



# The Proclaimer

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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

A man observed a woman in the grocery store with a three-year-old girl in the seat of her shopping cart. As they passed the cookie section, the child asked for cookies and her mother told her, “No.”.

The little girl immediately began to whine and fuss, and the mother said quietly, “Now Ellen, we just have half of the aisles left to go through, don’t be upset. It won’t be long.”

He passed the mother again in the candy aisle. Of course, the little girl began to shout for candy. When she was told she couldn’t have any, she began to cry. The mother said, “There, there, Ellen, don’t cry. Only two more aisles to go, and then we’ll be checking out.”

The man again happened to be behind the pair at the check-out, where the little girl immediately began to clamor for gum, and burst into a terrible tantrum upon discovering there would be no gum purchased today. The mother patiently said, “Ellen, we’ll be through the check out in five minutes, and then you can go home and have a nice nap.”

The man followed them out to the parking lot and stopped the woman to compliment her. “I couldn’t help noticing how patient you were with little Ellen.”

The mother broke in, “My little girl’s name is Tammy...I’m Ellen.”

This month, we celebrate all the moms who patiently talked to themselves, loved us when we didn’t deserve it, and taught us about Jesus. Thank you for giving us life, for sacrificing to keep us alive, and for still worrying about us until the day you “go home.” Happy Mother’s Day!

This month, I will also celebrate the fact that God called me to be the pastor of Philadelphia Baptist Church in May of 2001, and has allowed me to serve here for 22 years.

To our PBC family, I love you more with each passing day. I thank God for your patience, your generosity, and the way you have loved on my family for all these years. It truly is a joy to serve our Lord with you!

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## **Graduation Sunday**

**DATE:** June 4<sup>th</sup> **TIME:** 10:30 AM

Please sign up by Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at <https://www.pbcmarshville.org/graduate-sunday-2022/> if you would like to participate in our graduation service. Thank you.

### **Ladies' Prayer Breakfast**

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 16th

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** Beth's Restaurant

### **Girlfriends in Christ**

Wednesday Nights • 7:00 PM

In the Conference Room.

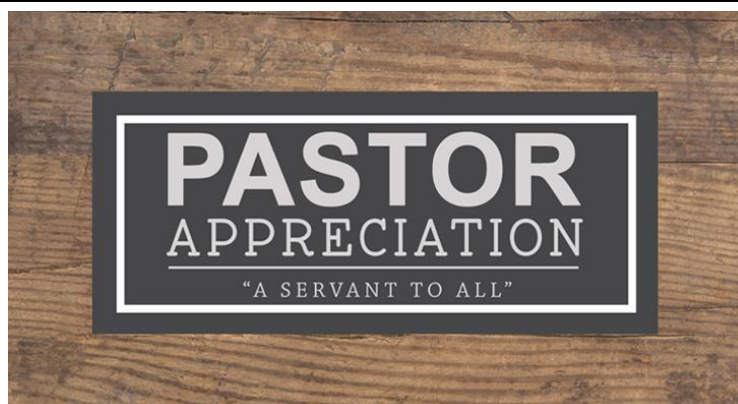
### **Men's Dinner**

**DATE:** May 4<sup>th</sup> **TIME:** 6:30 PM

**PLACE:** Chili's in Monroe



**Building Fund - July 30<sup>th</sup>**



**PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY - Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

**We will receive a love offering for Caroll and Sherrie on that day!**

**Thank you Pastor Caroll and Sherrie for all you do!**

## May 2023, continued

Sunday	Mon.	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
<b>21</b> Pastor Appreciation Day; GRADUATE INFORMATION DUE <b>9:30 AM:</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM:</b> Worship <b>5:00 PM:</b> Youth <b>5:30 PM:</b> AWANA Children arrive <b>6:00 PM:</b> AWANA Closing Ceremony	22	23	<b>24 7:00 PM:</b> Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GAs, RAs, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth in FLC <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice	25	26	27
<b>28 9:30 AM:</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM:</b> Worship <b>5:00 PM:</b> Youth	<b>29</b> Memorial Day Office Closed	<b>30</b> Deacons' Meeting	<b>31 7:00 PM:</b> Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GAs, RAs, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice			



**Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

If you would like to participate in Baby Dedication Day, please submit the following online form on our website. Thank you.

