

THE CHALLENGE

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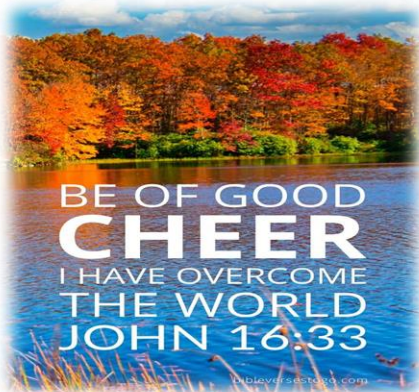
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Ministry & Fellowship Opportunities

- 1 Deacon Meeting 5 pm
Fellowship hall Reserved 12 noon – 5 pm
- 4 Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,
Bible Study 6 pm, Choir 7 pm
- 8 Deacon Ordination Council 4:45 pm,
Wedding Shower in Fellowship Hall 2 pm
- 11 Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,
Bible Study 6 pm, Choir 7 pm
- 14 Family Community Safety
- 15 Church Picnic 5 pm Camp Bays Mountain
- 16 Worship Fest at Sullivan Baptist Church
- 18 Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,
Bible Study 6 pm, Choir 7 pm
- 25 Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,
Bible Study & Business meeting 6 pm,
Choir 7 pm
- 26 Joy Gardeners Farmer's Daughter
11:30 am Van 10:30 am
- 28 Trunk n' Treat 4-6 pm
- 29 Lord's Supper Service 11 am
Deacon Ordination Service 6 pm



We now have a new email address
Please make a note:

lynngardenbaptist@gmail.com



Here is our Vision in a Nutshell! Our **PASSION**.

“Growing God’s Garden Together”

- **Glorify** Jesus Christ through worship
- **Grow** in a relationship with Jesus and other people
- **Give** of one’s time and resources by serving Jesus and His Church
- **Go** and reach out to others who need to experience the love of Jesus

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR:



I love fall!!! I love the beautiful colors, the cooler temperatures, the fall festivals, pumpkin everything, and of course, the football games. I actually love all of the seasons and feel so blessed to live in a part of the country where there are four very distinct seasons. The changing of the seasons reminds me so much of life. It is interesting that this is the word God chose to use to describe all of life. Spiritual seasons come into our lives just like the earthly seasons God brings to the earth each year. Ecclesiastes 3:1 reminds us, “To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.”

More than 65 verses in Scripture refer to seasons. Seasons are God’s measurement of the stages of life. Our God created these different seasons of life so we would learn to rely on Him. God is faithful, and in these seasons, He is molding us into who we are meant to be. He is the Creator of all things good. He allows everything to work together to achieve His master plan. While these seasons of life come and go, it’s so important that we focus on God, who remains unchanged and unchanging. Malachi 3:6 reminds us, “For I am the Lord, I change not.....” The only true constant in life is God. He has beautifully orchestrated every part of our lives down to the minute. While we may never understand why God would allow things to happen as they do, He knows what He is doing. God is in control and has set a time for everything in accordance with His purpose for our lives. It is all according to His divine plan. Everything He does is for our good and His glory.

During seasons of change, it is our job to listen to God and trust in His timing. It is our call to remain faithful even when we want to give up. There’s a lot of unwelcome change in our world. We’re painfully aware our kids and grandkids are growing up in a world far different from the one we knew as children. But amid all the changes, one thing, one person, never changes—our eternal God. True beauty is found when we live in the present. The past is gone and we’re not promised tomorrow. All we have is now. Be present and intentional with your life. There is beauty in every season. As Psalm 118:24 says, “This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.”

I hope you and your family are planning to join us in church this coming Sunday. Have a great week and let your light shine for Jesus!

Pastor Rick



Student Ministry

Wednesday



JAM 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Free Meal, Worship and
Bible Study
Preschool – 12th grade

Sunday



Sunday School	9:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am
Children's Worship	11:15 am
Free Meal	5:30 pm
Worship	6:00 pm
Bible Study Groups	6:15 pm



Branches
College Ministry
at Lynn Garden Baptist
John 15:5

An "Extension" of ROOTZ
Youth Ministry

MESSAGE FROM ANDY:



"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand."

• John 10:27-28

I received one of the best birthday presents of my life nine years ago on October 1st when we began the J.A.M. Ministry here at Lynn Garden Baptist!

