

# Mintz Baptist Church



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## *Revival*

*Services Nightly*

*7:30 p.m. Oct. 4—7*

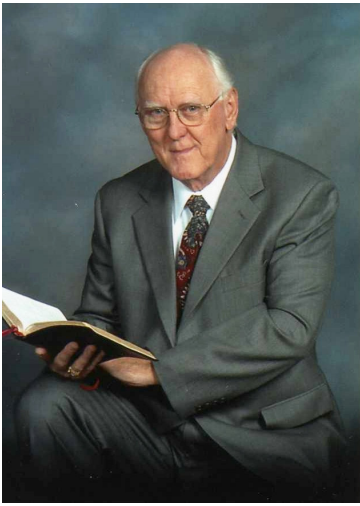
*Nursery Provided Nightly*

*Evangelist: Rev. Jeff Isenhour*

*Special Music each night*

*(MCA Students, Soloist, Praise Choruses, Sanctuary Choir)*

*Public Welcome*



Dr. John McBride  
Pastor

I agree that these are busy times for the Mintz family. But, we seem to thrive on being busy for our Lord and His work. I know some may feel we are too busy and thus do not seize the many opportunities before us to promote our church. One thing is certain, before the first half of October is over, Sampson County will have heard of or been personally exposed to our church. That is a good thing! Jesus told us to "go." There are many ways we can carry out that command. This does not always involve going to a foreign land. We can "go" and share His Word by *promoting the work of God* at various Festivals and other events. I urge the entire church to show the same spirit of "pulling together" in our upcoming project ministries as we do with our Dinner Theaters and annual fundraiser/auction. If you cannot volunteer to work in all these projects, please find *at least one* to which you are willing to commit your time and talents. **You will receive a blessing; your church will be blessed; God will be uplifted, and people's lives will be touched.** Wow, what a joy that will bring!

I ask that every church member be much in prayer for our upcoming revival (**OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30PM nightly**). It is vitally important to make a commitment to be at all services. Make a commitment now that you will be at the very first service, and then you will want to make the necessary sacrifices and adjustments to attend all the other services. You will miss out on the blessings of *revival and renewal* if you come to only one or two services. Believe me, you will not be sorry you made this commitment and *your cup will overflow* by the end of the last service. The services will not be long because we know it is important to get the children home before too late. We will be time-conscious every night. A great service is planned for each night with great singing and powerful messages. Rev. Isenhour was with us several years ago and that was a powerful revival. As you remember, we all hated to see the services come to a close and you can expect no less this time.

Dr. McBride



Ms. Joy McDowell  
Principal

# MCA News

## The Boy King

**J**osiah became King of Israel when he was eight years old. Despite his young age, he sought after God and by the time he was sixteen years old, he was tearing his clothes in despair about the wayward lifestyle of his country. This is not just another Bible story of long ago, but reminder of the influence our young people make when they stand for God early in their life.

The radical obedience of Josiah was the theme of the **See You at the Pole** rally. As I listened to our students pray,

I was reminded of their sweet devotion for their God. They know God's Truth, they love Him, and they are willing to stand for Him. God has big plans for the young people of our church and Academy as they stand on Truth in a world that no longer gives priority to God.

To the parents, let me encourage you in your choice of Mintz Christian Academy. Much is expected of our children at a young age. Your commitment to Kingdom Education indicates your desire for God to be the foundation of their lives as they prepare to serve Him. Thank you for entrusting your children to us at MCA, we do not take this responsibility lightly.

"(King Josiah) did what was right in the eyes of the Lord and walked in His ways... not turning aside to the right or the left."  
2Kings 22:2

Joy

Created by God to Serve God

## **GARLAND ROTARY** **PARADE—October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

This year Mintz Christian Academy students will ride a float in the Garland Rotary Parade which begins at 10:30AM. The students are to meet at Carter Funeral Home by 8:30 AM. This event starts at 9AM and ends about 2PM. The Parent-Teachers League (PTL) is promoting this fundraiser to purchase the equipment for a computer lab. MCA will also have a booth selling "turkey legs," popcorn and soft drinks.

Make plans to support our Academy on **Saturday, October 3.** They need canned drinks/bottled water to sell. If you can possibly contribute to this effort,



please bring your drinks/water to Joy's office during the next week.

God bless you for your support of this ministry!

