



AUGUST 2024

TRINITY VISION

Our Main Business

In big bold letters, a sign posted in the window of a business read: **“Going out of business sale.”**

Printed in small letters underneath was: “We forgot what our main business was.”

The sign highlights an important “life lesson” that we all need to be reminded of occasionally. In life, we must always remember what our main business is, because if we fail to focus on our main business, then it won’t be long until we find ourselves - going out of business.

As Christians, our main business is our walk with the Lord. But one of Satan’s most effective tools is to get us distracted doing so many other “good things” or “insignificant things” that we fail to give the proper attention to the “main thing” in our lives.

I heard an illustration the other day that highlights the importance of keeping the main thing, the main thing. It said: “A Bible that is worn out, tattered, and falling apart - usually represents a life that isn’t!”

It is a sad fact, but many Christians have posted a “going out of business” sign regarding some aspect of their lives. Some have posted it concerning their marriage; some have posted it concerning a wayward family member; some have posted it

concerning moral failure; some have posted it concerning their church, and some have posted it concerning their relationship with the Lord. There are many reasons we may have posted the sign in our lives, but the haunting truth is - if we look under the big bold print of our sign - we will probably discover the truth of the matter written in the fine print: “We forgot what our main business was!”

God help us to remember that sometimes our main business is not another meeting at work, another deadline to meet, another dollar to be made, or another rung to climb on the ladder of success.

Sometimes our main business is reading and meditating upon the Word of God, whispering a prayer, going on a date with our spouse,

playing “tea party” with our daughter, pitching a ball with our son, laughing, crying, forgiving, and just showing up for life! Mark 8:36(KJV) asks the important question: “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”

Remember - when we fail to keep the main thing, the main thing in our lives - it won’t be long until the signs are posted: **Going out of business sale - we forgot what our main business was!**

Everything you’ve just read is from an article I wrote and published on July 6, 2000. Funny, 24 years later and the truth of this article is just as relevant today as it was when I wrote it. If we don’t stay committed to “our business,” we will lose it.

Legendary football coach, Lou Holtz, was asked to describe the difference between football players today and those 50 years ago. He answered, “Simple. Today’s athletes talk about ‘rights’ and ‘privileges’ while the players 50 years ago talked about ‘obligations’ and ‘responsibilities.’” I’m afraid that what Holtz said describes the difference between Christianity and the church today versus 50 years ago. 50 years ago, Christians talked about “obligations” and “responsibilities.” Sadly, today we are focused on our “rights” and “privileges.” In my opinion, the lack of obligation and responsibility and responsibility (commitment) in the church is exactly why the “going out of business” sign is up in front of our churches, our families, our morals, our government, and our lives.

The main business of Trinity Baptist Church is to: Win the lost, disciple the found, and mend the broken. Let it never be said of us: **“Going out of business. We forgot what our main business was.”**

Brother Aaron

CHURCH NEWS



Sunday School:



You are invited to join us in Sunday School at 9:15 am, each Sunday morning. Please feel free to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us. We look forward to seeing you.



Choir Notes:

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.." Psalms 100:1-2

I really enjoyed our Summer Social in July. I loved the food and most of all the fellowship! It seems like the year just began and it seems crazy to say that I plan for us to begin working on new Christmas music this month. I want to invite anyone interested in joining the choir to come sing with us on Wednesday night at 7:30 for practice. I'm so thankful for our choir. I appreciate all of you for taking the time to attend practice amid your busy schedules! I love you all and I love to sing His praises!

Blessings,
Mandy



MissionMakers:

Mission Makers hosted V.B.S. at Knollwood in late July. We plan to meet monthly with our Knollwood neighbors for devotions and activities. If you are interested in helping/attending please let Iris know.

School will be resuming soon and we want to honor the teachers from TBC that give of themselves to their students. We will give a gift of supplies to be used in their classrooms this year. Be sure to let **Mandi Greer, Susan Smith and Pam Barber** know how much we appreciate them. Our monthly meeting will be on August 20th in the Family Life Center. Hope to see all the ladies there.

Thank you,
Iris & Sandra

Young At Heart:



Hello to all the Young at Heart.

Hope you are all enjoying your summer. Come join me on Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 11 am in The Family Life Center for a time of fellowship and food. We will have pizza and salad for lunch. We will then have a time of games and fun as we enjoy being together. As usual, I will have a sign up sheet on the counter in the old fellowship hall. Hope you will plan to attend.

