

How can we say thank you for all the appreciation you have shown to Dena and me, not only in October, but all year long? You are truly an exceptional church in the way you take care of your pastor and his wife. Thank you so much for the wonderful meal we shared together on Pastor and Staff Appreciation Sunday. Thanks for the cards, the encouraging words, the gift cards, the cash, the gifts from my Amazon wish list, and the love you have shown. Ringgold Baptist Church is simply the best. We love you guys more than you could possibly know.

Pastor Duane and Dena

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MONTHLY SERVANTS

Audio
Carl Davis / Tim Chesher

Nursery
November 01 —Ashlee and Aidan Hudgins
November 08 —Sherry Shively and Frankie Gilbert
November 15 — Nancy Adams and Mary Mills
November 22 —Mackenzie and Gayle Barts
November 29 —Bonnie McDarmont and Katie Williams

Ushers
David Foster, Mike Shelton, Garrett Hughes

Backpack Buddies
Week of November 02—Gayle Barts & Debbie Bernard
Week of November 09—Stephanie & Brandon Barts
Week of November 16—Cheryl Hogg & Pam Tuck
Week of November 23—Kitty Anderson & Rebecca Hughes
Week of November 30—Linda & James Snead

Bereavement Team
October - Phyllis and Sammy McCormick
November—Ginger and Larry Collie

CHURCH 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

NOVEMBER 2026

THE RINGGOLD REFLECTOR

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

A Note from Pastor Duane

Have you ever been ready just to give up? You may have struggled for years and see no change in your life. You just can't seem to get ahead. If that is where you are I would like to share this story with you. The author is unknown, but the truth is profound.

One day I decided to quit...I quit my job, my relationship, my Spirituality.... I wanted to quit my life. I went to the woods to have one last talk with God. "God", I said. "Can you give me one good reason not to quit?" His answer surprised me. "Look around", He said. "Do you see the fern and the bamboo?" "Yes", I replied.

"When I planted the fern and the bamboo seeds, I took very good care of them. I gave them light. I gave them water. The fern quickly grew from the earth. Its brilliant green covered the floor. Yet nothing came from the bamboo seed. But I did not quit on the bamboo. In the second year the fern grew more vibrant and plentiful. And again, nothing came from the bamboo seed. But I did not quit on the bamboo.

"In year three there was still nothing from the bamboo seed. But I would not quit. The same in year four. "Then in the fifth year, a tiny sprout emerged from the earth. Compared to the fern, it was seemingly small and insignificant. But just six months later, the bamboo rose to over 100 feet tall.

It had spent the five years growing roots. Those roots made it strong and gave it what it needed to survive. I would not give any of my creations a challenge it could not handle. "Did you know, my child, that all this time you have been struggling, you have actually been growing roots? I would not quit on the bamboo.. I will never quit on you.

"Don't compare yourself to others." He said. "The bamboo had a different purpose than the fern. Yet they both make the forest beautiful. "Your time will come", God said to me. "You will rise high" "How high should I rise?" I asked. "How high will the bamboo rise?" He asked in return. "As high as it can?" I questioned.

"Yes." He said, "Give me glory by rising as high as you can." I left the forest, realizing that God will never give up on me. And He will never give up on you. Never regret a day in your life. Good days give you happiness; bad days give you experiences; both are essential to life.

Don't give up, and don't give in. Give God a chance to let you grow up into whatever it is He created you to be.

Pastor Duane

WMU HIGHLIGHTS FOR NOVEMBER

THANK YOU RBC:

- ***Alma Hunt Offering*** for State Missions– the total was $3,111 (goal was $2,000).
- Meals were prepared & delivered on October 27 for the ***Friends @ Home Ministry***.
- ***Lunch Bunch*** met on Thursday, October 8.
- ***114 Backpack Bags*** were packed at RBC during the month of October.
- Approximately **twenty** volunteers helped at the ***Dan River Food Distribution*** on Tuesday, October 20 at the Kentuck Ministry Center.
- Excess of $1600.00 was received in the **Love Offering** for **James & Tracey Watson** on October 18.

LUNCH BUNCH:

- Thursday, November 12 at 11:00 AM
- Please call the office by **Nov. 9** to let Cheryl know if you are attending or not.

BEREAVEMENT MEALS for the Families of:

- Valerie Shelton
- Carolyn Hedrick
- Doris Taylor
- Beverly Wilkerson

Suzanne Emerson
WMU Director



As we have approached the month of November, the main topic I think about is being Thankful. That seems to always be the theme due to Thanksgiving. What does it mean to be thankful? What are you thankful for?

True thankfulness comes from knowing Jesus Christ as our Savior. We have a relationship with him and understand God's love for us. We need to remember to choose thankfulness in difficult situations as well because we already have victory through Jesus Christ.

We continue to meet for children's church on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings at 7 and Wednesday evenings at 6. We are learning more about the bible such as the many stories and people of the bible and how they relate to our lives. We will be learning about the events leading up to the birth of Jesus.

If you need to reach out to me, please feel free to call or text me at 434-709-4709 with any questions you may have.
~Stephanie Barts

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!
Psalm 107:1
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Youth meets on Wednesday at 6 and Sunday evenings at 7 with many activities and outreach as we learn more of Christ and how to spread the Good News.
~Brandon Barts - 434-251-8512

THE 35TH ANNUAL

COMMUNITY Thanksgiving WORSHIP SERVICE

KENTUCK BAPTIST CHURCH
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22
6:00 PM



JOY CLUB

NOVEMBER 16
AT NOON

RBC STEW

PLEASE BRING DESSERTS TO SHARE

DON'T FORGET AN ITEM OR TWO FOR GOD'S STOREHOUSE

Our Friend to Remember is
JoAnne Poole
560 Samuel Rd.
Danville, VA 24540



Our library is here to serve you.

How can we improve?

Please give your ideas to
Rebecca Hughes
Kathy Adkins
or Ruth Scearce



SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 22



THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 12
11:00 AM



NOON
THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 26



NOVEMBER 11
6:30 PM

Hosts~Agape Sunday School Class

CHURCH STEW
SATURDAY, NOV. 7
5-7 PM





Dear RBC,

Thank you for all of the prayers, cards, visits, and well wishes that you have given to me since my stroke the first part of September. James and I thank you for the food and treats. Please keep the prayers going for my recovery.

Linda Snead

Samaritan's Purse OPERATION Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child

PLEASE RETURN YOUR OCC BOXES TO THE CHURCH FOR THE DEDICATION DURING WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15