## **DAY OF PRAYER**

We are going to do something a little different this year. Instead of praying the *day before*, we are going to pray *the day of the revival!* That's right! We will pray all day on Sunday until it's time to start the first service. We will be praying during the *Sunday School hour!* Oh yes! We will also be praying through the morning worship hour. Our chain of prayer will begin at 8:30AM on Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> and conclude at 7:30PM that evening.

The Prayer Room will be set up in the *Library from 8:30AM to*

*12:30PM. Starting at 12:30PM to 6:30PM the prayer warriors will use the Sanctuary.* Individuals scheduled during the final hour of prayer (6:30 – 7:30PM) will use the library. Sunday School teachers and worship hour nursery workers need to select a prayer time which does not conflict with their other responsibilities.



Can't you already feel the power that these prayers will bring to our Sunday School and morning worship? While we are in Bible study and worship, there will be others constantly praying in our prayer room. WOW!!!

## **SPAGHETTI LUNCH**

The MCA Fundraiser Committee is promoting a spaghetti dinner on **October 6<sup>th</sup>** for local businesses, schools and citizens of Sampson County. The committee has set a sales goal of *at least 600 plates.* We need the entire church to get involved in this project. *How?* Here are a few ways:

- 1. Every family is asked to bring 5 lbs of hamburger no later than this Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.*
- 2. Many of our ladies have signed up to bake PLAIN pound cakes. Would you be willing to provide one also?*
- 3. Each family, if possible, is asked to bring a 12-pack of*

*canned drinks by Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.*

- 4. We need people to work in the kitchen preparing takeout plates.*
- 5. Volunteer drivers are needed to deliver plates.*

Come by and have lunch with us that Tuesday. The cost is only \$6.00 for a great meal, beverage and dessert.

### **CLINTON STREET FESTIVAL**

The fall season is filled with Homecoming celebrations and Street Fairs. On **October 10<sup>th</sup>**, Clinton will hold its annual Fall Street Festival. North Carolina Campers on Mission's booth will focus on sharing the gospel with the community. We use this opportunity to *share the gospel* and *lead others* to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. We use simple tools which enable us to talk about Jesus in a non-threatening way, such as:

- 1. "Face paintings" for children/adults. The objective is two-fold: you can talk with the children as you paint and with parents as they are waiting.*
- 2. "Salvation bracelets." Again, the same two opportunities are available to talk about Jesus.*
- 3. "Blood pressure" reading for the adults. This is a simple way to talk about the importance of blood in both our *physical and spiritual lives*. It is only by the blood of Jesus that we can find forgiveness for our sins.*
- 4. The "Knowledge board" asks simple, but concrete questions, about*

how to be saved. This board attracts both young and old. It is a great way to correct misconceptions many have about salvation.

- 5. The "Cross Puzzle." This simple puzzle is made up six pieces and looks easy; however, it is difficult to complete. As one attempts to properly place the pieces to complete the cross, it gives the counselor a great opportunity to talk about the cross and why Jesus had to die.*

We need help! The lines for face painting and bracelet making are often very long. If you can help for a short time period or longer, please contact Betty Carter or Dr. McBride. Many of our Mintz Church family have helped in previous years and did a great job! It is really a fun day and you will enjoy talking with friends from all over Sampson County.

MCA will have a booth furnishing bake sale items, funnel cakes and snow cones.

### **OLD SCHOOL SORGUM FESTIVAL**

Johnny and Annie Matthews will hold their annual Sorghum Festival on **October 17<sup>th</sup>** at McDaniel's Crossroads. The gates open early and the fun begins! Scrumptious food, entertaining music, outstanding crafts and great fellowship with friends and neighbors will highlight the day. This is an opportunity to reminisce about earlier times and reflect on the community's history.

This year, Mintz Christian Academy will have a booth at the festival. Please support their efforts by eating lunch at their station. As you walk around to see old cars, tractors, farm equipment, and buildings of yesterday, grab a bag of popcorn and a cold drink to keep you going.

This is a fun-filled day and there is **FREE** parking and admission. Take the kids, grandkids or even the neighbor's kids and enjoy the day. Again, any canned drinks/bottled water you might donate will help contribute to the success of this day.

### **DEACON ORDINATION**

On **October 18**, Jeffrey Robinson will be ordained as a deacon by Mintz Baptist Church. This is the highest honor that can be placed on laymen within the Body of Believers.

