



April 5, 2026

Spring is here and let's spring forward into action for the Lord!

The Lord blessed us as a congregation last month with new souls and we kicked off a new ministry. The Ebenezer Civic Engagement and Social Justice ministry led by attorney Wendy Scott as well as a new youth mentoring initiative: The Youth News and Views Mentoring Program under our Youth Education Academy led by Pastor Gentry. We are indeed a great church because we serve!

As we move forward into the month of April, we look forward to the celebration of the resurrection, our youth revival with Pastor Potts and special guest the NCCU Gospel Choir on April 8th and our very own praise team and the Voices of Joy on April 9th providing music. The youth retreat will take place following the revival at Camp Haynes. Here at Ebenezer we invest purposefully and spiritually in our youth; we see them not as the future church, but the church of the now! Thanks to Pastor Gentry, Sister Rynne Young, Sister Shon Gill, Rev. Shawana Emehel, and Sister Natasha Hester, and all of the volunteers as well as the Youth Council, we are reaching a generation of young people for the Kingdom and shaping young minds for the Lord and for leadership to make a positive impact for Christ, the community, the church and the culture.

I personally want to thank all of the parents that partner with our youth and children's ministry. God has richly blessed us to collaborate as a team to save the soul and to insure that our families are saved and safe!

Speaking of young people, I am excited about the happenings at the Excel Christian Academy Pre-school and the Day sSchool. Both schools' enrollment has increased and things are going well. I am also excited about Champions Academy. Let us continue to pray for and invest in all things youth at the fellowship & excitement!

Rev. Dr. Larry E. Covington



April 2026

Miss Halle Cox

Last month, I was deeply touched and inspired by Halle as she presented her 8th grade sermon at the Canterbury School in Greensboro on March 6 (Sister Covington's birthday) during the Father's and special friends' chapel. I definitely invite everyone to check it out on her mother's: Courtnée Cox's facebook page.

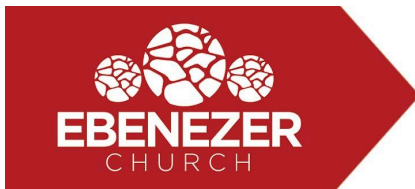
Having dedicated Halle as a baby and having had the unique opportunity to watch her grow up as a beautiful, talented, smart and athletic young lady, I count myself as a blessed pastor to be a small part of her journey. Prior to leaving church, she always makes her way over to share a hug and a hello with my wife and I.

Halle is not only a great student, she is also quite the gymnast who trains 20+ hours a week. She competes on the vault, bars, beam and floor exercise. Just recently she competed at the NC optionals, level 9 state meet. As the only level 9 at her gym, she represented COE Gymnastics by herself!

Halle is just one of many of the young people at Ebenezer that are doing an outstanding job in school, participating in extra curricular activities and are involved in our youth ministry.

Halle is the daughter of Brother Britt and Sister Courtnée Cox and the sister of Morten.

Help me congratulate Halle as our April 2026 Member of the Month!



BIRTHDAYS

April 2026

Adams, Ethan
Alston, Lizzie
Anthony, Sharon
Baines, Olivea (Y)
Blackwell, Alana
Blackwell, Miranda C.
Blackwell, Tammy
Blount, Brenda
Blue, Soijett
Boggan, Christine
Bradshaw, Charles
Brown, Chandrika
Brown, Erica
Brown, Roger
Coble, Carolyn
Coble, Christie Miles
Coble, Howard
Corbett, Angela
Corbett, Annetta
Covington, Derrick
Croom, Courtni
Cross, Natasha
Davis, Susan
Dawson, April
Dorsey, Keimesha
Drumgold, Aaron (Y)
Drumgold, Alana
Drumgold, Reisha
Dunham, Brandon
Eason, Ernest
Enoch, Wallace
Evans, Lorraine
Faucette, Bobby (Rev.)
Ferguson, Ziyah (Y)
Ford, Barry
Forney, Bella (Y)
Garner, Autre
Garner, Tania (Y)
Gattis, Linda
Gibson, April
Gibson, John
Gilmore, Trevin
Gwynn, Larry
Haith, Sherron

Harris, Nate (Nathanael)
Hester, Marvin
Hester, Quanisha
Hightower, Sheron
Hinton, T'Keyah
Holman, Kysha
Holman, Varick
Hooker, Jackie
Jackson, Tay
Jamison, Althea
Jessup, Romarr
John, Collin
Johnson, K'amir (Y)
Jones, Destiny
Kebreau, Katucha
Kebreau, Tania
Kourouma, Koi
Lambert, Alisia
Larkin, Malik
Lee, Bettina
Lee, Janiya
Lee, Ollie Marie
Lettley, Kristie
Lettley, Gregory
Mack, Larry
Martin, Sabrina
McDonald, Whitney
McKnight, Kawana
McNair, Timothy
Mickens, Priscilla
Miles, LaKinya
Moore, Marsha
Morrow, Robert
Oliver, TJ
Parrish, Heather
Pettiford, Yondi
Poindexter, Erica
Poteat, Courtney
Poteat, LaKeisha
Price, Jarvis
Ratliff, Janice
Ray, Niketa
Reaves, Maiya
Richards, Celeste

