# **Church Calendar**

#### <u>August</u>

2 Youth Hangout

2-4 Coastal Evangelism Conference

3 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

3 Constitution & Bylaws Comm Mtg.

5 Bethlehem Block Party 4 PM

6 Judgement House Presentation 4PM

6 Children's Council Meeting 6PM

7-11 Quilting Class 8 AM 9 Youth Hangout 6 PM

10 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

10 Constitution & Bylaws Comm Mtg.

13 Personnel Committee Mtg. 4 PM 13 Church Council Meeting 4PM

15 Buildings & Grounds Committee Mtg

16 Back to School Bash @ Living Water 17 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

17 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM

17 Deacons' Meeting @ Dales Seafood

20 Teachers' Appreciation 20 Personnel Comm Mtg. 4PM

20 Discipleship Journey 2 Begins

22 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

23 First Day of School

23 Youth Hangout 6 PM

24 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

27 CHAMPS Meeting 2 PM

27 Discipleship Journey 2

29 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

30 Awana Starts

30 Youth Hangout 6 PM

31 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

31 Constitution & Bylaws Comm Mtg.

### <u>September</u>

4 Labor Day - Church Office Closed 5 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM 6 Awana Club

6 Youth Hangout 6 PM

7 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

### 10 FRIEND DAY - SS HIGH ATTENDANCE

12 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

13 Awana Club

13 Youth Hangout 6 PM

14 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM 14 LACE Meeting 6:30 PM

19 Good News Club Begins

19 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

19 Buildings & Grounds Comm Mtg.

20 Awana Club

21 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM 21 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM

21 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM

24 Sunday School Teachers' Mt 4:30 PM

26 Good News Club

27 Awana Club

27 Youth Hangout 6 PM 28 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

1 The Lord's Supper 3 Good News Club

3 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

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4 Awana Club

4 Youth Hangout 6 PM

5 Intercessory Prayer 9AM 10 Good News Club

10 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

11 Awana Club

11 Youth Hangout 6 PM

12 Intercessory Prayer 9AM

15 Business Meeting

17 Good News Club

17 LOVE Visitation 6:30 PM

17 Buildings & Grounds Comm Mtg.

18 Judgement House Run Through

19 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM

19 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM 19 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM

19-22 Judgement House

24 Good News Club

24 LOVE Visitation

25 Awana Club

25 Youth Hangout 6 PM

26 Intercessory Prayer 9AM

27-29 Possible Judgement House

31 Good News Club



## **Operation Christmas Child** is coming soon!!

Shoeboxes will be filled this fall with your aifts of love for children. Opportunities to hear the Good News for the first time will be open to children around the world. Classes in discipleship will be provided. Much needed items for shoeboxes are school supplies. Suggestions are: paper, flexible tablets, scissors, pencils, small sharpeners, crayons, colored pencils, and solar calculators. In September we will collect soap bars and washcloths. Please purchase the more gentle soaps (Ivory, Dial, Caress, etc.). Toothpaste and candy will not be accepted this year, so our concentration will be on school supplies and hygiene items. WMU

**Baptist Church** 

Choir - Sunday School I - Worship Servic Children's Choir

sday Service Times
A - AWANA Program
A - Youth Bible Study
A - Prayer / Bible Study
A - Prayer / Bible Study

Wednesd 5:00 PM -6:00 PM -6:00 PM -7:00 PM -







# "Let's Get Ready"

It is so hard for me to believe that the summer is almost over and a new fall church year is about to begin. In spite of the heat, Loris FBC has had a great summer. God has blessed our VBS, our Children and Youth Camps, our Atlanta and Denver Mission Trips, and even our regular weekly worship services. Although it has been hard this summer to begin the process of replacing wonderful and faithful staff members (Jim Smith and Dorothy Lay), the Lord has brought us talented and excited replacements to start the new year with (Todd Barnhill and Linda Jordan). Both our weekly Sunday School and worship attendance numbers are solid (higher averages than last year) and we have quite a few visitors this summer who have expressed an interest in joining Loris FBC in the near future. God has been so good to us! That is why I am so excited about the rest of 2017.

