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LIFEGROUPS

Our Goal is Life Transformation!
Lives transformed more and more into the
image of Christ Jesus.

Anne Alewine and Libby Thruston

Continuing the Family Legacy

By Grace Hartsell, 2023 Summer Intern

Anne Alewine and Libby Thruston have spent their lives at Taylors First Baptist Church. The two sisters lived right down the street with their family, and they remember walking to church. Their parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles were members at Taylors. Their mother taught kindergarten, and their father taught Sunday School. As Libby puts it, "I was here before I was here."

As they got older, they were heavily involved in primary choir, GAs, Sunday School, and youth choir. Anne and Libby were baptized in the 1922 sanctuary, now the chapel. As young adults, the sisters began serving Wednesday night supper, which they still do today.

They recall always being taught to live on mission for Christ. Libby worked at the Taylors Lumber Company for 25 years. However, she says that Fork Shoals was her mission field, where she taught for 13 years after the Taylors Lumber Company.

Anne worked for two years at Taylors First Baptist Church Kindergarten, teaching three and four-year-olds five days a week. After that, she worked at a Title I school for the rest of her career. During her years teaching, Anne remembers talking to her mother about needing a break. After her mother reminded her that the school is her mission field, Anne remembers replying, "Even missionaries get a furlough!"

Through their years working jobs, Anne and Libby never desired to leave Taylors in search of another church. Their family belonged at Taylors; the stained glass window in the Worship Center of Jesus knocking at the door is in honor of their great-grandfather. Anne remarks that even though they are the only members of their family left at Taylors, they are still "holding down the fort for the Alewines."

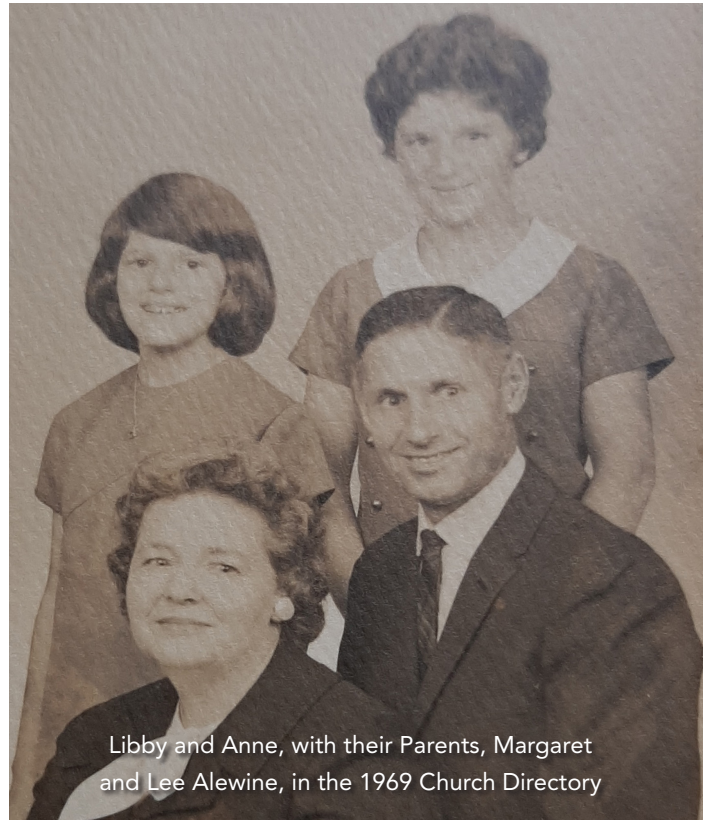
When asked about a time that challenged their faith, both Anne and Libby recounted the tragedy of losing their cousin, his wife, four of his six children, and one foreign exchange student staying with the family in a car accident. Anne was at Edisto Island at the time, serving with a team. Libby became the spokesperson for the family. Anne was angry with God at first, but then she cried out to Him, saying, "Jesus, you're going to have to pray for me. I don't have the words."



Libby Thruston
in Preschool



Anne Alewine
in Preschool



Libby and Anne, with their Parents, Margaret and Lee Alewine, in the 1969 Church Directory

Through this experience and others, they have both learned to rely on the Lord more. "Jesus is our mediator," Anne says. "He knows the words we need to say even when we can't speak." Looking back, they can see that God had them in the right place at the right time. They praise God for working and carrying them through, even when they couldn't see it at the time.

