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NOVEMBER YOUTH NEWS

JOURNEYS IN NOVEMBER — November is a time for fun and celebrating the blessings in our lives. The ZBCY will enjoy a time of fellowship and exciting events each week. See the weekly Journeys activities below:

November 1 — World Series Night

November 8 — Thanksgiving Night

November 15 — College Care Packages

November 22 — NO JOURNEYS FOR THANKSGIVING

November 29 — Advent Bible Study

LFW 2023 — There are some slight changes to the Living Faith Weekend this year. We will continue to have our Veterans Day Luncheon on Friday, November 10. Youth that can help at the luncheon need to plan to meet at church at 10:00 a.m. More information about the day will be discussed at Journeys and a future bulletin. Our other events from the weekend will be postponed until a later date.

DINNER AFTER THANKSGIVING SERVICE — After the Thanksgiving service on Tuesday, November 21, the youth will go out to dinner. Sign up will end Wednesday, November 15.

VETERANS DAY LUNCHEON — The youth of ZBC will be hosting a luncheon for the veterans and their families on Friday, November 10, at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The youth of ZBC cannot wait to host our veterans and their families!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES — This year we are doing our college care packages slightly differently. We are asking for the help of the ZBC congregation to make these packages extra special. If you are interested in providing a special treat or note to our college students, please go to the link here: <https://bit.ly/zbcCCP23>. Our youth will put together the packages on Wednesday, November 15. All items will need to be dropped off in the church office by Tuesday, November 14. Thank you all for your help!

NOVEMBER 2023

We have come through what I hope has been a meaningful emphasis on stewardship over the past several weeks. We have contemplated *holistic stewardship, meaning the careful management of all our resources, and not only our financial giving. Our goal has been to educate our congregation to understand the following truths:*

- We are born to be generous with what we have because we are created in the image of God, who is generous to us in love and blessings.
- We are committed to expressing our gratitude to God for his blessings, and to all those who share of themselves with us.
- We participate in the act of restoration whenever we give sacrificially as an act of faith: we restore ourselves into deeper relationship with God; and we restore the lost and the poor when we give of ourselves as a response to God's love.
- We are disciples of Christ, and that means we value the work of Christ's ministry over and above worldly possessions and wealth.
- We are agents helping to bring the Kingdom of God ever closer by embodying the virtues of justice, mercy and authenticity.

In light of these truths, when we give—our tithe, time, and talents—our church grows, not just in terms of the number of pews we fill in our sanctuary each Sunday, but our church grows in our ability to encounter and meet the needs of our community. Likewise, we grow in faith as we witness the blessings of God abounding and the worship of our people reverberating beyond our church buildings into the world.

Now it's time to respond. What sacrifices are you ready to make for the Kingdom of God to come near? What are you ready to give? Let us prepare to walk by faith into a new church year with cheerful, generous and merciful hearts through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessings and Peace,
Ward

**NOVEMBER EVENT FOR SENIOR ADULTS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023**

On Friday, November 3, our Senior Adults will enjoy a trip to the Greenville Convention Center for the Down East Holiday Show (crafts and gifts show). Admission for adults is \$10 per person. We will gather in the church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and leave right at 8:45 a.m. We will enjoy Christmas shopping at the craft show for about two hours and then we will enjoy a family style lunch at Parker's in Greenville before returning home. Please let Barbara Glasgow or the church office know as soon as possible if you plan on attending.

**REMEMBER TO FALL BACK ONE HOUR AS YOU SET THE CLOCKS BEFORE BEDTIME ON
SATURDAY NIGHT PRIOR TO THE TIME CHANGE ON
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5.
ENJOY THE EXTRA HOUR OF SLEEP BEFORE COMING TO CHURCH!**



**WOMEN'S LUNCHEON
COURAGE: "A SPIRITUAL VIRTUE"**

On Sunday, November 19, we will have a Women's Luncheon. Our theme will be "Flavors of Italy." Our guest speaker will be our very own Jill Jenkins Getty. Jill will share spiritual inspiration and challenge us to be the best women disciples we can be. John Cashwell will be our chef. Our luncheon will begin immediately after worship. We will be selling tickets on Wednesdays and Sundays before and after worship in the breezeway going into the sanctuary near the parlor. Tickets will be \$10 each. **The deadline for buying tickets will be Sunday, November 12.**

MISSIONS MINUTE

- On October 9 members of our local missions team fed the Boys and Girls Club a hot dog lunch.
- Be sure to read the Christmas Benevolence article in this newsletter.
- Don't forget the Food Pantry when you are doing your holiday food shopping.

