

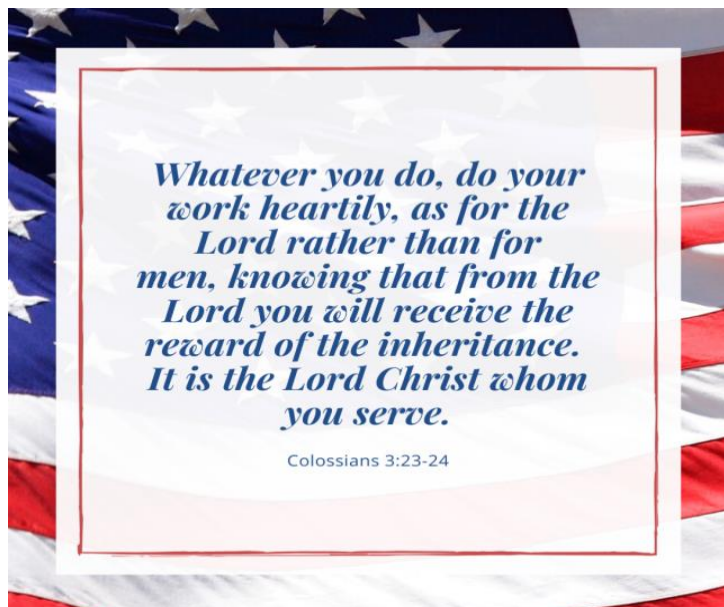


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Labor Day: A Religious Inspiration

For many, Labor Day is seen only as a national holiday marking the end of summer. But its roots remind us of a deeper truth: our labor is not just about earning a wage—it is an expression of God’s calling in our lives.

When America shifted from farms to factories during the Industrial Revolution, workers were pushed to exhaustion: twelve-hour days, seven days a week, even for children. Out of this hardship came the cry for justice, echoing the words of Scripture: “*The laborer deserves his wages*” (Luke 10:7). Labor unions, advocacy, and voices like Dorothy Day’s reminded the nation that every worker bears the image of God and deserves dignity, rest, and fair treatment.



In 1894, Labor Day was established as a way to honor American workers. But as Christians, we can see beyond the holiday itself. Labor is sacred because it reflects the God who worked to create the world and then rested on the seventh day. Colossians 3:23 calls us: “*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.*” Our work—whether in factories, offices, schools, homes, or fields—is a form of worship when done with integrity, service, and love.

So as we celebrate Labor Day, let us give thanks not only for fairer working conditions but also for the gift of work itself. May we see our daily labor as part of our discipleship and offer it as worship to the One who labors in love for us all.

Pastor Visit

If you would like a visit from our pastor, please do not hesitate to call either Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote so that a visit can be arranged.



Watermelon Ministry

We will be serving up some cold, sliced watermelon for the Lincoln High School marching band on **Sept. 20 @11 a.m. at Gene Cox Stadium.** This particular rehearsal is used as an all-day fund-raiser for the band. So, the students will be more than ready for some refreshments. If you would like to help, please sign up at the information table if you want to join us!



**NO KID SLEEPS
ON THE FLOOR
IN OUR TOWN!**

Child bedlessness is a national problem, and as a national nonprofit with chapters spread across the country, SHP has provided the solution. SHP is a volunteer organization that builds beds for kids who are sleeping on the floor and there are multiple ways to get involved. You can check out their Big Bend Chapter website at: <https://shpbeds.org/chapter/fl-tallahassee/> .

Our church will be participating in an Open Build on **September 13th at Lowes Home Improvement located at 5500 Commonwealth Blvd from 8:45 am to 12:00 pm.** If you want to participate, please sign up at the following website: <https://volunteer.shpbeds.org/timeslots/qIf85uNePP> .



Old Fashion Hymn Sing



Date: September 21, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Waukeenah Methodist
We will be singing with 3 other churches: Lloyd Baptist, Wacissa Pentecostal Holiness, and Waukeenah Methodist.



What is Back to Church Sunday?