Libby has two favorite verses. Psalm 121:1-2 says, "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." She loves this verse because it is



on one of the rocks at Pretty Place. She remembers traveling there often to hear preachers and speakers with her family. Her second favorite verse is Philippians 4:13, which says, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me." She says this verse gives her the strength that she needs.

Anne's favorite verse is Exodus 14:14. While working for a school, she remembers having to work closely with a principal who was very difficult to work with. She held this verse close; it reads, "The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."

When asked what advice they would give to younger members at Taylors, Anne



and Libby had insightful words. Anne encourages followers of Christ to "make sure you stay in a church that teaches the Bible, and find a way to be involved so you're not always being fed." Libby urges members of Taylors to "stand by what you believe. Don't stray. Stay grounded."

Overall, the two had one more piece of advice: "Know what you believe and what you stand for."

Photo, left, taken at the 2007 Southern Baptist Convention



Legacy Choir Rehearsal

Tuesdays at 1:00 pm beginning September 5

This dynamic choir of senior adults sings for worship services and ministers through music whenever invited to retirement homes, nursing facilities, and to other church groups. A love for God, for people, and for music inspires the ministry of the Legacy Choir.

Regeneration Student Choir Rehearsal

Sundays at 5:00 pm beginning September 10

The outstanding group of middle and high school students sings for worship services and special programs throughout the year. The highlight of the choir is the music/Reach trip each summer.

Magical Mystery Tour XVI

Sunday, October 1, 1:30 - 8:30 pm

Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or on the Church Center App.



Reach Trip Testimonies



South Asia

Our mission team served in a beautiful land in South Asia full of lovely people who are desperate for the gospel. Our purpose was to engage with pastors and lay leaders from churches across the country to clarify and celebrate the gospel and to discuss strategies for discipleship. We met with more than 160 of these church leaders in two sessions over the week in combined and small group breakout workshops. In these workshops, we walked through steps for initial discipleship for new followers of Jesus. We received very positive feedback from those we trained, and our hope is that as they return to their communities and villages they would use these new tools to advance the Kingdom. Please join our team in praying for these South Asian believers and for the advancement of God's Kingdom among them. — Kent Hartsell, Team Leader





Orange County, CA

My initial thoughts when our team arrived in Los Angeles. "I have a feeling we're not in Kansas anymore." From LAX to eight lanes of highway, the size of the city was overwhelming. A church on every corner for us is normal. For Los Angeles, a tent representing homelessness on every corner is normal. What can 13 people from South Carolina offer in a city of 19 million people?

2 words: Good News.



Our team was going to have the opportunity to work with Jason Polk who planted a church in Anaheim for the first two days. The two days began with one of our team members sharing Jesus with a homeless man outside of his tent on an early morning run. That would be one of many conversations that would take place over the next two days in the Anaheim area.

The constant reminder for our team was that while we are not able to save anyone, our responsibility is to tell others about Jesus. Only the Holy Spirit can open up the eyes and heart for someone to believe. We are only told to share the Good News. Did every conversation introduce someone to Jesus? No. Sometimes we just had conversations and got to meet the people of Los Angeles.

The majority of our time in LA was spent with the church planter we support, Trenton Mueller, his wife Kellie and their 3 boys. Their heart for the people of Los Angeles was overflowing from their words and actions. Our team spent time praying at the church plant location in downtown Pasadena and concluded at Griffith Observatory which overlooks all of Los Angeles. This is where Trenton & Kellie's call to reach the people LA became clear to them. Trenton took us all over LA and provided us with opportunities to share the Good News. He also demonstrated his love for the people of LA and the urgency of the gospel to be shared.

One constant thing our team faced during the week in LA was that we only talked to two kinds of people. We



had conversations with those that had been changed by Jesus. Those people had received the free gift of salvation that came through God's Son dying on the cross for their sins and rising 3 days later. They had believed in Jesus and repented of their sins. As 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, they were a new creation! The other group of people were those that were still slaves to sin. They did not have a personal relationship with Jesus. The reality for us today is that we will only meet those same two groups of people here as well. There are lost people in our family, in our neighborhood, in our workplace and all over the Upstate. Our responsibility is the same as it was in Matthew 28. We have already been given that command as ambassadors for Jesus. We must go. — Joseph Eskridge, Team Leader



