

CHURCH EVENTS

September 1

New Church Year begins

September 2

9:00a Church Clean-up
Trash Pick-up Day

September 3

Lord's Supper
2:00p Deacons' Meeting

September 4

Labor Day
Church Office Closed

September 9

9:00a Farmer's Market
2:00p Ice Cream Social

September 10

10:30a Homecoming
Potluck Lunch

September 12

10:30a PrimeTime

September 17

Deacon Installation and
Commissioning

September 18

9:30a Church Council

September 21

Newsletter Input Due

September 24

Business Meeting

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

9:30a Adult Study Groups
9:30a Children/Youth
11:00a Worship Service

Wednesday

6:00p Adult Bible Study
6:00p Children/Youth
7:15 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

6:30p Amen Class

SEPT DEACON MINISTRY

Assisting the Pastor:
Cookie Frederick/Steve Lopez

Mount Hermon Baptist Church



sprout



grow



bearfruit

September 2023

Pastor's Pen

Dear Friends,

Paul wrote letters to the churches he formed during his missionary journeys. His narratives served as letters recognizing the strengths of the body. These letters also served to correct and uplift the churches who struggled. His messages were personal and loving. Paul recognized and celebrated the worth of every person; especially those who contributed to the common good of the church. He realized some members had greater gifts than others and he emphasized that everyone was needed for an effective, healthy, and powerful church. Everyone had a purpose and the church depended on their level of spiritual giftedness and maturity. This is the case today at churches around the world and at Mount Hermon.

Life, for all of us emerges, and God beckons us to change, giving us opportunity to grow in our faith. With new days and experiences, I have observed new perspectives of how God is able to accomplish His tasks through the faithful. All people need support and prayers. It is my belief that we are blessed when we serve the Lord. I am convinced that as we continue this work together at Mount Hermon Church, we will see God harvest the seeds that have been sown. We should all be thankful to God for this opportunity to serve at Mount Hermon. It is my prayer that God will bless you, our church, and the community. Our opportunities are plentiful, the needs of the local community are great, and our faith will grow. Praise be to God who leads us to serve.

Mount Hermon Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming, 175 years as a congregation Sunday, September 10, 2023. Come join us as we celebrate our long history, enjoy the gifts of the Lord, and give in service to the Kingdom of God. Activities celebrating our beginnings will commence Saturday, September 9. Thanks to those who have made plans to remember our beginnings and celebrate our tomorrows. We look forward to seeing and worshipping with you as we gather to Praise the Lord and what He has done and continues to do through our congregation. Blessings abound. I look forward to seeing you. The Lord be with you! The Lord bless you! (Ruth 2:4)

In Christ, David Morton, Interim Pastor

Services Available on CD upon request and on our YouTube Channel

Nursery/Children/Youth Workers Needed!!

We are looking for volunteers to assist in the nursery on a rotating bases during Sunday School and Worship. We are also looking for teachers and assistants to work with the Children and Youth on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you are willing to help please contact John DeWitt or Teah Shinn

Children and Youth Ministry



The Children and Youth Ministry had a busy August! We had our block party and backpack ministry event. The turnout was lower than expected, but we gave out 21 bags with supplies on Saturday, 21 after the fact, and sent the remaining bags

to New Hope Elementary where they were enthusiastically welcomed. We also went to a Bulls game and watched the Bulls defeat the Stripers 6-4.

Due to an important impending life change ;) ... Cheerio is our only scheduled upcoming event. Cheerio will be held on October 13-15th at Camp Cheerio near Stone Mountain, NC. Families and students are welcome to attend this refreshing retreat in the mountains. Please be praying for our students and the ministry as we seek to expand and reach our community's kids. God bless you all!

- John DeWitt



OCIM is seeking help restocking their shelves due to overwhelming needs in our community. A collection box is located in the main hallway and delivered to OCIM each Monday.

OCC ITEM OF THE MONTH

Shampoo

OCIM ITEM OF THE MONTH

Pasta Sauce and Canned Tomato Items

OUTREACH

Jesus said GO! It wasn't an invitation, it was a command. If you know Him as Lord you will obey Him. That's how we know we love Him we obey. (John 14: 15-21)

Mount Hermon has been on the go, reaching out this summer to Kentucky, Orange Correctional, our neighborhood kids, and the list goes on as His Spirit directs.

Baptist on Mission has been our mission partner and provider for much of our mission ministry. This past week for example when the storm hit Orange and Durham counties the Disaster Relief mission kicked in and served 37 families in our community with tree and brush removal. It was a small operation but I was able to deploy and see the blessing these families received through the organized efforts of. Baptist on Mission. On October 14th Baptist on Mission will deploy a medical screening bus to Mount Hermon to help us reach the underserved in our community. See Kathryn Dempsey to sign up and help us give our neighbors a warm Jesus hug and a hand in securing medical help.

This September our church will take up an offering to support the continued efforts for NC Baptist to reach our state and the world. And always pray for those who face eternity without a Savior. Let's tell them about Jesus together. Let's be His hands and feet.

Your Mission Team.

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

♪ Music Notes ♪

Hello everyone. I have been here almost a month and want to say a big THANK YOU for making me feel so welcome. You are a very loving and warm fellowship of believers.

My life verse is Ps. 100:5 "For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations." This verse gives me peace knowing that my God who makes plans for me, does so through His goodness; His love and His faithfulness.

