

Mintz Baptist Church



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Mintz Sanctuary Choir

Various Soloist

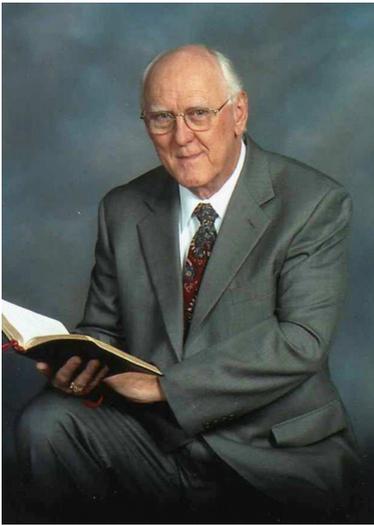
Marksmen Quartet

Kings Way Quartet

New Bethel Quartet

**Community
Gospel Sing**

Saturday, June 14 at 7 p.m.
3761 Old Mintz Hwy.
Roseboro, NC 285382



Dr. John McBride
Pastor

One of my favorite child stories is The Three Little Pigs and the bad wolf. Two of the pigs built their houses out of straw and sticks and when the bad wolf blew his breathe against them the houses fell down. Only one pig was smart and built his house out of brick and the wolf blew and blew but couldn't blow the house down. Jesus told a story about two types of houses – one built on sand and one built upon a solid rock. Along came the wind and waves and the house on the sand fell while the house of the rock withstood all the storms that came its way. The evil force in the Little Pig nursery rhyme and the evil force in the Bible story are one of the same, the Devil.

As a pastor, I am concerned that too many Christians are walking around literally in a spiritual slumber. It is the desire of God that we all have a close intimate walk with Him that brings joy, happiness, abundant living and satisfaction in serving. It just blows my mind how anyone claiming to be a Christian can be so indifferent to God's work, God's church, and God's desire to have a personal relationship with them. It is so heartbreaking to see the body language of Christians that express a sour attitude, indifference and a spirit that radiates bitterness, boredom, and feelings that demonstrate nothing but negative vibes. It is a dangerous thing when a Christian moves into that type of existence. That's right, they are existing not living. They are breathing but spiritually they are dead. The love of Jesus is not flowing in or out of them. They have moved out of the brick house into one made of straw and sticks that is built on a foundation of sinking sand.

Wake up sleeping Christians and return to your first love, Jesus Christ. Think about it, He died on a cross for you! Do you love him? Do you hear His voice? Are you ready if He came for you within the next hour? You can only answer yes, if you love Him with all your heart, mind, soul and being. That is a solid foundation against which nothing can overpower.

Dr. McBride

MINTZ CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Progress continues to move forward in a positive manner on Mintz Christian Academy. At the committee's last meeting the following things were decided.

1. The Pamphlet is complete and ready to be sent to the printers.
2. Advertisement will be submitted to the local media, i.e., radio station, cable TV, newspaper, and the Baptist Communicator seeking interested applicants for the position of Principal. Presently we have two resumes submitted.
3. The Job Description for the Principal's position has been finalized.
4. Interviewing for the position of Principal will begin in a couple of weeks.
5. A tentative target date for hiring a Principal is mid August.

As you walk throughout our facility you are aware of changes being made to our physical buildings. Construction is continuing on the seven classroom doors and other needs as presented. We are comparing prices for the fire alarm system. As a member of the Committee, Lonnie Herring is working to get the best price possible.



Continue to pray for the School Committee. They have worked hard and still have a lot of hard work ahead of them.

Eddie Matthews
Chairperson

VISION COMMITTEE

The Vision Committee is working hard to move us forward over the next two years. Several of the committee members attended a most informative Building Conference in April and met in May with a State Consultant who gave some good advice on how to proceed with our building program. We are talking with the North American Mission Board about having a Site plan developed, floor plans designed, and an elevation drawing done. This initial study and drawings will cost the church around \$10,000.

The project if approved by the church will take about two years to complete. We are not sure at this point what the exact cost will be, but it is safe to say we are looking at about \$1 million dollars. We need to raise \$200,000 over the next two years.

The deacons, vision committee and finance committee will be studying how the church can afford this project. Is that possible? We believe it is, because with God all things are possible.

Bill Lynch
Chairman



NEW BUS PLEDGES

Church families within our fellowship have collectively pledged \$14,686.00 toward the note on our new bus. To date \$10,429.60 has come in from these pledges and applied toward the bus loan.

We presently have a pledge balance of \$4,256.40 yet to come in. Some are giving toward their pledge on a monthly basis and others have set a date to give theirs in full.

This is a great testimony to the spirit and generosity of our church families. If you plan to be a part of this ministry, but have not turned in your pledge card, please do this soon. There are pledge cards in the Educational Building foyer and in the Sanctuary foyer.