Regeneration Student Choir to New Hampshire



New Hampshire 2023 was such a fruitful trip! It was filled with fellowship and opportunities where we all got to speak to people who had little to no knowledge of Jesus. It was an eye opening trip for me and a reminder that there's still so many people in this world who don't know Jesus. Our group had the opportunity to help kids with basketball camp and it was so much fun to be able to talk to them and build relationships with them. We also had opportunities to help the community and churches with maintenance work, and just be a blessing to them. It was a reminder to us all that we need to be willing to go and share the Gospel! It was such an amazing trip and so many memories were made! – Macy Grace Powell





I had the privilege of joining the Regeneration Choir summer trip to New Hampshire. Not only was this my first Regeneration trip, it was also my first Reach trip. The students' boldness and maturity and the community's desire to reach others, blessed me tremendously. Our Service Team was told we needed to be fluid for the week so that we could change and adapt as needed. We went from painting, sorting clothes and serving a meal at a homeless shelter, to delivering goodies and praying with firemen, to weeding and pruning along a trail at a community center, to working in an elementary school to clean up and organize a faculty lounge and classrooms. Our job was to serve in the name of our partner church so they could continue to build relationships and further their influence to reach people for Jesus. We ended the week praying with a teacher whose health issues kept her from returning to the classroom. We had packed up, moved and loaded all her stuff (and there was a lot) into a truck. As we ended the prayer she had tears in her eyes and I realized though she may not have trusted Jesus with her heart, she had seen us be the hands and feet of Jesus and we planted a seed. The Lord can use us in ways we cannot predict we just have to be willing to go. – Kara Harrelson



I loved going to New Hampshire because while we were there, I got to teach in a ukulele class at our Arts Camp. I was able to teach the children that God created them in His image and that he has given each of them special, unique gifts. We also got to host park parties in order to invite people in the community to the churches we were working with. We provided live music that spread the message of God's love, and I loved making balloon animals for all of the children who came. That week, God worked numerous wonders both in my heart and in the hearts of those we had the privilege to serve. - William Railey



I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity I had this summer to go on the New Hampshire trip. I was able to not only deepen friendships but to create new relationships and connections with other students. The trip forced me out of my comfort zone in a multitude of ways and helped me realize that at the end of the day, we do it all for the sake of Christ. From prayer walking down the streets of Nashua to helping kids with their painting projects, I truly believe that God was at work in the people of New Hampshire. I am forever thankful for the memories and lessons learned from this trip; it is my hope that we planted seeds that will only continue to grow and prosper. – Ellie Bryant





I was part of the Nashua Service Team and had the opportunity to serve the Rescue Mission homeless shelter for men, N.W. Crisp Elementary School, and the Police Athletic League. Our days were filled with landscaping, painting inside the shelter, sorting clothes, passing out lunches, cleaning and packing up classrooms for teachers, picking up trash, weeding walkways, and addressing thank you cards for PALS donations. After seeing the looks of surprise and smiles on faces, I can say the little things make an impact.
 – Evy Hansz



I was part of the Hooksett Team during the 2023 New Hampshire trip. Our team helped spread 7 tons of mulch in the Harvest Church playground, held a three-day basketball camp at Fellowship Church, repaired the Nashua Baptist Church parking lot by filling cracks and painting stripes, and played with kids at Nashua PAL. One thing I took away from this trip is how much we take our worship for granted, because at Taylors we have a huge team of worship leaders that help out every Sunday. At Fellowship Church there were under 10 people who were managing worship, but you can really tell how they try to reach the community and how passionate they are about their worship.- Zack Harrelson



Month of Impact in October

I'm Saved I'm Sent in Life Groups

October is going to be an incredible *month of impact* for the life of our church! Each week in Life Groups we will be exploring what God's Word says about our mission as His ambassadors. In addition to hearing the call of God to live as ones who have been SENT, we will also learn various tools that can help us be effective as His witnesses. Please join us in praying that this month of investment through the Life Groups will result in a lifetime of impact on those around us who do not yet know the Lord.

Reach Weekend

Go Gathering: Reach the Nations with IMB Leadership, Saturday, October 28 — An informal time of learning how God's kingdom is advancing all around the world while we hear from Brother John from IMB, and two missionary families from South Asia. Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App.

