

**Ringgold Baptist Church**

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**Return Service Requested**



**Sunday, June 21st**

**STAFF / SERVICE TIMES / MONTHLY SERVANTS**

**STAFF**

Pastor.....Rev. Duane Caldwell  
Administrative Secretary.....Cheryl Hogg  
Minister of Music.....Daniel Wolfe  
Minister to Children.....Stephanie Barts  
Minister to Youth.....Brandon Barts  
Organist.....Ginger Collie  
Pianist.....Leslie Blair  
Groundskeeper.....Doug Motley  
Property Maintenance.....Kevin Barker

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**9:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**CHURCH SERVICES**

**Sunday School - 9:15 am**  
**Sunday Morning - 10:30 am**  
**Sunday Evening - 5:00 pm**  
**Wednesday Evening - 6:30 pm**

**Audio**

Chris Barts / Larry Collie

**Nursery**

June 07—Dianne Donahoe and Gayle Barts  
June 14—Bonnie McDarmont and Katie Williams  
June 21—Brooke and Carl Davis  
June 28—Ashlee and Aidan Hudgins

**Ushers:** Mac McDowell, Butch Boyd, Sammy McCormick,

**Bereavement Team**

June - Sara and Ray McDowell  
July - Phyllis and Sammy McCormick



**A Word from Pastor Duane**

Several years ago, on a holiday weekend, Dena and I were looking forward to having our youngest son Charlie and his family come to our house for the long weekend. It had been planned for quite some time, and the anticipation was high. We love having our children and grandchildren come home to spend time with us. However, Dena got sick the weekend before and whatever the bug was she had decided to linger for a while. In fact, she shared it with me. What a wonderful wife I have that she would share so freely. About midweek I had to call Charlie to let him know his mom was sick but we hoped she would be feeling better by the weekend. I wanted to warn him in case what Dena had was contagious. I wanted to give him the opportunity to stay away in order for his family to not get whatever we had been exposed to. He decided it may be wise not to come then, but to come later when the chance of getting sick would not be as great.

As good moral people, most of us try to be considerate of others when we are sick and try not to expose them to whatever germs, viruses, or bacteria we may be carrying around. In fact, hospitals and nursing homes put up signs for people not to come if they are coughing or running a fever to keep from spreading infections. Sometimes they even quarantine these facilities during flu season to keep it from spreading to their patients. It is just a matter of courtesy for us to try our best not to spread unwanted infections or sicknesses. In fact, in the Old Testament, those with contagious infections were put outside the camp and not allowed to come in contact with others.

However, there is one contagion in our lives we definitely should not keep from others. John said in 1 John 1:1-4 “That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life—<sup>2</sup> the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us—<sup>3</sup> that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.” The first disciples of Jesus were filled with faith in Jesus and were excited to share it with everyone else. The book of Acts says their faith was so contagious they “turned the world upside down.”

How contagious is your faith? Do others see Jesus in you? When they do, do they want what you have? Oh that we would be like the early church and turn our world upside down for Jesus. Instead I am afraid we treat this contagion like any other and try not to infect anyone else with what we have. We don't want to be accused of causing someone else to have what we have. Let us be accused of spreading our faith. Jesus said in Acts 1:8, “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” He not only wants us to spread our faith at here at home, but everywhere we go. In fact, He wants us to intentionally go to places where no one has taken the gospel before. We are to carry this contagious thing we have called faith everywhere and spread it to everyone. He wants us to turn our world upside down for Jesus. He wants us to turn our homes, schools, workplaces, and everywhere around, upside down for Him. Will you do that? Will you spread your faith like an infection that has no cure? Will you turn your faith into an epidemic for Jesus?

Pastor Duane

# DEACON'S MOMENT

## ARE YOU GOD'S OR THE WORLDS? WHERE ARE YOU ROOTED?

From a Christian perspective, an ever-changing world is met with the assurance of an unchanging God. His character, love, and truth remain steadfast and true, even through cultural, social and personal shifts. Followers are called to live with eternal perspective, anchoring their faith in the only true, living God and His Word, rather than conforming to fluctuating social standards.

