

During this time of separation, there are several ways to stay connected with your church family and your church staff.



We are all available by **phone**. If you call and no one answers, please leave a message on the church's voicemail system. We are checking messages often! Please let us know if you are not receiving the recorded calls that we are sending!



Join us on <u>Facebook</u>. We are broadcasting our worship service live each Sunday at 11 AM and each Wednesday at 7 PM. Click on the logo to go to our Facebook page now.



Subscribe to our <u>YouTube</u> channel. Go to Youtube.com and search for Spencer Baptist Church. After you click on our church name, please click "subscribe." You can also click here to access the channel, but you still must subscribe.



Look at our Church website (<u>www.spencerbaptist.com</u>) for updates, announcements, worship bulletins, and more. There is a place on the website to list prayer concerns, and to give tithes and offerings.



Download the Spencer App on your mobile phones & tablets. Install the "Share Faith" app. After it is loaded, select Spencer Baptist Church from the drop-down list. You only must do this the first time you open it. The church logo will now show on your screen.

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from the Pastor. .

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When I think about the seemingly crazy time we are living in, my mind is drawn to some of the popular and influential statements that have been used throughout my life. One of my favorites is "Desperate times call for desperate measures!" I'm really not sure of the person who uttered these words for the first time. The ever-useful Google tells me it may have come from the Greek physician Hippocrates. Wherever it came from, it sure fits these days.

As I am sure with you, I have found myself doing all sorts of unusual things during the past few weeks. "Social Distancing" is way outside the norm for a member of Spencer, where hugs and handshakes rule. "Take-Out" meals seem strange for a place where fellowshipping around the table is the normal thing. Me posting on Facebook, or me doing the "All-Call" thing, tells you that the normal way of our lives has changed. Wow, me writing an article for the newsletter is way outside my comfort zone! Some people write articles and post long addresses on Facebook, but that is not my method of operation!

I reflect on these to let you know that I am with you in the frustrations and concerns of these days. I want you to know that your Church Staff is here to help in any way. Your leadership at Spencer is here for you as well. Ricky has assured me that the Deacons will do what they can to help us through these times. We have some food if you need it! We have people willing to go to the store for you! We have a crew willing to cook meals for you. Whatever it takes, we will try to do!

Thank you for the calls and the encouragement you give to us as we navigate these troubled waters. Thank you for your continued financial support for our church! Will you join our staff in a "Concert of Prayer" each day at 12 noon? Will you pause to pray, wherever you are, whatever you are doing? We know the importance of prayer, and we are asking you to join us!

Know you are loved, and if I can be of any assistance to you, let me know!



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MORE THAN A CHURCH WE ARE A FAMILY



To my Church family,

Thank you for <u>always</u> remembering me, while I am at college. Your thoughts and prayers don't go unnoticed. I love you all. Savannah Scala

Dear Spencer Church,

Thankyou for the cards and prayers. Your support always comes at the right times. Sincerely, Lily Taylor

Dear Spencer Family,

Thank you so much for the food, cards, calls & words of encouragement during this difficult time. We are very blessed to have such a loving & caring church family. Your prayers have been very much appreciated. Love & Prayers, Glen & Lisa Harmon



Please continue to pray for all our students and their families during this tough time, especially our seniors who are dealing with graduations being cancelled or postponed, and who will not be walking across the stage to collect their hard-earned diplomas as planned. Parents and caregivers are now their children's school teachers,

in addition to being parents. Many workers are finding themselves displaced or unemployed. Please pray for peace for all during this different, challenging time

Ron Guffey, Mike Haire & Tommy Haire, who have each been nominated for Rutherford County Volunteer of the year!

Sympathy

Spencer Baptist Church family wishes to express our sincere Christian Sympathy to the family of

Selma Jones, and to the family of Alice Harmon, mother of Glenn Harmon



April 05

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April 19

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April 12

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April 26

Lois Hodge 139 Vista Drive Forest City, NC 28043



- Join us for curb-side lunch meals at noon each Sunday.
- Join us for our Wednesday curb-side pick-up meals at 6pm
- Tune in on Wednesdays at 7pm to FB live for bible studies
- Children & Youth Easter Egg Hunts for this season have been postponed until a later date. We will have several online opportunities for you to enjoy.
- Senior Adult gatherings are put on hold until further notice.
- Spencer's **94**th **Homecoming** celebration will be rescheduled for a later date. It was originally going to be in April.
- Deacon and Stewardship Committee meetings will take place by phone or by video conferencing. Please wait to hear for details from Bruce.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH RESERVATIONS FOR WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY MEALS.

YOU MAY ALSO EMAIL THE OFFICE AT spencer@spencerbaptist.com