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Morning Service Live & ONLINE
Prayer Meeting
Student Ministry Services
Small Groups Bible Study (Teens & Young Adults)
Bible Study and Kid's Club

Sundays @ 11:00 a.m. & ON DEMAND
Sundays @ 5:30 p.m.
Sundays @ 5:30 p.m.
Tuesdays @ 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays @ 6:00 p.m.



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Pastor Nick's Letter November 2024

Greetings, Church family,

As fall is in full swing, so is Troy First Baptist Church, praise God! October was my first full month of being the senior pastor and Jocelyn and I are just so grateful for the outpouring of love. We feel so spoiled with such a wonderful church family. We truly love each and everyone of ya'll.

Dr. Croy and I have been continuing in our sermons through the book of 1 John on Sunday mornings.

We are pleased to see the Lord adding to our ranks, as we welcomed two new members into our church family, Taylor Whitesell and Angela Park. This past month we had an opportunity to open our church up for a neighboring church to perform a baptism in our baptismal. I love watching new believers following God in believer's baptism! Dr. Croy has started the book of Haggai on Wednesday night. While often we overlook these minor prophet books in the Old Testament, they are packed with so much for us to learn from. I know Bible study is such a fruitful time. Our church on the 31st of October had our Trunk or Treat ministry. This is a safe space for children to see the light of Jesus Christ. I want to thank all the volunteers that worked so hard to do trunks, provide food, and hand out literature, etc. Another great success!

In Kid's Club on Wednesday night, the verse of October was Proverbs 1:7 with the theme being, "the Fear of the Lord." The kids learned that the fear of the Lord is the only healthy fear that one should have. God helps us overcome all our other fears! On October 23rd, the kids especially had a blast pumpkin painting! In elevate, the kids went through a curriculum called "spooky lessons from the Bible." We learn that with Jesus we do not need to fear since He is the overcomer!

Working with Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) in our schools has been such a neat thing. We had on the 22nd of October FCA's Fields of Faith event at Montgomery Central High School. I was so pleased to see God move! We had middle schoolers, high schoolers, and others in the community come out and support. There was a time of student testimonies, worship music (provided by Troy First Baptist youth band praise band), a message from the word, and a group prayer on the football field. I love seeing God work in the lives of our young people.

In the youth group, we finished the book of Romans. We also took the youth group to Beulah Baptist in Bennet for the Tribulation Trail. As we move into November, the youth will be gearing up along with the children for Christmas play practice!

As we enter November, we look forward to serving with Coalition for Christ to help families in need at Thanksgiving and Christmas. I look forward to what is ahead! I thank God for all of those serving here at TFBC and of course my lovely wife, Jocelyn with all her help and support. God is Good ALWAYS!

**In Christ,
Pastor Nick**



November 2024 Dr. Dwight Croy

When we worship, we are saying that we have no power of our own to save ourselves from sin and death. We are also saying that God is everything. He is holy, righteous, just, loving, etc., etc., etc.... We admit before God that we need constant reminders of who God is and what His commands are. Recognizing who Jesus Christ is and who we are (sinners) and touching the hem of His garment is the position of our heart and attitude. The hem of Jesus' garment is called the Tekhelet, which means 'finished'. The woman with the issue of blood knew to touch the hem of His garment, she had revelation that she was touching the finished work of Jesus. The word translated "edge" in Luke 8:44 is Greek kraspedon, meaning "edge, border, hem" of a garment Matthew 14:35-36 NKJV **"And when the men of that place recognized Him, they sent out into all that surrounding region, brought to Him all who were sick, and begged Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched it were made perfectly well."** The importance which the later Jews, especially the Pharisees, attached to the hem or fringe of their garments was founded upon the regulation in Numbers 15:38-39 NKJV which gave a symbolical meaning to it. **"Speak to the children of Israel: Tell them to make tassels on the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and to put a blue thread in the tassels of the corners. And you shall have the tassel, that you may look upon it and remember all the commandments of the Lord and do them, and that you may not follow the harlotry to which your own heart and your own eyes are inclined, and that you may remember and do all My commandments, and be holy for your God."**

When we worship, teach, and preach in corporate worship we enter an attitude of humble worship before God. Our hearts must be low to the ground, our eyes looking up, and our hands should be reaching out to touch in desperation. John 4:23-24 **"But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."**

Worship is not about going to church with your family. It is not about checking a box. The deed is not as important as the heart attitude to worship God. Worshipping Saints of God (those who are born again with the perfect blood of Jesus Christ) know their smallness and know the greatness of God. The majesty of God must be proclaimed as much as possible. Worship is not an optional item in the Christian life. It is a relevant and crucial part of a practicing saint of God. Is your heart down low? Is it in a position of awe? Is your heart trembling, because of the great God you serve? Is your heart reaching out to touch the holiness of God knowing He has the power to make you whole?