God has truly blessed this ministry over the last nine years, and J.A.M. has truly been a blessing to me. Seeing my Kennedy students come to church is a tremendous blessing in that it allows me to have conversations that I can't have within the school walls and to pray over them how I can't at school. I never focus on numbers...God always brings who He wants into our doors, but I want to give Him praise right now as we've recently had around 35 elementary, middle, and high school students attend J.A.M. each Wednesday evening (and a few college students as well!)

Church Family, thank you for supporting - and continuing to support - this area of our Student Ministry here at Lynn Garden Baptist. I'm especially grateful to those who give of their time on Wednesday evenings to serve with J.A.M., whether it be cooking and serving the meal, leading Bible Study, or serving as a second adult with one of our groups. Please let me know if you'd like to plug in to our J.A.M. ministry and serve with us on Wednesday evenings as we continue to GROW GOD'S GARDEN TOGETHER!

Andy



2023 Trunk n' Treat Outreach Event!

Trunk n' Treat is our annual community outreach event at Halloween where we park cars in the church parking lot and give out candy from the trunks. This will be the 15th consecutive year that we've had the event.

Saturday, October 28
4 – 6 pm.

A Sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board outside the church offices. Please take a moment to sign up and let us know your will join in the fun!!!

CONTEST FUN!

This year we are awarding the Best Decorated Vehicle and Best Volunteer Costume! There will be drop boxes for all members to vote, after the event.

You won't want to miss this years Trunk n' Treat, it promises to be the best!



All candy donations are appreciated!
There is a donation barrel behind the
Choir loft to place all donation

Donated candy will help supplement
candy on the day of the event. Thank
you in advance for your donations.

October Sunday
Morning Ministries

Deacon of the Week:

- 1 Allen Rhoton
- 8 Steve Fletcher
- 15 Freddie Puckett
- 22 David Hammonds
- 29 Gale Osborne

Greeters:

- 1 Wilma Carico, Carolyn Meade, Lois Ann Southard
- 8 Kenny and Deborah Lawson
- 15 Freddie Puckett
- 22 Allen Rhoton, Frances Bates
- 29 Wilma Carico, Carolyn Meade, Lois Ann Southard

Audio:

- 1 Michael Bush
- 8 Michael Strickler
- 15 Michael Bush
- 22 Michael Strickler
- 29 Michael Bush

Power Point:

- 1 TBA
- 8 Michael Bush
- 15 TBA
- 22 Michael Bush
- 29 TBA

Video:

- 1 Doug Clark
- 8 Conner Collins
- 15 David Hammonds
- 22 Doug Clark
- 29 Conner Collins

DVD Distribution:

No delivery at this time.

Nursery Workers:

- 1 Catherine Gilbert, Michelle Dingus
- 8 Anissa Barrett, Caroline Gilbert
- 15 Kim Trivette, Christine Chapman
- 22 Aliceson Collins, Nancy Byrd
- 29 Catherine Gilbert, Michelle Dingus

Transportation:

- 1 Roy Chapman 782-0246
- 8 Louis Trivette 429-7537
- 15 Joe Collier 286-2154
- 22 Roy Chapman 782-0246
- 29 Louis Trivette 429-7537

Children's Worship:

- 1, 8 Car Gilbert, D Gilbert
- 15, 22 A Collins, V Wallen

Tellers:

- 1 Rhoton, Trent, Lawson
- 8 Rhoton, Marshall, Vicars
- 15 Rhoton, Tittsworth, Trent
- 22 Rhoton, Lawson, Vicars
- 29 Rhoton, Sparks, Trent

Ushers,

- 1 Andy Walters
- 8 Gale Osborne
- 15 Kenny Lawson
- 22 Andy Walters
- 29 Gale Osborne

Outside Morning Security:

- 1 Freddie Puckett
- 8 Glen Rogers
- 15 Joe Smith
- 22 Tony Tittsworth
- 29 Joe Collier



OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

Our Community Outreach continues as we collect food for the neighborhood food bank. The current needs are toiletries, food items or monetary donations. They can purchase the food at a cheaper cost. Please place them in the collection are behind the choir loft or drop donations in the offering boxes.



