

Church Family,

Our COVID-19 Response Team met Monday, April 27 prior to reporting to the Church Ministry Council that evening. During that virtual meeting we reviewed our current status as a church and looked at new insights we have learned since we began a season of sheltering in place. We once again discussed national, state and local mandates, focusing on the three-phase plan our state is following to reopen.

In light of the spread of the virus, and our hope to keep everyone as safe as possible, ***all church related events and programming at the church will remain cancelled at this time.*** We will continue to listen to progress reports and make the best decisions possible with the most reliable information available, in order to care for our church family and friends.

As concerns continue with the spread of COVID-19, TMBC leaders are taking measures to ensure the safety of church members and neighbors who are most vulnerable. When prudent, ***we will re-enter the church campus utilizing a two-phase approach.*** The first phase will begin by slowly adding Sunday corporate worship services inside the church building. The second phase will center around re-entry for other ministry/mission group gatherings at later dates. Social distancing practices of 6ft+ separation will continue to be implemented during both phases.

We pray that these temporary adjustments to our ministry programming will ensure we are doing all we can to more fully love one another with a non-anxious presence, during this highly anxious time. In the meantime, know that TMBC has never CLOSED. In fact, we've been OPEN this whole time, engaging in missions, creatively doing ministry, and dreaming of ways to reach even more for the Kingdom of God.

Thank you for your continued support of our greater mission and vision, and especially for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

COVID-19 Response Team and Ministers

Sharon Lee	Abbi Mullens
Stuart Hardy	Andy Roby
Dale Newton	Brad Smith
Vickie Carden	

## Welcome Lillie Wren Whitehurst!

Born April 29, 2020  
9:59 am

7 lbs 2 oz  
18 inches

Proud parents are Dan and Samantha Whitehurst.  
Samantha is Ann Bryant's daughter.



# BACKPACK BUDDIES FAMILY BOXES

**Koinonia:** canned meats, tuna, ravioli, peanut butter

**Journey/Torchbearers/Fellowship:** canned vegetables, canned fruit, cans of soup

**Ott Alford/Progressive:** snack items, apple sauce, peanut butter crackers

**Families of Faith:** cereal, pop tarts, granola bars

**Truthseekers:** pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese

The next distribution dates are **Thursday, May 21** and **Thursday, June 4**. Food boxes will be delivered throughout the summer on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Help is needed to deliver boxes at 6:00 pm.

## Giving Made Easy

Make a one-time contribution or set up recurring gifts through our website's donations page.

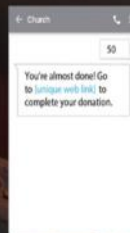
1. Visit [www.tmbc.org](http://www.tmbc.org)
2. Locate the Give button.
3. Donate!

It only takes a minute to set up an account or give as a guest. We appreciate your generosity!

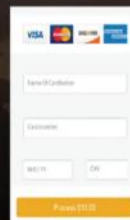
## Text Your Donation

Giving by text is easy. Simply text your donation amount to **833-908-0691** and follow the instructions on your phone to complete your gift.

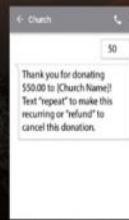
### 1. Get Started



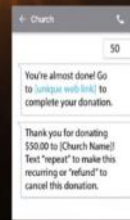
### 2. Register



### 3. Give



### 4. Repeat



## May Deacons of the Week



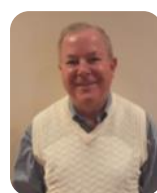
**John Gainey**  
April 26—May 2  
252-917-0515



