

**BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM**  
**Feb 15 CFBC Day of Service**  
 Backpack Ministry  
 See Susan Shumolis

**BAPTISTS ON MISSION**  
 MEN, WOMEN AND STUDENTS "SHARING GOD'S LOVE THROUGH WORD AND DEED"

**REGION 9 MISSIONS RALLY**  
 Free dinner & inspiring program for everyone planning, interested or returning from mission trips in last year.

February 13 at 6pm  
 Arden First Baptist Church  
 RSVP to the church office if you would like to attend. Van will leave church at 5:15pm or meet us there.

**BASKET OF LOVE MINISTRY**  
 Sunday, February 4  
 Youth Service Project  
 Lunch then Ministry

Hostess delivers baskets of goodies to our seniors unable to attend. For more information call Myra McDaniels at 828-648-7152.

Pray for Canton Community Kitchen Ministry Team's Day of Service the 1st Thursday of each month as they prepare and serve at the Canton Community Kitchen.



**ABOVE TOGETHER**  
**Wednesday!**

**STARTING JANUARY 31 BIBLE STUDY GROUP**  
 FACILITATED BY **JOSHUA SIMMONS**  
 AT SIMMONS HOME  
**6:30 PM WEDNESDAY'S**  
**CHILDCARE AVAILABLE.**

MATT CHANDLER

**Tuesday Bible Study**  
**6 pm Fellowship Hall**

**THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT**  
 A study of Matthew 5-7  
 Led by Kevin McDaniel and Ray Shepard

Winter Bible Study at Canton First Baptist Church  
 Feb 9 & 10 at 6pm Feb 11 at 9:45 am and 6pm

**THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER**  
 With Dr. Jim McConnell  
 Professor of New Testament  
 Gardner-Webb School of Divinity

**Activate**  
**Bringing Canton out of Hibernation!**

**5pm February 18**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
**MISSIONS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH BANQUET**



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

**I am A PROMISE**  
 Children 3K-5th grade  
 "I Am A Promise"  
 2018 Spring Musical  
 Led by Sharon Cagle  
 And Ministry Team  
 5 pm Sunday evenings  
 Kids Missions & Music.

**Discovering a Life of Obedience**

**Kids Events on Sunday's After Worship**  
 January 21 Kids Lunch & Bowling  
 February 25 Kids M&M to Trampoline Park  
 March 18 Kids Lunch & Pool Party  
 April 22 Kids Lunch & Roller Skating  
 May 20 Kids Lunch & Arboretum

**Sunday School 9:45am**  
**Children's Church 11am**  
**Kids Missions & Music**  
**Sundays at 5pm**

**Our Ministry Team**

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 & All the Volunteers of the Canton First Baptist Church Family

**PUBLISHING INFORMATION & DEADLINES:** Submit information in writing or by email to cantonfirst@mail.com by the 15th. Announcements by Monday at 10am. Call 648-2367 for more information. To receive by email, write 'subscriber' to cbowhiness@gmail.com.


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**CANTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Wednesday night study through the book of  
**FIRST CORINTHIANS**  
**Wednesday 6pm Adult Bible Study**

Dear Canton First Baptist Church Family,

Do you remember the story of Noah? He built a boat, he rode out a flood, and he knew without a shadow of doubt that he was doing the will of God. It was not easy, but he'd made it! Then what? When all the water has gone, and dry land could support life once more, what more is there for him to do? The world he knew was gone, the future at which he was staring was confusing and new. How does one go on? Should he do as he's always done? Make a new start? Just fade away?

The fact is, a lot of churches in the world are faced with a similar situation as the one in which Noah found himself. The world is changing. Doing what we used to do is no longer an option, and yet, we must do something. As our choir sang in the cantata, fear not! Canton-FBC has a bright future. We've put a vision team together and are looking ahead to great things as God continues to work in our church and community. Please pray for your staff, your deacons, the vision team and your fellow church membership as we all follow the Spirit into tomorrow, with excitement and hope.