I love you all,
Rhonda



Can you all believe that August is upon us? This summer has really flown by. As a teacher, August to me is a month of beginnings. The beginning of a school year is a big deal for our youth. They will be facing many new challenges and opportunities while still trying to discern who they are and their place in the world. This is the most urgent time to get youth involved in the church so that they might find their identity in Christ. Proverbs 22:6 tells us "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." It is my desire to plant seeds in our youth that will grow into the future church. Please pray that God will allow us to keep the youth we have had over the summer and allow our group to grow this school year. I also desire your prayers as I guide the youth. Pray for our youth as they begin school that God will protect them and guide their footsteps. Most importantly I ask your prayers that souls will come to know the saving grace of Jesus. Have a wonderful August! If I or the youth can help you in any way, please let me know

Mandi Greer



VOLUNTEERS

Deacon of the Month for August: Tommy Mitchum (334) 338-2673

Children's Church:

- Aug 04 Peggy Mitchum
- Aug 11 Ann Marie Pruitt
- Aug 18 Peggy Mitchum
- Aug 25 Susan Smith

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Peggy Mitchum or call another team member to trade.

Counting Team:

- Aug 04 Fred Hill & Matthew Mote
- Aug 11 Iris Shurick & Michelle Fetner
- Aug 18 Mandi Greer & Teresa Farmer
- Aug 25 Sandra Webb & Becky Hill

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please call another team member to trade. This is a vital service that needs to be covered each Sunday.

Flowers:

- Aug 04 In Memory of Gerald Stitt's Birthday by his family
- Aug 11 In Memory of Bobby Kirby by his family
- Aug 18 In Memory of Paul Holliday by his family
- Aug 25 By Rick and Sandra Webb

If you would like to place flowers please contact Teresa Farmer.

Greeters:

- Aug 04 Teresa Cotter
- Aug 11 Brenda Lee
- Aug 18 Teresa Cotter
- Aug 25 Barbara Burroughs

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Teresa Cotter or call another team member and trade.

Nursery Workers:

- Aug 04 Mandi Greer & Claire Orr
- Aug 11 Teresa & Keith Farmer
- Aug 18 Jessica Sprayberry & Cindy Reese
- Aug 25 Millie Greer & Cindy Reese

If you are unable to serve on your designated day, please trade with another team member for that day. Please help us keep this vital ministry staffed.

Ushers:

- Aug 04 Keith Farmer & Daniel Fetner
- Aug 11 Allen Ramsey & Daryl Harmon
- Aug 18 Michael Swann & David Harmon
- Aug 25 Harold Cotter & Keith Farmer

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please contact Teresa Cotter or call another team member to trade.

To All Ministry Leaders:

If you would like to announce a meeting or upcoming event in the Church Bulletin or Newsletter, please get that information to Robin Reid a minimum of two weeks prior to the event. You may send it to her via email at: Trinity2@teleclipse.net or call her at (334) 863-8129.

Don't forget to check the mailboxes for the Ministry Leaders located in the Old Fellowship Hall Kitchen.

Church Prayer Team:

If you are interested in joining our Wednesday Morning **Prayer Team**, that meets every Wed. at 11:00am in the Old Fellowship Hall. We'd love to have you join us.

Church Choir:

If you are you interested in joining the choir, they meet every Wed. evening at 7:30pm in the Choir Room. All are welcome. Please contact **Mandy Whaley** if you have any questions.



Sunday:

- 8:30-9am (EST) WTRP 620AM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WTRP 98.9FM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WRLA 1490AM
- 8:30-9am (EST) WRLA 92.3FM
- 8:30-9:30am (CST) WELR 102.3FM

Thursday:

- 11-11:30pm (CST) WELR 102.3FM

Friday:

- 1:30-2pm (CST) WBSA 1300AM
- 1:30-2pm (CST) WBSA 93.5FM
- 6-6:30pm (EST) WOAK 90.9FM

Internet:

Bro. Aaron's sermons may be heard at any time by going to: www.freshfireministries.com or www.tbcroanokeal.org and clicking "Media" and scrolling down and clicking on 'Brother Aaron's Sermon Archives.'

