



Oct 4: Sunday School, 10:00 am
Oct 7: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
Oct 10: Movie Night, "Toy Story 5", 6 - 9 pm
Oct 11: Sunday School, 10:00 am
Oct 14: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
Oct 18: Sunday School, 10:00 am
Oct 18: Deacons Meeting, 12:15 pm
Oct 21: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
Oct 25: Sunday School, 10:00 am
Oct 28: Adult Bible Study, E100, 6:00 pm
Oct 30: Downtown Spooktacular, 4 - 6 pm

"How beautifully leaves grow old. How full of light and color are their last days."
- John Burroughs

We wish to thank everyone that came out on our cleanup day at the church. We got a lot of unwanted items disposed of and a lot of organizing was done. Things are looking good. We had a great time.





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Attendance Report

Sunday, Sep 6, 2026

Sunday School - 33
Worship Service - 53

Sunday, Sep 13, 2026

Sunday School - 26
Worship Service - 37

Sunday, Sep 20, 2026

Sunday School - 26
Worship Service - 37

Sunday, Sep 27, 2026

Sunday School - 27
Worship Service - 40

Tithing Report
General Fund

Sunday
Sep 6, 2026
\$3,817.00

Sunday
Sep 13, 2026
\$1,335.00

Sunday
Sep 20, 2026
\$1,617.33

Sunday
Sep 27, 2026
\$4,178.00



The ongoing wars, devastating hurricanes and earthquakes, random shootings, political polarization, and the speculation of the end of the world. Perhaps more than any other time in history, fear is gripping multitudes of people - even God’s people.

Like the little boy who was scared to go out at night because he knew “the darken” would get him, many people today, if not fearful, are surely anxious and concerned about the conditions we see in our world. And yet, over and over again, God’s word says, “Fear not.” Of course, “not fearing” is easier said than done, but we can be encouraged when we realize three things.

1. Many of the things we fear never come to pass. Many are the people whose lives are tormented day by day waiting for some terrible event which never comes.
2. We should also remember that our fears and anxieties do not help. Someone described the uselessness of fear as “building bridges over rivers you’ll never cross.”
3. And finally, we simply must trust God.

The story is told of a woman whose doctor approached her bed and said, “Lady, we’ve done all we can; from now on we must just trust in God.” “Oh, no,” cried the desperate woman, “has it come to that?” Yes, it’s come to that!

Paul said it best, “I know whom I have believed.” That takes a lot of the fear out of life. Knowing that the creator God holds all things in His hands, sure helps us to face all situations with more confidence. With that knowledge the inscription over the fireplace in an English tavern holds true which declares, “Fear knocked at the door; faith answered. No one was there.”



Pee Dee Association is **Collecting**  **JOLLY RANCHERS** for the **Red Box Ministry** for Incarcerated Women



Help us share sweetness, hope, and the *love of Jesus!*

Jolly Rancher donations will need to be either:

1 A 3.8 oz bag of Jolly Ranchers

OR

2 A zip-lock bag of **EXACTLY** 18 Jolly Ranchers

WHERE TO TURN IN YOUR DONATIONS

Associational Office in Hamlet OR Bring to the "World Day of Prayer Event" at New Hope Baptist Church in Laurinburg November 2, 2026

OUR GOAL

400 BAGS

Let's fill the boxes with love!

"I was in prison and you came to visit me." - Matthew 25:36

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

World Day of Prayer 2026 

Living the Good News: Faith in Action

James 2:17 —
"Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead."

Monday, November 2, 2026
6:30 PM

New Hope Baptist Church
11480 Hasty Rd. • Laurinburg, NC

 Dinner will be served!

 Door Prizes!

 Games!

 We will all pray for all regions around the globe!

≡ All Ages Are Invited! ≡

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

10/2 Megan Goodwin
10/13 John Yates
10/28 Jan Smith

10/5 Beth Ray
10/17 Margaret Lindsey
10/30 Wini Poston

10/8 Allie Coen
10/23 Angela Cockerton



10/1 Jim and Diane Stokes - 38 yrs
10/5 Steve and Debbie McIver - 52 yrs
10/17 Jason and Crystal Coen - 17 yrs

In Memory of:

Sally Pierce
New Covenant SS Class
Frances Godwin

Jimmy Chappell
New Covenant SS Class
Frances Godwin



Fill your mind with thoughts of God rather than thoughts of fear.
- Norman Vincent Peale

TITHES & OFFERINGS
GIVE UNTO THE LORD

Giving Summary	August 2026	September 2026
General Fund	9,163	10,947
Mother's Day Giving	0	0
Memorials & Honor	775	125
NC Missions	0	530
SBC	0	0
Local Missions	0	40
Sundy School Literature	0	0
Annie Armstrong	0	0
Senior Adults	0	0
Youth	0	0
Local Benevolence	0	0
Communion Supplies	0	0
Total Gifts	9,938	11,642
Budget req. to date		145,312
Gifts to date		106,899
YTD req. under actual gifts		(38,414)
% giving to req.		74%

BROKEN TREE MINISTRIES PRESENTS:

PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENT
2 PM - 9 PM

SHINE THE LIGHT

Ellerbe, NC | Saturday October 31st | 2026

• Food-Drinks

• Baptism

• Bonfire

• Face Painting

• Guest Speaker

• Hayrides

• Games

• Live Worship Music

• Prayer

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FISHER OF MEN

MARK 1:17

BUILDING FAITH. BROTHERHOOD. MAKING DISCIPLES.

EVERY WEDNESDAY 8-10AM

LOCATION: **RIVERSIDE BAKERY AND COFFEE**
MAIN STREET
HAMLET, NC

COME AS YOU ARE. LEAVE EQUIPPED.
Let's cast our nets together.

Do all the good you can.
By all the means you can.
In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can.
At all the times you can.
To all the people you can.
As long as ever you can.

- John Wesley