

CONCORD BAPTIST CHURCH

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OCTOBER 2025

GROW + SERVE + FELLOWSHIP + ADVENTURE

Hey Forever Young Family and Friends,

Considering what's happened recently, let's remember what Jesus said in Matthew 5:44-45:

"But I tell you, love our enemies. Bless those who curse you. Do good to those who hate you. Pray for those who treat you badly and hurt you. Then you will be children of your Father in heaven. He makes the sun rise on both good and bad people. He sends rain to those who do right and those who do wrong."

The murder of Charlie Kirk was shocking and very sad. Some people responded with love by holding prayer services, both planned and spontaneous. But others mocked his death, which is heartbreaking. Charlie was a husband, a father, a son, and a leader.

So, what should we do? The Bible tells us to love, bless, help, and pray for those who hurt us. That's not easy. The world is broken, and many people are lost in sin. The devil wants to "steal, kill, and destroy," but Jesus came to give us a better life.

We pray for the person who killed Charlie Kirk. We ask God to save him, help him feel sorry, and forgive him. We also pray that he takes responsibility for what he did and the consequences that will come. And YES, we pray for Charlie's wife, Erika, his family, and the organization he led.

This is about what God can do with something meant for harm. God can turn it into something powerful, a worldwide revival! Many people are now open to hearing the gospel, just like after 9/11.

Let's show love, kindness, and prayer to everyone we meet. "Charlie Kirk wasn't the Light, but he carried the Light of Jesus." As Christians, we carry that Light too.

Let's "Shine for Jesus", just like Mimi says!

In Christ's love and with our love, Rev. Michael and Lori Kinard (and Michaela)

P.S. My cell number is 864-314-1968. You can call or text me anytime!

Fall Retreat to Bonclarken - Last chance to sign up! It's time to sign up for the FY Fall Retreat to Bonclarken! Yes, the deadline was September 29, just like you saw and heard. But if you haven't signed up yet, don't worry—God may still want you to be part of this special time together. Call the office today and add your name to the list of people going to BonClarken this year. I promise, you don't want to miss this retreat!

Forever Young Men's Bible Study coming soon! Details coming!

**Forever Young Adventures:** Information about Forever Young activities, trips, and more can be found on the Church Center App/Church website: www.concordbaptist.com *If you do not have the app, see me for more info.* 



# Happy Birthday to...

- Courtney Deering Becky Jones Juanita Owensby Melissa Stephens Etta Wright
- 3 Christie Kernells Humphrey Whelchel
- 4 Jane Locke James Penn Jr
- 5 Janet Benitez Carol Heath Pam Lohning Betty Shore Linda Thibault
- 6 Patsy Baldwin Reba McGaughey Joyce Philyaw Darrell Wilson
- 7 Terry Clark
- 8 Pat Breisch
  Beth Brown
  Ray Lowe
  Felicia Putman
  Gerald Riggins
  Sharon Walker
- 9 Debra Roland
- 10 Mary Powers Jan Woodson
- 12 Roger Watt
- 13 Gail Brosious
  John Buchanan
  Roger Chamberlin
  Cindy Charland
  Faye Davis
  Jean Hill
- 14 Shirley Meredith Cindy Wilson
- 15 John Aakhus
  Sandy Arulf
  Elaine Crawford
  Donna Duroy
  Jonathan Hosea
  Juli Ludwig
  Margie Whelchel

- 16 LaRita Hackler Sharon Knox Cat Parker
- 17 Trudy Crittendon Cheryl Taylor
- 18 Cris Bailey Sybil Bowman Dannis Cox Bill Eaton
- 19 Deborah Jensen Ken Leary Betty Phillips Jacki Stone Paula Webster
- 20 Katy Glymph
- 21 Viola Lewis Reba Martin John Skipper Jr
- 22 Kathy Jordan Matt Smith
- 23 Randy Bates
  Michelle Edwards
  Deborah Farrington
  Debra Isbell
  Stacey Parker
- 24 Debbie Koke
- 25 Doris Harbin Grethe Moody Randall Moore Joe Putman
- 26 Frances Alexander Courson Cunningham Emily Wilson
- 27 Wendell Bannister Ray Buice Amy Jeanne Hudson Nan Stephens Vance Wells
- 28 Carston Heinlein Lewis Jones Barbara Smith
- 29 Patricia Koop
- 30 Freda Kelley Van Moorer Alan Nowell

## Forever Young August Luncheon Mission Emphasis:

The August "tip" money raised for Hope Mission:

\$233

### OCTOBER EVENTS

### **October Missions Emphasis:**

The tip money we collect at our next luncheon will go to benefit

Tim & Jody Cross with the Open Arms Refugee Ministry

#### COMING UP

#### **OCTOBER LUNCHEON**

Tuesday, October 7 Tickets: \$10

Last day to purchase: October 2
Entertainment: Tim & Jodi Cross
Menu: Parmesan crusted chicken,
mac & cheese, baby lima beans,
pineapple casserole, rolls, chocolate
delight

#### **FALL RETREAT TO BONCLARKEN**

October 20-23, 2025

Rev. Tom Capps speaking on "Encore: Living for the Exclamation Point!" Rev. Rodney Graham leading worship <u>Prices per Person</u>

Single Occupancy Room: \$530 Double Occupancy Room: \$350 Triple/Quad Occupancy Room: \$275

#### **NOVEMBER LUNCHEON**

Tuesday, November 4 Tickets: \$10

Last day to purchase: October 30 Come prepared to share how God has been faithful to you this year.

Menu: Turkey, dressing, gravy, green beans, mac & cheese, rolls, chocolate drizzle cake

Trip to the Billy Graham Library
Tuesday, November 18

## SAVE THE DATE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Tuesday, December 2
10:30 or 6:00
at the Bleckley Station
with Tate Emmons and Tim Lovelace
Tickets: \$25