



First Baptist Church of Woodbury May 7th, 2026 Edition

Sharing the Word, Loving the People, Living for the King



Imagine that your clothes start trying to take credit for what you do while you're wearing them. Suppose that one weekday afternoon, my suits start talking to each other while they're hanging in my closet. The brown suit says, "What'd you preach on this month? I preached on Nehemiah 6: 3—best known verse in the book. It's a whole sermon in one verse!" The gray suit says, "Anybody can preach on a passage like that! I preached on Nehemiah 7, 76 verses of names and census records." The navy suit says, "I preached on John 14, and then did a funeral service!" Then the suits look at the everyday clothes like, "Aren't we something? What'd you do this month, sweatshirt—watch a little TV?" Should my suit get recognized for the message I preach while I'm wearing it? No. (And if I'm doing it right, neither should I.) The best thing my suit can do is stay out of the way and not get noticed at all, for good or for bad. Any attention my clothes get, positive or negative, is attention that's not going where it should go. In Christ, we need to live and speak in such a way that God works through us and any attention goes to Him, not just us. Any attention we get, good or bad, is not going where it should: to the God we serve.

This Sunday is Mother's Day and in the morning service we'll recognize the ladies who are present. The message will focus on a remarkable mother who appears in Genesis 29. In the evening service we'll turn to James 5: 13 – 18 and one of the final truths and encouragements that James wants to leave ringing in our ears before he signs off: "Brethren, let us pray." Don't miss any of this!

Bro Dean Anderson

Claiming God's Word

Walking in Victory

Yes, let us continue to read, meditate, and claim God's full armor to be strong in the Lord and the power of His might to overcome temptations, trials, and spiritual schemes of the evil one in our daily walk!

Ephesians 6:17-18 (NKJV) And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.



WMU provides age-appropriate resources so that every church member — from preschoolers to adults — can actively engage in missions. Each resource is designed to help people in your church learn, pray, support and do missions work to share the gospel. **For more information contact Morgan!**



AWANA AWARDS

Sunday, May 17TH 6:30

Awana Clubs have specialized curriculum, games, and activities for kids at every age. Kids who attend **Awana Clubs** study and read the Bible weekly 46% more often!

"Because Kids Matter to God!"

Reminders for Sunday, May 10th

Deacon of the Week — J. Woodin **Offering:** D.

Jessup Ushers: B. Haley, G. Smithson

3T Nursery — T. Moore, B. Cowan, C. Odom

Children's Message — T. Davenport

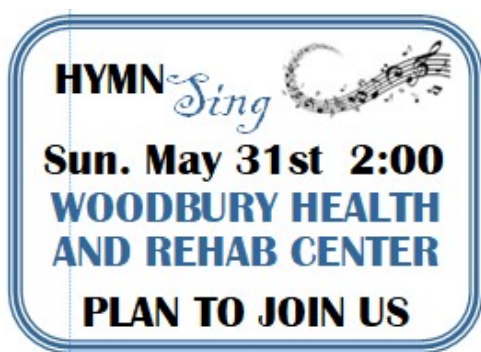
Security — L. Womack, P. Cecil, B. Sharp

Scripture Readers — A. Rowland



We are needing volunteers to help in all areas. Contact Libby Sledge or Mary Ellen Smith if you are available to love on all who God brings our way. **You can make a difference!**

**"Remember, the airplane
takes off against the wind,
not with it!"**



ARK ENCOUNTER: A deposit of \$50.00 for families going on the trip can be given to the church office with the final amount due May 24.

"Try to be a RAINBOW in someone else's

First Baptist Church Food Pantry



April Needs:
Canned Meats, Cereal

Help us be the hands of Jesus as we seek to provide sustenance to the needy in the Woodbury area.

Operation Christmas Child



NEEDS FOR APRIL:

Boys and Girls Socks
Pencils and Erasers
Boys Underwear in ALL sizes
Bibles (See Phil Purvis to order)

***** Church Funnies *****



Respectful American Flag Disposal



If you have an American Flag that needs a respectful disposal, please place it in the box in the back lobby by the rear door and it will be taken care of for you by the **Warrior 180 Foundation**. Warrior 180 seeks to turn lives around through the saving grace and love of Jesus Christ by providing help and hope to those who have served in the

Church Library Resource of the Week



I AM A CHURCH MEMBER by Thom Rainer

Best-selling author Thom S. Rainer (Simple Church) shows how being an effective church member has more to do with maintaining a healthy biblical attitude than it does worrying over functional issues. Rainer drew an exceptional response when he posted a 500-word declaration about church membership to his daily blog. "I Am a Church Member" started a conversation about the attitudes and responsibilities of church members -- rather than the functional and theological issues -- that previous new member primers all but ignored. Thoughtfully expanded to book form, I Am a Church Member begins to remedy the outbreak of inactive or barely committed church members, addressing without apology what is expected of those who join a body of believers.

