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“Living Sent”

*Jesus said to them again,
‘Peace be with you. As the
Father has sent me,
I also send you.’
John 20:21 (CSB)*

NCMISSIONS.ORG
August 9– August 16, we
will focus on the NC
Missions Offering. Your
gifts to the NCMO help
support the ministries of
Baptists on Mission,
church planting, mission
camps, associational
project & mobilization
ministry projects. Please
designate “NCMO” on
your offering envelope.

During the second half of August (the 23-30), we
will collect our Acts 1:8 offering that goes to
supplement our scholarship fund for members of
SABC who are called to be a part of our
volunteer mission trips. Please designate
“Acts 1:8” on your offering envelope.



SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:15

Worship - 10:30

Deacon Election Results from July 19

The seven men elected to serve a three-year term beginning in September are:

Jason Boone, Jeff Godwin, Gates Harrell, Heath Henry, Aaron Pike, Jason Rackley, & Brandon Vick.



Sunday, August 2
4:30-7:00
Stone Gate Community



We will be observing
The Lord's Supper
Sunday, August 9

BAPTISM
CELEBRATION

Sunday, August 16

The Pastor's Pen...

Celebrating Patrick Richardson's 30th Employment Anniversary

It is rare in church life to have the kind of staff longevity we have enjoyed at SABC. Today, I am especially grateful for Patrick Richardson. August 26th will mark Patrick's 30th anniversary here with us. I speak for the staff and I speak for so many of you in saying that Patrick is not just a valued employee but even more a valued friend. He (along with Jimmy Lawson) keeps our facilities and grounds looking sharp. But more than that, Patrick serves us all with love and respect. He is an absolute joy to work with. We are blessed as a church to have him here.

I would encourage many of you, as you feel led, to speak a word of appreciation and encouragement to Patrick as his anniversary approaches. If you desire to do anything beyond that, please feel free to share that with him as well. He is a most deserving recipient. And so we honor Patrick Richardson for thirty years of distinguished service among us. I pray there are many more years to come.

Preaching Series through the Book of James

Beginning this coming Sunday, I will be preaching through the book of James. It is one of the most practical books in the entire Bible. We will be greatly blessed as we study this book chapter by chapter and verse by verse. I encourage you to be here for the weeks and months to come. And if you do have to miss, please take advantage of our YouTube livestream in order to keep up with what God's Spirit will be teaching us during this series. Start reading and preparing your hearts now.

I love you all. Thanks for being the kind of church family that encourages staff members to stick around in serving Jesus with you.

Your and His,

Pastor Robin

FROM PASTOR NEIL & LAUREN

♦ **Mandatory Child Abuse Prevention & Volunteer Training Meeting**

We will offer two identical meetings for every person serving in any capacity with our children & youth. This includes nursery workers, teachers, & our security team members. **We will meet in the Sanctuary at 2:00 on August 16 & 23. Please choose one of the two meetings to attend. Please contact Pastor Neil or Lauren if you have questions or cannot attend.**

- ♦ **August 23-Parent Meeting** during Sunday School from 9:15-10:15 in the large fellowship hall. We will cover policies, calendar, child check in, release forms & communication for the coming year.

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WMU Mission Meeting

The Fall WMU Mission Meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, at Arlington Baptist Church at 10 AM. The guest speaker will be our own Virginia Roberson, Nash County Director for LifeWise Academy. Arlington Baptist will serve a lunch at a cost of \$7 per person (pay at the door on the day of the meeting). Please contact Carol Boone at 903-6173 by September 9 if you plan to attend & stay for lunch. A love offering will be taken for the guest speaker. All women of the church are invited to attend as we learn more about the mission ministry. Ladies mark your calendars.



August 1-August 8

The projects and ministries we will be involved with are:

- ♦ **Brekenridge Sing-a-Long**
Saturday, August 1, 3:00-4:00
- ♦ **Stone Gate Back to School Bash**
Sunday, August 2, 4:30-7:00
- ♦ **Peacemakers**
Tuesday, August 4, 8:30-12:00
- ♦ **First Responders Meals**
Tuesday, August 4, 5:30-8:00
- ♦ **Nash Correctional Staff Appreciation "Sweet Treat" & Prayer**
Wednesday, August 5
9:00-11 & 6:00-8:00
- ♦ **Kings Way Back to School Bash**
Thursday, August 6, 4:30-6:30
- ♦ **First Responders Meals**
Thursday, August 6, 5:30-8:00

There will be no church activities on Wednesday, August 5.

Prayer Concerns

Bill Armstrong ~ Connor Baker ~ Ed & Edith Baker ~ David Blackmon ~ Phil & Carol Boone ~ David Bryan ~ Pam Davis ~ Darryl Gschwind ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Heath Henry ~ Mattieleene Johnson ~ Nona Jones ~ Charles Kaczmarek ~ Doug & Betsy Langston ~ Bill McDaniel ~ Johnson Moore ~ Anise Rose ~ Don Sutton ~ David Waltz ~ Bennett, Ashley, Cullen & Finnley Williford ~ Family of Don Armstrong ~ Family of Lois Ann Barnes ~ His Mansion Ministry ~ Kings Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church
In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Any information that you wish to have published
in the September newsletter should be emailed to
lwebb@sabaptist.org by noon on
Monday, August 17.

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

is available on the church website: sabaptist.org

June 28, 2026—July 26, 2026

Attendance Totals

	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship</u>
28	221	320
5	186	237
12	223	302
19	213	270
26	205	275

Membership Additions in 2026

By Baptism (Watchcare = 2)	2
By Transfer or Statement of Faith	15

Weekly Budget Need for 2026: \$ 25,015.95

June 28, 2026 - July 26, 2026 Giving Totals

<u>Offering Received</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Received</u>
28 \$ 22,661.27	\$ 2,880.00	\$ 25,541.27
5 \$ 23,999.00	\$ 13,140.00	\$ 37,139.00
12 \$ 28,290.23	\$ 2,039.79	\$ 30,330.02
19 \$ 22,563.45	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 25,813.45
26 \$ 25,946.23	\$ 6,407.00	\$ 32,353.23

Year to Date Budget January 1, 2026 - July 26, 2026

<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 750,478.50	\$ 706,565.12	\$ (43,913.38)

Thank You!

Dear Church,

Thank you so much for the support & kind words, concerning the recent 100th Anniversary Celebration. We had such a great time planning & executing this exciting time in our church.

Steve, the music history was such a delight to everyone, Vickie, the decorations were stunning, & Youth, your help on the day of celebration was so appreciated. There are so many of you that donated pictures & we are so grateful.

Thank you, Church, for all that you do to preserve our history as we go forward into another century.

~The History Committee

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the calls, cards, visits, food, & well wishes you have given us since my surgery. We have been blessed by your acts of kindness & words of encouragement! God has blessed me with a quick recovery, & I am doing well.

~In Chrisian Love,
Nancy & Tony Knight