



*Acts 20:24 NKJV*

*But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.*

Here in Acts, Paul is meeting with the Church that he had served and loved deeply. He was on his way to an unknown future in Rome, possibly taking his life. His last words to the Ephesians came to me as I have been thinking about our final days together. Now, to be sure, I'm not facing a trial for my life (thank goodness!) but it is an unsure future as I begin a new phase in my life. These sixteen years at Una have been great years of challenge, grace, and joy. In this final article, let me say how blessed I have been from the Father to be in the Gospel ministry and to be your Pastor. You have welcomed me, supported me, and become family. There are way too many people to begin to thank, so I will say a "thank you" to all of the Una Family. Now the time has come that we are to part and I do so with mixed emotions but believing that there are great opportunities ahead for Una Baptist. I will be praying for you and cheering you on to realize all that God has in store for you. I echo Paul's words sincerely in saying that I do not count my life dear to myself, but desire to finish the race with joy. It has been my great joy and privilege to be called "Pastor." Let us all continue to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

*Acts 20:36-38 NKJV*

*And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. Then they all wept freely, and fell on Paul's neck and kissed him, sorrowing most of all for the words which he spoke, that they would see his face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship.*

Pastor Larry

## Happy Retirement



June 4th will be a happy day and sad day all in one. One, we get to celebrate Pastor Larry's retirement we and two, we have to say Good-bye. Join us in the Gym after Connection Groups to enjoy hamburgers and hotdogs with all the fixing's. We could use your help in bringing desserts, veggie or fruit trays. Carrie Holladay, Lisa Fox and Ann Woods are the ring leaders for this send off. So if you have any questions just find one of these ladies..

There will be a mic set-up for anyone who wants to say a few words. Also, there will be an old fashioned money tree that you can give to as our gift to Pastor Larry and Brenda.

Larry and Brenda will leave a hole in Una and in our hearts. We wish them the best in South Carolina and in whatever the future holds for them.

Joins us June 4th for a joyful celebration (with a few tears) as we send Pastor Larry and Brenda off to their new home and future.



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### Special points of interest:

- ◆ **Pastor Larry's Retirement**
- ◆ **Birthdays/Wee Worship/Blast**
- ◆ **JAM**
- ◆ **UNAKids**
- ◆ **Thank You/Sympathy**
- ◆ **Partnership Vote**



When in doubt about what the USA Group is up to; ask Ann Woods.

Whatever it is it will be fun and really good food.

2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:00AM.



- June 3 Jim Thompson
- June 6 Sherry Smith
- June 7 Peggy Slatton
- June 10 Herman Vanderpool
- June 12 Dennis Traugher
- June 25 Ricky Lockhart  
Jan Black
- June 27 Joy Brewer



**Grades 7-12**  
Join us at  
**THE FOUNDRY!**

**Wednesdays**  
**Beginning at 6:00PM till 7:15PM**  
We're now meeting in the Basement

**Follow Social  
Media to be informed  
of events.**

Sunday morning Connections Group, 10:45-11:45  
Bible study with Aaron Holladay and Cereal bar

Please watch Group Me and social media for updates and upcoming events!

### Wee Worship



- June 04** Chris Wurth  
Kimberly Fox
- June 11** Aaron Holladay  
Caroline Kent
- June 18** Rachelle Schuerman  
Emma Szostak
- June 25** Joy Brewer  
Jody Rowland

### B.L.A.S.T.



- June 04—NO BLAST**
- June 11—Joy Brewer**
- June 18—Jody Rowland**
- June 25—Joy Wallace**



Please keep our  
Child Care  
in your PRAYERS.  
They are working!

### Crop and Craft

Please watch Social Media  
for next date!



# Una Family Monthly Fellowship



Fellowship

**CANCELED FOR MONTH OF JUNE—CELEBRATE THE FLOYDS ON 6/4/2023**



What a joy and blessing to watch the JAM students during the JAM Celebration on May 7th. It truly was a celebration with the completion of repairs in the basement and the restart of JAM. So thankful for the those who faithfully served each and every Wednesday night and for the families who set JAM as a priority. Many heart felt thanks to:

1. 4-K Leaders: Jody Rowland and Jennifer Kent
2. 1-3 Grade Leaders: Joy Brewer, Madeline Hinshaw, Sherry Smith and Connie Chitwood
3. 4-6 Grade Leaders: Stephanie Kittii and Derrick Wallace
4. Joy Wallace and Lynn Beller for ministering to families through teaching our English as Second Language classes.
5. Substitute Leaders: Stacy Dowdy, Nancy Rusk, Aaron Holladay and Rachelle Schuerman
6. Check-In system: Mark Schuerman, Rachelle Schuerman and Dorothy McCombs
7. Ann and Bob Woods for assisting JAM in so many different areas
8. Innocent Ushoh for being JAM'S official "door dasher" in delivering our pizzas.
9. Robert Taylor for running sound system
10. To Larry for all the "behind the scenes" ways you have assisted in JAM.
11. To Robin for all the many ways she has supported and continues to support the JAM ministry as well as all ministries at Una.

One last thank you to Joy Brewer for coming along side and assisting in this ministry. It's been a "joy."

