

He Is at Your Right Hand!

## Psalms 16:8 " I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved."

What does it mean to set the Lord always before you? It means that you choose to relate everything you encounter to your trust in God. What you choose to focus on becomes the dominant influence in your life. You may be a Christian, but your focus is always on your problems, and your problems will determine the direction of your life. If your focus is on people, the people will determine what you think and do. In biblical times, the right hand was the most distinguished position, reserved for one's chief advisor and supporter. When you choose to focus on Christ, you invite Him to take the most important position in your life as Counselor and Defender.

Every time you face a new experience, you should turn to Christ for His interpretation and strength. When people insult you or mistreat you, you should seek direction from your Counselor regarding the right response. When you face a crisis, you should receive strength from the One at your right hand. When you experience need, you should consult your counselor before you react. When you face a fearful situation, you should take courage from the Advocate at your right hand. Everything you do is in the context of your relationship to Christ.

What an incredible act of God's grace that Christ should stand beside you and counsel you and defend you! How could you ever become dismayed over your situation with Christ at your right hand? What confidence this should give you! \*

\*\*Experiencing God Day by Day, Henry and Richard Blackaby, B&H Publishing Group, pg.197



Cindy and I would like to thank everyone for allowing us to take a few days off for vacation. We had an awesome time. We were able to celebrate our granddaughter's 2nd birthday in Roanoke, VA. Then our travels allowed us to hear our son (Chaplain Hal) preach in Hampton, VA., and spend a few days with him (and Emmy) in Norfolk. Leaving Norfolk, the Lord allowed us to spend a few days with Hannah (Ethan) and their family at Wrightsville Beach. Many of you have been praying for Brinson (their son). Even though he is still seeing a lot of doctors, Brinson is much better. Thank you for your prayers!! Brother Hardison and Brother Bradley filled the pulpit in our absence. They did an awesome job sharing the Gospel. We appreciate both men and their willingness to serve God at White Oak Hill.



The God's Man Conference will be held August 1-2 at the New Life Church in New Bern, N.C. We normally take a group down Friday afternoon for the evening services and come back the same day. This is ALWAYS a very rewarding time of fellowship, and I encourage every man in the church to make time to attend. The group will leave the church at 3:00 p.m. for New Bern. Leaving at 3:00 p.m. allows us the time to enjoy a nice meal before the services. Please pray about joining us and commit by signing the sheet in the foyer.



This Sunday, we will have our quarterly business meeting after the service. We have a lot of important topics to discuss in this meeting. The items for discussion and vote are listed below to help you prepare and pray. Please be at the church this Sunday to hear how God is blessing us and our future vision for the church.

Motion #1-The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership team recommend approving minutes from the April 30, 2025, and June 1, 2025, business meeting.

Motion #2 - The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership team recommend Mrs. Michelle Beamon to replace Mrs. Glenda Carroll as the White Oak Hill FWB Church Administrative Assistant.

- Should this motion pass (requiring a 75% positive vote), this will be a part-time position (30 hours. week) & be compensated at a \$20.00 an hour rate.
- Since this is a part-time position, there will be no other benefit package (e.g., insurance) other than what is stated in the church constitution.
- Mrs. Michelle has the required administrative & financial skills required for this position & has been observing Mrs. Glenda in the performance of these duties for a month.

Motion #3 -The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team recommend approving the White Oak Hill F.W.B. Church June & YTD Budget Reports with noted changes.

- Increasing the Insurance expense (facility and auto) \$3000.00
- Increasing the Sound Equipment/Projection \$1000.00
- Increasing the Salary (administrative assistant) \$1,500.00\*
- Increasing the Music Pastor Salary \$6,000.00\*\*
- Decreasing the Youth Pastor Salary (since he started mid-year) \$8,000.00\*\*
- Decreasing Medicare/ Social Security \$3,500.00

\*The increase in the salary is due to extra training needed for Michelle to take over as Office Administrator. It is not a salary increase.

\*\*Assuming motion #6 is passed by the church during today's business meeting.

Motion #4 -The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team recommend approving the Bailey Christian Childcare June & Y.T.D. budget reports.

Motion #5 -The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team recommend repairing & resurfacing the church's asphalt parking lot.

• Due to the unknown amount of crack filling material required, we are asking the church to approve a budget not to exceed \$30,000 for this project.

