

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

A teacher gave her class of second graders a lesson on the magnet and what it does. The next day in a written test, she included this question: "My full name has six letters. The first one is M. I pick up things. What am I?" When the test papers were turned in, the teacher was astonished to find that almost 50 percent of the students answered the question with the word Mother.

It was Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948) who first suggested the national observance of an annual day honoring all mothers because she had loved her own mother so dearly. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Miss Jarvis gave a carnation (her mother's favorite flower) to each person who attended. Within the next few years, the idea of a day to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother's Day was observed in a number of large cities in the U.S. On May 9, 1914, by an act of Congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. He established the day as a time for "public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country."

Dr. John Killinger shared the following in his book, *Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise*:

"I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of the loving God, who was born of the promise to a virgin named Mary. I believe in the love Mary gave her son, that caused her to follow him in his ministry and stand by his cross as he died. I believe in the love of all mothers, and its importance in the lives of the children, they bear. It is stronger than steel, softer than down, and more resilient than a green sapling on the hillside. It closes wounds, melts disappointments, and enables the weakest child to stand tall and straight in the fields of adversity. I believe that this love, even at its best, is only a shadow of the love of God, a dark reflection of all that we can expect of him, both in this life and the next. And I believe that one of the most beautiful sights in the world is a mother who lets this greater love flow through her to her child, blessing the world with the tenderness of her touch and the tears of her joy."

In God's Grace,  
David Vess



*May 12*



**Saturday, May 5**

**We have free bottles of water with our name on them to hand out during the festival. If you can help, let us know. David and Angie will be at the church for bathroom facilities and water, also.**

**CBA Mission Teams will be selling Strawberry Shortcake as a fundraiser. Come by and see them!**

**May 2024 Calendar**

Wednesday, May 01

Prayer Meeting-6  
Choir-7

Thursday, May 02

National Day of Prayer-12

Saturday, May 04

NC Strawberry Festival

Sunday, May 05

Deacons Meeting-8:45  
Joyful Singers-9:15  
Sunday School-9:45  
Worship-11  
Dr. Sharyn Edwards  
60th Anniversary Concert  
at SCC-3

Monday - Friday, May 6-10

Teacher Appreciation Week

Wednesday, May 08

Prayer Meeting-6  
Choir-7

Sunday, May 12

Happy Mother's Day!  
Joyful Singers-9:15  
Sunday School-9:45  
Worship-11

Monday, May 13

Missions Committee Meeting-2

Wednesday, May 15

Prayer Meeting-6  
Choir-7

Saturday, May 18

CBC 134th Anniversary

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost  
Joyful Singers-9:15  
Sunday School-9:45  
Worship-11  
Covered Dish Lunch-12

Monday, May 20

CBA Backpacking Party-6:30

Tuesday, May 21

Klondyke Elderberries-11:30

Wednesday, May 22

Prayer Meeting-6  
Choir-7

Thursday-Friday, May 23-24

Office Closed

Sunday, May 26

Joyful Singers-9:15  
Sunday School-9:45  
Worship-11

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day!  
Office Closed

Wednesday, May 29

Prayer Meeting-6  
Choir-7

Friday, May 31

BINGO Night- 5:30-8



Join Us  
**WEDNESDAYS**  
for



**6 PM**



**7 PM**



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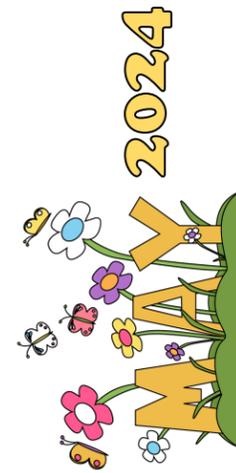
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*For you are my lamp, O Lord, and my God lightens my darkness. For by You I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God—his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him. 2 Samuel 22:29-31*

JOIN US AT THE CHADBOURN GAZEBO

12:00 noon

May - Nursery Calendar

- 05 - Logan Fowler / Brittany Frias
- 12 - Amy / Jalyn Williamson
- 19 - Lori / Tyler Grainger
- 26 - Doris / Wesley Caines

May - Deacon Captain  
Christa Fowler

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May - Welcome / Ushering Team

Georganna Fisher / Will Fisher



May 5  
8:45am



**PACKING PARTY**  
Monday, May 20  
6:30pm

CBA Building  
504 N Howard St  
Whiteville

**JOYOUS SINGERS PRACTICE**  
Sundays at 9:15am



**EVERY SUNDAY - 9:45 AM**

We have a class for YOU!