We have reduced our bank note to \$11,000.00 plus interest and are presently \$7,000 short on the note which is due in October.

MINTZ GROWTH REACHES 266

The Church Clerk reported to the Deacons at their last meeting that MINTZ BAPTIST CHURCH now has a membership of 266. This number includes active, inactive and non-

resident members. The membership roll was reviewed and names of those who are deceased were dropped as well as those names from old records whose whereabouts are unknown.

In accordance with the Constitution, inactive members will be sent a letter asking their intent and interest in Mintz Baptist Church.

FALL REVIVAL DATES

Mark your calendar and don't let anything conflict with the upcoming fall revival scheduled for October 5-8.

Martin Dupree is our evangelist and comes highly recommended. You will not want to miss out on hearing this young man. He is on fire for the Lord.

Be in prayer about this revival that God will use Martin to change all of us spiritually.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There are sheets on the table next to the front entrance of the Family Center listing all positions in the church for the new church year. Please review these sheets and check **all** those positions you would be willing to serve in. This doesn't mean you will serve in all the positions you check, but will give the Nominating Committee an idea of where your interest is.

God has called all of us to be involved in the Body, not to be mere spectators. The cost of the cross was too great, and the work of the

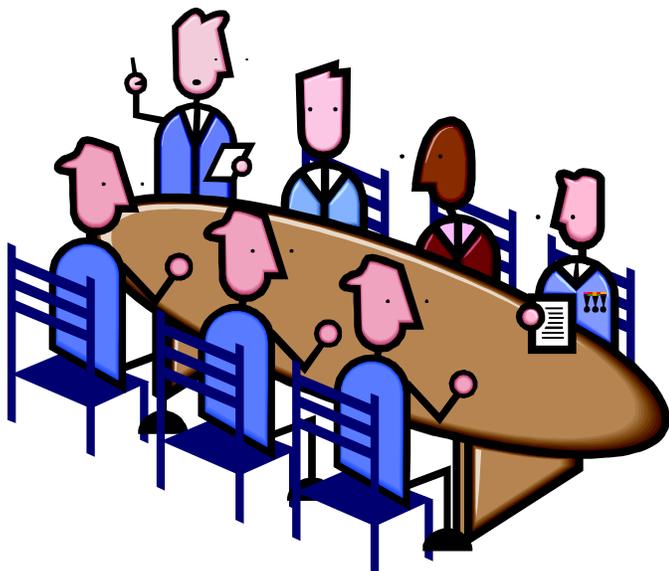
church is too important to take a non-committal attitude. With our church growth it is imperative now more than ever that we all get involved.

You know what your interests, skills, abilities, and God-given talents are. Your church needs you!

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

This year some new committees have been added on the worksheets. These worksheets can be found on the table next to the hall door coming into the Family Center. We are asking that you review those worksheets and mark those committees you would be willing to serve on for three years.

There will be a rotation system set up by the Committee on Committees when the final report is submitted to the church body. Next year the Committee on Committees will only have to look at filling vacancies caused by those who rotate off and committees where replacements are needed.



Everyone is needed to fill committee positions. It is not a matter of prayer, but a matter of the heart and love for God that causes us to step forward in service.

VBS – JULY 13-18

The theme for this year's VBS is "Outrigger Island." Candy Pilkington is the Director. The theme is based on Psalm 86:11 that talks about living in God's unshakeable truth.

The weather in July should be just right for a luau on a tropical island found only in one of the classes at MINTZ BAPTIST CHURCH. Plan to join us.

BISTRO DINNER THEATER

A group of twenty-five has signed up to attend the Dinner Theater in Dublin County on June 21.

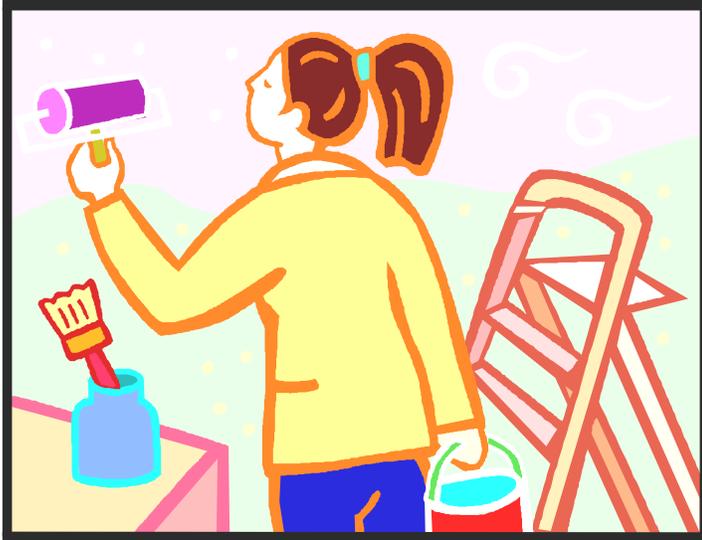
We try to schedule an outing quarterly since these outings are designed for church family fellowship. If you were unable to go on this trip, look for future trips you might be interested in.

