

BLUE RIDGE

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From My Heart

September is here and God is at work at Blue Ridge. It was great to have Bonnie Ryals join our fellowship last Sunday! This month we will feed our football team, learn how to change the world, name a goat (look inside for my details), and we just might have a cookout and watch a movie under the stars. The world seems to be falling apart (Afghanistan, Hurricanes, COVID, and the southern border), but God's Kingdom marches on and offers blessings to all who join the Kingdom.

How can we stay encouraged in troubled times, how can we transform this crazy world of ours? I have the answer and it comes from one of the commentaries that belonged to my Dad. My Dad was a professor of Civil Engineering, but he had a deep love for God and was a great Sunday School teacher. Dad was smart, really smart and read a lot and had a great Biblical library. My Dad and I had a lot in common, but there were some ways that we were very different. One way is how we treated books. The first thing my Dad would do when he got a new book was to throw away the jacket cover. I love those covers and will keep them until they fall apart. Dad never marked in his books, I guess he was so smart that once he read something it was in his head forever. I on the other hand mark up every book I read, even if I just read it for fun. I underline key phrases and even write notes in the open space.

The other day I was looking at a commentary of the book of Hebrews. As I turned the pages I found a sticky note that was left by my Dad, and I noticed that he underlined a little paragraph. It must have been significant, so I stopped to read it. It was looking at Hebrews 1:1-4 and said these words, "*These stately lines... constitute the most beautiful single*

passage in the New Testament. The two major emphases are: first, that God has spoken; second, that God has spoken for a final time."

The scripture tells us that in the past God spoke through the prophets. They gave us a picture of God. Through Amos we see God's justice. Through Isaiah we see God's holiness. Through Hosea we see God's forgiving love. They gave us small glimpses of God, but at the end of time God spoke through His Son Jesus who fully reviled God, climaxing with His sacrificial death on the cross.

The Hebrews believed two things: God exists, and God speaks. In this scripture God says that He has spoken and His final Words to us have been spoken through His Son. People are always looking for something new, something better, but they always come up empty. God says I have given you hope, a future, power, peace, purpose, joy, heaven, and more and it is all found in the words of Jesus!

What does this all mean? It means we need to get into the Word, and we need to share the Word with everyone we meet! John 10:10 says, "*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.*" It is all there in the Words of Jesus! Do you know His Words, are you sharing His Words? To know and share is your mission and purpose. It will give you joy and power and will change your world.

Hope to see you Sunday at Blue Ridge or online. We love you!

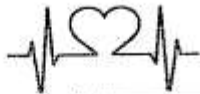
Bro. John

Feed the Football Team Sept. 17th
We will be catering it this year through Jack's because of COVID. If you would like to make a donation, it is \$3.60 a plate. We will feed 115.

Name our Goat Set. 19th
We are going to reach out to a poor farmer through the International Missions Board to give them a gift of compassion.

HAPPY
Labour Day

A Specially Blessed September is Here!



September 6	Happy Labor Day
September 12	Myers- Mallory State Missions Offering
September 12-19	Week of Prayer for State Missions
September 17	Wetumpka Football Team Breakfast
September 19	Name That Missions Goat Announcement
TBA	Outdoor Movie Night

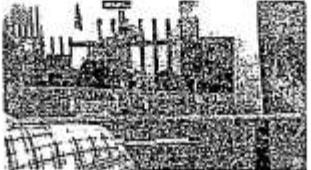
Congratulations to our August Church Bake-Off Winners!

Main Dish	Brisket	Don Roney
Vegetable	Potatoes and Cheese	Mary Ryals
Salad	7 Layer Salad (Green Pea)	Linda Graydon
Bread	Dinner Roll	Shirley Davis
Desserts	Blueberry Dessert	Tammi Stevenson
Desserts	Carrot Cake	Bonnie Ryals

Kids Category

Avery, Evelyn, Caroline, and James Roney
 The Best Chocolate Chip Cookies!
 Special Thank You to Jim and Barbara Harris for
 Chicken

Everyone was a winner! Everybody had votes and many were very close. Thank you to all our great Blue Ridge Bakers.



Celebrate Our Great Nation's Labor Force in All Areas of Our Lives

Welcome To Our New Members

Welcome

By Baptism:
 Patrick Barfoot
 455 Busch Hill Drive Wetumpka, AL 36093

By Letter:
 Bonnie Ryals
 134 Stonegate Trail Wetumpka, AL. 36093

Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering
 And Week of Prayer is September 12-19

Your gifts go to the Alabama WMU, Disaster Relief, Church Planting, Partnership Missions, and Church Revitalization. Be in prayer for these programs our State Convention provides.

