

# Blessings

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## **On the cover**

Laityn Averill



*Pastor's column*

## Give thanks with open heart



**Reed Benson**

What a month October has been! I am so thankful for the many expressions of love for Pastor Appreciation Month. You will never know how much that has encouraged me. I love my church family.

Also, many thanks to those who planned and helped with the church trick or treat night. What a blessing to see so many families and kids. This is

why we need to continue praying for our Children / Youth Ministry Search Committee. There are a lot of families to reach.

I know we are approaching a very busy time of year. I hope you will take the time to thank God for your life journey. It's not always easy, but the Word tells us to give thanks for ALL things. Always remember that "through it all" we can trust Jesus. As we enter November, may we all remember to give thanks with an open heart.

We also need to continue to reach out and invite our community to come and join us for worship. We need to continue to step into the water and not stay comfortably in the boat. I love the following quote by Theodore Roosevelt:

*It's not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena ... who, at best, knows in the end the triumph of great achievement, and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while doing greatly. So that his place will never be with those cold timid souls who know neither victory or defeat.*

Let's recognize God's presence and join together to live in victory for Jesus. Our community and our world need it.

A word to our parents. I would like to meet with our kids a few times over the next month to work on some Christmas songs to sing during December. I will come to your Sunday School Class Sunday morning to talk details.

Coming in January (date to be determined), we will have an eight-week study on Sunday evening called Biblical Citizenship. It is a DVD led study. This course will help us understand the church's vital role in the preservation of liberty. This class has been specifically created for churches and includes commentary from leading biblical scholars, constitutional experts, national leaders, and religious liberty champions. There will be workbook available for \$20. Registration will begin in the next few weeks.

Reed





## BBC welcomes two new members

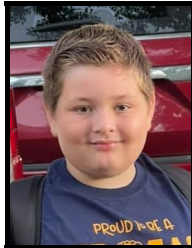


BBC's newest members Clint Powell and Dakota Bowen were both baptized during the 11am worship service on October 31.



Clint, originally from Sylvester, is the manager of Greenpoint Ag Fertilizer in Cordele. He enjoys hunting, being outdoors, playing with his Jack Russell terrier Daisy, and spending time with family and friends. He lives with his wife Sharon at 5721 Jalappa Road, Montezuma.

Dakota is a third grade student at Fullington Academy. He enjoys reading, baseball, fishing, swimming, drawing, music, and playing on an iPad. Dakota lives with his grandparents, Elaine and Tim Phelps, at 642 Webb Street, Byromville.



Congratulations to Kylee West and Devin Huckaba who were married October 16 at Shoal River Ranch, Crestview, Florida.

*You are invited to a*  
**Baby Shower**  
*for*  
**Rachel Brannen**

*November 7*  
 1-2pm  
 Saliba Hall  
 Byromville Baptist Church  
 713 Patterson Street

Registry at  
[babylist.com/babybrannen](http://babylist.com/babybrannen)  
 Clothing size 6-12 months or bigger. Diaper size 2 or bigger.