Reach Sunday, October 29, at 10:00 am featuring Dr. Paul Chitwood, President, International Mission Board

Missions Offering



Janie Chapman Offering

Named after South Carolina WMU's first president, the Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions helps support missions efforts across South Carolina and North America. Each year, we spend one week in September highlighting how the Janie Chapman Offering is used, as well as praying for those serving across our state. The hope of the Gospel is made known because of your faithful generosity and prayers!

This year, the Janie Chapman week of prayer will be September 10-17. Prayer guides and offering envelopes will be available at the Reach tables in the Connection Center.

To learn more about the history of the Janie Chapman offering, where the funds will go this year, and how you can give, visit www.scwmu.org/jco

Community Ministries

Love Taylors this Fall

September: Greer Christian Learning Center resumes

September 2: Village Wrench Bike Repair the first Saturday of each month

September 6: Mission 1:27 Support Group the first Wednesday Night of each month

September 11: Good News Club begins at Taylors Elementary

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September 14: Connie Maxwell Children's Ministries, Thrive Event for Foster Parents

September 21: Piedmont Women's Center, Night for Life fundraiser



Life Group Highlight



Our Life Group class was formed in the mid-1970's from a previous men's group that had lost their teacher. We later named our class "The John Boudoucies Memorial Sunday School Class" in memory of John who was a class member for many years. Our class is currently led by Greg Below.

At some point we started using the "Explore the Bible" study series. Since then, we have studied completely through the Bible several times, always focusing our teaching and discussions on Jesus.

Our group has done many local missionary projects such as Bridgepointe Church, Miracle Hill, and Camp Greenville.

On several occasions we have held our class in the home of class or church members who were unable to attend due to sickness or end of life situations. This has been a particularly rewarding experience for each class member's spiritual growth.

We are all close friends and have social outings during the year, but the one thing we focus on consistently is our group and individual prayer life. We support each other and our church in our prayers.

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Celebration

On July 30, we celebrated our five-year-old class who are moving up to 1st Grade. This was a sweet time to give an encouragement to our families and a time to tell parents about Sundays and Wednesdays in elementary. We also gave each child in the class a Bible as a tool for their own personal relationship with Jesus.

Parent/Child Dedication

October 15

The Parent/Child Dedication Service is a time of giving thanks to God for His provision of children and the privilege of parenting. It is also a time for parents to commit to follow God's direction and plan for their family by making a public commitment before the church body, allowing the body to support their family through prayer, wisdom, and encouragement. Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App by September 10.

Mom & Mini

September 19 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Join us for our mom and daughter event with dinner and a fun evening for young ladies who are K3 through 5th grade. Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App by September 11.

XYZ Fellowship

Monday, September 11 | 11:15 am | \$8

Sign up in the Church Center App or at taylorsfbc.org/events.



2023
IT'S FALL Y'ALL

KICK-OFF TO FALL

OCTOBER 19 | 5:30 PM

Save the date for our annual fall celebration for Taylors' Senior Adults and Guests 60+!

- Wear the colors of your favorite football team and join us for It's Fall Ya'll.

Entertainment will be by vocalist Lyn Westafer. Cost: \$12 includes dinner

Sign up in the Church Center App or at taylorsfbc.org/events beginning Monday, September 25.

FUGE Camp



FUGE is an incredible experience as a leader! You get to worship with the students and join in on all the fun activities. The FUGE staff are intentional about pouring into the students but also the leaders, with messages just for us. Watching and hearing the students as they learn and dive into the Word is incredible but it's just a glimpse of the seeds being planted. Students giving their lives to Jesus is the reason for it all and to get to be a part of that NEVER gets old!

— Sarah Moore, leader



FUGE has had such a great impact on my life and makes for one of the greatest highlights of my summer! I love having Bible study every day at FUGE and I'm always learning new things that grow my faith. Rec and tracks are really fun too! This past summer the theme was *In His Image* and I learned a lot. I learned that we were created to share God's love and we are created with value and purpose. We are to share Jesus with others (like our lost friends), even if we are uncomfortable. Because in the end, it's so worth it! FUGE is something you don't want to miss out on – it never disappoints! — Anslyn Klessens, 8th grade



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I absolutely LOVED going to FUGE this summer! It was such an amazing experience and I can't wait for the next one. One of my favorite things we did was the themed days – I loved dressing up and seeing all the crazy outfits. This was a trip I will always remember because I made the best decision I will ever make. I gave my life to Jesus!! — Kayley Harmon, 9th grade
Actual moment pictured above.