**Jamie Bullock**  
May 3—9  
252-561-5993



**Susan Snelling**  
May 10—16  
540-645-2255



**Jim Pleasants**  
May 17—23  
252-752-6503



**Lauren Lumley**  
May 24—30  
910-994-6534

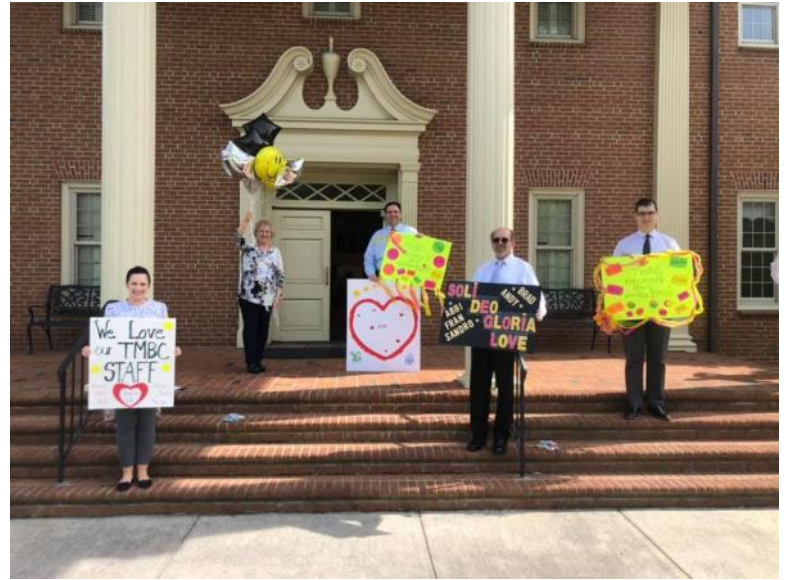
**John Sugg**  
May 30—June 6  
-252-560-0764

# MEMORIAL MATTERS!

## THANK YOU church family!

What a wonderful surprise of the parade of people at church. We are so blessed to be able to worship and minister alongside each of you. Thank you for the “honks” and shouts of love, support and appreciation, and all the goodies were a hit too. It was a joy to see you and to hear your shouts of love. We miss you, and look forward to once again gathering as God’s family.

Love and grace,  
Brad, Abbi, Andy, Fran and Sandro



## *In Our Prayers*

**A new prayer list begins the first of each month.** Call the church office if you would like to add or remove someone from the list.

The world and its response to COVID-19.

Gerstle Dendy (Larry Dendy’s mother)

Tyler Lumley

Adell Prescott

Nat Brackenhoff

Barbara Hardy

Verchie Vick

Harold Dew

Pat and Joan Whitehurst

Jim Laney

Jo Ann Murphy

Bill Harmatuk (Liz Wilson’s friends father)

Russ Gray

Alan and Kathy Myers in Abingdon, PA (Nancy

Goodwin’s nephew and niece with COVID-19)

Edith Davenport

### **Homebound/Shut-Ins**

Beverly Dickens

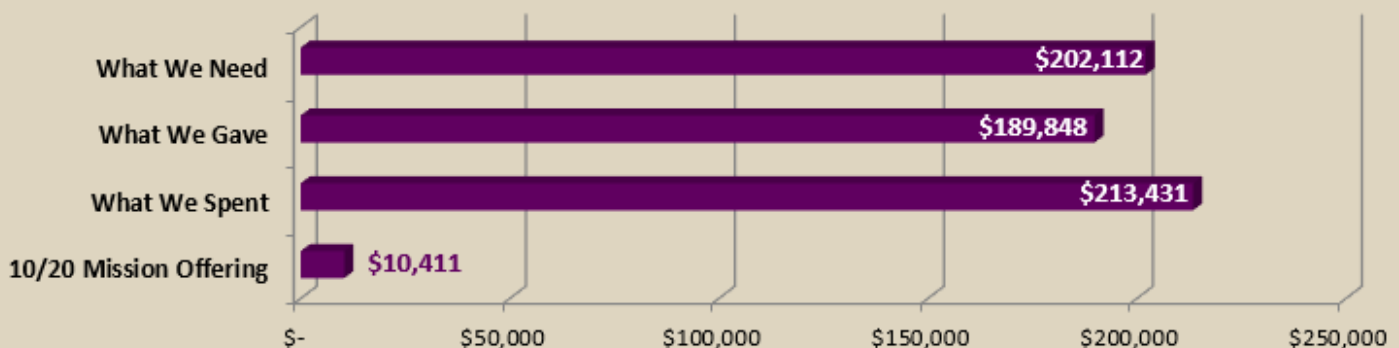
Doris Evans

Norman Little

Doris Pappendick (Jimmy Bryant’s mother-in-law)

Pauline White

## Where We Stand as April 27, 2020





Hey families, as we look at the weeks ahead, know that my goal in all of this is to show you and your families love and support, but not add any stress to your schedules.

This is the schedule for Family Ministry zoom calls:

**Tuesdays**

- 11:00 Devotion or story time with Abbi (more geared toward our younger kids)
- 11:30 Lunch time with Abbi (we will all eat lunch together and chat about whatever they want to talk about- all ages welcome)
- 2:30 Youth zoom call/activity

**Thursdays**

- 11:00 Devotion or story time with Abbi
- 11:30 Lunch time with Abbi
- 2:00 Kids activity on zoom
- 3:00 Youth zoom call

All the zoom links will be posted the morning of the event on the TMBC family ministry page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/813357495741166/?ref=share>

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask. I look forward with time with your kids.

Love, Abbi