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### **JULY YOUTH NEWS**

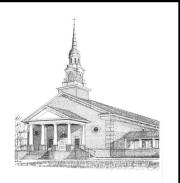
**PASSPORT 2024** — Sunday, July 7, the youth attending Passport Choices will gather at 7:30 a.m. in the ZBC parking lot near the vans. We will be traveling to Spartanburg, SC, at Converse University, July 7-12. Please be in prayer for this group as we travel, enjoy time together in Choices and Bible study, and discuss this week's theme, "Coming to the Water."

**TUBING THE TAR** — Monday, July 15, the youth will be tubing the Tar River. Sign up will end on Sunday, July 14. You may sign up by going to the link <a href="https://bit.ly/zbcsignup">bit.ly/zbcsignup</a>. We will meet at 11:00 a.m. by the vans. Bring \$25 to cover your tubing ticket. See Lauren with any questions.

**SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE** — Summertime is here and that means it is time for Sunday Night Live! Each week we will meet at different homes on Sunday night from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. and enjoy dinner, games, and Bible study. We will have Sunday Night Live events in July on the following dates: **July 14 and July 28. We will not have SNL on July 21.** Hope to see everyone for lots of fun together!

# Zebulon Baptist Church

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Reverend Ward Page, Senior Pastor
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## **JULY 2024**

## Greetings!

I would like to once again express my deep appreciation—first to God, who blesses so richly, and second to the amazing congregation of Zebulon Baptist Church—for entrusting me with your leadership and care. We now enter the second of what I hope will be many years of worship, service and fellowship together. I am very excited to walk in faith with you, listening for God's voice, and discerning how to work toward God's reign on earth!

On the subject of work, I am delighted to grow nearer to the time when our new Associate Pastor, Rev. Melissa Willis, will join us. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to learn about her, I invite you to visit our church office, where you can pick up an informational handout that highlights her experience and personality. Her role will be very similar to that of a cheerleader in the sense that she will work to motivate our congregation to become more actively involved in the ministry of our church in ways both great and small. She will seek out and share opportunities for training and spiritual growth, and help our church enhance the way we reach out to newcomers. She will bring her compassion to care for our congregation.

I pray that our congregation will welcome and love Melissa's family in the same way you welcomed and loved my family when we were called to ZBC last year. I pray that you will be ready for the invitation to serve when it comes. I pray that you will believe in your own value and gifts, which God has given you. I pray that you will believe you can contribute to effective Christian ministry, as God has called you. And I pray that ZBC will continue to be the encouraging and strong reflection of Christ's love in our community through our shared work.

Blessings and Peace, Rev. Ward Page

#### TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We welcome all ladies to join us for Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in room D12. In July, we are beginning a book study on The Lord's Prayer. The book is entitled *The Lord's Prayer Bible Study* by Rose Visual Bible Studies. There are copies in the church office available to purchase for \$8.00. We will have an introductory lesson on July 2 and then delve into the book for the following six weeks.



"Whether you have repeated the Lord's Prayer countless times in church or are new to this classic prayer, this Bible study will help you slow down and reflect on the spiritual meaning behind each line. How do we 'hallow' the Father's name? What is God's kingdom? What is our daily bread? Gain a deeper understanding of these powerful words and enliven the way you pray by following the model prayer that Jesus shared with his first disciples."

We hope you will join us as we explore these questions and enjoy Bible study, discussion, and fellowship together on Tuesday mornings.



# SPECIAL CHURCH CONFERENCE SUNDAY, JULY 14 11:30 A.M. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

Your Administrative Deacon board has approved two very important decisions for the church's consideration:

- A recommendation for a portion of church funds to be moved to higher interest-bearing accounts and CDs. If you have any questions prior to conference, please contact Julie Perry, Administrative Deacon Budget Chair, at <a href="mailto:igperry555@gmail.com">igperry555@gmail.com</a> or 919-612-1583.
- A recommendation to call Melissa Willis as our next Associate Pastor. The moderators and Personnel chair are working on the next steps to have the candidate come before the church prior to consideration. In the meantime, information about this candidate will be available starting Sunday, June 30 in the church office and in the sanctuary foyer. If you have any questions prior to conference, please contract Trisha Jones, Administrative Deacon Personnel Chair, at personnel@myzbc.org or 919-906-2933.



#### SENIOR ADULT TRIP BREAKFAST AND FARMERS' MARKET

Our Senior Adults will enjoy breakfast at the Farmers' Market Restaurant and shopping for fresh fruit and vegetables on Thursday, July 18. We will leave the church at 8:15 a.m. and eat breakfast together at the Farmers' Market Restaurant and after breakfast we will have time to shop at the Farmers' Market. The Nahunta Pork Center at the Farmers' Market is also open on Thursday. Please let Barbara Glasgow or the church office know by Tuesday, July 16 if you plan on going on our trip to Raleigh.



On Sunday July 14 at 5:00 p.m., the Kentucky Mission Trip team will be meeting in Room D8. Please make every effort to be at this very important meeting. If you have any questions please see Shannon.



# SANCTUARY CHOIR WILL REHEARSE ON THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAYS IN JULY

JULY 17 — Rehearsal JULY 31 — Rehearsal

The Sanctuary Choir will be singing each Sunday morning in July!

This is a great time to join the Sanctuary Choir!