Jeffery has served faithfully as a Junior Deacon for several years. He has worked within the Primary and Elementary Sunday School for several years, as well as volunteering many times for Nursery duty. As members, we have witnessed on numerous occasions Jeffrey laboring over a hot grill preparing food for various functions within our church. Jeffrey has continually demonstrated his love for the Lord and for Mintz Baptist.

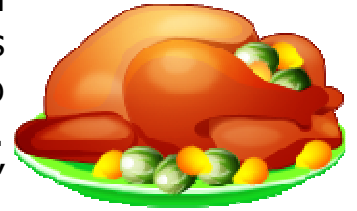
The ordination service will take place during the morning worship service.

### **HOMECOMING DAY**

Mark **November 1<sup>st</sup>** on your calendars! The committee has worked hard to plan for a great and exciting

Homecoming Day. Letters have been mailed to various churches and to former members.

"The Victory Trio" will lead us in worship. The morning service will also feature selections by the Mintz Sanctuary choir and the Mintz Junior and Senior Interpretive Dance Ministry Teams.



We have set a financial goal of \$25,000. Of this amount, \$20,000 will be used to pay off the bill for clearing the property behind the church. This area is designated for future expansion. The balance of \$5,000 will be applied:

\$4,000.00 weekly budget

\$1,000.00 current loan

This goal is attainable. What a blessing we will experience when our outstanding debt is paid and we can focus on repaying our current loan. After we have met these obligations, our future revenues can be designated solely for our building fund.

God has been so good to us because we have been obedient and faithful to Him.

### **JOINT THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

On November 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, Mintz will host our community joint Thanksgiving Service. The service will begin at 6pm. Serving as the host means that we will provide the food and special music. The three churches involved are Andrews Chapel, Carrs Chapel and Mintz Baptist.

## Youth Focus

"Our *old* history ends with the cross; our *new* history begins with the resurrection."

-Watchman Ne

I was recently sitting in my office reflecting on what God has been doing in our lives. When I think on these things, my heart rejoices in what my Lord has done through each individual in Consumed Youth. I am amazed in the four years I have been blessed to be youth pastor to witness such spiritual growth within our youth group. We have all been on this "*journey with Christ*" hand-in-hand with Christ. That's the way it's supposed to be, isn't it? We have our hand in Christ's grip & live under His total care. All of us need to be *on our knees* before God as we seek His will. This enriches and strengthens our relationship with Him. I am blessed to serve our Lord beside you.

Many people try to hate or judge us. Being a young Christian in today's society is not the "POLITICALLY CORRECT" thing. It is not considered the "POPULAR" thing to do. We are under the microscope of many who want to find fault in us or recall things from our past before we gave our heart to Christ. This may be an "un-cool" thing for others, but remember: *WE ARE SEPARATE FROM THE WORLD!* Daily, we are transformed as a new creation in Christ. Even though each of us falls short in life, we have a Heavenly Father who loves us. Shouldn't we seek to be alive in the life that only Jesus Christ can give us? The first step to being alive is to TRULY give your heart to Jesus Christ (Rom 6:23). There is no other way we can have true life. If you *confess that you are a sinner* (ask forgiveness for the bad things in your life; Rom 10:9), *repent* (want to turn away; Act 26:20), *confess* that only Jesus can forgive you (1 Peter 3:18) & *turn your life over to Jesus*, the Lord promises *you will be saved* (Eph 2:8). You have a chance to share this message with everyone in your life. God has given the world a shot at true joy, life and freedom. HE HAS CHOSEN YOU to spread this to all humanity. Let's do this together!!!!



Bryan Jackson  
Youth Pastor

In Christ,  
Bryan

### **UPCOMING YOUTH HAPPENINGS:**

- OCT 3 6pm Methodist Volleyball Game... leave church at 4:30
- OCT 4-7 REVIVAL (7:30PM).....ALL youth are encouraged to attend these powerful services.
- OCT 24 NC State Fair.....leave church at 8AM
- OCT 29 6:30-8:30pm Trunk or Treat

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mummy looked back once, while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "and she turned into a telephone pole!"

A pastor asked a little boy if he said his prayers every night. "Yes sir," the boy replied. "And do you always say them in the morning, too," the pastor asked. "No sir," the boy replied. "I ain't scared in the daytime."

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away. "Johnny wait until we say our prayer."

"I don't have to," The boy replied. "Of course, you do," his mother insisted. "We say a prayer, before eating at our house."

"That's our house," Johnny explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."