<https://www.pbcmarshville.org/baby-dedication/>



## **75 Plus Group**

April has been a great month at PBC. We had 12 people present at our meeting. Several were missing due to sickness. Thinking of you and as always, you're in our prayers.

Ralph and Bob did a great spaghetti lunch. Juanita McClain baked good sugar cookies, Marie Autry made strawberry cheese cake. We all enjoyed and appreciated the food. We love each one of you. Hope to see you on May 9, 2023 at 11:00 AM in our Life Center. Bonnie Oster

### **Children's Church**

**May 7<sup>th</sup>:** Ava Strawn & Sheri Bradshaw

**May 14<sup>th</sup>:** No CC – Mother's Day

**May 21<sup>st</sup>:** Kathy Brock & Jill Aldridge

**May 28<sup>th</sup>:** Michelle Query & Jenny Taylor

**June 4<sup>th</sup>:** No CC-Graduation Sunday

### **Mission Friends**

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>:** FLC-Lisa & Vanna  
Snack - Lisa

**May 10<sup>th</sup>:** Lisa & Vanna  
Snack – Luisa

**May 17<sup>th</sup>:** Michelle & Lisa  
Snack – Ava

**May 24<sup>th</sup>:** Chad & Lisa  
Snack - Sara

### **Nursery**

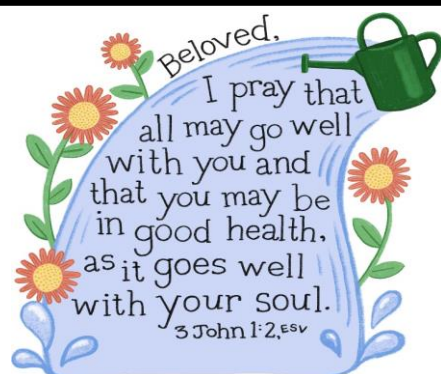
**May 7<sup>th</sup>:** Sydney Rowell & Jana Turner,  
Kelsi

**May 14<sup>th</sup>:** No Nursery – Mother's Day

**May 21<sup>st</sup>:** Luisa Price & Lisa Stutts

**May 28<sup>th</sup>:** Skyla & Doug Anderson, Avery

**June 4<sup>th</sup>:** No Nursery – Graduation Sunday



# May 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI.	SATURDAY
<b>May 4<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>National Day of Prayer</b>	1	2	<b>3 7:00 PM:</b> Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends in FLC, GAs, RAs, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice	<b>4 Golden Age</b> at Tony & Teresa Eudy's house 11:00 AM; <b>Men's Dinner</b> at Chili's 6:30 PM	5	6 FLC: Davis
<b>7 9:30 AM:</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM:</b> Worship <b>11:30 AM</b> AWANA Leader Luncheon <b>4:30 PM:</b> LAST AWANA CLASS <b>5:00 PM:</b> Youth FLC: Aldridge	<b>8 8<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup></b> Pastor Carroll & Sherrie on vacation	<b>9 75 Plus</b> meeting in the Family Life Center 11:00 AM	<b>10 7:00 PM:</b> NO IN-PERSON Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GAs in FLC, RAs, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice	11	12	13
<b>14</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> <b>9:30 AM:</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM:</b> Worship  No afternoon classes	15	<b>16</b> Ladies' Prayer Breakfast at Beth's Restaurant 9:00 AM	<b>17 7:00 PM:</b> Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GAs, RAs in FLC, Girlfriends in Christ, Youth <b>8:00 PM:</b> Choir Practice	18	19	20



# GOLDEN AGE NEWS



Save the date...for our regular meeting on *National Day of Prayer*, Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. We will have a pizza prayer party at my house at 11:00 AM. Let's come together and do some PRAYING! Lunch will be provided by Pizza Hut in Wingate, best around! Everyone attending will receive a surprise gift to take home and enjoy!

Hint...red sweet strawberries. 



