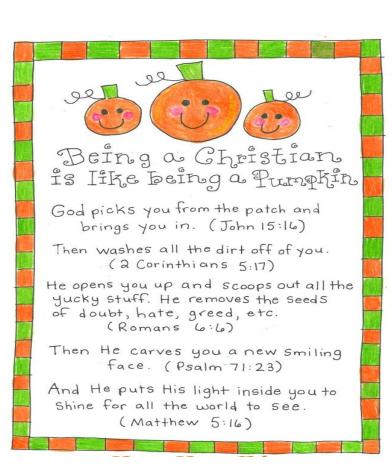
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Sunday School Classes Resume!

After almost 18 months, our Sunday school classes have finally resumed. Both the Gleaners class and



the Travis/Daly classes will be meeting in the Sunday school building. Just a reminder, classes begin at 9:15 a.m.

Hope to see you then!

Gleaners Class—Sharon Dew Travis/Daly Class—Larry Williams







Connecting you with the body of Christ at Spilman Memorial Baptist Church

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CHURCH STAFF

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr., Senior Pastor Michell Sutton Eguez, Administrative Assistant Michael Cowan, Director of Music and Organist Michell Eguez and Sarah Reese, Pianists Michael and Vance Aldridge, Custodians Michelle Sutton, Finance Assistant Jerry Crisp, Security

A Promise Keeping God

As many of you are aware, I have begun ministering to the teachers and staff of Northeast Elementary School this year. I met with the principal at the beginning of the year to find out what I can do to help the school. He said after a year like last year, and the uncertainty of what will occur this year, the staff needed encouragement and prayer. He invited me to come to their first staff meeting to pray for them as they began a new year.



The Lord laid on my heart to REALLY put my prayers into action and become a visible presence at the school. I asked the principal if I could come at 7:00 am on Thursdays DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR. to be available to pray with any staff member that wanted me to pray with them. Over the past month, I have arrived early, and seen the beginning activity of the school day. Teachers arriving, buses pulling out for their routes, and of course, the sunrise on a new day. This time has become precious to me as more and more staff come for prayer.



I asked the principal if we could schedule a "See You at the Pole" event on September 22nd. He readily agreed and invitation cards were printed and distributed to all the students in the school. On the morning of the event, I told Sharon before leaving the house, that I was just going to show up and see what God would do today. When I arrived at the school early to pray before the 8:00 a.m. event, I saw a faint rainbow in the sky since it rained GET SERIOUS, REALLY SERIOUS. GET DOWN ON YOUR KNEES that morning. I was reminded afresh that God is a Promise Keeping God!

The principal let me know that during the morning announcements, students would be reminded if they would like to participate in the "See You at the Pole" prayer event, they could come to the office at the conclusion of the announcements. I was uncertain as to how many would come, but to my surprise, row after row of students began streaming down the hallway to participate in prayer. Over the next few minutes, as many as 75 students came to pray!

I thanked the students for coming out to the "See You at the Pole" event. I reminded them that they could pray at any time and God would listen. I asked the students what they wanted to pray about this morning. They each had something on their heart they wanted to pray about. Those prayer requests included: their mother, father, aunt, the world, their dog, upcoming 3rd grade tests, family, the school, they would be safe, and they would have a good day. Several offered to pray but only one young girl stepped up and prayed. After her prayer, I voiced all their concerns in one closing prayer. (Continued on next page)

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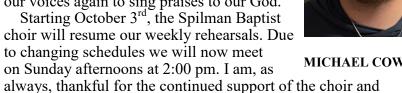
We may have planned the event, but God showed up with a promised rainbow and an abundance of children that wanted to pray to God. I am thankful for a principal that is willing to open his heart to a local pastor that wants to pray for his staff and children. My prayer is that the Lord would continue to bless the work of our hands for His kingdom and for His Glory!

If you would like to learn how you can help Northeast School, feel free to contact me.

Covid -19 & Music

This entire month has flown by. It seems like just yesterday September was beginning and now I am typing the article for October. September has been a month of challenges and change. At the end of August, our choir went on a Hiatus due to Covid-19. Now, almost six weeks later, we are finally joining our voices again to sing praises to our God.