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SUMMIT



TSM • FALL 23

Join us for our tsm Summit here on campus September 29 - October 1! We'll have intentional time in the Word, biblically sound worship and activities that will be enjoyable and edifying. Bring a friend and sign up today!

Cost is \$65 for the weekend!

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Going into this year's FUGE, I was excited for what God had planned for our group. I am so thankful that our student ministry got to hear how we are made in God's image and that each one of us are unified in Christ. God was able to show me how he can use me for His glory and not my own. Throughout the week, God constantly gave me opportunities to be bold in faith and as a leader in our group. Please continue to pray for the group that went and also for me; that we will walk boldly in faith and remember we live for Christ alone.
— Levi Powell, 12th grade

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There really aren't words to explain the FUGE experience. From the sermons, to the worship, to the activities, FUGE is something I pray everyone can take part in. It really is a life changing experience. You grow so much closer to God and other people in the student ministry. I wouldn't be where I am today without FUGE! — Mackenzie Sparrow, 12th grade



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This past summer at FUGE was truly life changing for me. God turned my life around in so many ways. I went into the week thinking that God really couldn't do anything in my life. I was telling myself that I was too far gone. This all changed after the first night when I felt the Holy Spirit pulling at my heart. The Lord showed me how amazing He really is and that what He gives us is better than anything that this world could ever offer us. On the third night, I truly surrendered my life to Christ and on August 20, I got baptized. I can truly say that the Lord changed my life in so many ways. I strongly encourage any student to come to FUGE next year because it's the best week of your life! — Blake Davis, 10th grade

Fall Bible Studies



Moms on Mission

For moms of all stages of life.

Begins September 6. Childcare provided.

First Wednesday Night of each month at 6:30 pm.

Are you a busy mom feeling frazzled and frayed by the demands placed on your life? Do you have days where you literally feel like you're hanging on by a thread? Moms on Mission is designed to help you connect with other moms in order to encourage each other and weave Scripture into every part of our lives as we fulfill the calling of motherhood and rest in the peace and joy available to us as daughters of our Lord Jesus Christ!

"He Speaks to Me" by Priscilla Shirer

For all ages and stages of life.

Begins September 12 and 13.

Cost: \$10 per semester, purchase book on your own

Tuesdays: 6:30 - 8:30 pm on campus

Tuesdays: 7:00 pm on Zoom

Wednesdays: 9:30 – 11:00 am. Childcare provided.

A common question of many Christ followers is, "How can I know when God is speaking to me directly?" Priscilla Shirer uses the account of God speaking to Samuel to illustrate how He speaks to us today, how we can discern His voice, and how we can position ourselves to hear and respond. Expect to come to know Him more fully and learn to walk in obedience according to His Word.



Mom to Mom

Moms of preschool and elementary aged children

Begins September 13

Cost: \$25 for year, "Real Mom Life"

by Linda Anderson included

Wednesdays: 9:30 – 11:00 am. Childcare provided.

If you're a young mom looking for a place where you can connect with other moms and learn to understand God's design for motherhood, join us for a study that intertwines godly truth to guide you as you grow in the likeness of Christ and care for your family. Our study will give us a look at "real life" situations and how to address them from a biblical view, while our "Mentor Moms" will come alongside to share their wisdom and life experiences.



"Moms Set Free" by Jeanie Cunnion.

For moms in any stage of life!

Begins September 13

Cost: \$10 per semester, purchase book on your own

Wednesdays: 9:30 – 11:00 am. Childcare provided.

We can agree that motherhood is not always easy! If you're a mom that is feeling worried, fearful, angry, or ashamed due to the impossible standards we face as mothers, this Bible study is for you! In *Moms Set Free*, you will learn to study and apply Scripture in order to discover how the truth of the Gospel can free you to parent in God's sovereignty.

Summer Soirée



“Our Taylors Women Summer Soiree was a great time of fellowship and fun! We were able to share with women from our church and community about the many different opportunities Taylors Women is offering this fall while being able to have some fun shopping local vendors at the same time! We’re so excited to see how God will work in and through our Taylors Women this fall and the rest of the year. May God alone be glorified in our women!” – Allison Powell

“It was awesome to see so many ladies connecting with one another, learning about different ministries, and seeking community within Bible Studies, fitness classes, Life Groups, or local ministry partners. Our church is so blessed to have so many wonderful ministries and serving opportunities designed to equip our women to know God and know His Word. It was neat to see them all represented in the same space. I loved seeing our women catch up and laugh with one another, pray for one another, and enjoy time together. I think everyone who attended was blessed in some way and I truly felt blessed to witness it all.”