**SAVE THE DATE FOR  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**See Lauren Davis for more  
information and to volunteer.**



## Youth Caswell Week

**July 17 – 22**

**Cost \$175.00**

**Eddie Briery will be the speaker  
for the week. See Jenks for  
details.**

**Rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders and up.**





## MAY NEWS

We are so grateful for your partnership in our ministry. Thank you for all that you do to further child discipleship. We appreciate your prayers and financial gifts as you send us to reach new churches with the ministry of Awana.

I recently attended an Awana Grand Prix Race at Trinity Baptist Church. The children were so excited! It was great seeing the children interact and be encouraged by the leaders. One of the leaders, Peggy Baucom, told me that three of her Cubbies (4-5-year-olds) found her and hugged her. She has led the Cubbies since they started Awana at her church. Davena Carnes, the Awana Ministry Director, told me that two children from her club recently decided to trust in Jesus. Kenzi decided to trust Jesus while she was at Awana one night. Bryson chose to trust Jesus after he was no longer part of Awana. This church's loving, caring adults greatly impacted their lives.

Xihui Dong is the Awana Ministry Director for Grace One Church. They open their Awana club with pledges and worship with songs. The children love to make hand motions with the songs. After the songs, I spoke to them about the African School Project. I told them how God had opened the schools to allow Awana in the school system. The children were very impressed with how students in the United States can send money to finance the schools in Africa. I showed them pictures of some of the schools and songs they sang in their Awana Club.

It is so encouraging to hear and see how God shows up in our ministry to Awana Churches. I'm so thankful that I can share these with you. God bless you for all you do to disciple the children!

All for Him, Kathy & Randy Brock, Awana Carolinas

### **VBS KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS**

VBS is coming soon in June and we need volunteers to help in the kitchen and to bring food. If you can help in anyway, please contact Kelly Baker at 704-242-1185.

Thank you to everyone willing to help. 😊



## **AWANA SPRING QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FROM KATHY BROCK**

Over the last few weeks, I have been to several Awana Grand Prix races. Racing has always been a big deal in my family. So, it is no surprise that I recently started thinking about how similar our Awana year is to running in a race. At the beginning of the year, we plan and prepare for the year by stretching our minds to absorb all we can from the Connect Dinners in the summer and the Awana Ministry Conference in September. We prepare by ordering materials (books & uniforms) and putting our support team (leaders) in place. We begin the year with a strong start by working diligently with our children and helping them grow in the knowledge and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. After Christmas, we are about halfway through the race. We begin again renewed by the time we spend with family and friends. Now we are at the last quarter of the race. It seems strange that the year is almost over. Some children have completed their books, while others are working hard to finish. Several of our children trusted Jesus as their Savior this year. We have our eyes on the finish line. Thank you for all you do to reach children with the Gospel of Christ.

**Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us,  
and let us run with endurance the race that  
is set before us. Hebrews 12:1b NKJV**

### **AWANA CLOSING CEREMONY**

**Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary**

We invite our whole church family to join us and witness the Bible knowledge of our children and encourage their hard work. Please join us! Ice cream social in the Family Life Center following the ceremony.

**Parents: Children need to arrive by 5:30 PM. Please drop off in their classroom.**

### **AWANA LEADER LUNCHEON**

**DATE: Sunday, May 7, 2023**

**TIME: 11:30 AM PLACE: Family Life Center**



## First Week of June

Joshua Baker	May 1
Kaley Fennell	May 1
Jayla Rapp	May 2
Hunner Wallace	May 3
Esther Medlin	May 4
Tiffany Romanello	May 4
Rick Benton	May 5
Leah Ciucevich	May 8
Ralph Pope	May 8
Liam Clay	May 9
Katie Autry	May 12
James Knight	May 13
Roger Newland	May 13
Dallas Stanley	May 13
Dillon McClain	May 14
Joy Autry	May 15
Hunter Strawn	May 15
Shirley Helms	May 17
Gibson Ashcraft Lineback	May 18
Lauren Davis	May 18
Billie Lee	May 18
Billie Ann M. Lee	May 18
Heidi Strawn	May 18
Brooke Lamberth	May 19
Jerry Atkinson	May 21
Melvin Woodward	May 21
Tyler McClain	May 22
Courtney Nelson	May 23
Nellie Moore	May 25
Amber Robinson	May 25
Christy Mabe	May 26
Mary Vaughn	May 26
Lisa Stutts	May 27
Cameron Vaughn	May 28
Alyssa Brock	May 29
Lenore Day	May 29
Ashley Severt	May 30
Jessica Speight	May 30
Joshua Tarlton	May 30
Harlann Gainey	May 31
Summer Speight	May 31

