



**GOSHEN**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Goshen Messenger

### Parenting Conference this Month!

Parenting is hard.

I used to know a lot about raising kids. Until I had kids. Now, 13 years into this parenting thing, I'm keenly aware of all that I still don't know. If that weren't enough, my little kids are quickly becoming big kids, and I'm quite confident that I'm not ready.

Maybe you've felt like I do. Like you really don't know what you're doing. Like you're in way over your head. Maybe you've wondered whether God's Word has any help for you as you seek to raise your kids to know and follow Jesus.

I have good news. God has not left us to figure things out on our own. He has given us everything we need for life and godliness in His Word. That includes raising our kids to know and follow Jesus. That's why I'm so excited about our parenting conference at Goshen on February 20-21.

We are hosting Tate and Wendy Cockrell as they help us discover what it looks like to raise our kids to know and follow Jesus. Dr. Tate Cockrell is the director of the Doctor of Ministry program and biblical counseling professor at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, NC. He and his wife Wendy lead marriage and parenting conferences all over the United States and have helped countless families follow Jesus through marriage and parenting.

The conference begins on Friday, February 20 with dinner at 5:30pm. The first session kicks off at 6:30pm. The Friday night session will focus on biblical foundations for Christian parenting and parental transitions from childhood to teen years. Doors will open Saturday, February 21 at 8:30am with donuts for breakfast. The session will begin at 9am with dismissal at 12pm. The Saturday morning session will focus on overcoming kid centric families, connecting with the heart of your teenager, and discipline and boundaries.

As you can see, the schedule is jam-packed with helpful topics that I believe will be beneficial for parents, grandparents, and those who minister to parents and grandparents (which includes all of us!). I want to encourage you to register now for the conference. You can do so on our website at [goshenbaptistchurch.net/parenting-biblically-conference](https://goshenbaptistchurch.net/parenting-biblically-conference) or in the church app. Please share with others as well!

We will also have the opportunity to hear from Dr. Cockrell during our Sunday morning worship service on February 22.

May the Lord help us as we seek to raise our kids to know and follow Jesus.

God bless!

Pastor Adam

**Wednesday Night Meal...**Mark your calendar for Wednesday, February 4 at 5:30pm for our Wednesday Night Meal. Baked potatoes, chili, hotdogs, chips, salad, and desserts will be on the menu. Please sign up on the bulletin board or through the Goshen App so we have an idea of the number attending. Suggested donation of \$3 per person and no more than \$10 per family.

**2 Samuel Sermon Series...**Join us on Sundays at 10:45am for our sermon series in 2 Samuel. We will resume our study of 2 Samuel on February 1.

**Project Belong at Goshen...**Project Belong equips churches to minister to families and vulnerable children involved in foster care, adoption, and kinship care. A representative from Project Belong will be with us during our worship service on Sunday, February 8 to share about their important work and how you can get involved. Pastor Adam will still be preaching the morning sermon.

**Parenting Conference...**We will be hosting Tate and Wendy Cockrell for a parenting conference on February 20-21. For more information, or to register go to [www.goshenbaptistchurch.net/parenting-biblically-conference](http://www.goshenbaptistchurch.net/parenting-biblically-conference). We will have childcare available for church members. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you are attending and will need childcare. We are also looking for a few volunteers. If you are willing or have any other questions, please contact Laura Bonner.

**SBCV Winter Bible Conference...**You're invited to the first ever SBCV Winter Bible Conference on February 10 in Hampton from 10am-3pm. This conference dives deep into Paul's final charge to Timothy. There will be four sessions that will give you the opportunity to be refreshed, inspired, and equipped to make a lasting Kingdom impact. Please contact the church office for more information or to register.

**Disaster Relief Rebuild...**There are disaster relief rebuild opportunities in Mount City, TN February 8-14, March 1-7, April 12-18, May 3-9, and June 7-13. We would like to send volunteers from Goshen for one or more of these weeks. Because this is a rebuild opportunity, the disaster relief training is not required. You will be required to have a background check. Please contact Randy Wolfe if you may be interested in going yourself or helping support the team through a financial gift.

**Ladies Bible Study...**Our Tuesday morning ladies Bible study will begin meeting February 17 at 9:30am at the home of Mary Vakos. They will be studying *Take Courage: A Study of Haggai* by Jennifer Rothschild. For more information please contact Mary Vakos at 540-582-5953.

**Kids Ministry Conference...**SCBV is hosting a Kids Ministry Conference at Swift Creek Baptist Church from 9am-3:30pm on March 7. This is a great day to have fellowship with other volunteers as we learn to better equip ourselves in this area of ministry. This is a free event. Please contact Laura Bonner if you are interested in joining us!

