



# SUNSET REFLECTOR

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## ***HOMECOMING SEPTEMBER 10***

*Join us on September 10 as we celebrate our annual  
Homecoming Day. This year's preacher will be*

*Reverend Milton A. Hollifield, Jr.,  
Executive Director-Treasurer of the  
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.*

*We will all worship at 11:00 that day  
(no 8:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. service)  
and then we'll enjoy a meal after the service.*

*The Homecoming meal will be provided by the church.  
Please bring a dessert and plan to attend.*

*If you are a former member or you know  
a former member, please offer them a  
special invitation to join us.*

## WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY

### Discovering the Keys to Powerful Prayer

Beginning Wednesday evening, September 20 at 6:30, we will be going through a six-week church-wide discipleship study on prayer. (There will also be a Sunday afternoon track at 4:30 starting September 24 for those who can't attend on Wednesdays).

Jim Cymbala, pastor of the Brooklyn Tabernacle since 1971, will show us in this DVD series the keys that unlock the power of prayer and turn it from a mere activity into a vital link with God and all His resources.

A companion book is highly recommended and will be available for a cost of \$10 per book. If you want a book, you need to sign up and make payment before September 13. Signup sheets will be available in the fellowship hall on Wednesdays or you can call the church office. Join us on this prayer journey!

### LOVE OFFERING

*In honor of Steve Roberson's 20th employment anniversary with SABC, we are collecting a love offering for Steve to express our appreciation for his many years of faithful service to the Lord and His church. If God leads you to give, the deadline to give is September 10th. If you intend to give by check, please make it payable to SABC and designate Love Offering" on your check and/or offering envelope.*

### DISCOVERY CLASS

The Discovery Class is our *required class* for those seeking membership at Sunset Avenue Baptist Church. It lasts for four weeks. It is led by Pastor Robin. The class meets during the Sunday School hour (9:45 - 10:45 a.m.) in room 225 in the children's building. We are planning to offer the class again on the dates of *September 17, 24, October 1 and October 8.*

If you are interested in membership or are even exploring membership, this class will explain our beliefs, our ministries, our denomination, our philosophy of ministry, and other valuable topics. Please sign up at the church office or call the church office at 443-2531 if you are interested in attending the class.

## THE COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 16, 2017

11:00 AM to 6:30 PM

The **Courageous Conversations Conference (C3)** is a one day event designed to teach and challenge the local church in the **proclamation** and **demonstration** of the **gospel**. C3 provides a Biblical framework to **resolve** the racial tensions that prevent addressing the spiritual and material needs of a **community**. Attendees will leave with an understanding of how to share the gospel while not ignoring needs and how to meet needs while not compromising the **gospel**.

### Location:

**The Impact Center/Word Tabernacle Church**  
821 Word Plaza  
Rocky Mount, NC 27804

### Conference Agenda

- 11:00 am - Plenary Session - Noell Castellanos
- 12:30 pm - Lunch & Learn Breakout Session I
- 2:00 pm - Plenary Session - Dr. Russell Moore
- 3:15 pm - Workshop Breakout Session II
- 4:30 pm - Plenary Session - Dr. John M. Perkins
- 5:30 pm - Moderated Closing Panel Q & A

### For further information and to Register:

[www:theimpactcenterconferences.net](http://www.theimpactcenterconferences.net)  
before September 10



### TOGETHER

Join us for a "celebration of life" event this Sunday, August 27, as we share in a covered dish meal after the 11 am service (no 8:30 service). We will celebrate with those who are being baptized during the morning service *and* rejoice with the Embrace Grace moms during their special baby shower. Please bring plenty of food for your family and others who will be our guests.

