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Teens 4 Christ

Psalm 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

As we look back over the last six months and the many changes we have gone through personally, as a church family, and as a nation, we take solace in the fact that God is still in control and will deliver us out of afflictions in His time.

We still do not have much to say in the way of the teens at this time. We just started back our activities at the end of August, but praise the Lord for that. Our Sunday School and Teen Chapel on Wednesday nights have been in full swing all summer, and it was such a blessing to be able to get back and fellowship again and be together on Sunday morning and Wednesday night with our teens. We started out with 5 or 6 for a few weeks but have almost everyone back now. We are not doing our SNAC activity for the time being, but other activities have started up. We were able to have a blind volleyball and taco night activity on the 28th of August, which was a lot of fun. Then we had our bi-annual "Dinner at The Dudleys" on September 19th. We were saddened to not have our "Super Summer Send-off," but the Lord knows, and again, it was just to be safe.

Coming up, we will attend the Virginia Harvest Rally on October 3rd, and then have an outside movie night October 17th, Lord willing. The Lord is good, and we are just so happy to be able to be together again and serving the Lord together and having a good time while we do it.

Pastor Mike



Dr. James W. Baker

The year 2020 will certainly be one to remember! The Pandemic sent us all for a loop – what a blessing to know that God was not surprised by what happened! We are slowly coming out of it, and we are praising the Lord for all that has been done. We have purchased some equipment that enables us to live stream the services now. What a blessing for those not yet back with us and our shut-ins who cannot come to church! We are praying about replacing the projector and screen in the auditorium for even better visuals. We began to have Church Bulletins and Prayer Bulletins again the beginning of September. Choir began Sunday mornings on September 20, and the Tract of the Month will begin again the first Sunday in October. We have missed many of these things—but beyond all else, we are glad to be assembling ourselves together again! There is no blessing like the fellowship of other believers! We had missionaries Jake and Ramona Allen (Hungary) and Troy and Oksana Manning (Bible Translators) visit with us in September. The end of this month, we will have Evangelist Joe Mark with us for Special Meetings (Sept 27-Oct 2). Please come and be our special guest! God is good all the time—and we are grateful for His blessing in this place.

SO GREAT SALVATION

Dr. Walter Yoho ~ TBBCS

My heart makes a thankful journey to December 25 whenever I read Proverbs 25:25: "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." Every Christmas, as we read and reflect upon and rejoice in the miracle of Christmas recorded for us in Luke 2:9-14, we receive anew and afresh that "good news" - great glad tidings! - from that "far country" - Heaven! "Good tidings of great joy ... to all people"!

I now ask, alongside the writer of Hebrews, "How shall we escape if we *neglect* so great salvation?" (Heb. 2:3)

The Christian gospel truly is "so great salvation." "What a message! If I wasn't saved, I'd get saved tonight!"¹ May we never get to the place where we don't get excited when we hear words like "gospel," "blood," "kingdom," "Bible."² "As a **sinner**, man is a **slave** who must be **redeemed**, an **enemy** who must be **reconciled**, a **corpse** which must be **resurrected**, a **captive** whose **powerful oppressors** must be **overthrown**, a **criminal** who must be **justified**."³ Can the gospel do all that? Yes. And infinitely more.⁴ We have "so great salvation." "Hallelujah, What a Savior!"

Speaking of "Bible," TBC has a *Bible College*. And you can sit in free of charge! May this privilege not be despised. May it not be diminished by *neglect*.⁵ Interested? Call our Admissions Counselor, Dr. Rebecca Miller, at 757.424.4673 (ext 308) or share your interest with Dr. James Baker, Dr. Ray Fulayter, Dr. Sherrill Fulayter, or Dr. Walter Yoho.

Tabernacle Baptist Academy

Dean McGary

Even though school was shut down in March, Adventure Summer started June 1. Our ladies worked every weekday with seven to ten campers. They had a great summer! Toward the end of the summer, some businesses began to open, so the children were able to go on a few field trips and visit several parks. The campers worked on art projects, and on Fridays, played in the sprinklers and the kiddie pools. We are thankful to the parents that trust us to train and keep their children safe. Thank you, Mrs. O'Hara, Mrs. McGary, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Perkuchin, and Miss Moffatt for all the faithful work this summer.

July and August usually afford us the opportunity to do maintenance projects. This summer was no different in that aspect. We widened the soccer field, removed the old heating/ac units and installed new mini splits in the elementary classrooms and laid new carpet in the high school hallway. Praise the Lord for maintenance fees! We are planning to put new carpet in the elementary hallway in November.

Soccer and volleyball practices began the first week of August. The teachers began in-service the 17th, and school started the 24th. We would like to welcome Mrs. Melvin to the second grade class and Mrs. West to the sixth grade class and welcome back Mrs. Piercy to fourth grade. We also shifted Mrs. Nichols from second to fifth grade, Mrs. McGary from fourth to Jr/Sr high English, and Mrs. Karnes from fifth to Jr/Sr high math. Please pray for the whole staff as we all adjust to new protocols of teaching in our society today. Pray also about our enrollment. Praise the Lord, our preschool is almost full and kindergarten is full. Many of the other classrooms could handle more students.

¹Harry Furguson (10/24/04E). ²Jimmy Jones (1/26/88). ³Baker's Dictionary of Theology (p. 76). ⁴Though these five blessings are indeed, if I may say so, "very infinite." ⁵I very much do not want to put any of you on a "legalistic guilty trip." Most of us can't keep up with what we've got! But please *weigh* this opportunity. And please pray.