Saturday October 21, 2023 Van Will Leave At 10:30

7700 Erwin Hwy, Chucky, TN 37641 Meet At 11:30

\$22 Per Meal Everything Included but The Tip. **Cash Or Check Only**

WMU Happenings

Mission Focus Meetings

...will be held at the same time the deacon meetings are held.
Join us, Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 5 pm, in the parlor.

WMU Garden Parties

...will be in the even months. Join us, Saturday, October 2, 2023 at 2 pm for

One Day Bible Study

All women welcome

Brotherhood Happenings

Men's Bible Study

Every Wednesday morning at 8 am
In the fellowship hall. All men welcome!

Church Mailbox Updates

During the month of October, please let the church office if you do not have a church mailbox or if a change is needed to the name on your mailbox label. During the first week of November, the church mailboxes will be emptied and all requested changes (additions and changes) will be made to the mailboxes at one time. The mailboxes are located near the entrance to the fellowship hall.



SHOEBOX MINISTRY

You can pick up a shoebox in the church office to pack your own. If you would rather just pick up items, we can use them to fill or make more boxes.
Please drop items off in the collection boxes located behind the choir loft.

Please bring all shoeboxes to the church by Sunday, November 12.

Boys

- Yo-Yos
- Whistles
- Toy Cars Or Trucks
- Stuffed Toys
- Socks
- Soccer Ball Deflated W/Pump
- Whistles
- Toy Cars Or Trucks
- Soccer Ball Deflated W/Pump
- Puzzles
- Flashlights & Batteries
- Fishing Lures, Hooks, Etc.
- Tape Measures
- Screwdrivers
- Small Hammers
- Hats
- Flashlights & Batteries

Girls

- Dolls
- Hair Accessories
- Little Purses
- Stuffed Toys
- Socks
- Jump Ropes
- Jewelry
- Puzzles
- Sunglasses
- Puzzles
- Bandanas
- Sewing Kits
- Fabric
- Cooking Utensils
- Measuring Spoons
- Measuring Cups
- Mixing Spoons

For all boxes

- Washcloths and Bar of Soap (Ivory)
- Pens, Pencils & Containers
- Crayons
- Combs
- Small Notebooks
- Toothbrush
- Small Coloring Books



AUGUST
FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

In the September business meeting the August Financial Report was presented and below is a brief summary.

Budget Need: \$29,987.73
Budget Received: \$23,715.58
Amount Under Need: \$6,272.15

YTD Budget Received: \$213,230.86
YTD Budget Expenses: \$221,639.34
Receipts Under Expenses \$8,408.48

YTD Designated Given: \$70,548.19



lynngardenbc.org
WHY?

- Find out what is going on at the church.
- Find out how to become a church member.
- How to become a Christian.
- Give your tithe online and make that simple.
- If you can't make a Sunday service, you can watch it online.
- There are pictures of our church dating back to the 1940's. A must see.
- Find out what ministries we have at Lynn Garden Baptist and where you can fit in!



Family Safety Day

Barry Brickey will be hosting a Family Safety Day in the church parking lot on Saturday, October 14th. Andy Walters and the youth will be helping with this outreach event.

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Teams will meet in church parking lot to go out into Lynn Garden community and distribute smoke detectors.

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Community partners will set up in parking lot with info/demonstrations (fire, police, EMS, Ballad, Red Cross, Safe Kids Coalition, etc.) We will also be able to set up a tent with information about our church! Anyone interested in helping with the distribution of our church information or if you are able to man the table during these 2 hours please talk to Andy Walters.



*You are Invited to a
Wedding Shower to celebrate*

*Catherine Gilbert
& T.J. Chase*

Sunday, October 8th

2 pm to 3:30 pm

In the fellowship hall

They are registered at Target, Amazon and The Knot

YOUTH

Revival

LYNN GARDEN BAPTIST

PASTOR GLENN STEWART BRINGING A MESSAGE NIGHTLY

NOVEMBER 12TH - NOVEMBER 15TH

6:00 P.M. NIGHTLY

301 May Ave in Kingsport
Behind Pal's in Lynn Garden

Contact Andy Walters at
(423) 418-4880 with any questions!

EZEKIEL 37:9
IT'S TIME FOR THE DEAD TO LIVE!

THUS SAYS the LORD GOD to these BONES: BEHOLD I WILL CAUSE BREATH TO ENTER YOU AND YOU SHALL LIVE.

EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED AND WELCOME TO COME, NOT JUST FOR YOUTH