The core comfort is that God is, "the same yesterday, today and forever," as stated in Hebrews 13:8. While the world, "wears out like a well-used and well-worn garment," God's faithfulness and sovereign control provides stability and peace.

Christians are encouraged to fix their eyes on "what is unseen," treating the present life as a temporary, passing experience rather than the ultimate reality.

In a world where moral standards constantly change, we as Christians are encouraged to remain anchored in the Word of God, resisting the pressure to conform, rather than reacting in fear or simply trying to change the world.

Christians are called to be faithful, loving, and obedient, where they are. To include, but not limited to, prayers for leaders and peace, practice love and show compassion, and to share the gospel, when and wherever we can, as the ultimate and unchanging truth. Just like our faithful, loving, true and never changing Savior and Creator. Be changed and transformed by God and not the world.

*Romans 12:2*  
"Do not be conformed to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is- His good and perfect will."

Submitted by Ronnie Farthing



### BI-MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

**WEDNESDAY  
JUNE 10  
6:30 PM**

**THURSDAY  
JUNE 11  
11:00 AM**



# CHILDREN & YOUTH

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN'S MINISTER



### OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS IN JUNE!

**Dates: Monday, June 1st through Thursday, June 4th!**

**Ages: PreK-5th Grade Children**

**Times: 5:30pm-7:45pm**

**Dinner Served Nightly!**

*Please pray for us as we prepare for this wonderful event.*

We also meet during Children's Church on Sunday mornings at 10:30 as well as on Sunday evenings at 7:00 and Wednesday evenings at 6:00. We also will be planning fun outings to go on with the children where we can spend more time together by going skating, bowling, or mini golfing.

If you would like to volunteer for VBS or have any questions, please reach out to me by calling or texting 434-709-4709.

~Stephanie Barts



## A MESSAGE FROM THE YOUTH MINISTER

**YOUTH M-FUGE TRIP**  
June 8-12, 2026 at Regent University  
We have 4 chaperones and 13 youth attending

**1 Peter 4:10**  
"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

Youth will help during VBS in many ways, through service of guidance, fellowship, and praise.

~Brandon Barts



Our  
Friend to Remember  
for June is

Betty Atkinson  
1012 Countryside Dr.  
Ringgold, VA 24586

You may leave cards  
for Betty in the mailbox  
through June 30.

A SWEET FRIENDSHIP  
REFRESHES THE SOUL  
PROVERBS TWENTY-SEVEN NINE

The J.O.Y. Club will meet on  
Tuesday, June 23  
at Noon for



Don't forget to bring a  
canned item for  
God's Storehouse!



CELEBRATE THE  
4TH OF JULY  
WITH US!

HOT DOG LUNCH  
AFTER WORSHIP  
ON JUNE 28

BROUGHT TO  
YOU BY  
SPECIAL EVENTS

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YOUTH  
SUNDAY



Thank You

I'm so blessed to have a wonderful  
church family in Ringgold Baptist Church.

Thank you so much for the cards, calls,  
food and all your kindness following my  
recent diagnosis and surgeries, especially  
your prayers.

I love you all.

Toni Adkins



# SOME THOUGHTS ON FATHERS

## THE TOP 10 THINGS YOU'LL NEVER HEAR A DAD SAY

10. "Well, how 'bout that? I'm lost! Looks like we'll have to stop and ask for directions."
  9. "You know Pumpkin, now that you're thirteen, you'll be ready for un-chaperoned car dates. Won't that be fun?"
  8. "I noticed that all your friends have a certain hostile attitude. I like that."
  7. "Here's a credit card and the keys to my new car. Go crazy!!!"
  6. "What do you mean you wanna play football? Figure skating is not good enough for you, son?"
  5. "Your Mother and I are going away for the weekend. You might want to consider throwing a party."
  4. "Well, I don't know what's wrong with your car. Probably one of those doo-hickey thingies—ya know—that makes it run or something. Just have it towed to a mechanic and pay whatever he asks."
  3. "No son of mine is going to live under this roof without an earring. Now quit your belly-aching and let's go to the mall."
  2. "Whaddya wanna go and get a job for? I make plenty of money for you to spend."
- And the number one thing you'll never hear a dad say:**
1. "What do I want for Father's Day? Aahh—don't worry about that. It's no big deal."  
(actually they might say this, but they don't mean it).