HIS VOICE QUARTET COMING SOON

On June 29 **His Voice Quartet** will present a concert of gospel music during the morning worship hour. This will be the first time this quartet has visited our church and we are looking forward to their leadership in worship and praise.

Mark your calendar now and invite your friends. Lunch will be prepared by the Youth.

Roland Royal, Sr.
Chairman



YOUTH ON MISSION
FOR GOD

It is thrilling to see our youth look beyond themselves and see the needs of others. This month 20 plus of our youth, along with their leaders, will travel to Tennessee to provide all types of assistance to less fortunate families than the majority

of us. They are working hard to raise needed funds for the trip with car washes, candle sales, cooking for the church and etc. The church pays only one third of their expenses leaving them responsible for the other two-thirds. We all can't go, but by our support and prayers we share in their ministry. We know they will experience much; that they will grow spiritually; and that they will be filled with excitement. We look forward to their testimonies upon their return.

In July two of our youth will be going with a larger group outside of our church to the other side of the ocean. Jessica Sessoms will be going to Africa and Christa Wilkie will be going to China. The girls have to pay their own way. Again, we may not be able to go ourselves, but we can have a part in their ministry by supporting them in our prayers and through a love offering to be taken throughout the month of June. Christa will share with us on June 15 details about her trip and Jessica will share with us about her trip on June 29.

DINNER THEATER TICKET STATUS

<u>Date</u>	<u>#left</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>
July 25	Only half left	Betty Carter 990-6191
July 26	Only half left	Velma Vinson 564-4063
Aug. 1	Only half left	Della Warren 564-4297
Aug. 2	Sold Out	Maxine Jackson 564-4767
Aug. 8	Plenty	Sarah McBride 564-2690
Aug. 9	Plenty	Sarah McBride 990-3512

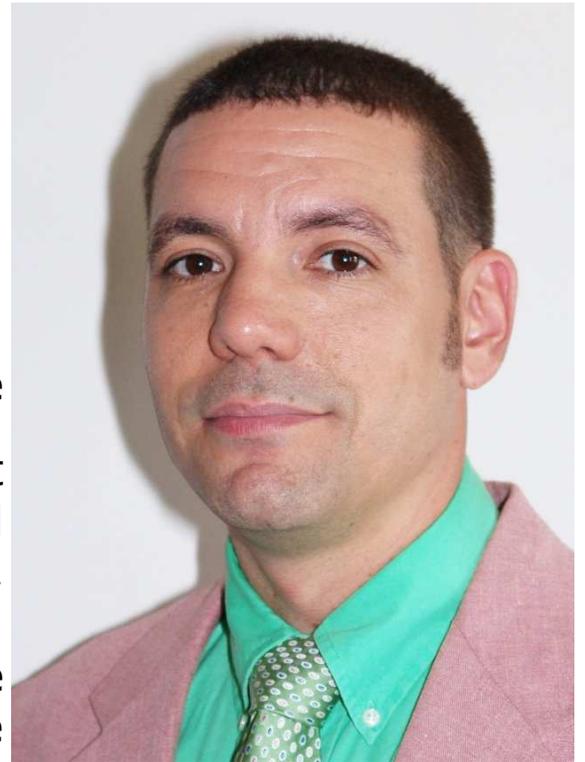
Youth Ministry

News and Updates

*I*t is amazing how quickly time marches on. June is usually a month that makes us all think about time of rest and relaxation. Graduation takes place, school is out and that makes us happy. Even though the world, and some of the churches, seem to relax this time of the year, the youth at Mintz Baptist Church are ready for an exciting time in the Lord this summer. We want this summer to glorify Christ.

There are some big things ahead for us. On Wednesday evenings we are studying *Experiencing God* and passionately seeking God's total direction for our lives. We are focusing on joining God in His work. He has called us to minister in a little town in Spencer, Tennessee and two of our youth are going to a foreign land to reach out to people in need. Spencer has a population of only 1,713 people, 670 households, and 471 families facing economic and social struggles. The poverty line is striking to youth and adult alike in Spencer. The poverty line is at 34% for age 18 and 25.5% for age 65 and above. There is an important need for a spiritual movement in this area as well. God is leading us to this community to share His love and the message of salvation with people we have never met.

Young people, I ask that each night we take at least 15 minutes to pray for our outreach. We want to be God's eyes, ears, hands and feet. What an exciting, yet humbling thing! We are privileged to serve Jesus Christ!



Bryan Jackson
Youth Pastor

In Christ,
Bryan