

Antioch Update



Pastor's Note



Half the year has zoomed by, no pun intended, even though we have been spending a lot of time on Zoom. I want to thank all of you for your support of our High School graduates. Thank you for all of the various scholarship and graduation awards provided by Antioch and other special awards. Education continues to be a key factor in propelling African Americans forward. Other factors in addition to education, include the law, political influence, and most importantly the church. When our fore parents had nothing else, they had the church.

Their faith in Almighty God helped them to endure the hardships of racism and injustice. Their faith also helped them to hope and pray for a better future for their children and their children's children.

Even now, it is still our faith in Almighty God that makes the biggest difference in our continued advancement. No matter what obstacles we face we can look back and see that God has brought us a mighty, mighty long way. Let us keep our faith in God, worship Him, and give Him thanks and praise!

Thank You Lord!

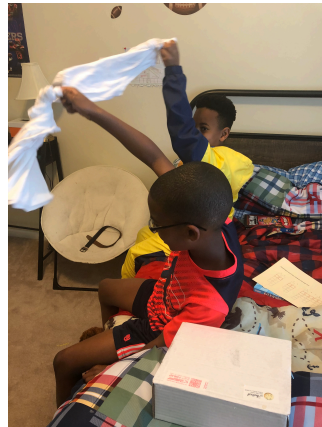
Mission Focus: Reaching The Lost

Matthew 28:19 (ESV) "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Last call to register for VBS! VBS is a great time for our children to be strengthened and encouraged in the spiritual formation of their faith. Children are encouraged to invite at least one friend to participate in the virtual VBS. Registration and more information can be found at www.antioch-church.org. If a non-household person watches with you, we ask parents to consider having the children wear a mask and sit three feet apart, and wash their hands.

Vacation Bible School for Children thru 8th grade will be a virtual experience the week of June 21-24 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm.



(Left) Two students measuring 3 foot distancing with a towel.



(Right) Two students sitting 3 feet apart viewing virtual class.

Worship Update:

Masks are not required for fully vaccinated persons. For non-vaccinated persons masks are required. For those who prefer to continue wearing a mask, please feel free to do so. (No registration required)

[Link to Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ's\)](#) about the Southern Baptist Convention.

"For one thing, I didn't want to defend myself—as I think Jesus forbids me to do (Matt. 5:11-12; 38-42). And part of it is because I don't want the vast majority of Southern Baptist who are good and godly and seeking to be on mission to grow weary and leave." Dr. Russell Moore, 5/31/2021 (immediate past President Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission)

Live & Virtual Worship
In-Person & Virtual @ 8am.
10am & 2 pm virtual only.

Please pray for **Deaconess Zelda Batts**, hospitalized on Wednesday, June 2. (no visitors).

Bereavements: please pray for the family of Jerry Hubbard, COL (Retired, US Army)

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VIRGINIA DEP. OF HEALTH
 Click here for access to Virginia's COVID-19 statewide pre-registration system: [VA COVID-19](#)

TUESDAY AM PRAYER CALL:
 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 am, call (701) 802-5047, access code is 1846260.

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER every third Wednesday at 6pm, as we take everything to the Lord in prayer!

CrisisLink: 03-527-4077 Suicide Prevention: **800-273-8255** Crisis Text: **"855-11"**

There is power in prayer, because of the One to Whom we pray! Remember the power of a Praying Church.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2021
 Celebrating the Graduates at the Antioch Drive-Thru



Thanks to all of the Antioch family in support of the John Q. Gibbs and Deacon Lawrence Hester Scholarships. A big thanks to all of the special awards from the Greek organizations. The graduates were blessed with scholarship awards from Desi and Marlyn Crouther; and awards in honor of Curtis B. Taylor, Sr., and Debra Kinney.

No place for racism, Tulsa pastor says on centennial of Tulsa Race Massacre

By [Timothy Cockes](#), posted [June 2, 2021](#) in [Racial Reconciliation](#) (Baptist Press)



The National African American Fellowship of the SBC [issued a statement Monday](#) (May 31) offering respect and remembrance to the families of those killed in the tragedy. Signed by NAAF President Marshal Ausberry, who is also first vice president of the SBC, and other members of the NAAF leadership team, the statement offered "deepest respect and heartfelt sorrow to our brothers and sisters who suffered at the hands of godless mobs of white persons who destroyed, burned and bombed a thriving African American Community that has been called 'Black Wall Street.'"

[Link to full article.](#)