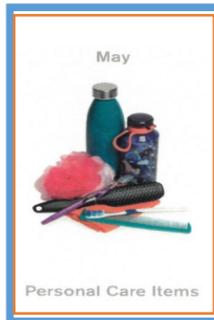
*American Red Cross Blood Drive*

**Our next Drive will be October 3.**

**Thank you to Pat and Doris for always doing a great job!**



Remember - our fallen heroes. They are the reason that we are free.



We have a basket for you to place your items in each month.



- Barbara Larrimore - 1
- Kent Fowler - 2
- Teresa Honeycutt - 7
- Oleta Meares - 8
- Isaac Ward - 13
- Dave Crumpler - 17
- Anna Grace Dyson - 17
- Jay Connor - 23
- Preston Bennett - 25
- Dianne Ward - 26
- Deborah McKeithan - 29

*"And Now a Word from Dave"*

Well, ready or not, here's May. Before you know it, we'll be wishing one another a very "Merry Christmas!" But let's not rush things. Let's just take our time & enjoy the month of May and all it has to offer.

National Day of Prayer Service is May 4 at the Chadbourn Gazebo at 12 noon. Every year I'm more & more impressed with what a wonderful program I'm privileged to attend. I see a lot of you there, but it doesn't hurt to see many more. I hope that's what happens this year.

Teacher Appreciation Week is the week of May 6 - 10. Our church is sponsored with Chadbourn Elementary School as well as the early start program leaders at SCC. Our church is going to show its appreciation by kicking off their Monday with some biscuits & OJ. If you know a teacher, find a creative way to say "thank you" for all they do.

Our youth are continuing to work up fundraisers to help make going to Passport a little easier from a financial standpoint. The CBC T-shirt fundraiser is great (can't wait till they get here), & our first BINGO fundraiser was a rousing success. I can tell you the good folks of Whiteville & Chadbourn have really helped us out by providing some excellent prizes, so much so that we have enough for another BINGO night. Are you ready? It's going to be Friday, May 31, 5:30 - 8:30, right back in our church fellowship hall. More great prizes, more great fun, & more refreshments to help you keep up your strength while playing the game. We'll have more details, but clear that night. Plan to be there, help our youth, & enjoy yourself!!

The month of May is fast filling up with activities, and I'm going to let the Enabler fill you in on those, but these are some things I wanted to make known to you. In the meantime, I hope you'll keep your youth in your prayers. This is their first time to Passport; hey, it's going to be my first time as well. I want all of us to come back with a great report on what all went on.

As a follow-up from April, Amy Williamson & I took 5 of our group to East Lumberton Baptist Church for their Judgment House. As always, the church is 100% committed to sharing a dramatic story over several scenes, and letting all know what a person's final two options are when the end of their life arrives. All of us look forward to the next one. It's riveting, moving, and successfully gives you pause to think about what our Savior offers the world, and the consequences if one refuses.

I suppose this is the end, for the time being. Read all of our Enabler. Many things are happening, and we want you right in the middle of it. God's blessings on all of you!

*Happy Anniversary*

**Chadbourn Baptist**  
**MAY 18**  
**134 years of**  
**Ministering Together!**



May 5 - 3:00pm

**Dr. Sharyn Edwards**  
**60th Anniversary with SCC**  
**Come celebrate her!**



PASSPORT CAMP FUNDRAISER

BINGO NIGHT #2

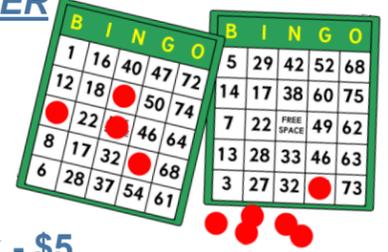
FRIDAY, MAY 31

5:30 - 8pm

2 slices of pizza / cookie / drink - \$5

BINGO cards - \$1 each

Invite your friends and family!



**Klondyke Elderberries**  
**Tuesday, May 21**  
**11:30am**

**Chadbourn Baptist Fellowship Hall**

**On the menu: Hotdogs and Fixins to celebrate Memorial Day!**

We will celebrate  
**Pentecost**  
and  
**CBC 134th Anniversary**

**Sunday, May 19**

Covered Dish Lunch after worship.  
Join us!



**Christian Sympathy is extended:**

To the family of Linda Hooks

To the family of Michael Khameron Noble

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