– Sara Bryan, Uplifting Events Team Leader



“The Summer Soiree was a great time! There was a good mix of vendors, and it was really fun to do something different from our normal events. I got to mingle and catch up with friends and ladies I don’t normally get to see, I’m glad I went!” – Church Member





“Expecting God to move and show up at a church event should be a normal expectation, but on Saturday at the Soirée, God not only showed up, He taught me and showed me a true blessing about love. We had 3 daughters that have older mothers visit our booth. I would say most of their mothers were in their 80s and they were all widowers. Their daughters had such a great love for their mothers. Keep in mind none of the mothers live in Greenville. Each pair was just spending time with one another. When each pair of mothers and daughters learned about the virtual Bible study at our booth, the daughters all said something like, “Mom, I’ll do the study with you.” This is a way you can be involved in Bible study with me.” One mother had tears in her eyes and the mother and daughter embraced.

God keeps surprising me through the use of the virtual Bible study. He continually expands and teaches me how He can use this tool to connect women to His Word and to each other. What started as a temporary way to do Bible study because of COVID, I now see that God has bigger plans for our study on Zoom. We have story after story of God’s blessings in our group, but I must say seeing the love that the mothers and daughters have for one another has touched me greatly, and I literally can’t wait to learn all that God wants to teach us in our virtual community this fall.”

– Ingrid Huggins, Leader of Women’s Virtual Bible Study



Establish Network Institute Launch

The Taylors Institute exists to equip members of Taylors First Baptist Church to think rightly about God and His world for the sake of living rightly before God in His world.

Beginning September 6, join us on Wednesday nights in Room B232-233 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm for a 12-week study of "The Christian Story," an overview of both the Old and New Testaments, basic biblical interpretation, and an introduction to Biblical theology.

Sign up in the Church Center App or at taylorsfbc.org/events.

Stay Connected at Taylors FBC

Wednesday Nights

Family Dinner, 5:15 - 6:10 pm

- September 6: Chicken fillet, mac and cheese, lima beans, and carrot salad or Chick-fil-A
- September 13: Beef tips, rice, peas, and salad or Chick-fil-A
- September 20: Chicken alfredo pasta or chicken marinara pasta, green beans, and salad or Chick-fil-A
- September 27: Barbecue, baked beans, potato chips, and coleslaw or Chick-fil-A

Reservations are required by the Tuesday prior and are non-refundable. Sign up in the Church Center App and at taylorsfbc.org/events.

Weekly

Taylors Worship: Rehearsals

Worship Choir, 6:15 pm
Orchestra, 6:30 pm
Traditional Choir, 7:20 pm

Grief Support for Spouses

6:15 - 7:45 pm | Room B132/133

Establish Network Institute

6:30 - 7:30 pm | Room B232-233

Pastor's Bible Study

6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

Taylors Children: Nursery and Konnect

6:30 - 7:30 pm | Doors Open at 6:15 pm

Taylors Students: Rise for Middle School

6:30 - 7:45 pm | Cafe Opens at 6:15 pm

Taylors College and Young Professionals: The Gathering

7:30 - 9:00 pm | The Loft

Monthly

Moms on Mission

September 6: 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Room C126

Mission 1:27 Support Group

September 6: 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Room B127

Sunday Mornings

8:30 am: Band Led Worship

Nursery, Preschool, and Adult Life Groups
Kid's Worship for 1st - 3rd Grade (except 8/6)

9:40 am: Traditional Worship

Nursery, Preschool, Elementary, Students,
College, and Adult Life Groups

11:00 am: Taylors Worship

Nursery, Preschool, and Adult Life Groups
Kid's Worship for 1st - 3rd Grade (except 9/3)

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Our Church Family

Celebrate new members, baptisms, anniversaries, stewardship, and more.