Starting October 3rd, the Spilman Baptist choir will resume our weekly rehearsals. Due to changing schedules we will now meet on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm. I am, as



brings something to the table. Our talented musicians share their continue to spread the Gospel through

> Musically yours, Michael Cowan



MICHAEL COWAN

accompanist. I could not do this job without them. Each member talent with us weekly during each church service. I am excited to music at this church.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Collection Week is November 15-22, 2021

There are 2 ways you can help!



1. You can pick up a box in the back of the sanctuary, pack it and enclose \$9.00 for each box for shipping.



2. You can build a box online for \$25.00 using the link below, or you can make a check out to the church and we will purchase the box for you.

https://www.samaritanspurse.org/ operation-christmas-child/buildonline/

The \$25.00 includes shipping, essential items of pencils, tablet, toothbrush, pencil sharpener and brush or comb; 1 wow item, 3 small items and 2 accessories.

Audrey Tyson	2
Jennifer Bennett	4
Carey Washburn	6
Frances Keel	8
Carol Larkins	11
Berry Ann Pittman	11
Yvonne Parker	13
Leslie Jones	14
Dolores Kelly	16
Tiwana Grant	17
Jimmie Overton	17
Jenny Holt	19
Kay Blizzard	20
Mike Hartford	21
Shorty Hill	21
Sarah Beth Blizzard	22
Kim Harper	25
Margaret Moore	29

Larry Williams Deacon of the Month October 2021

OCT 3 (SUN)

Larry is married to Sylvia Williams and has one daughter Lynn, a son, Stanley and daughter in law Betsy.

Larry has been at Spilman since 1963. Currently, he is involved with Spilman in many ways. He serves as a Deacon; a teacher of the Travis/Daly Class and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 AM **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "UNDERLIVING" MATTHEW 25:14-30 LORD'S SUPPER OBSERVED 2:00 PM **CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES** OCT 10 (SUN) **SUNDAY SCHOOL** 9:15 AM **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "IN THE BEGINNING..." John 1:1-18 **CHOIR PRACTICE** 2:00 PM OCT 11 (MON) LONG RANGE PLANNING COMM. 11:00 AM OCT 12 (TUE) LEADERSHIP MEETING 4:00 PM OCT 13 (WED) **AOC MEETING 12 NOON OCT 17 (SUN) SUNDAY SCHOOL** 9:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 AM "JUST OLD WATER POTS" JOHN 2:1-11 **CHOIR PRACTICE** 2:00 PM OCT 24 (SUN) **SUNDAY SCHOOL** 9:15 AM **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "THE SECRET OF SALVATION" John 3:1-21 2:00 PM **CHOIR PRACTICE** 6:00 P.M. **NBA ANNUAL MEETING** TRINITY BAPTIST, GOLDSBORO OCT 25 (MON) LONG RANG PLANNING COMM. 11:00 AM OCT 31 (SUN) 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "THE WATER AND THE WOMAN" John 4:4-29 **CHOIR PRACTICE** 2:00PM

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DEACON MEETING

October 2021 Sunday School Lesson's

Unit Two—God Speaks Through God's Son

Oct. 3rd—Pay Attention to His Suffering—Hebrews 2:10

Oct. 10th —Pay Attention to His Elevation—Hebrews 4:12

Oct. 17th —Pay Attention to His Submission—Hebrews 5:7

Oct. 24th —Pay Attention to His Permanence—Hebrews 7:25

Unit Three—Dialogues

Oct. 31st—Naomi and Ruth—Ruth 1:20

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021

Deacon's Meeting 8:00 AM Sunday School 9:15 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Lord's Supper Observed Choir Practice 2:00 PM

COVID UPDATE

From Donna Keith

There is not much new to report with covid. The number of new cases at

8:00 AM



the hospital has decreased but it continues to be very busy with sick patients. There are deaths from covid almost everyday. Physicians feel it is not going to get better anytime soon.

Please wear your masks because you do not know if someone is positive. People can shed the virus even if they have no symptoms.

Vaccines are available most places now. That is your best defense.

Wash your hands and avoid crowds. As the weather changes, people will be indoors more. So mask up and stay safe!