Dr. Dwight Croy , Romans 12:1-2



In Honor of:

God & Jesus (Tithes & Offerings) by Michael & Lori Byrd
Pastor Nick & Jocelyn Allen (Samaritan's Purse) by Lucille Sabiston
Pastor Nick & Jocelyn Allen (Kids Club) by Robert & Cindy Liles
Gene & Lynne Griffith (Baptist Men) by Robert & Cindy Liles
Jim & Sharon Matheny (O.C.C.) by Rodney & Bonnie Kelley

In Memory of:

Will (Carl) Atkinson (Vota Vita Class Fund) by Ricky & Ivy Harris
Sallie Coward (NC Baptist Children's Home) by Frank & Ruby Sanders
Paul (Bud) Crook (Operation Christmas Child) by Rod & Bonnie Kelley
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Polly S King (Renovations-Kitchen) by Charlie & Shirley Parsons, Jr.
Polly S King (Operation Christmas Child) by Rod & Bonnie Kelley
Polly S King (Tithes & Offerings) by Carey L Gillis
Polly S King (Vota Vita Class Fund) by Frank & Ruby Sanders
Polly S King (Vota Vita Class Fund) by Ricky & Ivy Harris
Polly S King (Youth Casswell Trip) by Lucille Sabiston
Ryan Royal (Youth Class Fund) by David Royal
Ryan Royal (Youth Caswell Trip) by Debby Barden
Sandra (Beth) Smith (Vota Vita Class Fund) by Ricky & Ivy Harris

Baptists on Mission (Baptist Men) Hurricane Helene Relief \$4216.
Samaritan's Purse Hurricane Helene Relief \$4100.



Seniors Together

Luncheon Trip to
Rosebriar Restaurant—Albemarle, NC
Friday, November 22, 2024
Leave church at 10:30 AM
Please sign up if you plan to attend!

Exciting plans for December Senior's Together outing.
Lunch and a Matinee Play
Keep watching Bulletins and December Newsletter

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." — 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV)



Happy Fall! As we enter the month of November, our hearts are drawn to gratitude. Let us take time to reflect on the many blessings God has given us and remember to keep in our prayers those who have lost so much over the past few months.

During the week of November 3–10, we will be collecting an offering for the Baptist Children's Home. By supporting this special offering, we help provide a safe, nurturing environment for children and families in crisis, assisting them in healing and growth. Their mission is to share the love of Christ through comprehensive services such as residential care, foster care, counseling, and family support.

On November 16, the WMU will once again honor our Sunshine Members by delivering meals to them and their caregivers. Members will come together to prepare, pack, and deliver a delicious meal, along with a short visit. I also invite all the ladies to join our WMU. It's a wonderful opportunity for Christian fellowship and mission work. Please join us on November 6 for our whole group meeting and/or on November 26 for our smaller morning or evening groups.

Let us embrace this season of thankfulness together!

Blessings in Christ,
Dr. Amy B. Reynolds



Operation Christmas Child Chili/Dessert Supper & Silent Auction Fundraiser successfully raised \$1110.00.

Shoebox Packing Party
November 15, 2024
6:00 PM

OCC Shoebox Collection/Dedication
November 17, 2024

November 2024

Sunday School—9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship—Live & On Line 10:55 a.m.

Evening —Prayer Meeting & Youth 5:30 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Audio Team Matt DeHart	Counting Team Shirley Parsons Hazel Spivey				1	2
Lord's Supper 3 9:45 AM Classes 10:55 AM Message 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Prayer Mtg & Youth Deacon of the Week Joe Huntley, Jr. 910-576-8781	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Trustee Meeting 6:15 PM ----- Deacon Meeting 7:00 PM	6:30 PM Fellowship Meal 7:15 PM WMU Baptist Men			
Veteran's Sunday 10 9:45 AM Classes 10:55 AM Worship 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Prayer Mtg & Youth Deacon of the Week Jo Jo Huntley 910-576-1278	11	12	13	14	15	16
			6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Kids Club		OCC Shoebox Packing Party at 6:00 PM	
9:45 AM Business Mtg 17 10:00 AM Classes 11:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM ONLINE Live Shoebox Collection/Dedication 5:30 PM Prayer Mtg & Youth Deacon of the Week Charlie Parsons 910-576-2999	18	19	20	21	22	23
			6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Kids Club		Seniors Together Lunch Rosebriar Restaurant Albemarle, NC Leave at 10:45 AM	
9:45 AM Classes 24 10:55 AM Worship 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Prayer Mtg & Youth Deacon of the Week Scotty Reynolds 910-975-2015	25	26	27	28	29	30
		10:00 AM Mission Group I Lounge 6:30 PM Mission Group 2 Fellowship Hall	6:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Kids Club	 Office Closed	Office Closed	
ELEVATE	3 - Elizabeth Nichols Hannah Nichols	10- Trudy Saunders Peyton Saunders	17 - Bradley Wright Hailey Wright	24 - Jocelyn Allen Raylon Hogan	Hospitality	Hospitality
NURSERY	3- Denia Huntley Gay Huntley	10 -Wanda Sharpe Anna Sharpe Kayla Millikan	17 -Alana Dixon Amber Hogan	24 - Sarah DeHart Lee Wright	Fellowship Hall Sue German	Vestibule Gay Huntley