL HOVIS CIRCLE: Will meet Monday, November 10th at 10am in the hut.

AUNT PAY PAYNE CIRCLE: Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 30th at 7pm at Ruth Hipp's house. All ladies are welcome.

JOY CIRCLE -We will meet Thursday, November 13th at 7pm in the hut. All ladies are invited to join us for fellowship, prayer and support for missions.

GOOD NEIGHBORS will meet on Tuesday, November 11th at 10:30am in the Sanctuary to enjoy some piano music played by Rex Smith. Then we will head over to the hut to enjoy some yummy soup and a potato bar with all the fixings. Everything will be provided. We just ask that you bring a dessert to share. Come and bring a friend to enjoy a time of fellowship and good food. See you there!!

Congratulations to Jesse and Katie Underdown at the birth of a son, Jonah Franklin. He was born on September 2nd. He weighed 9 lbs. 14oz. Congratulations also to his big sister Heidi & proud Grandparents Mike & Mary Underdown.

Congratulations to Michael & Josie Sisk at the birth of a daughter, Lainey Kay. She was born on September 19th. She weighed 6 lbs. 9oz. Congratulations to her big brothers & big sister. Also, Congratulations to the proud Grandparents Wesley & Sonya Sisk & Great-Grandparents Norman & Kay Sisk.

Congratulations to Josh & Nicole Julian at the birth of a son, Phoenix. He was born on September 22nd. He weighed 6 lbs. 7oz. Congratulations also to the proud Great-Grandmother Debbie Hager & Great-Great-Grandmother Nancy Hager.



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Hailee Presswood Holt, Diann Summey
- 2 - Lauren Hipp Hundley
- 3 - Makayla Deal, Penelope Dellinger
- 4 - Danny Jones, Anne Spargo
- 5 - Noah Hager
- 7 - Hannah Richardson, Landon Boone
- 8 - Kim Rhyne, Camryn Tuttle
- 9 - Jean Wood
- 10 - Wendy Presswood, Sadie Saunders
- 12 - Millie Parrott
- 13 - Emily Edmondson, Mary-Clara McAlister
- 14 - Clara Cobb, Nathan Dellinger, Ronnie Hersey
- 20 - Wayne Beaty, Cody Brown, Myron Maxwell, Claudia Sisk
- 22 - Rodney Bentley, Dr. Scott Shoffner
- 23 - Sheila Youngblood
- 24 - Frank McAulay, Tom Moon
- 29 - Brenda York

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 2 - Jerry & Libby Haines
- 4 - Sandy & Cynthia Marks
- 16 - Cole & Mary Bowen
Mike & Frankie Braswell
- 17 - Larry & Brenda Cagle
- 28 - Alan & Maria Hipp
- 30 - Preston & Heather Johnson



Turn your clocks back 1 hour Saturday, Nov. 1st before you go to bed!

Notice

You may pick up your **2025 offering envelopes on or after December 14th**. They will be located in your Sunday School class or on the front pew in the Sanctuary.

You're invited to a drop-in Baby Shower for Jacalyn and Lawrence McAlister on Sunday, November 2nd from 2-4pm at The McAlister Farm 230 Ballard Road Dallas NC 28034

Jacalyn is registered online at Babylist <https://my.babylist.com/jacalyn-mcalister>



Our Goal:
\$3,500
Received
\$8,141



🍎 Trunk or Treat at Alexis Baptist! 🍎

Join us for a **fun-filled night** on **Friday, October 31 from 6–8 PM!** We'll have **Bible story trunks**, **great free food**, **hayrides**, an **inflatable slide**, and a **bouncy house** —something for everyone!

I'm still looking for a few **volunteers** to help with the inflatables, **register guests**, and **take photos** during the event. If you can help out, please contact **Nathan**.

Come ready for a great time with our church family and community!



🎄 Alexis Baptist Preschool & Kindergarten Presents "Christmas in November"

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, November 23**, as our **Preschool and Kindergarten** classes present **Christmas in November** — a joyful celebration to kick off the holiday season! Come enjoy adorable performances, sweet smiles, and a reminder of the true reason we celebrate.

Don't miss this heartwarming event!



INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANGEL TREE GIFTS 2025

- The Angel Tree will be available on **November 9th**. The trees will be located in the Vestibule (Foyer).
- We will have angels from Lincoln County Social Services and Gaston County Social Services.
- Please take as many “Angels” off the tree as you would like.
- Please **write your name on the bottom of the perforated tag**, tear it off and place the stub in one of the baskets. **YOU KEEP THE LARGER PART OF THE TAG.**
- **DO NOT WRAP THE GIFTS.** You may put them in a gift bag or box and/or include wrapping paper or bags if you would like.
- Securely fasten the tag on the **OUTSIDE** of the gift.
- Return the gifts **NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH**. **(This deadline is very important because Lincoln & Gaston Social Services will be picking up the gifts on Monday, December 1st**.
- **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE** and cannot do the shopping, contact Mandy and someone can do your shopping for you.

**If there is an issue or you have a question about an Angel,
please contact Mandy ASAP.**

- adminsec@alexisbaptist.com
- 704-263-2301 Office phone
- 980-888-3007 text cell phone

**THANK YOU FOR MAKING CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR CHILDREN IN OUR
COMMUNITY!!**

NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONS TEAM REPORT

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace".

1 Peter 4:10



A woman named Sue Ellen Lynch was recently in need of housing, and the owners of a trailer court in Bessemer City graciously provided her with a vacant trailer. In an effort to help her further, they called local churches for help building a handicap ramp. That call led them to our Neighborhood Missions group. We got in touch with Sue, assessed her needs, and were able to build the ramp she needed. We also learned she was in need of a shower seat, which we were happy to provide.



NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONS TEAM REPORT

A YEAR AFTER HURRICANE HELENE TORE THROUGH WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA, THE VENERABLE 100-YEAR-OLD COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH IN ASHEVILLE WAS STILL STRUGGLING. SEVERE DAMAGE TO ITS EXTERIOR BRICK FOUNDATION HAD GONE UNREPAIRED, WITH NECESSARY ASSISTANCE HARD TO FIND. AFTER A REQUEST FROM PASTOR CALVIN HAILSTOCK, THE GREATER GASTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CONTACTED ALEXIS BAPTIST CHURCH. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONS TEAM RESPONDED, TRAVELING TO ASHEVILLE ON FOUR SEPARATE TRIPS. WE WORKED DILIGENTLY TO REPAIR THE DAMAGED BRICK FOUNDATION, AS WELL AS THE INTERIOR WALLS AND CEILINGS, BRINGING MUCH-NEEDED RELIEF TO THE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CONGREGATION. IT WAS A PRIVILEGE TO HELP OUR NEIGHBORS IN THEIR TIME OF NEED.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Nathan Clippard - P.O. Box 92, Stanley, NC 28164
Clara Cobb - P.O. Box 3723, MS State, MS 39762

SHUT-INS OF THE MONTH

Ruth Lewis - 329 Taylor Rd., Stanley, NC 28164
Marie Lineberger - 1930 Mayberry Rd., Dallas, NC 28034

CARE GIVERS THIS MONTH EXTENDED NURSERY:

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 2

BB/Toddlers: Denise Boggs, Millie Parrott
2/3 Yr olds: Diann Summey, Stacey Oxendine
Preschool Worship: Beth Skulkety, Angie Sadler
Children's Worship:

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 9

BB/Toddlers: Katie Parrott, Dennis Rhyne
2/3 Yr olds: Sonya Sisk, Donna Stepp
Preschool Worship: Karen Helton, Stacy Jenkins
Children's Worship: Heather Johnson, Heather Addington

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 16

BB/Toddlers: Freda Prince, Amber Tuttle
2/3 Yr olds: Mandy Stroupe, Angel Haymore
Preschool Worship: Alison Cobb, Debbie Addington
Children's Worship: Brent Addington, Hannah Richardson

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 23

BB/Toddlers: Angie Harmon, Kim Rhyne
2/3 Yr olds: Sharon Davis, Rebecca Revels
Preschool Worship: Lisa McAlister, Sara Clippard
Children's Worship: Heather Johnson, Danielle Addington

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 30

BB/Toddlers: Sceria Jenkins, Amy Jones
2/3 Yr olds: Diann Summey, Stacey Oxendine
Preschool Worship: Gail Hornack, Dawn Boone
Children's Worship: Brent Addington, Kristy Overkamp

November Ushers:

Keith Quillen, Terry Bradley, Bud Pate, Terry Presswood, Mike Kocsis

November Greeters:

Sunday School Welcome Center: Steve Grigg
Foyer Greeter: Leeza Rhyne

DEACON MINISTERS

DATE	Benediction Prayer	Prayer & Walk
Nov. 2	Steve Clippard	Steven Rhyne
Nov. 9	Jack Parrott	Hal Helton
Nov. 16	Jason Stroupe	Michael Overkamp
Nov. 23	Keith Quillen	Bradley Stallings
Nov. 30	Hal Helton	David Lanham

THE RECORD SPEAKS

	9/21	9/28	10/5	10/12	10/19
Sunday School	154	132	145	128	145
Worship Attendance	240	160	200	188	190

Budget Receipts:					
Regular Offering	7,337.85	6,129.80	19,496.70	16,524.03	6,571.48
Weekly Receipt Needed					\$12,517.41
Receipts Needed to Date					\$463,144.44
Receipts Received to Date					\$441,005.31
Under to Date:					(\$22,139.13)

Other Receipts:					
CCC			20.00		20.00
GBA Food			50.00		
Special Love Offering					
NC State Offering	210.00	1,200.00	2,680.00	3,711.00	35.00
Gideons					
Lottie Moon					20.00
Annie Armstrong					
Sales Tax Refund	329.54				
Use of Facilities		100.00	150.00	100.00	100.00
Memorials/Honorarium				50.00	
Reim/Donations	158.55	187.00	1,652.55	3,129.99	540.25
Total Receipts:	\$8,035.94	\$7,616.80	\$24,049.25	\$23,515.02	\$7,286.73

Alexis Baptist Church

P.O. Box 39
Alexis, North Carolina 28006
Return Service Requested

CHURCH OFFICE

Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Friday 7 a.m. – 12:00 noon

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Number: (704) 263-5530

Robbie Burgin - Preschool Director: (704) 263-2345

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Nathan Dellinger (Min. of Music & Children).....music-min@alexisbaptist.com
Mandy Stroupe (Secretary & Custodian).....adminsec@alexisbaptist.com
Robbie Burgin (Preschool Director).....preschooldirector39@gmail.com

In Memory of

Linda Grigg - Allen & Janice Widner



Friday, October 31st - Trunk or Treat 6pm-8pm

Wednesday, November 19th - International Mission Study on Brazil - 6:30pm

Friday, November 21st - Church Thanksgiving Meal at FLC at 6:30pm

Sunday, November 23rd - Alexis Baptist Preschool & Kindergarten will present "Christmas in November" during the morning service

Sunday, November 30th - Lord's Supper

GBA Community Food Pantry List

They are in need of the following:
Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti Noodles



NOTICE

Monthly newsletter is published the
THIRD WEEK of the month.