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*Monday,
September 1*

*Church Office Closed;
open September 2, 9-4*

*Our next newsletter will
be for the month of
October.*

8 BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR LABOR DAY + BIBLE VERSES

Labor Day is a day to remember the value of work—and rest. Here are 8 principles that apply to the practice of work.

#1: Hard work

Biblical teachings stress the value of hard work. The Apostle Paul, for instance, encouraged believers to work wholeheartedly, as if working for the Lord.

Scriptures on hard work:

Proverbs 14:23: "All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty."

Colossians 3:23: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."

#2: Rest

The Bible emphasizes the importance of rest, recognizing that even God rested on the seventh day after creating the world. Rest is essential for our physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being.

Scriptures on rest:

Genesis 2:2: "By the seventh day God had finished the work He had been doing; so, on the seventh day He rested from all His work."

Matthew 11:28: "Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

#3: Integrity

Integrity, honesty, and trustworthiness are important qualities in any profession. We should strive to conduct ourselves with integrity in our workplaces.

Scriptures on integrity:

Proverbs 10:9: "Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out."

1 Peter 3:16: "Keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander."

#4: Honesty

Honesty in our labor is a reflection of our character and our commitment to truth.

Scriptures on honesty:

Proverbs 16:11: "Honest scales and balances belong to the Lord; all the weights in the bag are of His making."

Ephesians 4:25: "Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body."

#5: Diligence

Diligence means putting forth your best effort and being persistent in your work. It's about working smart, not just working hard.

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BIBLE READING PLAN AUGUST

- ☐ 1. Psalm 102
- ☐ 2. Psalm 103
- ☐ 3. Psalm 104
- ☐ 4. Psalm 105
- ☐ 5. Psalm 106
- ☐ 6. Psalm 107
- ☐ 7. Psalm 108
- ☐ 8. Psalm 109
- ☐ 9. Psalms 110-111
- ☐ 10. Psalms 112-114
- ☐ 11. Psalm 115
- ☐ 12. Psalms 116-117
- ☐ 13. Psalm 118
- ☐ 14. Psalm 119
- ☐ 15. Psalms 120-122
- ☐ 16. Psalms 123-125
- ☐ 17. Psalms 126-128
- ☐ 18. Psalms 129-131
- ☐ 19. Psalms 132-134
- ☐ 20. Psalm 135
- ☐ 21. Psalm 136
- ☐ 22. Psalms 137-138
- ☐ 23. Psalm 139
- ☐ 24. Psalms 140-141
- ☐ 25. Psalms 142-143
- ☐ 26. Psalm 144
- ☐ 27. Psalm 145
- ☐ 28. Psalm 146
- ☐ 29. Psalm 147
- ☐ 30. Psalm 148
- ☐ 31. Psalms 149-150

BIBLE READING PLAN SEPTEMBER

- ☐ 1. Numbers 1:1-54
- ☐ 2. Numbers 2:1-34
- ☐ 3. Numbers 3:1-13
- ☐ 4. Numbers 3:14-39
- ☐ 5. Numbers 3:40-51
- ☐ 6. Numbers 4:1-20
- ☐ 7. Numbers 4:21-33
- ☐ 8. Numbers 4:34-49
- ☐ 9. Numbers 5:1-31
- ☐ 10. Numbers 6:1-27
- ☐ 11. Numbers 7:1-23
- ☐ 12. Numbers 7:24-47
- ☐ 13. Numbers 7:48-71
- ☐ 14. Numbers 7:72-89
- ☐ 15. Numbers 8:1-26
- ☐ 16. Numbers 9:1-23
- ☐ 17. Numbers 10:1-36
- ☐ 18. Numbers 11:1-15
- ☐ 19. Numbers 11:16-35
- ☐ 20. Numbers 12:1-16
- ☐ 21. Numbers 13:1-33
- ☐ 22. Numbers 14:1-25
- ☐ 23. Numbers 14:26-45
- ☐ 24. Numbers 15:1-26
- ☐ 25. Numbers 15:27-41
- ☐ 26. Numbers 16:1-30
- ☐ 27. Numbers 16:31-50
- ☐ 28. Numbers 17:1-13
- ☐ 29. Numbers 18:1-32
- ☐ 30. Numbers 19:1-22

Scriptures on diligence:

Proverbs 12:24: *"Diligent hands will rule, but laziness ends in forced labor."*

Hebrews 6:11: *"We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, so that what you hope for may be fully realized."*

#6: Excellence

Excellence in our work is an important biblical principle. God calls us to give our best in everything we do, as a way of honoring Him and serving others.

Scriptures on excellence:

Colossians 3:17: *"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."*

Philippians 4:8: *"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."*

#7: Creativity

Creativity is a reflection of God's own creativity. As God's image-bearers, we have the ability to create and innovate in our work, just as God did in the creation of the world.

Scriptures on creativity:

Genesis 1:27: *"So God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."*

Exodus 35:31-32: *"He has filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills—to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver, and bronze."*

#8: Perseverance

The Bible encourages us to persevere in our work, even when facing challenges or setbacks. Perseverance builds character and is often rewarded in due time.

Scriptures on perseverance:

James 1:12: *"Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love Him."*

Galatians 6:9: *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."*

Closing thoughts

The Biblical principles outlined above are not just reserved for Labor Day but are applicable every day in our lives, whether at work or in our personal endeavors. These principles teach us the value of hard work, the importance of rest, and the need for integrity, honesty, diligence, excellence, creativity, and perseverance in all we do. By embracing these principles, we can bring honor to our labor, serve others, and glorify God through our work.