Date: September 21, 2025

National Back to Church Sunday started in 2009 with a simple but bold idea: What if churches made a special effort to invite people back to church on one Sunday of the year? This day was set aside for churches to rally together after summer break, welcome their communities through their doors, and remind people that hope is found in Jesus and in the Church community.

According to experts, 82% of people say they’d attend church if a friend simply invited them, but only 2% of churchgoers ever do. Back to Church Sunday aims to close that gap. Each year, those churches who participate often see a 25–27% increase in attendance on that Sunday alone!

Back to Church invitation post cards will be provided at back table of church to hand out to family and friends. Take as many as you want.

Because of Back to church Sunday...our monthly potluck at the church will be moved from September 7th to September 21st.

SUNSHINE STATE
GOOD NEWS TOUR
WITH WILL GRAHAM

Beginning this October, Will Graham will share the Good News of Jesus Christ through a four-city tour in Florida. This evangelistic outreach depends on believers like you, and they want to join you and Chaires Methodist Church in proclaiming the Gospel message. Will you pray for the upcoming Sunshine State Good News Tour?

Date: October 26, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Tallahassee Automobile Museum



Before the tour, let’s come together to lift our praise to God and ask Him to open hearts across Florida. Mark your calendar, tell your church, and invite your family and friends to join you for an inspiring evening.

Date: September 15, 2025

Event begins: 7 p.m.

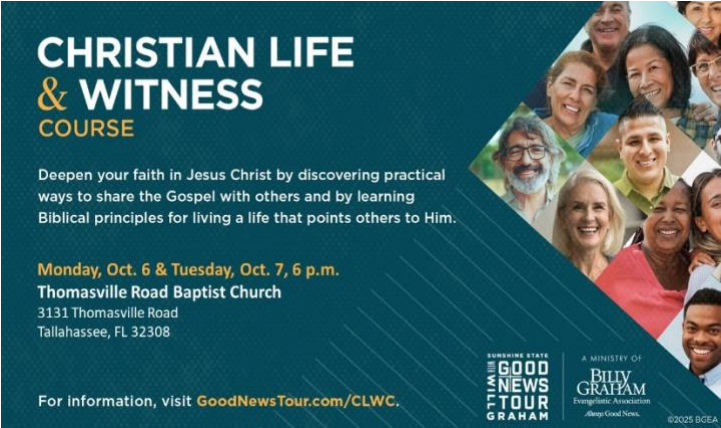
Doors open: 6:30 p.m.

Place:

Thomasville Road Baptist Church
3131 Thomasville Rd. Tallahassee, FL 32308
No registration required.

Christian Life and Witness Course

“Always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you.”
—1 Peter 3:15, NKJV



Leading up to the Good News Tour this fall, the Billy Graham Ministry will be providing practical training that will equip Christians to live out their faith and share it with others.



We don’t know if you have heard...but we are now going live with our Sunday morning service on Facebook. If you cannot make the service in person, you can join our Facebook family. Give us a like and follow us on Facebook to get up to date information about upcoming events and you can access live sermons on Sunday or access our archive.

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Chaires-Methodist-Church-61561720372576/>



Members

Bertha Thompson / Bobbie Harrison and family / Family of Pete Peters / Family of Barbara Palmer / Milan Novak / Marion Lollie / Debbie Pahl / Kerry Foote & Tiffany Foote

Friends and Family

Peggy John (Terry and Mike Hatcher) / Thomas and Elizabeth (Terry and Mike Hatcher) / Bobby Durden and Paula Winter (Margaret Boyette) / Beth Kirby (The Minichiello) / Peter Boogaard (Dorothes Guyette) / Ruth Bush’s family (Diane Matthews) / Janice Connell’s family (Marion Lollie) / Laura Sutliff (Sheila Novak) / Robert Israel (Janet Cayson)

Please be sure to mark your calendars for Pete Peters’ Celebration of Life on September 27th at 11:00 a.m. with lunch to follow. Members are encouraged to bring dessert to share.

September Birthdays	September Anniversaries
Davies, Rick 2 Tiffany Foote 2 Leggett, Ashley 13 Peters, Edie 13 Fletcher, Martha 14 Stallings, Amber 26 Hatcher, Mike 28	Gordon & Lucia Lightfoot 13

