Praises & Prayer Requests: Please keep my request confidential.

SOME THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT BECOMING A CHRISTIAN:

God desires a relationship, not a religion: Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. (John 17:3)

That relationship is broken by a heart made rebellious by sin: For all have sinned; all fall short of God's glorious standard. (Romans 3:23)

God has bridged the sin-gap through the life, death, and resurrection of his Son Jesus Christ. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. (Romans 5:8)

We enter this relationship, cross the bridge, by faith. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved. (Romans 10:10)

If you're ready to become a Christian, mark "I want to become a Christian" on the other side, include your name & contact info, leave it in your seat or place in the offering plate. Or, you may come to the front during the last song to speak with the pastor.

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF EPHESUS:

Attend Class 101: Discovering Church Membership. NEXT SESSION—Saturday, September 14th from 9:00 am—Noon. Mark "Sign me up for Class 101" on the other side and include your contact information. Our Administrative Assistant will contact you to get you registered.

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 21

9;15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
11:35 am Business Conference
1:30 pm CLMC Service
5:45 pm A.G.E. (Youth)
No PM Services/Activities

Monday, July 22

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, July 24

10:00 am Library Open No Worship Team Rehearsal No Choir Rehearsal in July No Prayer Meeting

Friday, July 26

7:00 am—8:00 am Men of Prayer (Welcome Room)



Welcome Ministers

Hostess Committee: Carolyn Sutton, Margaret Holland Ushers: Bill Lowe, James Weaver, Bill King, Jeff Weaver, Marvin Croom, Brian Chalnick

Church Staff

Greg Templin, Pastor
Doug Meeker, Min. of Music
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Ephesus Baptist Church

July 21, 2019





VISION STATEMENT

We, the fellowship of Ephesus Baptist Church, as followers of our Lord Jesus Christ, will reach people with His love, encourage them to grow, and equip them to serve, as we seek to be obedient servants of God.

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Sandy Thomas

Hymn 206 Blessed Be the Name

Welcome Doug Meeker

Children's Moment Emilee Fulcher

Hymn 7 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Worship through Giving Prayer for Offering

Song Well Done Ruth Ann Weaver

God's Word Philippians 4:4-9 Sandra Lampley

Message Letter of Joy Tom Guy Philippians

Hymn 197 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Sending Prayer Sandra Lampley

Postlude Sandy Thomas



How I praise the Lord that you are concerned about me again. I know you have always been concerned for me, but you didn't have the chance to help me. Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength. (Philippians 4:10-13, NLT)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Rev. Tom Guy to bring the message in word today! Tom has been a member of Ephesus since January, 2015. He and Teresa Shaw were married here in December, 2013. Tom is a native of Hebron, Maryland, and his parents are William and Patsy Guy of Guy Farms, Inc. He is a retired US Army Green Beret, graduated from Liberty University, and recently retired from North Carolina Department of Agriculture.

Tom is a former Conference Commander for the NC Conference of Royal Rangers, a founding member of Merci International Christian Missions, and an affiliate Member of Ishmael's Blessing International. He is a father of 5: Aaron, Joshua, Mitch, Meredith and Brenlee; grandfather of Evelyn R. Guy; son in-law of Terry and Brenda Shaw. Tom is a lifelong Jesus-follower, a member of the Truth Seeker Class, and was ordained to Deacon Ministry at Ephesus in September 2018.

Quarterly Church Business Conference Today After the Worship Service. The final draft of the Church Master Policy will not be submitted for approval of the church due to postponement of the Q&A session. A huge "Thank you!" to Linda Mann for a tremendous job making sure this vital church document is accurate, up-to-date, and ready for the most effective operation of the church.



Spiritual Twist Productions Presents Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ, July 25-27: If you've never experienced Spiritual Twist Productions, now is the time to give it a try! Tickets may be purchased online at spiritualtwist.com for all showings, but it would be even more fun to go as a group from the church for the Friday, July 26 showing! You'll need to buy tickets on your own, but sign up in the Foyer to ride the bus for Friday 7/26 only. STP is located at 1250 Aversboro Rd., Garner, NC 27529, phone 919-977-1976.

Rx for Baptist Retirement Home Residents: We completed a very successful church-wide campaign last April to collect change to help residents at BRHNC with prescription medicine costs. Since we still have lots of the Rx bottles left, you may pick one or two up on the Bridge—look for the green BRHNC bag—continue to collect change, and either send a check directly, or get it to the Martha Franks Missions Group and they'll send it on.

Church Council Will Meet Sunday, July 28 at 11:45 a.m.

Welcome to Ephesus!

July 21, 2019

We're glad that you've chosen to worship with us. If you are a guest, we welcome you and would appreciate a record of your visit. Please complete this form, detach it and place it in the offering plate. Also, our pastor would welcome the opportunity to meet you personally after the service.

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