**Easter Egg Hunt...**Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 28 from 2-4pm. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for volunteers needed for the event. There will also be a space in the fellowship hall as we are collecting unopened bags of candy (no chocolate, no lollipops). Candy can be brought in at any time and no later than Sunday, March 22.

**Systematic Theology II...**Pastor Adam will be teaching Systematic Theology II on Sunday evenings beginning February 15. About half of the 10-week course will be spent covering the doctrine of man, and the other half of the course will cover the doctrine of salvation. This is the second course in a series of three systematic theology courses, but you do not have to have taken the first course to participate in this one. Our textbook for the course will be Wayne Grudem's Systematic Theology. You will experience the most benefit from the course if you have a copy of the book and read the chapters being taught that week prior to class. However, reading the chapters is not a requirement for the course. Registration for the course can be found on our church app. When registering, you will have the option of purchasing a copy of Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem. You can also register for the course without purchasing the book. The charge for the book is \$30, and it will be used for all three Systematic Theology courses. There is no charge for the course if you do not want a copy of the book. You can also purchase the book on your own.

**IMGN Life Gala...**Pastor Adam will be hosting a table at the upcoming IMGN Life Gala benefitting the Choices Women's Center. The Gala will be Saturday, March 7 at 5pm at the Fredericksburg Convention Center. We will gather to celebrate the power of life, share inspiring stories, and support our mission to engage, equip, and empower families. Enjoy an elegant dinner, hear from Dr. Marc Newman, president of Speaker for Life, as well as one of our clients own story, along with opportunities to make a meaningful impact in our community. Together, we can bring hope to those facing unplanned pregnancies. The event is business/semi-formal dress. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Adam at [pastoradamblosser@gmail.com](mailto:pastoradamblosser@gmail.com).

**Puerto Rico Mission Trip...**Registration for our 2026 Puerto Rico Mission Trip is now open. You can register in the church app. The trip is July 6-13. We will be serving Iglesia Bautista Castillo Fuerte by doing work on their church property and building to include yard work, pressure washing, painting (inside and out), and light interior construction to prepare classrooms using existing space. We will be working with church planters Christian and Valeria Acevedo and their young church in Gurabo. The cost of the trip is \$900. This will include airfare, lodging, ground transportation, and most meals. You will need spending money for purchasing any meals you may need during travel. Financial assistance may be available if needed. If you are unable to go but are interested in providing financial assistance for someone else to go, please contact Pastor Adam. A deposit of \$150 is required to secure your spot for the trip so that we can go ahead and purchase airfare. Three remaining payments of \$250 each will be due by March 29, April 26, and May 31. Payments should be made by placing your payment in the church offering plate or by turning it in to the church office. Please label all payments as "Puerto Rico Mission trip." If you have questions, please contact Pastor Adam.

**Ministry Rally...**We will be having a ministry rally following the worship service on March 8. We will enjoy a potluck meal together followed by the ministry rally presentations.

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**Friday Food Bags...**We would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the Friday Food Bag Ministry at Spotsylvania Elementary. When we began the school year in August we delivered 40 bags, and by mid-September they requested 45. Beginning November 20, we delivered 50 bags to students each week. The counselors have expressed so much gratitude to Goshen and all that is done for these students, and were especially grateful during the recent government shutdown, as it had been difficult for so many families during this time. Thank you again for your ongoing support to this ministry!

**Nursery Volunteers...**As our church grows, so does the need for volunteers. We are currently looking for some extra help in the nursery. If you would like to volunteer or get some more information, please reach out to Laura Bonner.

**Children's Church...**If you have a child, ages 4-7, we would love for them to join us during our children's church time during the service. We would also love to add to our volunteer list. Every volunteer would only be serving once a month, and the curriculum is easily accessed online. If you are interested or have any other questions, please reach out to Laura Bonner.

**Wednesday Night Youth...**Join our youth ministry on Wednesday nights at 6:15pm for youth group! They are studying Romans this year. Contact Sarah Martin at [goshen.sarah.m@gmail.com](mailto:goshen.sarah.m@gmail.com) for more information.

**Red Cross Blood Drive...**We will be hosting a blood drive here in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, April 7 from 1pm-6pm. There are still plenty of spots available to schedule an appointment or to donate. You may schedule online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

**Online Giving...**We offer convenient online giving through our website at [goshenbaptistchurch.net](http://goshenbaptistchurch.net) and in the Goshen Baptist Church app.

**Prayer Requests...**One of the groups we offer in our new Goshen app is our Prayer Community. We encourage you to join this group and use this tool for your prayer requests. This is an easy and great way to get requests out immediately without having to go through the church office. If you have any questions about the app or how to join one of the groups, please contact the office.

**Emails From Goshen...**Are you on our church email list? If you have not been getting our emails, please let us know so we can add you to the list.

**Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting...**Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm for our adult prayer meeting. Lee Brothers is leading each week.