Reading Through The Bible in 2026

MAY 2026

8. OT - II Kings 4, 5, 6; NT - Luke 24:36-53
9. OT - II Kings 7, 8, 9; NT - John 1:1-28
10. OT - II Kings 10, 11, 12; NT - John 1:29-51
11. OT - II Kings 13, 14; NT - John 2:1-25
12. OT - II Kings 15, 16; NT - John 3:1-18
13. OT - II Kings 17, 18; NT - John 3:19-36
14. OT - II Kings 19, 20, 21; NT - John 4:1-30

NORMAL CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Closed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day,
Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Morning worship broadcast on WBRY, AM 1540 & FM 107.1; morning and evening worship and Prayer Meeting all streamed live on Facebook and YouTube (FBC Woodbury), and on the church website (fbcwoodbury.org).

Prayer Guide

Please help us keep the Prayer Guide updated – send anyone you would like to add, and notify us of anyone who can be removed. Thank you!

Church Family

Melissa Burnett
Patrick, Karie Cecil
Bobby Davenport
Darrell, Lou Goins
Cecil Gregory
Ashlyn Hare
Drunell Higgins
Randal Holt
Richie Hunter
Andy McCrary
David, Charlene Odom
Benton Parker
Brandon Schwartz
MaryWells Smith

Friends and Family—submitted by the person listed

Ethan Allen (Danny Jones)
Cara Anderson (Dean Anderson)
Sharon Armstrong (Glenda Hunter)
Wade, Cindy Blackwell (Cindy Anderson)
Gary Blanton (Lydia Womack)
Roy Brigman (Marilyn Ault)
AnnaHaillie Brown (MaryWells Smith)
Randy Burnett (Tony Burnett)
Marcella Byers (Randall Byers)
Buck Campbell (Tony Burnett)
Nick Caudle (Melissa Froome)
Adam Cothron (Jason McGee)
Bruce Daniel (Brandie Maynard)
Pat Dayton (Bob Davenport)
Miciah DiGiacomo (Penny DiGiacomo)
Tammy Douglas (Lela Woodin)
Nick Dutton (Judy Holt)
Chris Ellis (Darren Jessup)
Bree Evans (Andy McCrary)
Katie Ferrell (Stacie Francis)
Emily Basinger Foster (Judy Campbell)
Linda Freeman (Hannah Herron)
Analynn Garrett (Jeannette Todd)
Logan Hastings (Tammy Wies)
Mary Headley (Mike Parks)
Brenda Hinderliter (Penny DiGiacomo)
Joe Mike Hodge (Kaylee Rogers)
Brian Jones (Douglas Jennings)

Lana Jones (Glenda Hunter)
Anna Kaiser (Tammy Wies)
Emily Kidd (Cindy Anderson)
Betty King (Cindy Anderson)
Polly Klecan (Katie McGee)
Brenda Liford (Marilyn Ault)
Amanda Parks (Cynthia Brewer)
Terry Patterson (Jason McGee)
Carson Powell (Cecil Gregory)
Samantha Schwartzentruber (Morgan Bostedt)
Josh Simmons (Michael Odom)
Andy Smith (Douglas Jennings)
Teresa Tenpenny (Melissa Burnett)
Becky Tilford (Melissa Froome)
David, Pat Tomlinson (Carlene Thomlinson)
Family of Kim Van Atta (Tony Burnett)
Angela Welch (Morgan Bostedt)
Quinton Whitlock (Darren Jessup)
Joyce Wilburn (Anna Farris)
Bill Wilson (Tony Burnett)

Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:

Mamie Powers, Barbara Melton, Mamie Vance, Don Stevenson

Homebound:

Martha Burke, Dean Francis, Jinx Wilkinson, Betty Wilder, Carlene Tomlinson

Missionaries:

Phil/Laura Metcalf, Angela Dawson, Chris/Rebecca Abner, Casey/Amy Jones, Olivia Schultz

Church Staff:

Dean Anderson, Rhett Brewer, Randal & Ellie Byers, Eric Bostedt, Tammy Wies

Military:

Chris Gillis, Stephon Harris, Steven Pirtle, Justin Wax, Taylor

Woodworth, Kevin Walkup Robert Bucher, Jessica Manning

College Students:

Cathan Cecil, Jacob Sledge, Sarah Bostedt, Etta Gaines, Thomas McGee, Alana Stansbury, Parker Matthews

Active Deacons:

Darren Jessup, Tony Burnett, Michael Odom, Jeff Woodin, Eric Bostedt, Bob Wies, Douglas Jennings, Jason McGee

Church Matters:

VBS; Mission trip and Nunez Church in Buenos Aires, MissionLab group; WMU; Student Ministry; Bruce Marchiano & Gospel of John film; IMB Missionaries; nation & leaders; Gideons; the lost

**“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be
gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”**

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