

# The Bethany Beacon

## Birthdays

3	Melody McGinnis	16	Donna Kies
5	June Crawford	23	David Felts
7	Dale Smith	24	Owen Tate
7	David W. Grubbs	24	Melody Wall
8	Judy Woolfolk	24	McKinly Wall
12	Thomas Jackson	25	Jon Guldenschuh
13	Kara Jordan	25	Brady Hathcock
14	Renee Goodman	26	Ellie McGinnis
14	Davonn Wold	27	Tyler Brust
15	Christie Brust	27	Pamela Marden
15	Makenna Clemmons	27	Jason Ferrell



## Anniversaries

1	Robert & Tracie Kwiatkowski
4	Phil & Wanda Robinson
20	David & Donna Kies
22	John & Wanda Alexander
28	Joey & Pam Bryant
29	Tim & June Rice

## Touched!

“Reach out, reach out and touch someone!” Remember that old AT&T jingle urging us to make long distance phone calls awhile back? (That was when you had to pay more for long distance calls, of course.) Now that we are in the Covid-19 era, that’s literally what I’d like to do – reach out and hug our kids and grandkids. I have thought about why I miss this experience. Naturally, there are good and not-so-good touches. For example: holding a newborn baby, the first time you held hands with your special someone, family hugs and church hugs; and on the other hand there is, “Mom, she touched me!” coming from the back seat of your car for the third time, or “Help! Dad, I can’t touch the bottom!” coming from the swimming pool.

All the research on touch shows that it is an amazing sense! Just think - a touch can heal, connect, nourish or soothe. It is a fundamental human experience and is necessary for normal human growth and development.

We sing about touch in our worship services – “He Touched Me”, “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”, “The Touch of His Hand on Mine” and in praise songs like the chorus of “You’re Everything” by the David Crowder Band.

Although we have missed our usual human touches these past few months, we have not missed Jesus’ touch. We have felt His nearness as we prayed and read His word. We have felt his unmistakable touch when we shared communion with Him and with each other both at home and at the Bethany Drive-in Church. Jesus created us with the wonderful sense of touch and used it himself in healing and comforting others while he was on this earth.

Can you imagine what Jesus’ touch in the flesh would be like? If we follow Him and obey him, we will have that opportunity. What we really yearn for at the end of our lives is the touch of Jesus’ hand when he reaches out and says, “Well done, good and faithful servant!”

That will be the finishing touch!

*“Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.” Revelation 22:12-13*

*“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’” Matthew 25:21*

*Headed For Home,*

*Wayne & Marilyn Anderson*

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