Rev. Court Greene



**New Sermon Series**  
**Starting February 17**

**GAZEBOS**

**From the Book of Acts**  
**Sunday Worship at 11am**



## MISSION & STUDY GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

**Kids Missions & Music:** Kids K3 to 5th grade are invited at 5pm Sundays for Music, missions, fun and snack.

**Youth Sunday Funday:** Students in grades 6-12 are invited to meet each Sunday at 5pm for fellowship, fun, Bible study and snack.

**Sermon On The Mount Tuesday Study Group:** Everyone is invited to meet Tuesdays at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall for this study led by Rev. Kevin McDaniel and Rev. Ray Shepard beginning February 6.

**1st Corinthians Wednesday Adult Bible Study:** Wednesdays at 6pm adults meet in the fellowship hall for a study led by Court Greene. Bring a friend. Child-care is available.

**Youth Fellowship & Study:** Youth meet each Wednesday at 6pm for supper and Study. See Kevin for the details about Youth Events, Winter Retreat & Summer Missions.

**Apologetics Study Group:** Join this bible study group which meets on Wednesday at 6:30pm at the Simmons home and is facilitated by Joshua Simmons. Childcare is available at the church. This groups starts January 31.

**1st Peter Winter Bible Study with Dr. Jim McConnell:** Plan now to attend the Winter Bible Study Weekend to study 1st Peter with Dr. Jim McConnell, New Testament Professor at Gardner Webb University. Childcare is provided for all sessions. Guests are welcome and you may come to any or all of the sessions. We will have a covered dish breakfast on Sunday Morning at 9:00 am.

**Session 1** Friday, February 9 at 6pm,

**Session 2** Saturday, February 10 at 6pm

**Session 3** Sunday, February 11 at 9:45am

**Session 4** Sunday, February 11 at 6pm

**GriefShare Coming Soon:** To join the GriefShare group starting soon, please call the office and give us your name and number. Men and women who have experienced losing a loved one of any age are encouraged to join this meaningful study group. You do not have to be a member to participate. Grief is real and you are not alone!

**Men's Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer Group:** All men are invited to Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer at 7am the 1st Tuesday of each month at Clyde's Restaurant and the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Bojangles. A Men's Activity is scheduled for every 5th Tuesday.

**Ladies Mission Groups:** All ladies are invited to join the mission group that best fits their schedule. Jean Teague Group meets the first Tuesday morning of each month at 10 am. Irene Berry Smith Group meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm.

**New Life Groups:** New small study groups are forming. If you would be willing to host, facilitate, lead a group or if you would like to request a study topic contact Ray Shepard, Joshua Simmons, Kevin McDaniel, Court Greene or call the church office.

## PLEASE NOTE

**Reservations:** If your class or group is planning a gathering or event, please be sure to call the church office to place on the church calendar.

**Phone Chargers & Cell Phones needed:** If you have unused cell phones or chargers lying around we have a ministry that could use them.

**Vision & Hearing Missions:** Old Glasses and Hearing Aids can be dropped in the box in the hallway for recycling for ministry needs.

**Weather Policy:** During the week, when Haywood County Schools are dismissed or closed due to inclement weather, activities at Canton First are postponed and CFBC is closed. During a weather event, decisions are made as soon as possible and sent first to the Deacons. Please check WLOS, WPTL, Facebook, and our website for weather related program or time changes. Please travel only if it is safe to drive and walk.

**To Reach the Ministers & Staff:** Please try to call the church staff with your requests, reservations and ministry information on Monday through Wednesday between 10am and 2pm to enable them to meet deadlines and fulfill ministry needs. When possible feel free to send by email to cantonfirst@gmail.com or the staff specific email. Messages will be returned as soon as possible. **For Ministry Needs** please contact your family deacon or any of the ministers and staff.

**Budget Gifts:** Your gifts to the Canton First Baptist support our many partnership ministries and missions as well as fund the work of the ministry we do here locally. Thank you for your continued faithfulness and commitment to our community.