Not only are we restarting our AWANA's and GOOD NEWS children's discipleship programs very soon, but we will also be beginning a new discipleship semester for Adults as we enter into the 2nd Volume of "The Journey". As you recall, "The Journey" is a four volume (52 total weeks) intentional plan for discipleship that provides a purposeful process for maturing in Christ. Over 80 members of Loris FBC went through the 13 sessions of Volume 1 of "The Journey" in the spring. Both new and seasoned disciples encountered key ideas and practices to help them grow in Christ and mature as disciple makers. This semester, beginning on Sunday August 20th, those that have completed Volume 1 will be put into discussion groups to start on Volume 2. There will also be discussion groups available for those who are ready to start Volume 1 of "The Journey" for the first time. The Lord's desire for all Christians is that we are all discipled to become more like Jesus Christ in our thoughts, attitudes, and actions. Participating in "The Journey" will help you learn to better walk with Him and serve Him every day.



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#### August

1 Jessica Wilson 2 Alex Duncan 2 Ronnie Todd 5 Reba Fowler 6 Elmer Ammons

6 Pam Harrelson 6 John Jones

6 Terry Smith 7 Michell Gosa 8 Brooke Collins

9 Jessica Archibald 9 Tanner Cox

10 Wendell Prince II 11 Courtney Planty

12 Jonathan Fox 12 Channing Prince

15 Madalyn Todd 16 Austin Prince

17 Donna Arnette

17 Conner Strong 21 Pearl Prince

22 Greg King 23 Billy Prince

24 France Dusenbury

24 Barbara Houle

24 Hollie Parrott 26 Mary Jo Black

26 Walter Lupo

28 Shannon Collins 28 John Dozier

28 Phyllis Like

28 Cathev Powell

30 Neil James

#### September

1 Neal Turner Sr 3 Elana Porter 5 Eloise Blackwell

5 Nancy Duncan 5 Gloria Suggs

8 Brenda Stevens 9 Jonthan Dean

11 Casey Ward 12 Noah King

14 Diantha Vaught 17 Meredith Cox 17 Marsha Fowler

18 John Hardee 20 Ellie Gore

24 Ruth Anne Venable 26 Hilda Todd 26 Noah Vescovi

27 Nicole Black 27 Kathryna Watson

28 Crickett Rogers

#### **October**

3 Chip Jacobs

5 Eloise Cox

6 Homer Harrelson Jr.

6 Misty Heffington 9 Harvey Graham III 10 Tammy Floyd 10 Donna Rhodes

13 Kemp Floyd 13 Linda Pate

14 Kitty Franklin 16 Edi Cox

18 Vonda Hamilton 19 Judy Wooten

20 Carolyn Prince 20 Jean Webster

20 Phyllis Williams 21 Becky Workman

23 Paula Cox 23 Benjamin Hardee

24 JT Merritt

25 Felicia James 26 Wynne Floyd 27 Justin Turner

28 Charles Webster

29 Teddy Boyd 29 Jared Harrelson 29 Seth Harrelson

31 Donald Johnson

1 Babb Fowler 2 Tom Foy 2 Tammy Holt

4 Jenny Williams

5 Wanda Horne 6 Monica Currie

# Dear Loris FBC Family.

I would like to take a moment to thank you for welcoming my wife. Aimee. and I with open arms. It has been fun getting to know each of you. although challenging learning your names - I'm working on it, I promise! And I look forward to getting to know each of you better in the near future. I am very excited to see what God has planned for the music ministry at Loris FBC! If you have been thinking of joining the choir, now is a great time as we are beginning to learn new music! Please join us on Wednesdays at 7 pm! With peace. Todd Barnhill



# Condolences to our families who recently lost loved ones:

Robert Cox. Sr. Linford Cox Henry Harrelson **Ruby Morton** Dr. Jav Barnette, Jr.

Our thoughts & prayers are with you!