**Sermon & Bible Notes...**You can take sermon and Bible notes in our church event using the YouVersion Bible app. It will save your notes for access at any time. When you are in the app, select More>Events and search for Goshen Baptist.

**Goshen Merch Shop...**We now have an online Goshen Merch Shop which you can find at <https://thechurch.shop/shop/goshenbaptist/>. The shop has various clothing items in multiple colors with our Goshen logo and new items have been added. You will pay for your items directly at the link and they will ship directly to you. If there is something you would like to see in the shop, please let the office know, and we may be able to make it happen based on availability.

**Goshen Baptist Church Mobile App...**Have you downloaded our church app (available from the app store) on your device? Search for Goshen Baptist Church in the app store. Make sure to enable push notifications through the app. You can also listen to or watch past sermons, share prayer requests, connect with a group, and access online giving. Contact the church office with questions.

**New to Goshen?**...Are you new to Goshen? If you have not had an opportunity to have a visit with Pastor Adam, he would love the opportunity to sit down with you, get to know you, and answer any questions you may have about our church. Would you send him an email at [pastoradamblosser@gmail.com](mailto:pastoradamblosser@gmail.com)? Please include your name, the names of other family members, and the best way to get in touch with you.

**Groups at Goshen...**Have you gotten connected to one of our Bible study and fellowship groups at Goshen? Growth in our understanding of God's Word often happens in the context of a small group Bible study. We all also need fellowship with other Christians. At Goshen, we have lots of options for getting connected. See the following list and contact the church office with any questions.

#### **Small Group Options...**

- **Sonshine Class (Mary Vakos, Connie Laskowski, Mark Jones)**  
What: Master Work Bible Study  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **The Seekers (Josh & Haley Grimes)**  
What: Study of the Epistles  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **The Seniors (Robert Daniel)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Bible 101 (Wade Haney & Bob Kelly)**  
What: Basic Bible Study  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **PreK-K – Ages 4-Kindergarten (Laura & Aaron Bonner)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Elementary – Grades K-2 (Kaitlin Laskowski & Serenity Hague)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Elementary – Grades 3-5 (Dale Trigg, Laura Dye, & Mary Eure)**  
What: The Gospel Project  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Youth – Grades 6-12 (Sarah & Michael Martin)**  
What: The Book of Matthew  
When: Sundays at 9:30am
- **Evening Ladies Bible Study (Linda Shrum)**  
What: Study of the Book of Acts  
When: Thursdays at 6:30pm (offsite)



*Please visit or call and make their day special too!*

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| 1. Aurie McGee<br>540.582.2892<br>P.O. Box 539<br>Spotsylvania, VA 22551                 | 5. Barbara Faulconer<br>540.786.2479<br>8627 Brock Road<br>Spotsylvania, VA 22553                |
| 2. Anne Smith<br>540.729.0799<br>1001 Northside Drive<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22405        | 6. Margaret Stanchik<br>540.898.6069<br>10111 Hillside Lane<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22408          |
| 3. Rose Rudd<br>540.786.6520<br>6355 Autumn Leaf Circle<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22407      | 7. Carol Walker<br>540.848.1942<br>9208 Mill Pond Road<br>Spotsylvania, VA 22551                 |
| 4. John Stanchik<br>Carriage Hill<br>6106 Health Center Lane<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22407 | 8. Donnie & Carolyn Wheeler<br>540.786.0606<br>10027 Piney Branch Road<br>Spotsylvania, VA 22553 |
|  | 9. Joyce Perrin<br>5308 River Rd<br>Apartment 226<br>Fredericksburg, VA 22407                    |



## February BIRTHDAYS

03 Katie McCroskey  
05 Lauren Hoskins  
09 Peggy Branham, Rose Rudd  
12 Reagan Britton  
13 Joy Toombs  
19 Haley Grimes, Eve Bonner  
24 Sophia Martinez



### TELLERS...

Joe & Tracy Osborne, Donna Overstreet

### Deacon/Elder of the Week...

2/1 – Warren Payne

2/8 – Gay Britt

2/15 – Al Bonner

2/22 – Kimberly Kelly

### Greeters...

2/1 – Bill Vakos & Christina Pierce

2/8 – Winnie Boyce & Ted Schubel

2/15 – Wade Haney & Lona Butcher

2/22 – Susan Schubel & Michael Martin

### Nursery...

2/1 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Karen Jones

2/8 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Linda Kerr

2/15 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Lenora Brothers, Eve Bonner

2/22 – 9:30am – Lenora Brothers, Ashley Blosser

10:30am – Cookie Sodergren, Theresa Brubaker

### Children's Church...

2/1 – Michael & Desiree Warlick

2/8 – Nathan Brothers and Jordan Brokaw

2/15 – Dan & Kaitrin Smith

2/22 – Michael Martin and Laura Bonner