**Thank you:** Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the lighting project.

## CANTON FIRST MINISTRY ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

**Community Kitchen Ministry Team February 1:** Be in prayer for our volunteers who prepare and serve the meal the first Thursday of each month. To volunteer, see Cathy Walsh.

**Basket of Love February 4:** Youth plan to stay for lunch and a service project.

**Region 9 Spring Missions Dinner & Rally February 13:** Everyone is invited to a fellowship dinner and informational and inspiring missions program at 6pm at Arden FBC. Anyone who participates in missions or is interested in missions or mission trips is encouraged to attend. Please call the church office to make your reservation by Feb 7 as they need to know a number to prepare meals. If enough sign up, the van will go over at 5:15pm or you can meet us there at 6pm.

**BackPack Ministry February 15:** Canton First Backpack Ministry serves alongside the Canton Missional Network to assist displaced families through backpacks of food and needed items distributed through the schools. Our day of service is February 15 for us to pick up, pack, and return filled packs. To receive email Backpack updates, email Susan Shumolis at sshumolis@gmail.com.

**Lenten Services each Thursday of Lent:** The community is invited to the Lenten Services held each Thursday of Lent at noon with \$5 lunch served at 12:30pm at Canton First United Methodist Church. Rev. Kevin McDaniel will preach February 15 and Rev. Court Greene will preach March 15.

**ACTIVATE Banquet - Bringing Canton out of Hibernation 5pm February 18:** Sunday, February 18 at 5pm we encourage everyone to come for dinner, guest speakers, and fun fellowship as we celebrate the life and work of CFBC Missions & Ministry. This is a catered event, please let us know a number in your party so we can prepare. Guests are welcome! RSVP soon by phone call to 648-2367 or email.

**Kids Missions & Music to Trampoline Park February 25:** The Kids Missions and Music leaders will be taking the Kids Missions and Music team to Trampoline Park after worship on Sunday, February 25. See Sharon Cagle or Kevin McDaniel for details and permission forms.

**Gardner Webb Concert Choir 6pm March 11:** Invite everyone to an evening of music with the Gardener Webb University Concert Choir at 6pm on Sunday, March 11. Reception will follow. Host homes are needed to house the group as they are on tour.

## WANT TO LEARN MORE

**Invitation to Partner with Canton First Baptist Church:** We invite you to membership with Canton First Baptist Church.

A person who desires to join Canton First Baptist Church would commit to join in God's Kingdom work through this local congregation. Can you commit your time, talent, treasure, and prayer to help make that mission and vision a reality in your life? Membership is another step for one who supports the missions and ministries of the church through their participation, prayer, time, and financial resources.

Contact Court to learn more, or during the invitation step forward to tell him that you would like to learn more about membership, its benefits and responsibilities. Complete a decision card. If one is already a member of another Baptist or similar believing church and have experienced believer's immersion baptism, then we would simply request a transfer of membership from that church. If one has not experienced believer's baptism or does not have an understanding of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as their Savior, then we would help them understand the meaning of believer's baptism and would schedule a time for baptism and joining based on that decision, as the Spirit leads.

**CFBC Membership 101:** Call office to sign up for the next class!

**Baptism:** If you are interested in baptism see Rev. Court Greene.

## February Stewardship Emphasis:

Annie Armstrong Offering for North American Missions

## Weekly & Regular Events & Activities - Everyone Welcome!

**Sunday School:** All ages meet at 9:45am each Sunday for Bible Study

**Sunday Morning Worship:** Everyone begins together, then children go to kids worship.

**Kids Missions & Music:** Kids grades K3 to 5th grade rehearse at 5pm each Sunday.

**Youth Sunday Funday:** Students in grades 6-12 meet for fellowship and study at 5pm.

**Men's Breakfast:** Men are invited to Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer at 7am the 1st Tuesday of each month at Clyde's Restaurant and the 3rd Tuesday of each month at Bojangles.

**Ladies Mission Groups:** All ladies are invited to join the mission group that best fits their schedule. Jean Teague Group meets the first Tuesday morning of each month at 10 am. Irene Berry Smith Group meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm.

