

Sunday, August 24th, 2025

Prelude

Welcome..... Pastor William

Invocation Prayer..... Pastor William

Song of Celebration

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ..... No. 42

*Children May Leave For Treehouse Kids.*  
*Your children may be picked up after worship service downstairs in the sanctuary building, in the classroom across the hall from the fellowship hall.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Charles Harper

Offering

Offertory Response

"Doxology" ..... No. 253

Anthem

"Name of Jesus Medley" ..... Worship Choir

Message

"Believe" ..... Pastor William  
John 11:45-57 (pg. 761)

Song of Response

"O How He Loves You and Me" ..... No. 146

Benediction

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**Nursery Volunteer Schedule**  
August 24 - Renee Beck & Katie Beck  
August 31 - Tracy Futrell & Rebekah Futrell

**Treehouse Kids Leaders**  
Ethan Hatch & Greysen Woody

**Attendance 8/17/2025**  
Morning Worship: 100



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**Knightdale**  
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We seek to know Christ and make Him  
known to the glory of God and the  
joy of all peoples.



## Ministry Opportunities

**KBC Contributions** - Remember there are options for online giving through our church website. You can mail in via USPS, place offering in the offering plate, or a drop box is located on the door of the education building. This drop box is locked, and contributions will be collected during the week.

**Backpack Buddies** - Thank you all so much for your generous donations to the Backpack Buddies program! **At this time, we no longer need food contributions.** If you would still like to support the program financially, please mark your offering envelope "Backpack Buddies". Please contact Edith Tew at 919-360-3718 or via email at [edithtew@yahoo.com](mailto:edithtew@yahoo.com) if you would like to help with backpack buddies.

**Treehouse Kids & Nursery** - To provide the best and safest experience, please make sure you register your children if this is their first time in Treehouse Kids or the nursery by scanning the QR Code.



**Need Medical Assistance?** If you are in need of medical assistance during the service, please raise your hand and someone from the safety team will assist you.

**Wheelchair Lift Fundraiser** - We are raising funds for our new wheelchair lift to ensure everyone can fully join in worship and events. To donate, please mark your envelope "Wheelchair Lift Fund".

**New Young Adult Sunday School Class** - We are excited to share that we are planning to start a new Sunday school class for young adults. This will be a great opportunity to grow in faith, build friendships, and explore God's Word together. If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please reach out to Pastor William at [pastor@knighdalebaptist.com](mailto:pastor@knighdalebaptist.com).

**Operation Christmas Child** - Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse in which gift filled shoeboxes are taken around the world to bring gifts and the Gospel to children who otherwise may not have either. In August, we will be collecting school supplies (notepads, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, glue sticks, kids scissors, pencil pouches, markers, colored pencils, etc.). Please put your donations in the designated box in the conference room.

**Time of Fasting and Prayer** - Our weekly time of fasting and prayer will continue through the end of September. Each fast will start after supper on Sunday and conclude with supper on Monday. During this time, we will:

- Read the provided devotional from the book of Nehemiah.
- Abstain from social media and other forms of entertainment.
- Dedicate time to personal worship and prayer.

Let's come together in this season of spiritual focus and reflection, seeking God's guidance and strength for us personally and our church. For more details, please contact Pastor William at [pastor@knighdalebaptist.com](mailto:pastor@knighdalebaptist.com).

**Mid-day Bible Study** - Our mid-day Bible study will resume on Wednesday, September 3rd at 11:00am. This will be a wonderful time for anyone who has been considering joining to come and take part in this enriching time together.

**Quarterly Fellowship Potluck** - Join us for our first quarterly fellowship potluck meal on Sunday, September 21st, immediately following the worship service. Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and connection with our church family.



If you feel like the Lord spoke to you during the sermon today and would like some help in how to respond, you can email Pastor William directly by scanning this QR code.



## Week at a Glance

### Sun 8/24

9:15am: Koffee Before Church  
9:45am: Bible Study  
11:00am: Worship Service  
6:00pm: Youth

### Mon 8/25

7:00pm: Open Gym

### Tues 8/26

10:00am: Walking Program  
11:00am: Personnel Committee Meeting

### Wed 8/27

6:30pm: Prayer Walk  
7:30pm: Choir Practice

### Thurs 8/28

12:00pm: Advance the Church Network Pastors Meeting  
5:00pm: FLC Reserved

### Fri 8/29

10:00am: Walking Program

### Sun 8/31

9:15am: Koffee Before Church  
9:45am: Bible Study  
11:00am: Worship Service  
6:00pm: Youth

Believe  
The Gospel of John  
John 11:45-57  
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## Sermon Notes

God works in \_\_\_\_\_ ways  
to \_\_\_\_\_ our faith in Jesus.

To join God's \_\_\_\_\_, we must let go of  
our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

Sacrifice requires \_\_\_\_\_ in God's  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Nehemiah: Building Through the Battles

When God's people commit to rebuilding what's broken, opposition arises. The moment the Israelites begin restoring the walls of Jerusalem, ridicule, threats, and fear come crashing in. Sanballat mocks them. Tobiah belittles their efforts. Enemies conspire to attack. And yet, the people press on.

Why? Because they were united in heart and purpose. They didn't just build with bricks—they built with faith.

Nehemiah doesn't ignore the threats. He prays, he posts guards, and he encourages the people: "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome" (v. 14). The work continues, even with a sword in one hand and a trowel in the other.

This is a powerful image for the church today. Whether we're rebuilding ministries, restoring relationships, or renewing our vision, we will face resistance. Fatigue will set in. Critics will speak. Fear will whisper. But like Nehemiah's team, we are called to build through the battle.

#### Insights for Knightdale Baptist:

- **Unity matters.** The wall didn't rise because of one person—it rose because "the people worked with all their heart."

What verses in chapter 4 display the unity of God's people? How is unity threatened when opposition arises?

- **Prayer is our first response, not our last resort.** Nehemiah's instinct was to pray before he planned.

Reread verses 4 and 5. What about this prayer do you find helpful? Do you find anything challenging? If so, why do you see that as a challenge?

- **We build with faith and vigilance.** Like the workers with swords and tools, we must be spiritually alert and practically engaged.

Reread verses 7-9. Yes, the people prayed. But they also made a commitment to do their part. What was their part? (v9, v12-13)

- **Encouragement fuels perseverance.** Nehemiah's words reminded the people of God's greatness.

The opposition not only included threats from outside of those working. The people working began to experience discouragement and fear. How did they confront discouragement and fear? (v14) What do verses 15-21 teach us about perseverance? How is that helpful as we work together to rebuild Knightdale Baptist?

**Read 2 Corinthians 10: 3-6.** We do not fight with physical weapons because we are not facing a physical enemy. What enemies are we facing here at KBC? What are some weapons we can use as we work to rebuild?

#### Closing Prayer:

Lord, when we face opposition, remind us that You are our defender. When we grow weary, strengthen our hands. Help us build with courage, unity, and unwavering faith. May Knightdale Baptist be a place where broken walls are restored and Your glory is revealed. Amen.