## **THANK YOU**

*Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for all the visits, food, flowers,  
calls, cards and mostly for the prayers. We have felt  
them and they are what has sustained us through it  
all. Thank you again for such love and care that you  
have shown us. We appreciate you and all you have  
done. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.*

*In Christ,  
Pam Davis & Family*

*The GA's would like to thank everyone for showering  
the King's Way and Stone Gate children with school  
supplies. Your generosity was such a blessing to each  
child!*

### **REGULAR SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE and ACTIVITIES RESUME THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

*Preschool & Children's Choirs at 5:45 p.m.  
Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.*

### **SENIOR ADULTS MYSTERY TRIP**

*Tuesday, September 12  
We will leave SABC at 9:30 a.m.  
You will only be responsible for the  
cost of your lunch*

### **DEACON ORDINATION FOR ERNIE JONES**

*Sunday, September 17  
6:00 p.m.  
Church-wide social after the service*

## **Deeper Groups**

As summer concludes and we move Deeper Groups from host homes back to the church on Sunday nights, we are asking that any one interested in being a part of this next semester's groups please sign up through your Sunday school classes or contact Neil Woodcock. We are excited about how God has moved through these groups this summer and hope that you will prayerfully consider being a part this semester.

***The first meeting of this new session will start on  
September 24th at 6:00 p.m.***

## **OPERATION JOSEPH**

We will be collecting monetary donations again in September that will be used to purchase food for the needy in Venezuela. The offerings of food we have made so far have not only led to the hungry being fed, but also to many souls being saved and churches/Bible studies started. As this country goes through a horrible time, you are encouraged to help them. If God leads you to give, make checks out to SABC and denote "Operation Joseph" on your check and/or offering envelope. This offering will be received through Sunday, October 1st.

## **WALK FOR LIFE**

### ***Life Worth Defending***

***(Your Choice Pregnancy Resource Center)***

*Saturday, September 16, 2017*

*Englewood Park*

*300 Old Mill Road, Rocky Mount*

*8AM Registration - 9AM Walk*

*For further information contact the Center at  
446-2273 or [community@friendsofycrc.org](mailto:community@friendsofycrc.org) and on  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/friendsofycrc>*

## **Prayer Concerns**

Barbara Barnes ~ David Blackmon ~ Albert & Pat Boone ~ David Bryan ~ Millie Bryan ~ Evelyn Carlisle ~ Ben Carpenter ~ Norma Castillo ~ Frances Daughtridge ~ Betty Sue Davis ~ Pam Davis ~ Ivan & Yvonne Dickerson ~ Ambler Dixon ~ Linda Doughtie ~ Curtis Emigh ~ Miguel & Maribel Gonzalez ~ Mary Goodwin ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Jamie Henry ~ Lily Henry ~ Anna Hernandez ~ Jake Hoggard ~ Lucille Howell ~ Annie Jurgovan ~ Hope & Jeff Lang ~ Judy McDaniel ~ Adam McRae ~ Steve Pernell ~ John Powell ~ Sam Proctor ~ Hilda Rosser ~ Teresa Sadlosky ~ Jody Shearon ~ Rebecca Terrell ~ Ryan Terrell ~ Wayne & Linda Mae Tyson ~ Fannie Unrue ~ Tom Vick ~ Garry Ward, Jr. ~ Virginia Ward ~ A.B. Whitley ~ Bob Williams ~ Georgia Wilson ~ King's Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ Mumbai Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church ~ GriefShare Ministry ~ The Family of Bob Connerly (Becky Capps' father) ~ The Family of Gerri Abrahamsen (Carol Boone's sister)

*In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).*

**THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER,  
CALENDAR & "THOSE SERVING"  
SCHEDULE**

*are now available on the church website  
sabaptist.org*

**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

*Any information that you wish to have published in the  
October newsletter should be emailed to  
ccollie@sabaptist.org by noon on  
Friday, September 22nd.*

**Wednesday Evening Meals  
will resume**

**September 6**

**5:30 - 6:15 p.m.**

**Please sign up in the September 3rd  
Sunday bulletin**

**July 30 - August 20, 2017 Attendance Totals**

	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
30	244	107	Not available
6	219	116	200
13	238	101	183
20	229	111	231

<b>Membership Additions in 2017</b>	<b>3</b>
By Baptism	1
By Transfer or Statement of Faith	2

**July 30 - August 20, 2017 Giving Totals**

	<u>Offering Received</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Received</u>
30	\$ 21,743.63	\$ 7,108.16	\$ 28,851.79
6	\$ 20,157.17	\$ 2,387.30	\$ 22,544.47
13	\$ 14,342.17	\$ 3,296.00	\$ 17,638.17
20	\$ 17,996.00	\$ 4,831.00	\$ 22,827.00

**Year to Date Budget**

<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 720,293.40	\$ 657,439.46	\$ {62,853.94}

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