Welcome New Members



Isabelle Allen
August 13, 2023
by Baptism



Shannon Edens
August 6, 2023
by Statement



Callie Grace Lewis
August 20, 2023
by Pending Baptism



Jason and Erica Ratterree
August 20, 2023
Erica by Statement
(not pictured)
Jason by Baptism



Mary Jo Watkins
July 27, 2023
by Statement



Randy and Esther White
August 13, 2023
by Letter

Not Pictured

Kathryn Prewitt
August 6, 2023 by Statement

Karla Camilo
August 27, 2023 by Statement

Daraven Perez
August 27, 2023 by Statement

Sunday Statistics

	8/6	8/13	8/20	8/27
Nursery.....	45.....	37.....	43.....	32
Preschool.....	62.....	69.....	60.....	58
Elementary	60.....	97.....	80.....	93
Students	77.....	106.....	112.....	109
College.....	61.....	41.....	64.....	64
Adults	589.....	692.....	703.....	717
Life Group Total.....	953.....	1155.....	1171.....	1192
Morning Worship....	1427.....	1423.....	1465.....	1503

Staff Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER

- Kathy Dority — 18 years of service
- Brad Reece — 17 years of service
- Wally Harris — 5 years of service
- Mallory Gilmore — 4 years of service

In Memoriam

Russell Ashmore, Jr.
November 3, 1929 - August 21, 2023

Randy Brewer
October 6, 1941 - July 28, 2023

Duke Haynie
February 28, 1936 - August 20, 2023

Neil McColskey
December 11, 2932 - August 16, 2023

Joan "Jo" Nelson
October 6, 1938 – August 22, 2023

Baptisms

We welcome to the Body of Christ through believer's baptism: Isabelle Allen, Blake Davis, Rebekah DeMars, Jason Ratterree, Ryan Soper



We the church exist to display the glory of God by being built upon and centered in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and by living generously to reach a world desperate for hope. One of our values here at Taylors FBC is Everybody Serves. By serving within the church, you are using your time, talents, and treasures to serve the Lord and advance His Kingdom. We have many ministry areas in which members are welcomed and encouraged to serve. By serving you are doing far more than filling a spot on a team, but truly you are working as part of the body of Christ alongside other believers, compiling our many different spiritual gifts, to serve the same Lord and fulfill the same command... make Him known! Scan the QR code below to let us know where you want to serve!



July Stewardship

MONTH TO DATE

Budget Receipts.....	\$486,892
Actual Receipts	\$409,246
Actual Spent.....	\$425,564

YEAR TO DATE

Budget Receipts.....	\$3,408,242
Actual Receipts	\$2,804,045
Actual Spent.....	\$3,278,980



Welcome Mallory Gilmore as Taylors Women Coordinator

Mallory is married to Les Gilmore and has two children. She grew up in Spartanburg, SC, and attended church with her family, serving in various ministry roles from youth to worship. Les and Mallory have been members of Taylors FBC for eight years. Mallory is a graduate of Anderson University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Human Resource Management. Her ministry background includes serving in Taylors Women, participating in Mom to Mom, and she currently serves on staff in Taylors Children. She was recently sent to Los Angeles with one of our Reach teams. It's her joy to serve the body of Christ. We are excited for Mallory as she steps over to coordinate Taylors Women.

Ways to Give



In the Church Center App



Online at taylorsfbc.org/give



Through online banking — set Taylors FBC as a payee in your banking system



Bring your tithe/offering to the Church Office



Mail your tithe/offering to the Church Office



Place your contribution in one of the Giving Boxes



Other Giving: Give through your charitable trust, charitable annuity, or your IRA Required Minimum Distributions



Legacy Giving: Give through your estate as a bequest



Basketball League

Registration opens Tuesday, September 5, for age four through adults. Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App.

We are in need of coaches in all age groups. If you are interested in coaching please contact Dawn Vanasse at dawnv@taylorsfbc.org.



Rec'd Moms

Join us September 12 and 26!

Rec'd Moms is a group for moms with children ages five and under. Your children will have time to play, you'll connect with other mothers, and enjoy coffee, tea, and conversation. Each session we will have new activities!

Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App.



This Summer we had 358 children involved in our camps. These campers learned skills, had fun, and heard about God and His love for them.

Three Pickle ball clinics were held and 50 adults learned a great way to exercise.



SEPTEMBER 9

 Storm cleanup

Taylors Rec Picnic Shelter



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Followed by Lunch

Sign up at taylorsfbc.org/events or in the Church Center App.