(Copied from website: <https://get.tithe.ly/blog/labor-day-bible-verses>)

Summer Bulletin Board

Smith Thomas Camp Open House

**Saturday, August 9, 2025 – 10 am until 2 pm
at 481 Reese Baqui Road, Modoc SC 29838**

The Aiken Baptist Association welcomes all to join them to see firsthand the newly completed renovations. This is a property of the ABA that member churches may reserve at Clarks Hill Lake.

Thank You

Thank you so much for the calls, texts, prayers, and offers of food after the passing of our Mom. The donation of 30 Bibles to Gideons International in memory of Mom was also appreciated. There isn't anything that she loved more than to spread the name of Jesus.

In Christian Love,
Debbie and Jeffrey Williamson

Shoebox Needs - August & September

We are collecting **school supplies** such as pencils, small notebooks, erasers, etc. during the months of August and September for the Operation Christian Child Shoebox Ministry.

Adults on Mission & Day of Prayer

Adults on Mission will meet **Monday, August 11 at 10:00 AM** and **Monday, September 15 at 10:00 AM** for a special season of prayer for the **Janie Chapman Offering for SC State Missions**. Everyone is welcome to come and join in learning about and praying for Southern Baptist missions. Come to the Golden Circle classroom next to the sanctuary.

King's Kids Club & YouthZone

Every Wednesday at 6 pm

All children ages 5K through Grade 12 are invited. **YouthZone** now meets in the Staff House across Pine Street from the Main church building. **Kings Kids Club** now meets in the front of the **East Building (next to the sanctuary entrance)** facing Smith Avenue.

Ladies' Bible Studies

Please join us for Thursday morning Bible Studies every week from 10:00 until 11:15 in the East Building of FMBC. The ladies meet in the room next to the Fellowship Hall. All ladies welcome!

FINANCIAL REPORT – JULY 2025

TITHES & OFFERINGS: \$11,668.00 **EAST BUILDING FUND TOTAL GIVEN: \$39,458.00** (Goal \$50,000)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members' Health Concerns

Tommy Braswell
Edna Hanna
John McKinney
Kay McKinney
Yvonne Nordeen
Louise Parrish
Bunny & Steve Raper
Donna Robinson
Vicky Scruggs
Gloria Shaw
Jennifer Watkins

All Seniors & Caregivers

Friends/Family Health Concerns

Other Requests

Visitors & Families
Our Community & Other Area Churches
New Ellenton Christ Central
Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center
Aiken Baptist Association
Aiken Schools, Teachers & Students
Our Country, State & Local Leaders
Grant Ensley (Jennifer Watkins' son)

Church Leaders/Ministries

All visiting pastors and leaders
Deacons, Trustees, Ministry Asst.
Sunday School Teachers/Leaders
All FMBC Committees
Adults on Mission
YouthZone
King's Kids Club
Ladies' Thursday Bible Studies
Saturday Men's Prayer Breakfast
BRICK Ministry, October 5-11

For more details, please go to our Website at www.foremanbaptist.com and click the Prayer List link.



2025

SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM Bible Study Classes ♦ 11 AM Worship Service ♦ 5 PM Worship Service
WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 PM Prayer & Bible Study; YouthZone Grades 6-12; King's Kids Grades K-5
THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study and Men's Bible Study
SATURDAYS: 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Coming to FMBC in October: The BRICK Ministry Prayerfully consider volunteering during the week of October 5-11, 2025 ♦ Please be sure to sign up! Sign up with FMBC on a list, or online at: https://brickmissions.com/register/</i></p>					1	2 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
3 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 - Worship	4 6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds	5	6 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	7 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	8	9 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 10am – 2 pm Smith Thomas Camp Open House
10 9:45 – SS 11 – Worship 4 – Finance Comm. 5 - Worship	11 10:00 AM Adults on Mission	12	13 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	14 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	15	16 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
17 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 12 – Church Meeting 5 - Worship	18	19	20 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	21 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	22	23 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
24 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 - Worship	25	26	27 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	28 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	29	30 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
31 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 - Worship	<p><i>"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." Hebrews 10:24-25 ESV</i></p>					

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September

2025

SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM Bible Study Classes ♦ 11 AM Worship Service ♦ 5 PM Worship Service
WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 PM Prayer & Bible Study; YouthZone Grades 6-12; King's Kids Grades K-5
THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study ♦ **SATURDAYS:** 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The church office will be closed on Labor Day; open 9/2.	1 	2 Church Office open 9-4	3 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	4 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	5	6 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
7 New Church Year Begins 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 - Worship	8 6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds	9	10 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	11 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	12	13 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
14 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 4 – Finance Comm. 5 - Worship	15 10:00 AM Day of Prayer for the Janie Chapman Offering for SC Missions	16	17 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	18 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	19	20 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
21 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 12 – Church Meeting 5 - Worship	22	23	24 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	25 10:30 am Ladies' Bible Study	26	27 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
28 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship/ Lord's Supper 5 - Worship	29	30	The <u>Janie Chapman Offering for SC State Missions</u> will be collected during the month of September. You may use the State Missions envelope in your offering envelopes box, or one from the back of the pews in the sanctuary to designate your offering (or give designated online).			

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