(Hope I didn't forget anyone)

An interesting note:

When I was composing this article, every time I went to type in grade, the auto-correct would replace "grade" with "grace". Ah, then I got the message.. "Grace Leaders". That summed up the mission every Wednesday. We as JAM Leaders were to be Grace Leaders.... In telling the children about the grace that was so freely given to us through Jesus and then extend that same grace to them through our words and actions. Oh and did you notice? There's just one letter difference between the two words. We are to be "Grace" leaders and not just leaders who teach a certain grade. Yes, one letter difference, but the impact.. immeasurable. This is our prayer..

Blessings,  
Brenda



First Look is an exciting time with our preschoolers. This month we ask - who is the best friend ever? We discover Jesus is the best friend ever and Jesus wants to be their best friend forever.

## first look

This month our lessons are from the book of Acts.

Lessons for June are:

Week 1 – Jesus wants to be my friend forever – Paul becomes a believer.

Week 2 – Jesus gives me people to help me – Ananias helps Paul.

Week 3 – I can love everyone the way Jesus loves everyone – Peter goes to the house of Cornelius.

Week 4 – Jesus is always with me – An angel helps Peter escape from prison.

Our June verse is “Jesus said, come follow me.” Matthew 4:19 NCV



Since the beginning, God has always been deeply involved in the world. We see God’s handiwork on display in creation. We see God’s love on display through Jesus, who came to rescue us. We respond to God in faith, believing in what we can’t see because of what we can see. When we focus on what we know to be true about God and the world God created, we can have faith in what we can’t see or fully understand. We put that faith into action as we follow Jesus and show His love to the world.

For the month of June we will learn about:

Week 1—Knowing Jesus changes how you see things.

Week 2—God can help you face your fears.

Week 3—God can change the way you see others.

Week 4—God is with you even when you feel stuck.

Our memory verse is:

Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1, NIRV



**Thank you** for all the prayers for our ESL Class.

## Thank You

Thank you so much for the lovely luncheon, flowers, memory picture blanket and gifts. So sweet and very thoughtful of you all to take the time in making that day such a special day. I will miss you all very much.



Love and Blessings,  
Brenda

Dear Church Family,

Tommy and I have felt your prayers and support through these months and past year. It has not been an easy time for us physically, or emotionally, but spiritually we have grown in our faith, love for each other and the love we have for our church. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Sue and Tommy Maynard

## Deepest Sympathy

Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Jerry Smith and family in the loss of Jean Smith on May 30, 2023.

At this time of deepest loss, may the comfort of the Lord and the promise of heaven give you strength.



Your Una Baptist Family

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**Arrangements: June 2, 2023**

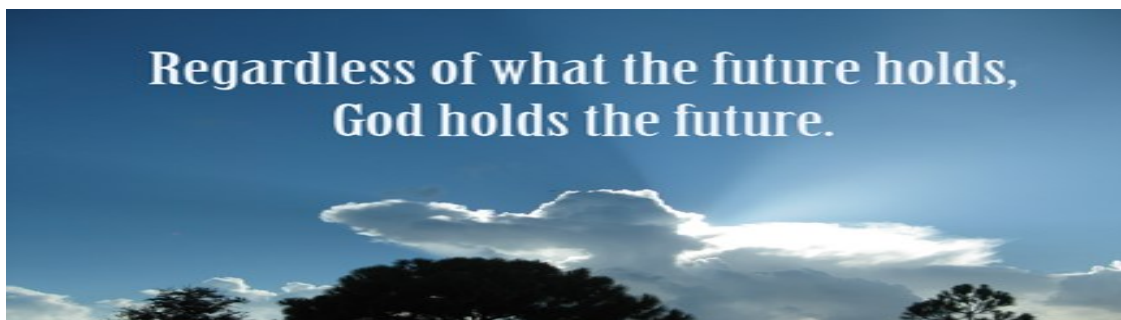
**11:00AM Visitation—1:00PM Funeral  
at Woodlawn Roesch-Patton Funeral Home**

## Special Meeting and Vote



**June 25, 2023**  
**In the sanctuary at 5:00PM.**  
**You must be present to vote.**

Una Baptist will be voting on partnering with Forest Hills Baptist Church. This is a very important meeting and vote. Please be in prayer for God to help you in your choice.



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**SUNDAYS**

**Morning Worship 9:30 am**  
**Connection Groups 10:45 am**

**WEDNESDAYS—6:00 pm**  
**Prayer Service**

**JAM (Children 4 yrs. old-6th grade)**  
**(during school year)**

**Foundry (teenagers)**

**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Thursday**  
**9:00-4:00**



## Our Purpose at Una Baptist is to Make Disciples who...



*Connect with God*

*Connect with God's Word*

*Connect with God's World*

### Deacon of the Month



**Aaron Holladay, wife Carrie**

### Food Pantry Day

We collect can goods the last Sunday of every month for those who are in need. Some of our visitors do not have a place to cook and others do. If you can help with this ministry, please contact the office. Thank you for sharing and caring!

Next collection dates:

June 25th  
July 30



### Our Prayer Concerns



*Remember to pray when  
starting your day!*

Our Pastors, Church & Ministries

Una Senior Adults and Our Homebound Members

Our Military Men and Women  
(serving at home and away)

Missionaries  
(Home and International)

Homeless Population

Our Church Family with health issues

Our Nation , Elected Leaders

Una Baptist Childcare

JAM, Children's Ministry & Youth

Ukraine & the World

The Covenant School-Everyone Involved  
Safety for ALL Schools