INFORMATION

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

- 02 Helen Mitchum
- 07 Jo Richardson
- 15 Harold Cotter
- 15 Robin Reid
- 17 Ann Smith
- 19 Teresa Cotter
- 21 Matthew Mote
- 22 Nicole Cummings
- 24 Peggy Mitchum
- 26 Rebecca Shelnett
- 28 Terry Holloway
- 29 Jordan Whaley
- 30 Logan Smith

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

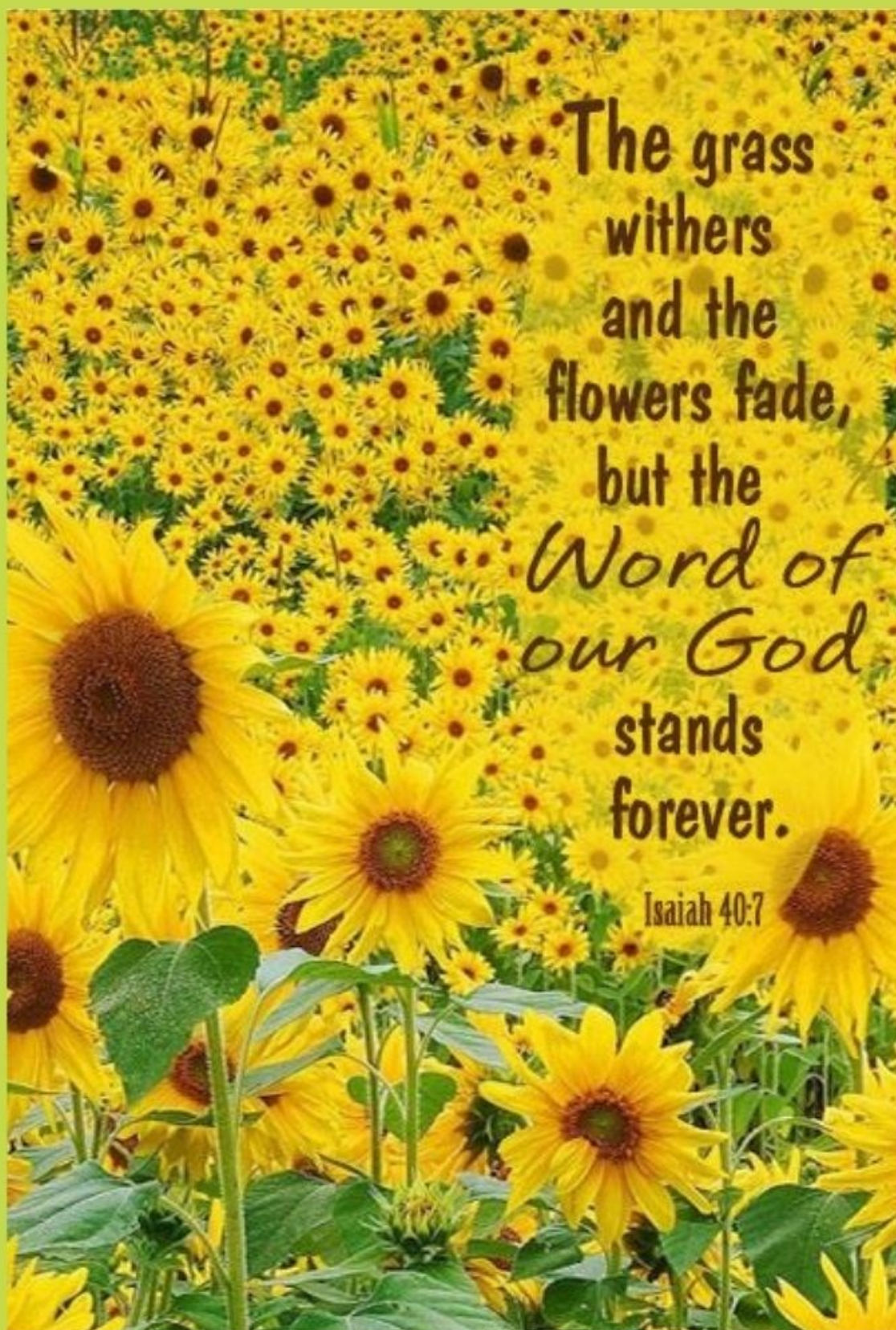
- 05 Tammy Ramsey
- 10 Claire Belyeu
- 13 Judy Holliday
- 13 Dianne Warren



If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office to make sure our records are correct.