Motion #6 -The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team recommend hiring a part-time music director to lead the choir & assist Randy Bissette in the music ministry.

- This motion is for church approval to explore & identify a qualified person for this position & modify the church budget to include this expense.
- The Music Pastor's salary in the church budget would be \$12,000.00.

• Should this motion pass, the Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team will bring the selected candidate to the church for final approval. A majority vote is necessary to interview candidates for this position. However, a 75% vote will be needed to bring this person onto the ministry team.

Motion #7 -The Pastor, Youth Pastor, and Leadership team recommend enclosing the existing carport for the church vehicles. The amount needed for this project is \$7,500.00



## Youth News!!

- Congratulations to Rev. Bradley Reel! This past Sunday morning, Bradley was ordained as a Free Will Minister of the Gospel at the First Church in Florence, S.C. We will celebrate this huge event for Bradley after church this Wednesday. Cake and ice cream will be served after the service in the F.L.C.
- Brother Bradley will be taking our teenagers to a movie this Saturday. He will give them the details during the mid-week service.
- Vacation Bible School is only a few weeks away. The theme is "Wonder Junction," and we need a lot of volunteers. Please sign the sheet in the foyer if you can serve the Lord in V.B.S. It will be held every Sunday evening in August at 6:00 p.m. Motion #5 The Pastor, Youth Pastor, & Leadership Team recommend repairing & resurfacing the church's asphalt parking lot.

## The Prayer Needs in the church this week are listed below:

- Judith Grant- Please pray for Ms. Judith! Please pray specifically for her lungs to function normally.
- Patricia Register- Please continue to pray for our dear sister as she receives dialysis treatments.
- William and Gail Pridgen- Let's pray for Ms. Gail. Her chemo treatments are finished, and we are waiting for the results from the PET scan to see if she is cancer-free. William is recovering from his recent surgery.

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- **Glenda and Shannon Carroll** Please pray for Ms. Glenda. She is transitioning into a new season of grandparenting and caring for her father. She and Shannon need prayers as they navigate this season and battle health concerns.
- **Bobby and Shirley Dew** Both of these wonderful seniors are struggling with health issues. Bobby is having fainting spells, and Ms. Shirley is suffering from stomach problems.
- Amber Dew- (Dennison's wife)-Amber is struggling with cancer. She is having a very difficult time.
- Brinson Gaynor- This young man is pastor Hal and Cindy's grandson. Brinson is doing much better. He has started a new treatment plan that appears to be working.
- Please pray for Israel and America
- Marlena Watson- Marlena was in a house fire and severely burned. She is currently at the UNC Burn Unit in Chapel Hill.
- Judy Jones- Judy is Paul Thorpe's sister. She has cancer.
- Sue Bissette- Please pray for Sue as she recovers from cataract surgery.
- Earlene Pitts- Many of you know she has been struggling with Parkinson's disease for years. She is having a very difficult time. Please pray for Brother Gene and Ms. Earlene as they navigate this season of life.
- **Charles Price Sr.** Charles is having to use larger oxygen bottles to enjoy a good quality of life. Let's pray he regains his strength.
- Jimmy Barnes- Even with cancer, Jimmy continues to enjoy this season of life. His treatments are working, and your prayers are making a difference.
- Geraldine Tuck- Ms. Geraldine continues to struggle with health issues.
- Morris Joyner- Brother Morris has cancer and needs our prayers.
- **A.W. and Bernice Pitts** This sweet couple is struggling physically. Please pray for them and this season of physical difficulty.
- Our young adults- Many of our young adults are struggling to find a job. Let's pray that the Lord will open the right door for a promising career.

- **Debra Pearce-** Debra is battling some extreme health problems. Pray the medications continue to help.
- **Melisa Belcher** Melisa's P.T. is going well, but she and her dad (Donald) are still hurting from the loss of Ms. Teresa. The family will have to make some major decisions in the days ahead regarding his care.
- Arlene Brown- Ms. Arlene is struggling to get rid of a persistent cough.
- The Brantley family- Harold Brantley passed away Tuesday morning. Let's pray for Ms. Nancy and her family as they grieve and plan the funeral.
- Donald Rice- Mr. Rice is Trevor and Lauren's grandfather

Love In Christ,

Rev. Hal W. Jonus III

Galatians 2:20



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