

Helping People Thrive in God's Abundant Life

Thrive Thread - 10/18/26

Appalachian Backpack Packing Parties!

We will be hosting TWO PACKING PARTIES next week for Appalachian Backpacks.

-Tuesday October 20th at 11:30am

-Wednesday October 21st at 6:30pm (Both in the Community Room)

If you are still planning on contributing a backpack (or two!) to the Appalachian Backpack Ministry, please get those in as soon as possible!

The deadline for packed bags is Sunday, November 1st. This is a HARD deadline!

If you wish to support this outreach without shopping for items, we welcome your contribution, and we'll pack for you! Monetary donations are due no later than October 18th so that we still have time to shop and pack.

BIG thanks to everyone who has already made this project so successful. Please contact Elizabeth Tate if you have any questions.

Deacon Elections Fall 2026

Our Deacon Elections for Fall 2026 are now underway. Our nominees are:

- Lynn Akins - Jacob Countiss - Allen Harris

- Caleb Pendergraph - Charlene Smith - Gray Stout

The link to nominee information and voting ballots are sent through our weekly Thrive Thread emails. If you need those links you may email your request to Mindy@FirstBaptistBurlington.com, be sure to include your full name in your request. If you need a paper ballot, please contact one of our church staff for assistance. Deadline for voting is 12:00 noon on Sunday, November 1st.

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes instructions are here! Pick up a box, follow the instructions, and return it for our in gathering Sunday on November 8. Donations are also welcome. We'll do the shopping for you! If you have questions, see Margaret Gurd.

Fall Festival

Our Annual Fall Festival will be held on Thursday, October 29th at 4:30pm. In preparation for the event, we are beginning to collect the following items:

- Cases of small 8 floz water bottles (place in the bin in the Gathering Place Kitchen. It will be labeled Attn: Belinda Day)
- Bags of Candy (to the church office)
- Cakes and/or desserts the day of the event

If you would like to help in any way (set up, food, games, decorating your car for trunk or treat, welcome committee, etc.) please let Bion Jolly know (bionjolly@gmail.com).

There is a spot for everyone!

NC Missions Offering

North Carolina Missions Offering (NCMO) provides vital support to people and communities in need through disaster response, church planting, and mobilizing North Carolina Baptists for missions.

Generous gifts to NCMO make it possible for this important work to continue throughout the year, bringing help and hope to our neighbors across North Carolina and beyond. Please prayerfully consider supporting this greatly needed mission through your giving. NCMO giving envelopes are available in the Sanctuary pew racks.



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