



# REEDY RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH

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## News from the River

### Weekly Schedule

#### SUNDAYS

Sunday School	9:15 AM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM
Children in Action	6:00 PM

#### WEDNESDAYS

Bible Study & Prayer	6:30 PM
Youth at FLC	
(Choir Practice after Bible Study)	

## Valentine Banquet

Join us on Saturday, **February 8th** at 6pm for our annual



Valentines Banquet in the Family Life Center. Reserve your seats for \$12 each. Please see Joyce Branton for reservations or pay online using the "event tickets" (#rrbctix) designation. For more information, see [reedyriverbc.org/valentines](http://reedyriverbc.org/valentines)



### Reedy River

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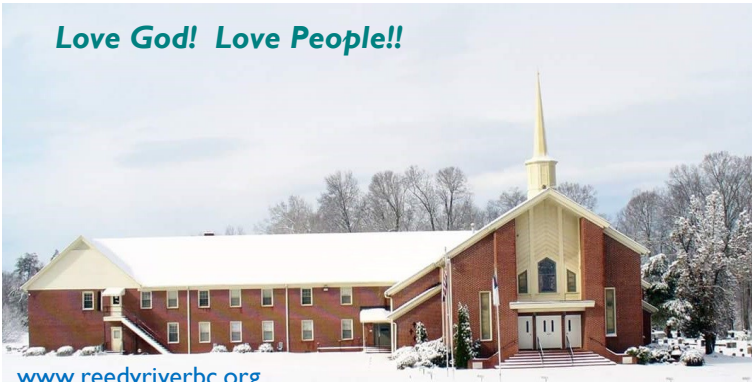
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**Love God! Love People!!**



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# HAPPY NEW YEAR

#### January Birthdays

- 3 Cathy Moody
- 5 Mary Alice Bishop
- 7 Randy Freeman
- 9 Matthew Burch
- 12 Preston Golightly
- 17 Preston Mayer
- 23 Bob Leverette
- 26 Wayne Batson
- 27 Brenda Chandler
- 29 Misty Waldrop

#### January Anniversaries

No January anniversaries that we know of.



### Welcomes New Members



Lauren Hagan  
By Letter

Marie Alexander  
By Letter

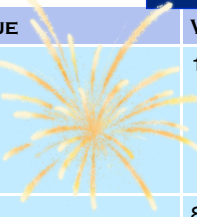
**Thank you for giving to Reedy River Baptist Church!**

For online giving, go to [reedyriverbc.org/give](http://reedyriverbc.org/give)

If you have questions, please contact Michelle at the church office or email [michellep@rrbaptist.net](mailto:michellep@rrbaptist.net)

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*Regular Weekly Service Schedule, unless noted on calendar below:*  
 Sundays: Sun. School 9:15am ~ Worship 10:30am & 6pm ~ Children In Action (CIA) 6pm  
 Wednesdays at 6:30pm: Bible Study & Prayer, Youth at FLC ~ 7:30 pm Choir Practice

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Church office CLOSED for New Year's Day	2 10am Men's Meeting	3	4
5 CIA - Game Night	6 10am Feed My Sheep Prep 11am Leadership Team Meeting	7 2pm Footprints of Hope Meeting 5:30pm Deacons' Meeting	8 10:30am History Team Meeting	9 10am Men's Meeting	10 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	11 9:30am Peace Makers Quilt Ministry
12	13	14	15	16 10am Men's Meeting	17	18 9am Men's Breakfast in FLC
19	20 10am Feed My Sheep Prep 6:30pm Stewardship Team Meeting	21 10:30am Cemetery Team Meeting 2pm Outreach Team Meeting	22	23 10am Men's Meeting	24	25 9:30am Peace Makers Quilt Ministry
26	27	28 10am WMU Circle Meeting	29	30 10am Men's Meeting	31	<i>Valentine Banquet</i> coming Feb. 8th!



## Deacon Notes

I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death, nor life, neither angels or demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow, nor even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in earth below - indeed, nothing in all of creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8:38-39*

As we read these words of God's love for us, how can we even think about not loving one another. Love is one of the strongest words in our vocabulary, but sometimes we use it very loosely. We have a lot of love in our church. Visitors remark about how friendly and loving our church is.

What about outside our church in everyday life?  
 What about that person that beat you to that parking

place you were headed for? Or the person that cut you off on the highway? Or the person that forged ahead of you at the check-out lane? Or the person that bumped your car in the parking lot, etc.?

Things happen to us in our daily lives. Sometimes we get upset at the smallest things.

We need to stop, take a breath, and thank God for each new day. As we start our new day we may run into that person that just needs a friendly hello! Or God bless you!

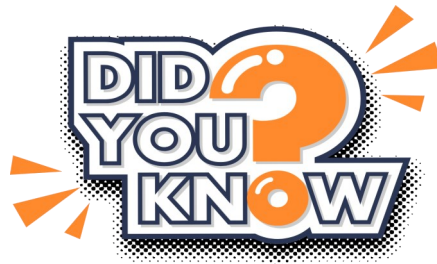
God opens up opportunities for us every day of our lives. Sometimes we are so busy focusing on ourselves that we miss out on a blessing we could give to someone else. We are beginning a new year at Reedy River. Let's make this year the best ever.

Your deacon servant,  
 Ray Batson



## History NOTES

### Did you know ...



... that Reedy River Baptist Church is the oldest Baptist Church in Greenville County and the only church shown on the 1820 map of Greenville County?

... that we occupy a portion of the original church building, even today?

... that the first recorded revival held in Reedy River Baptist Church was in 1830, and it lasted for 3 days (Friday, Saturday and Sunday)?

... that churches were originally named according to their location near a spring or river ... Cedar Springs, Clear Springs, Double Springs, Little River, Reedy River, Rock Springs, Shoals Creek, Tyger Baptist, etc.? Reedy River was active in helping to establish many of these churches in our area.

... that there is a very detailed and interesting book in the Dorothy Burns Library written by Mann Batson on the "History of Reedy River Baptist Church" where much of this information is found?

*We have a historical area located in and around the Dorothy Burns Library that houses many church artifacts and information about our church's history. Check it out sometime and learn more about our Reedy River heritage!*

If you have anything that pertains to the history of the Church, such as artifacts, photos of the Church or other items that you might like to donate or share, or if you have any questions, please contact someone on our History Team:

Judy Dean, Patricia Fisher, Rebecca Greene, Linda Ray, or Richard Sawyer.