Plans are underway for Mount Hermon's 175 Anniversary and Homecoming Celebration. We would love to all have all choir members sing with us for Homecoming. We still meet at 7:15 on Wednesday nights (LOL) and you are missing lots of fun if you haven't been there. Former choir member, please consider joining us as we prepare for this important event on Sept. 9-10. We would love to see you.

Serving Christ Together, Anne Basden

NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Thank You for your service to Mount Hermon! Thanks to everyone who accepted the call to serve on various committees and positions for the new church year. It takes the efforts of many to meet the church needs.



It's time to start thinking about Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Now is the perfect time to start finding back to school items, end of summer sales and other items perfect for the shoeboxes. Collection boxes can be found throughout the church.

Stewardship

2023	July	Year-to-Date
Budget Income	\$18,107	\$130,572
Budget Need	\$21,700	\$134,540
Difference (short)	(\$3,593)	(\$3,968)

2023	July	Year-to-Date
Budget Income	\$18,107	\$130,572
Expenses	\$13,083	\$117,054
Difference	\$5,024	\$13,518

Property Renovation Fund - \$15,160

Those Needing Our Prayers...

Donna Chamberlain	Rich Hanson	Joseph Albert Revell
Bill Clayton	Lucille King	Justin Riley
Georgia Barnette	Stacy Lee	Ridge Riley
Mike Brockwell	David Lewis	Robbe Riley
Robbie Davidson	Joan Page	Peggy Rhodes
Vic Davis	Peggy Parker	J.R. & Mary Webb
Joan Dixon	Betty Jane Poole	Bob Winecuff
Alex Fitzgerald		Virginia Winecuff

OUR SHUT-INS AND HOSPITALIZED

Brookdale - Bonnie Andrews
Pruitt Health-Carolina Point Ruby Clements
Duke Hospital - Joyce Dennis
Friends Home Assisted Living - Betty Fera
Hospice Care - Russell Hoffman
Las Colinas of Westover - Roberta Lopez

Pray For:

Reverend David Morton and our Church
 The safe gathering of our Church
 The Children and the Children's Ministry
 Our Brothers at OCC and the Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry
 Those in our community with drug and alcohol addiction
 The homeless people in our community
 Families affected by violence
 President Joe Biden
 North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper
 Unity for our Country

AROUND THE WORLD

Rev. Gideon Thuam, missionary to Myawaddy Myanmar
 Pastor Hammer serving the people of Togo, West Africa
 Roger and Vicki Grossmann, missionaries to Guatemala

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses...

Rachel Clayton

Edith Lee

Bernard Paige

Judith Carrig

Ethelene Futch

James Grasty

*...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.
 Hebrews 12:1*

Pastor: David Morton
Secretary: Peggy Mason
Worship Leader: Anne Basden

Church Office

Hours: Monday–Friday 9 am–11:30 am
 Phone: 919-383-2982
 Email: mounthermondurham@gmail.com
 Pastor David's Email: morton10@centrylink.net

Please keep church office informed of change of address.
 Also, if you no longer wish to receive the monthly newsletter,
 please contact the office by phone or email.

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DURHAM, NC 27705

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Birthdays & Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

09/03 Beth Brewer 09/27 Tammy Bowling
 09/15 Vic Davis 09/28 Tim Thompson

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

09/10 Ivan & Catalina Serrano
 09/21 Steve & Emily Lopez

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/01 Margie Whitfield 10/15 Eddie Andrews
 10/09 Joyce Dennis 10/24 Fernanda Serrano Gonzalez
 10/11 Robbe Riley 10/25 Todd Riley
 10/14 Jerry Nowell 10/26 Lucille King
 10/15 Susan Walker

**If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please
 let us know so we can correct our records**



IN LOVING MEMORY

Donations received in
 memory of Judith Carrig
 by Jerald Fuller and the
 Mount Hermon Sanctuary Committee

**YBA PRIME TIME
 for Senior Adults**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
10:30 A.M. - 12:00 NOON (lunch follows)
Cost: \$10.00 (RSVP Required)

Temple Baptist Church
 2121 Umstead Road
 Durham, NC 27712

Special Guest Speaker:
 Renea Henderson
 Christian Comedian



A luncheon catered by Golden Corral will follow the meeting.
 Menu: Fried Chicken, Pot Roast, Green Beans, Potatoes,
 Rolls, Drink and Dessert.

*You may pay at the door, but RSVP
 is required by Friday, September 8.*

See John Frederick for more information.

A new directory will be available in the coming weeks. Please let the church office know if your address, email or phone number has changed.

Deacons Serving

2023-2024	2023-2025	2023-2026
Bob Brewer	Cookie Frederick	Steve Lopez
Steve Couch	Shirley Robinson	Janice Thompson
Kevin Shinn		

Welcome New Member: Sherry Stone

If we live in the spirit, let us also walk in the spirit.
Galatians 5:25



Prayer Room

Our Prayer Room is open and available at all times for those who may need a quiet moment in prayer.
 Instructions for the room's use are provided along with prayer materials.



HOMECOMING 2023

SEPTEMBER 9
 2:00p Ice Cream Social
 Open Time Capsule

SEPTEMBER 10
 10:30a Worship Service
 Potluck Lunch
 Bury New Time Capsule



State Goal:
 2.5 Million
 Church Goal:
 \$1500

Raised to Date: \$285

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. 1 Chronicles 16:24