



Dear Senior Adults, The Senior Adult Committee has planned Senior Adult Day for this year. It will be held on Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will be a meal provided to honor Macedonia seniors 60 and older immediately following morning worship service. In order to follow safety guidelines, it will be different from years past. We will have this event outside in the parking lot beside the fellowship hall. We will safely distance the tables and we ask that you bring your own chair. Due to the limited space, only senior adults may attend. Since it is a different situation this year and we don't know what to expect for attendance, we are trying to get a basic head count so we know how much food to order. We are having fried chicken and bbq with sides. If you feel comfortable meeting like this and plan on attending, we ask that you **contact the church office or a Senior Adult Committee member by Sunday April 11th**. In the event of inclement weather, we will provide the meals to go on that day. We look forward to serving and honoring our seniors.

Here is a list of the committee members: Carla Belch, Karen Huey, Lauren Goodwin, Heath and Judy Hughes, and Joyce Jack

**Deacons of the Week:**

4<sup>th</sup> David Earley  
Mike Layton

11<sup>th</sup> Eric Goodwin  
Chris Layton

18<sup>st</sup> Carroll Skinner  
Tom Bass

25<sup>th</sup> Curtis Byrum  
Lonnie Coker



We'll keep our distance but still have fun

Come and join the parade with everyone!

Stay in your car  
Honk, Wave and Shout

We are celebrating differently as we drive out!

Cruise over to the Askew's and get a treat

It'll be just like the 50's

Take it in your car to eat!

Decorated cars encouraged!

Contact the church office for the Askew's address.

No Gifts—Bring a card if you'd like!

**MBC Office Hours  
Monday – Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

**Sunday School (10:10 am) and  
Children's Church and Nursery (11:00 am)  
have been restarted at MBC!  
Wednesday Night Prayer Meetings at 7:00 pm  
are now being held in the sanctuary again.**

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**Senior Pastor.....Chris Gravning  
Deacon Chairman.....Mathew Simons  
Co-Music Directors.....Carolyn Smithwick & Phil Huey  
Secretary.....Rachel Gregory  
Custodian.....Joyce Jack**



*"How will anyone know that you look favorably on me—on me and on your people—if you don't go with us? For your presence among us sets your people and me apart from all other people on the earth."*

### Exodus 33:16 NLT

*I shared this on my social media at the end of last month. I hope it is a blessing to you as you read this today if you did not have the chance to read it before:*

Years ago when I was a youth pastor, I took our students for the first time to a *Global Youth Ministry* camp. I had just got called back to Ringgold, GA at New Liberty Baptist and had the task of finding a camp that wasn't already out of space. I researched and found this ministry that was only about an hour away from us, so I was thinking that this would be a good place to go for my first year. It's local. It's cheaper. And then maybe next year, we'll go farther to a bigger camp. Well, I never did go to another camp, or at least to a camp not with that ministry. They had some camps they did off their property and we did that a couple of times. But that camp ministry was, and still is, phenomenal.

The theme of that year was *Dangerous*, based out of Exodus. One of the main driving points throughout the week was this idea of God's presence. Moses intercedes for God's people after they turn their backs on Him by making a golden calf and attributing their salvation to it and worshipping it. Moses knows that without God with them, they are nothing. He prays for His presence. That has always stuck with me, and every time I read this passage, I think of how important it is to have the presence of God with us as His people.

Without God's presence, we are no different from the world around us. Without God's presence, all we intend to do for Him is futile. Without God's presence, we do not have His favor. Without God's presence, we are lost. Ultimately, the Father sent His Son Jesus to be "God with us," and for all who believe and trust in Him, He has given us the Holy Spirit who indwells us. Yet it's still important to live by the Spirit and pray constantly, "God, go with me today. Go with us as your people." May that be our heart cry everyday as God's people, the church.

-Pastor Chris



### MBC Family wishes **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to the following who were born in April!

3 Angela Jones, Joyce White 5 Michael Lancaster  
6 Lucas Bond 8 Aubrey Coker 9 Betty Venters 10 Melissa Forehand  
12 Anna Grace Huey, Jan Layton 13 Karen Huey 14 Sophie Banks 15 Rudy Askew, Elizabeth Hughes  
16 Brandon Woodley 19 Robert Britt 22 April Bond  
24 Jamie Griffin 28 Kevin Goodwin 30 Tommy Castelleo, Henry White

### Edenton Chowan Food Pantry Collection

MBC has been selected to provide BABY WIPES during the month of April. This is a product many senior adults use, parents and children, and especially our precious babies need. Thank you church family for your faithful giving. Any additional items are welcome.

**Summer camp spots are filling up at Camp Cale! MBC will pay half of the Camp Cale fee for each camper who is a member, immediate family of a member, or regularly attends MBC. Contact the church office.**

**April 1 & 2** - Secretary out of office

**April 2** - Good Friday Communion Service at MBC and Facebook Livestream 7:00 pm

**April 3** - Outdoor Easter Egg Hunt at Noon. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us!

**April 4** - We want to invite you to join us for Easter at Macedonia Baptist as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus! Sunday School at 10:00am (Indoors and masks encouraged) Outdoor Easter Service at 11:00am (Bring a chair! Masks optional. Spaces available for cars to drive-up and attend) Facebook Live will be available for the Easter service at 11:00am. Childcare will be available. No Evening Services on Easter Sunday.

NOTE: The outdoor service will be weather permitting. If the weather is too cold or rainy, we will move the service indoors in the sanctuary. Since space will be more limited and social distancing will be more difficult, masks will be highly encouraged if it is moved indoors. If you are not comfortable with the service indoors, we will have the Facebook Live option available!

**April 5** - Pastor and Secretary out of office

**April 11** - Observance of the Lord's Supper during Morning Worship

**April 18** - Deacons Meeting 7:15 pm

**April 21** - Helen Mitchell Bible Study at MBC with Alice Perry 1:00 pm, Business Meeting 7:30 pm, May Newsletter info. due

It's that time of year again; The Baptist Children's Homes of NC is doing their annual April Food Roundup. This year's item supply list copies are available upon request from the church office. Macedonia will be collecting items through April 25 on a designated table in the fellowship hall. If donating gift cards, they should be left in an envelope labeled for Baptist Children's Homes and left in the secretary's inbox or mailed to our PO Box 18.



*Thank You*

Thank you church family for all acts of kindness shown during the time I was in the hospital and recovering from covid.  
-Ramona Askew