I hope and pray that all adult members of Loris FBC will consider participating in this 13 week discipleship process that will be held from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings, beginning on August 20th.

On Sunday morning, September 10th, we will be hosting our 3rd FRIEND DAY at Loris FBC. I am calling this particular event "FRIEND DAY 300"...because I believe we will have over 300 people in our worship service that day. Wouldn't that be incredible!??! We have had quite a few people (couples and families) begin visiting over the past few months. Therefore, if we encourage them to invite "unchurched" friends that they know...in addition to the "unchurched" friends we invite...I believe it will be quite easy to surpass our "300" goal. Please begin praying about this FRIEND DAY. Start praying about people around you (whether in your family, at work, or in your neighborhood) that God would have you invite to our worship service on September 10th. I truly believe your "friends" that come will enjoy all of the good singing, preaching, and EATING that they will experience on this special day!

In addition to our normal effective discipleship programs and Friend Day, we will also be focusing a lot of efforts on a new outreach initiative called "Judgement House". "Judgement House" is an evangelistic walk-thru drama where those who attend will be exposed to the various consequences of responding to the gospel of Jesus Christ. In October of this year. we are expecting 1000+ people to come to Loris FBC to observe scenes where the gospel of Jesus Christ is presented to various actors and actresses. Some "accept" Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior when the gospel is presented to them, while some "reject" Him. Then our guests will see a "dramatic", biblically based, Judgement Scene where those who have received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior have their names recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life and are escorted by angels into Heaven. Those actors and actresses who do not have their names recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life are dragged by demons into Hell. After a tour of our Hell and Heaven scenes, all of the attendees to our Judgement House production will be given an opportunity to hear the gospel and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

In order to accomplish this major "God honoring" evangelistic project, we are going to need as many volunteers as possible from throughout our entire Loris FBC church family. We need people to help us welcome guests and park cars in an orderly fashion when they arrive. We also need people to serve at

Registration tables to help put people in groups of 20-25 to begin their walk through of this drama that will be held in 8 separate rooms throughout our church property. We will need people to volunteer to serve as actors, actresses, and room directors. There are also volunteers needed for Security. Kitchen, Child Care, and Prayer Teams. On Sunday, August 6th (at 4 pm), there will be another "Judgement House" Introduction meeting in the Sanctuary so that everyone can watch a video of the drama and have an opportunity to ask questions and volunteer for the various teams. Please attend this meeting, if possible, and pray about where God could use you to help Loris FBC get the gospel out to hundreds of people throughout Horry and Columbus Counties.

Finally, as we "Get Ready" for an exciting beginning to a new church year...I need you to pray about and consider doing one more thing. I am concerned that when the vacations for this summer end and the new school year begins...our worship attendance on Sunday mornings are going to push us to maximum capacity. There has already been times this summer where seats in the bottom rows of the sanctuary are hard to find. When visitors come to Loris FBC (and they ARE coming regularly!), they will not feel comfortable (or welcomed!) if we make them have to climb the steps to the sit up in the balcony. That is why I am asking our "younger" members (under 60) to please consider sitting up in the balcony on Sunday mornings. especially when it is obvious that our attendance is large. God's word says "Love is never rude" (1 Corinthians 13:5). It is "rude" for church members to take all of the best seats and then expect our guests to "climb over us", "sit in the front", and/or "climb into the balcony". Because the mission of the church is to INVITE OTHERS to come to the Lord's house...let's make sure that those who accept our invitation to "come unto the Lord's house" do not find us RUDE and SELF-SERVING when they get here. I know how loving and kind the Loris FBC family really is...so let's be actively thinking about visitors and guests in our services and do everything we can (including sitting up front or in the balcony) to make them feel welcomed and wanted! I am expecting great things for Loris FBC this fall...

"SO LET'S GET READY"!

- Pastor Louis

Please remember not to use someone else's offering envelope. The contributions are posted to the envelope number and not necessarily the name written on the envelope. Please contact Paula in the church office if you are not receiving your quarterly envelopes. Thanks so much for your assistance.