Finley Farthing	June 1
Leigha Rollins	June 1
Brystal Wallace	June 1
Jenks Jenkins	June 2
Devin Layser	June 2
Chad Forester	June 3
Kole Jenkins	June 5
Henry Rape'	June 5
Jerry Rollins	June 6

**Please contact Sheri at the church office to update the Birthday List. Thank you.**





# HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

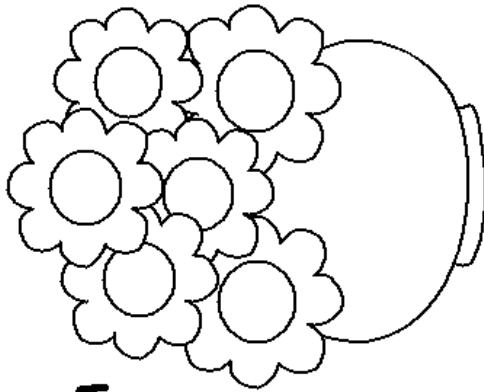
Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

• Remember and Honor •



# Happy Mother's Day

Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>



## Unscramble the letters to find the words in our Mother's Day Anagram

Hidden Word (circled letters):

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sh g u

e s f l o r w

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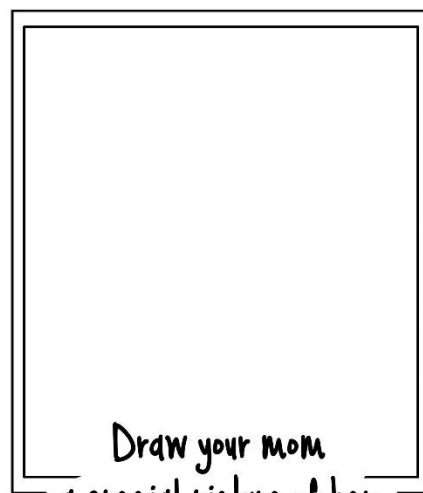
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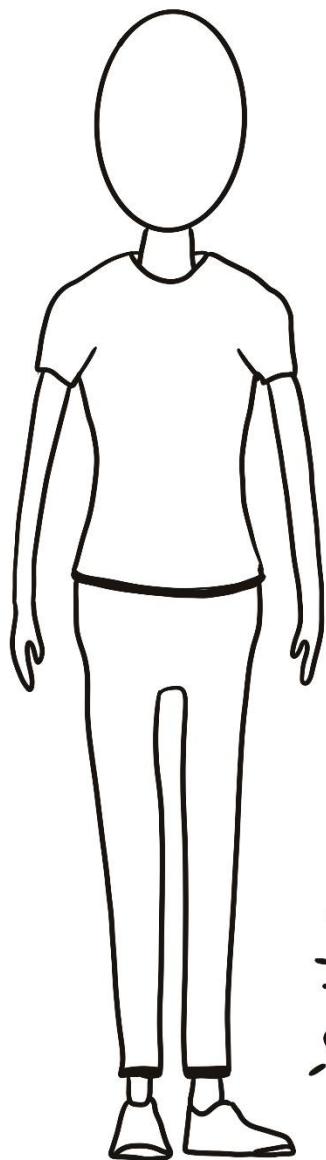
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# HAPPY Mother's DAY!

My mom is amazing because:



Draw your mom  
a special picture of her  
favorite thing!



My mom's name is \_\_\_\_\_ but I call her \_\_\_\_\_!

You are the \_\_\_\_\_

mom in the whole \_\_\_\_\_!

I love you more than \_\_\_\_\_

and \_\_\_\_\_ and I think  
you're funny when \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you for always \_\_\_\_\_.

This is  
my mom

[ My favorite thing to do with my mom is: ]

Love you always, \_\_\_\_\_!