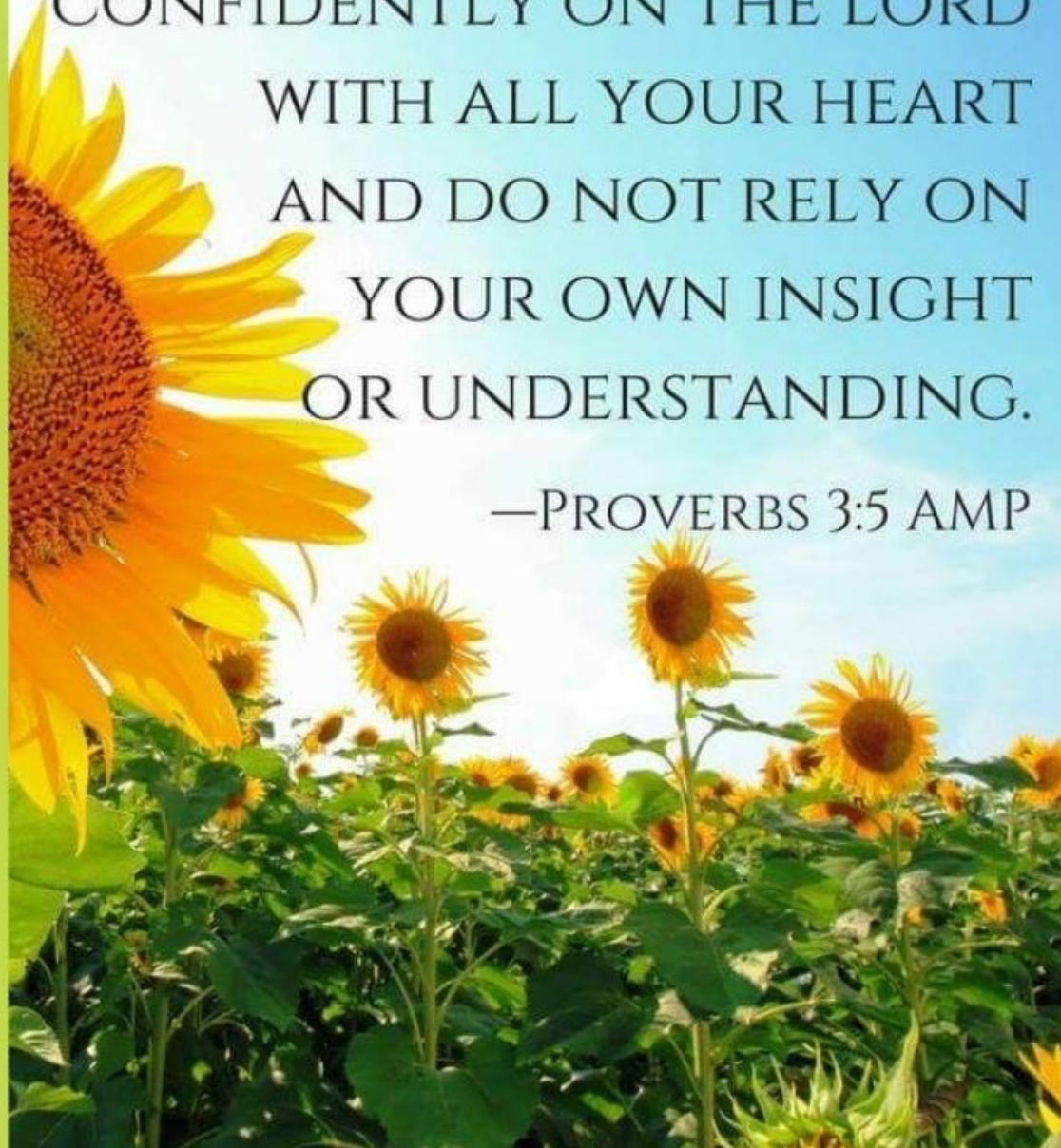
AUGUST CALENDAR:

- 8 1st Day of School
- 8 Young at Heart 11:00 am
- 11 Brotherhood 8:00 am
- 12 Finance Committee Mtg. 5:30 pm
- 13 Deacon's Meeting 5:30 pm
- 14 Business Meeting 6:30 pm
- 20 Mission Makers 11:00 am
- 25 Rachel Fetner - Bridal Shower
FLC 2:00 pm



TRUST IN AND RELY
CONFIDENTLY ON THE LORD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART
AND DO NOT RELY ON
YOUR OWN INSIGHT
OR UNDERSTANDING.

—PROVERBS 3:5 AMP



SPREADING GOD'S WORD



2024
VBS
KNOLLWOOD

The Trinity Baptist Church VBS Mission Team had a wonderful time doing VBS with the residents of Knollwood Senior Living Center in Roanoke, Alabama. Thank you to Iris Schurick for coordinating this and to all who helped and especially the residents!