**Small Group Studies:** Tuesday group meets at 6pm at CFBC facilitated by Kevin McDaniel. Wednesday group meets at 6pm at the Simmons home facilitated by Joshua Simmons. Childcare is available on Wednesdays. Call 648-2367 for childcare.

**Wednesday Adult Bible Study at 6pm:** Study and prayer led by Pastor Court Greene at CFBC.

**Youth Study & Fellowship Wednesday at 6pm:** All 6-12 grade students are invited.

**Sanctuary Choir:** Rehearses each Wednesday at 7:00 pm. All voices welcome.

## Upcoming Events & Activities Calendar

Jan 30	7:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer at Bojangles
	10:00	Mission Ladies Group Project - Preparing Food for Alternative School
Jan 31	6:30	Apologetics Small Group Bible Study begins @ Simmons home
Feb 1	4:00	Community Kitchen Ministry
Feb 4	12:00	Youth Lunch & Service Project
Feb 6	7:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer @ Clyde's Rest.
	10:00	Jean Teague Ladies Missions Group
	6:00	Sermon On The Mt Small Group begins in Fellowship Hall
Feb 9	6:00	Winter Bible Study Session 1 with Dr. Jim McConnell- 1st Peter
Feb 10	6:00	Winter Bible Study Session 2 with Dr. Jim McConnell - 1st Peter
Feb 11	9:00	Covered Dish Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
	9:45	Winter Bible Study Session 3 with Dr. Jim McConnell - 1st Peter
	6:00	Winter Bible Study Session 4 with Dr. Jim McConnell - 1st Peter
Feb 12	5:30	Finance Meeting
	7:00	Irene Berry Smith Ladies Mission Circle Group
Feb 13	5:15	Meet to go to Region 9 Mission Dinner & Rally @ Arden FBC
Feb 14		ASH WEDNESDAY
Feb 15	10:00	BackPack Ministry Day of Service
	12:00	Lenten Service - Rev. Kevin McDaniel Preaching @ FUMC Canton
	12:30	Lenten Lunch @ FUMC Canton \$5 CFBC Hosts
Feb 18	5:00	ACTIVATE CFBC Mission & Outreach Banquet
Feb 20	7:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study & Prayer at Bojangles
Feb 22	12:00	Lenten Service & Lunch @ FUMC Canton
Feb 25	12:00	Kids Mission & Music to Trampoline Park
Mar 1	12:00	Lenten Service & Lunch @ FUMC Canton
Mar 8	12:00	Lenten Service & Lunch @ FUMC Canton
Mar 11	6:00	GWU Concert Choir Concert & Reception - Hosts needed
Mar 15	12:00	Lenten Service & Lunch @ FUMC Canton - Rev Court Green Preaching
	12:30	Lenten Lunch @ FUMC \$5 CFBC Hosts
Mar 15-17		NC CBF Convention
Mar 18	12:00	Kids Lunch & Pool Party
Mar 22	12:00	Lenten Service & Lunch @ FUMC Canton
Mar 25		PALM SUNDAY
Mar 28		Services moved to Thursday
Mar 29	6:00	Maundy Thursday - Lord's Supper Service
	6:30	Covered Dish Dinner in Fellowship Hall
Mar 30		GOOD FRIDAY Holiday
Apr 1		EASTER Celebration Worship Services

## Deacons of the Week

Feb 4:	Ernie Stines, Mike Wood,
Feb 11:	Charles Bowlin, Larry Paxton, Mike Pressley
Feb 18:	Ray Shepard, Jack Shuler, Josh Simmons
Feb 25:	Zeb Smathers, Jerry Smith, Carole Edwards
Mar 4:	Kevin Lowery, Billie Conard, Lowell Grogan
Mar 11:	Gail Bradburn, Tony Reid
Mar 18:	Doug Bradburn, Jeff Conard, Jeff Haynes
Mar 25:	Ernie Stines, Mike Wood