## THE TOY

The story is told of a father of five children who came home with a toy. He summoned his children and asked which of them should be given the present. "Who is the most obedient one here? Who never talks back to Mom and does everything that Mom says to do?" He inquired.

There were a few seconds of silence, and then all of the children said in one accord: "You play with it Daddy!"

## GET RID OF DAD?

The children begged for a hamster, and after the usual fervent vows that they alone would care for it, they got one. They named it Danny. Two months later, when Mom found herself responsible for cleaning and feeding the creature, she located a prospective new home for it. The children took the news of Danny's imminent departure quite well, though one of them remarked, "He's been around here a long time—we'll miss him."

"Yes," Mom replied, "But he's too much work for one person, and since I'm that one person, I say he goes."  
Another child offered, "Well, maybe if he wouldn't eat so much and wouldn't be so messy, we could keep him."  
But Mom was firm. "It's time to take Danny to his new home now," she insisted. "Go and get his cage."  
With one voice and in tearful outrage the children shouted, "Danny? We thought you said Daddy!"

## IN SEARCH OF PACO

There's a Spanish story of a father and son who had become estranged. The son ran away, and the father set off to find him. He searched for months to no avail. Finally, in a last desperate effort to find him, the father put an ad in a Madrid newspaper. The ad read: Dear Paco, meet me in front of this newspaper office at noon on Saturday. All is forgiven. I love you. Your Father.

On Saturday, 800 Pacos showed up, looking for forgiveness and love from their fathers.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS, & REMINDERS



**A DONATION TO THE SUTHERLIN BARN MEN'S MINISTRY HAS BEEN MADE IN HONOR OF FATHERS AT RBC**



### ATTENTION PARENTS

As summer approaches, consider some benefits of reading versus video games.

- 1-Active imagination
- 2-Deep character connection
- 3-Cognitive and Educational benefits
- 4-Improve vocabulary
- 5-Mental relaxation

Visit our library to see our NEW collection of children's books.



### REMINDER

**RETURN YOUR BABY BOTTLE BY SUNDAY, JUNE 21**

**MAKE ANY CHECKS PAYABLE TO "TRANSITION PREGNANCY SOLUTIONS"**

# WMU HIGHLIGHTS

### THANK YOU:

- ◆ To all who supported God's Pit Crew with your generous donations which totaled \$1,355.00
- ◆ To all who prepared meals and delivered them to homes on **May 19** for the "Friends@Home" Ministry. **Thirty-two (32) meals** were delivered to **sixteen (16) homes.**
- ◆ To all who prepared food and served for "Lunch Bunch" on Thursday, **May 14.**
- ◆ To all who have packed "Backpack Meals" each week for 2025-2026 school year completing the 14<sup>th</sup> year that RBC has participated with the **Backpack Ministry.**

### LUNCH BUNCH:

- ◆ **Thursday –June 11 at 11:00 AM**
- ◆ Please **call** the church office by **Monday, June 8** to say **yes** or **no** as to whether you will attend.

### FRIENDS @ HOME MINISTRY:

- ◆ **Date TBD**

### CHURCHWIDE MISSION OUTREACH FOR MAY-JUNE (Mother's Day to Father's Day):

- ◆ Donations for **Baby Bottle Boomerang** to support the work of **Transition Pregnancy Solutions Center.**

### MISSION GROUP OPPORTUNITIES at RBC:

- ◆ First Tuesday at 7:00 PM at RBC
- ◆ Second Tuesday at 10:00 AM at RBC

**As always, THANK YOU for your continuous support of mission projects and mission offerings at RBC. YOUR Support is so APPRECIATED!**

### **PLEASE REMEMBER!**

**Cookies are needed for VBS the week of June 1-4.  
Snacks are welcomed for the Youth Mission trip June 8-12.**

*Suzanne Emerson*  
**WMU Director**



With heartfelt sympathy



To the family and friends of Louise White in her passing.

To the family and friends of Shelby Royal in his passing.

To the family and friends of Penny Haley in her passing.

To the family and friends of Kyle Busch in his passing.

To the family and friends of Jimmy Haley in his passing.

To the family and friends of Doyle Eanes in his passing.