SHARING LOVE & HELPING OTHERS

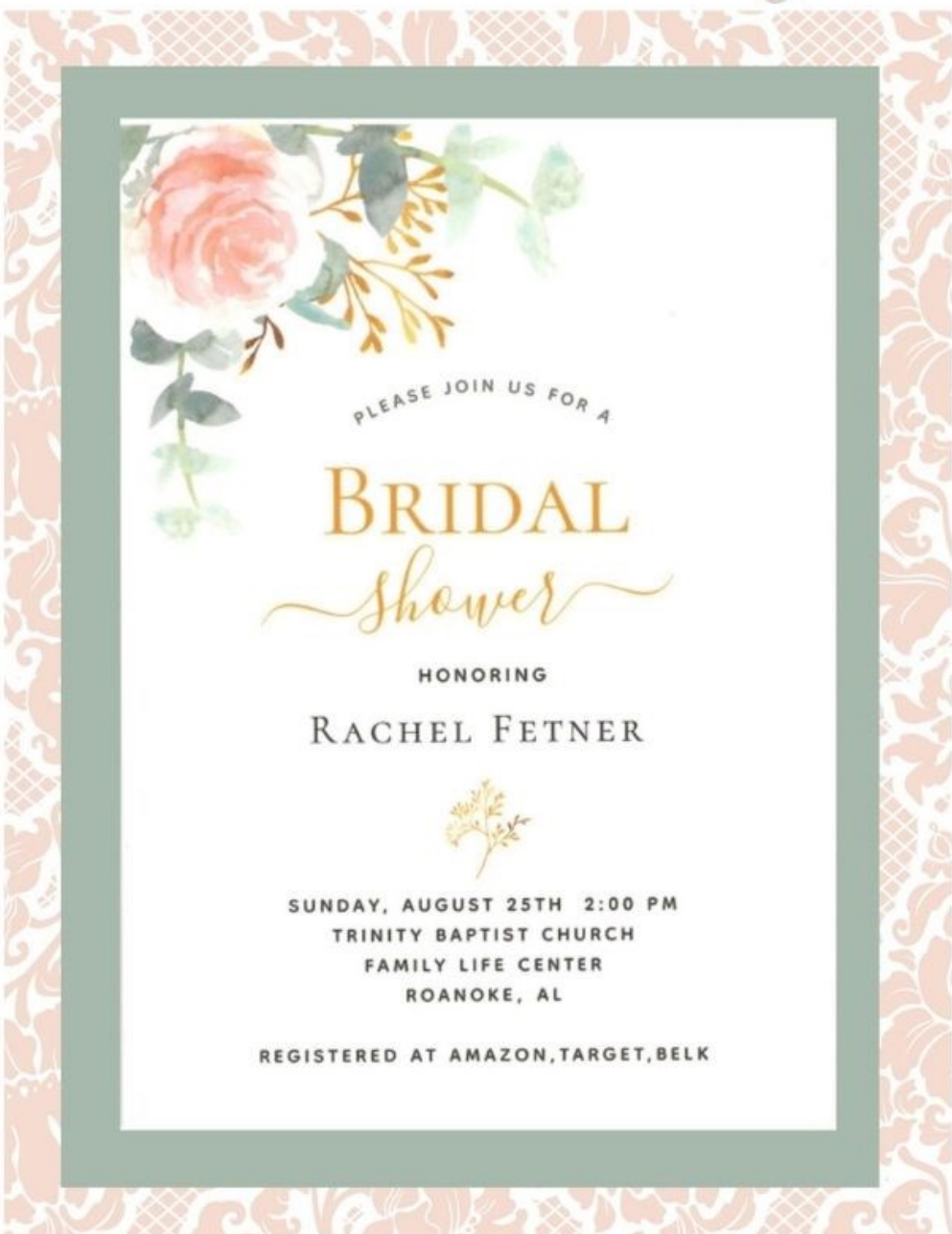
Mission Makers in ACTION



Some of our Mission Makers along with Judy Conaway (1st Baptist-Wedowee) joined in to help pack school supplies in these cute backpacks. The supplies were donated to the RBA Food Bank.

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Mark your Calendar



Congratulations
Rachel Fetner
♡♡♡ & ♡♡♡
Blake Adams

TRINITY FUN TIMES

Trinity Baptist Church Choir Fellowship



Congratulations

Fances
McDow



Several of the ladies from the church,
along with her nephew and niece,
welcomed **Miss Francis McDow** to her new
home at Knollwood.





TRINITY
BAPTIST CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

- 1. Win The Lost**
- 2. Disciple The Found**
- 3. Mend The Broken**

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