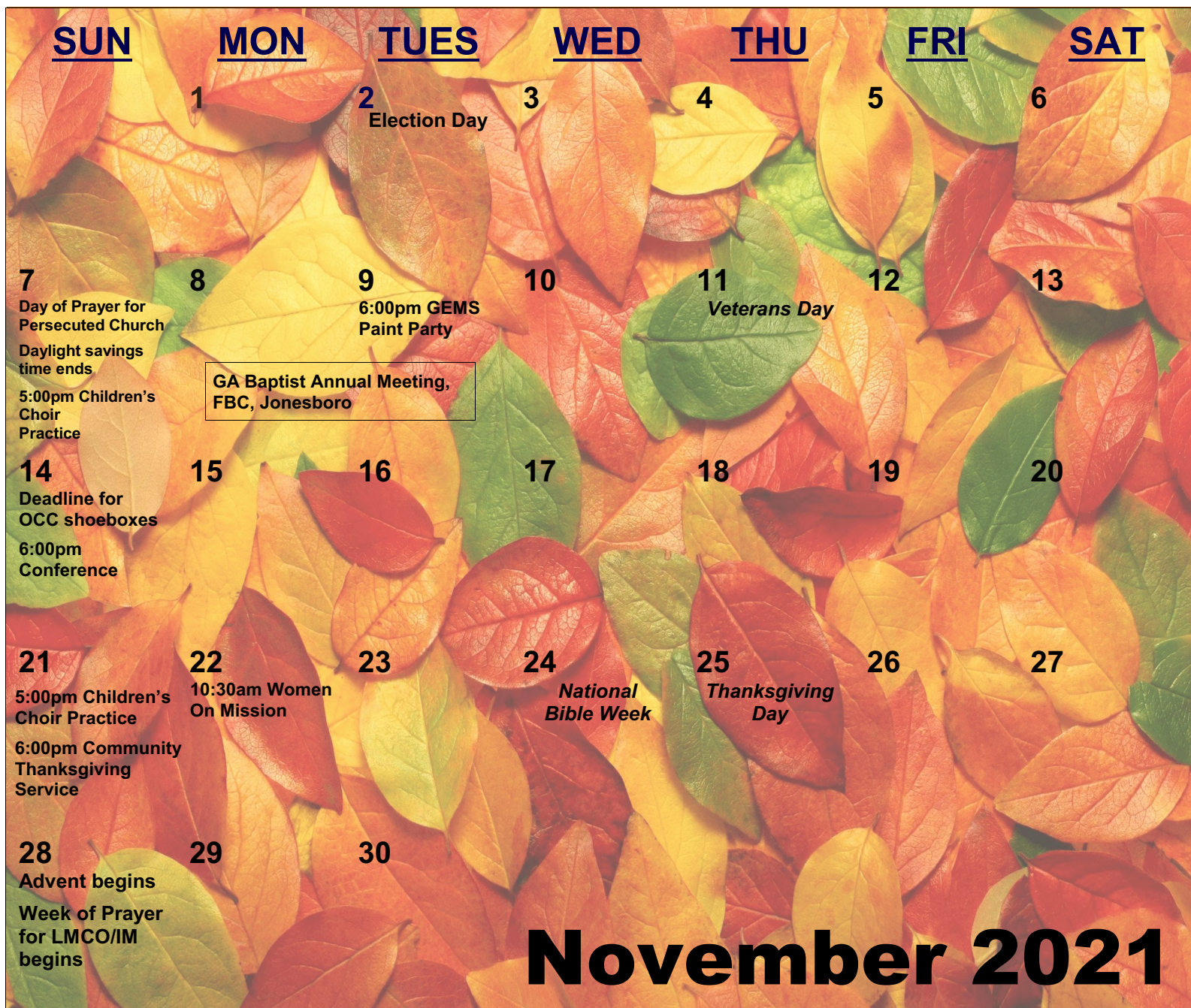
**DEADLINE**  
**Nov. 14**

**Boxes**  
 under bulletin  
 board across  
 from nursery.

**Labels and**  
**packing info**  
**on bulletin**  
**board.**

SEND SHOEBOX GIFTS AND THE GOSPEL  
 TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH





## Birthdays

11-1 Mary Kathryn Blankenship  
11-2 Noah Chappell  
11-4 Ginger Carroll  
Robin Peavy  
11-6 Tom Barrett  
Rodney Kitchens  
Danielle Stephenson  
11-7 Kaleb Elsasser  
Scott Everidge  
Carla Scarborough  
11-8 Garlan Godfrey  
11-10 Jason Lamberth  
11-11 Clay Harvey  
Kaleb West  
11-12 Clint Thompson  
11-13 Preston Wilkes

11-15 John Averill  
11-17 Jeffie Powell  
11-18 Janice Gauthier  
William Smith  
11-19 Evette Hendrix  
11-21 Jesse Scarborough  
Chad West  
11-22 Heath Williams  
11-23 Josh Kent  
11-24 Bubba Toms  
11-25 Michael Kitchens  
11-26 Kolton West  
11-27 Lee Collier  
11-28 Amy Braddock  
Mason Scarborough  
11-29 Lauren Bryant

11-29 Randy Lamberth  
11-30 Mark Smith  
12-4 Mindy Carroll  
12-5 Tim Phelps  
Nancy Stephenson  
12-6 Justin Kirksey  
Rebecca Powell  
Roger Roney  
Peggy Epps  
Gail White  
12-8 Nate Kitchens  
12-9 Christi Trimback

Please pray for these folks on their birthday.

## Weekly Schedule

### SUNDAY

Sunday School . . . . 10AM  
Worship . . . . . 11AM

### WEDNESDAY

Prayer/Bible Study . . . 7PM  
Choir Practice . . . . 7:35PM



## September Financial Summary

### September receipts

General offerings . . . . .	\$15,607.76
MissionGeorgia . . . . .	1,100.00
Other . . . . .	.98
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS . . . . .</b>	<b>16,708.74</b>

### September disbursements

General expenses . . . . .	5,551.89
Ga Baptist Children's Homes (Memorials) . . . . .	100.00
Cooperative Program . . . . .	440.00
Houston Baptist Association . . . . .	220.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS . . . . .</b>	<b>\$6,311.89</b>

## Year To Date Summary

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Receipts	88,509.31	100,692	-12,182.69
Disbursements	70,550.58	100,692	-30,141.42

## October Sunday School Stats

Senior adults . . . . .	4
FBIC . . . . .	11
CIA . . . . .	5
Young adults . . . . .	9
Youth . . . . .	0
Older children . . . . .	7
Younger children . . . . .	5
Older preschoolers . . . . .	4
Younger preschoolers . . . . .	2
Nursery . . . . .	0
Other . . . . .	5
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>53</b>



## Georgia Baptist Annual Meeting November 8-9

First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

Visit

<https://gabaptist.org/events/gbc-annual-meeting/>  
for more information.



Senior Adult Christmas Brunch . . . . .	Dec. 4
Toyland Concert . . . . .	Dec. 5
Deadline for nursing home presents . . . . .	Dec. 13

*Check the bulletin board for information about what kind of presents to buy*

Deadline for books for early readers . . . . .	TBA
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*We will only be donating books for early readers to our local public school this year.*

*The purpose of this project is to help kids who are below grade level in reading which is even worse this year because of the virtual learning caused by the pandemic. If you have already purchased a backpack, consider using it for the Toyland Concert.*

November 7, 2021

**IDOP**

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER  
for the PERSECUTED CHURCH





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