Richmond, Albert
Richmond, Sheronda
Richmond, Wanda
Riley, Erin
Rollinson, Sharon
Scott, Eric
Singletary, Willie
Smith, Christian (Y)
Smith, Kane'sha
Smith, LaToya (Torrie)
Smith, LaTasia
Smith, Rose
Spruill, Jabari
Spruill, Wendy
Stanback, Destyne
Stanback, Tarisha
Stanfield, Artis
Stanfield, Sarah
Stephenson, Bonita
Stokes, Fredricca
Terry, Stephen
Townsend, Jeremy
Tyner, Dalvin
Vaughn, Shacora
Wade, Alesya
Wade, Daniel
Walker, Brycen
Walker, Valerie
Walters, LaToya
West, Kaden
Whitaker, Dimples
White, Cynthia
Wilcox, Nelliah
Williams, Cheryl
Williams, Jonathan (Y)
Williamson, Jenae
Wilson, Dianne
Wilson, Rufus
Wilson, Tangy
Wright, Robert
Yarborough, Jason
Young, Vickie



ANNIVERSARIES

April 2026

Vernon & Helen (Louise) Johnson	April 01
Raymone & Teresa Garnes	April 05
William & Kamella Gattis	April 08
Donte & Jennifer Hurdle	April 11
Jason & Kim Yarborough	April 12
Rezell & Michelle Alston	April 16
Aaron & Ashley Best	April 16
Howard & Carolyn Coble	April 16
Jerry & Martha Ollison	April 16
Tyriq & Sarah Garrison	April 18
Joseph & Pamela Deshazo	April 19
Scotte & Amber Freeland	April 20
James & Vivian Lattimore	April 20
Jarvis & Dinah Price	April 25
Robert & Robin Saunders	April 25
Derwin & Tonya Currie	April 26
Rev. Timothy & Rev. Christina Blackwell	April 30
David & Patrice Carr	April 30

SICK MEMBERS



*Mrs. Martha Lee	*Mr. Odell Moss	*Mr. Don Hayden
*Ms. Nannie Sue Watlington	*Rev. Bobby Faucette	*Dea. Ronald Corbett
*Mr. Robert Boyd	*Mrs. Carlene Nixon	*Ms. Diamond Smith
*Mr. Victor Jeffries	*Mrs. Alma Pinnix	*Mr. Dion Williams
*Mrs. Janie Crisp	*Mrs. Dorothy Wilson	*Mr. Celo Faucette
*Mr. Jimmie Calhoun	*Mrs. Fannie Francis	*Mr. Michael Graves
*Mr. Ronnie Foust	*Ms. Rose Marie Smith	*Mr. Ronnie McCain
*Mrs. Lillian McDowell	*Dea. Dewey & Doris Maxwell	*Mr. Robin Ellison
*Mrs. Valinda F Graves	*Rev. Sharon Stanfield	*Mrs. Theresha Rochelle
*Mr. Brian Eason	*Ms. Elizabeth Turner	*Mrs. Pamela Clark
*Mrs. Cheryl Eason	*Mrs. Ruth May Wiley	*Mrs. Bertha Rogers
*Ms. Gwendolyn Daye	*Mrs. Sylvia Martin	*Mrs. Emma Rogers
*Deacon Lewis Sellars	*Rev. Joyce Lanier	

SICK NON-MEMBERS



*Mrs. Ruth Harris
*Mrs. Brenda Tapp
*Min. Elisabeth Johnson
*Mr. Hubert Harrelson, Jr.
*Mrs. Velma Jones
*Mrs. Mary Stewart (Mother of Sis. Cynthia White)
*Mrs. Ada Stokes (Dea. Lance Stokes' Mother)

*Ms. Donna Morrow
*Ms. Ayonna 'Nikki' Morrow
*Mr. Travis Alston
*Ms. Bernice Sellars (Grandmother of Sis. Kerrie Maynard)
*Deacon Louis McClure, Jr.
*Mrs. Zella Everette

BEREAVEMENTS



Sis. Carolyn Cooper (Mother of Sis. LaGale Wade)

Mrs. Janice Ratliff(Mother of Sis. Karla and Kandace Leath, Grandmother to Aeisha Leath, Imani Leath and Great-Grandmother to Niyah)

Mrs. Inez Evans Turner (Sister of Sis. Ollie Marie Lee)

Ms. Cynthia Marie Sneed (Sister of Sis. Devina Skipwith)

Mrs. Clementine Evans Banks(Sister of Sis. Ollie Marie Lee)

Mr. Parker Albritton (Brother of Dea. Laval/Rev. Joyce Lanair)

Mr. Lee Johnson (Brother of Bro. LLewelyn Ware/Sis. Carol)

Mr. Jerry Smith (Brother of Sis. Tonya Brown/Bro. Roger, Uncle of Bro. Chandler)

Mr. James Turner (Brother-in-law of Deaconess Ollie Marie Lee)