Please excuse the layout of this newsletter. We had problems with our computer.

**Wetumpka High School Football Team
Breakfast**



We are happy to give our annual breakfast for the Coaches and team players of our local high school on Friday, September 17. For everyone's safety, this year we are going to purchase full breakfasts, drinks (milk and orange juice), cups and utensils to be served at the Wetumpka Civic Center. The team will come to our vehicle to pick everything up. Bro.

John will have a devotional for the team. The breakfast will cost \$3.60 each and we will be providing 115. It would be great if you would like to make a donation toward the cost. Make your gift payable to the church and mark it "Wetumpka Football Breakfast". Pray for the Team and our own Patrick Barfoot!



**Join us for a Baby Shower
In Honor of
Madeline Cannon
Awaiting the Arrival of**

BABY TRUMAN

**October 03, 2:00-4:00 pm
185 Mountain Meadows Lane
Wetumpka 36093
RSVP via Text 334-430-5714
Registered at Amazon and The Name Dropper**

Name That Goat Missions Effort

World  Hunger

This year, the World Hunger Relief Fund has found a way for us to provide farm animals to give families an ongoing way to provide for their families. We have decided on giving a goat (s) (\$75 ea.) and giving it a name. We will vote on the goat's name on Sunday, September 19. Here are names on the ballot as of this publishing: Billy(boy), Billie (Girl), Blu, Gordy, Gorgonzola, Goaty, Gertie, Blue, Bluey, Shep (short for Shepherd), Bentley, and Suc. We have fun at Blue Ridge as "the joy of the Lord is our strength".

September Birthdays

3	Tim Parker
7	Owen Sereneck
8	Nathan Bennett Kelly Tyler Manni Evelyn Roney
11	Jeff Singleton
16	Katie Bennett
26	Don Patrick Roney

A Special Thank You

We thank our faithful friends James and Jody Mallonee, Dr. Don Cheatham, Drs. Corey and Marcia Stanley, and Brenda Chambliss for never forgetting our church at Blue Ridge as they offer up their tithes and offerings to our Lord each month. You make all the difference in our ministries! We hope we can see you all soon.

**Children's Ministry in September
Please join Us!**

- 5: Preschool: Emily Roney; Children's Church: Tammi Stevenson
- 12: Preschool: Emily Roney; Children's Church: Shirley Davis and Susan Bass
- 19: Preschool: Emily Roney; Children's Church: Jackie Carney
- 26: Preschool: Emily Roney; Children's Church: Lorrie Sereneck

Youth News and Views

You are all back in school and your church is praying for you, your teachers, and lunchroom leaders, and administration. Be safe and stay healthy! Look around your classrooms and see who you can invite to church. Everybody needs a friend and our Christian friendship bonds are strong. We will have a Movie Night this month with food, popcorn, and snow cones. Bring a friend!



Children's Sunday School



Kids' Corner

We are enjoying having our Sunday School time during Children's Church and we really appreciate the teachers who give their time to help us learn Bible stories, do crafts, work puzzles, and enjoy being friends at church. We welcomed Sadie and Kylie in August. Everyone became good friends, shared, and learned together.

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Join us every Sunday for **Worship at 11:00 AM at Blue Ridge or on YouTube!**
 Go to our Website www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net and click on the link'
How to Give Online

Unleash your generosity by giving through our safe and secure GiveThree65 digital platform.
 Visit www.blueridgebaptistchurch.net and click on the **Secure Donations Page** to begin the process.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Counting and Lock up David Brown		1 The Mid-Week Picker Upper 5:00 PM	2	3	4 <i>A Cookout and A Movie Under the Stars Coming in September!</i>
5 Myers-Mallory State Mission Offering	6	7	8 The Mid-Week Picker Upper 5:00 PM	9	10	11
12 Myers-Mallory State Mission Offering James Study 5:00 PM	13	14	15 The Mid-Week Picker Upper 5:00 PM	16 Remember you can give online at blueridgebaptistchurch.net	17 Football Breakfast	18
19 Name our Goat James Study 5:00 PM	20	21	22 The Mid-Week Picker Upper 5:00 PM	23	24	25
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