JUNIORS TO DINNER

The Juniors will enjoy eating dinner together on Tuesday, November 21 before the Thanksgiving Service. We will leave ZBC at 6:00 p.m. and go to Milano's Pizza and be back in time for the evening service.



**TUESDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 21
7:00 P.M. IN THE SANCTUARY**

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2023**

ZBC 2024 UNIFIED BUDGET FOR REVIEW

It's that time of year! We will be discussing our proposed 2024 Unified Budget at the November 12 Church Conference and copies are ready for your review. Please pick up a copy from a Budget Committee member or on one of the tables after worship or from the church office during business hours. A huge thank you to the Budget Committee who worked through several changes including the hiring of our new Senior Pastor and our new music staff, anticipating a new Assistant Pastor search, as well as church and staff growth!

Please review the budget prior to the conference and contact Budget Committee Chair, Julie Perry with any questions (jgperry555@gmail.com). We hope you will prayerfully consider what God is leading ZBC to accomplish for His Kingdom in the next year!

**QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 12, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.**

Our next church conference will be Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Agenda items will include regular quarterly reports, presentation of the New Day Campaign Sound System Project for approval, presentation of the 2024 Budget for approval, and other updates. Look for a detailed agenda in the weekly bulletins prior to the conference. A nursery will be provided.

CHRISTMAS BENEVOLENCE 2023

Christmas Benevolence at Zebulon Baptist is underway! We are working with our local schools to compile our list of families that are in need of assistance to make this Christmas merry and bright. Prayerfully consider how you can be a part of this amazing ministry.

- * Sponsor a family (individually, with others, or through your Sunday School class).
- * Choose to make a monetary gift to help support the purchase of needed items and gifts.
- * Participate in the Joy Gift Service.
- * Become a Christmas Benevolence team member, supporting the ministry from start to finish!
- * Volunteer on our preparation and/or distribution days (December 18 and December 19, 2023).
- * PRAY!

Information about the needs of each family and a notebook to sign-up for sponsorship will be available beginning November 12 outside the church office. If you would like to learn more or discuss ways to be involved, please contact Holly Lee (priority.holly@gmail.com) or Shannon Speller.

SENIOR ADULT HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

All Senior Adults are invited to our Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, November 30 in our Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy a wonderful meal of turkey and dressing, sweet potato casserole, green bean casserole, rolls, and desserts. We will enjoy a few holiday games and also have a time of reflection by Rev. Ward Page. Please bring three or more canned goods per person for our food pantry! (Canned meats, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, peanut butter, jelly, rice, dried beans, mac and cheese, canned vegetables, canned fruits, saltine crackers, and cereal). Lunch will begin at 12:00 noon. Please let Barbara Glasgow or the church office know if you are coming **by 12:00 noon on Monday, November 27.**

HELP NEEDED IN THE NURSERY!

Zebulon Baptist Church is in search of a part-time Assistant Nursery Worker to provide dependable, safe, secure and nurturing care to the children in our church, ages 0 through 5 years old. If you are interested, please visit (<https://tinyurl.com/ZBC-Assistant-Nursery-Worker>) to review a complete job description and send a message to the personnel team. You can direct any questions to personnel@myzbc.org, Trisha Jones (Administrative Deacon Personnel Chair), Ben Possiel (Administrative Deacon for Nursery Staff), Shannon Speller (Minister of Children, Outreach and Missions), or Kelly DuPont (Nursery Deacon).