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## Sandston Baptist Church

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# Mission Statement: We are to be a body of Christians who glorify God through worship, teaching, ministering, and sharing the Good News of Jesus to all.

Sandston Baptist Church (SBC) in Sandston, Virginia is a church family with a history of biblical preaching and sincere worship in a warm and welcoming community of believers. Founded in 1926, SBC has been blessed with long-serving, committed leaders who have found their home and raised their families while serving as pastor at SBC. SBC has had only three senior pastors in the past 65 years and we seek to find the next senior pastor to lead SBC following our pastor's retirement in early 2024 after 33 years of dedicated service.

SERVICES

SBC has held dual services at times in the past to ensure ample parking and opportunity for growth and to offer both traditional and contemporary styles of worship to our members and community. Currently we have one "blended" service that features both contemporary Christian music led by a praise team along with traditional hymns and anthems and choral arrangements led by our adult choir and pianist. We are enjoying the togetherness and community of one joint service, yet we know that God may lead us to have additional services again in the future. Our average weekly worship attendance in early 2024 was 240.

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

We have 14 Bible Study groups that cover all ages and varied Bible study styles. Average weekly Bible Study attendance in early 2024 was 190. We encourage all to find a Bible Study group for digging deeper into God's word and to build connections and relationships with other church members as a means of strengthening the family-like bonds of Christian friendships.

His Last Command, Our First Concern
Matthew 28:18-20

#### GROWTH

God has blessed our church with Holy Spirit-filled worship and church growth, notably so in the recent months after combining to a single, blended service. Baptisms and new members for the past 2 years have been 13 (2022) and 23 (2023), and 23 as of May 2024. We feel God's hand in leading our church through the transition to a new pastor and are excited to watch to see how He provides for Sandston Baptist Church during this period.

#### OUTREACH

Mission projects, community activities, and small group activities provide opportunities that span all ages and the list is continually growing and changing. We know that interpersonal connections are vitally important to a growing church and to sharing authentic Christian love to others. We strive to continually grow and remain aware of the needs of our community as we listen for God's leadership for SBC.

Let Us Introduce Ourselves! Sandston Baptist Church, Sandston, Virginia



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#### **AFFILIATIONS**

We are an autonomous body operating under an established Constitution and By-Laws developed and voted on by the church membership. We are currently affiliated with the BGAV (Baptist General Association of VA) and the Baptist World Alliance (BWA). We give to the Southern Baptist Convention through the Cooperative Program and we have historically also generously supported missions through the Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong mission offerings. We align with the 1963 *Baptist Faith and Message*.

#### FACILITIES

Sandston Baptist Church is blessed to have front-facing property on Route 60 / Williamsburg Road, the primary traffic artery through Sandston. SBC is located approximately one mile from the well-known intersection of the entrance into Richmond International Airport. We have a sanctuary that seats more than 350 people, a large gymnasium/multi-purpose building, class-rooms and office space, a separate house used for youth meeting space, two parking lots, and additional street parking. We strive to be good stewards of the way God has provided for the physical needs for our ministries and to always use these gifts effectively and responsibly.

#### THE FUTURE

The people of SBC await God's leadership with excitement and eagerness. We reflect on the many examples of God's provision in the Bible and completely trust God to lead us in the next chapter of His amazing story for Sandston Baptist Church.

### Ways to be involved in learning and ministry opportunities at Sandston Baptist Church:

Examples of current or recent activities & groups include:

AWANA † Vacation Bible School † Children's Choir † Children's Church † Children's Mission Groups † Family Bingo Night † Free Community Lunches † Trivia & Music Night † Operation InAsMuch Mission Activities † Annual Yard Give † Community Cornhole Tournament † Community Car Shows † Easter Activities and Children's Egg Hunt † Fall Festival and Trunk-Or-Treating † Weekly Youth Activities †Youth Fall Retreat † Youth Lock Ins † Youth Mission Trips † Brotherhood Meetings and Community Service Activities † Prison Ministry † Operation Christmas Child Box Ministry and Collection Site † Operation Christmas Child Teams at National Collection Center † SHOW (Stop Hunger On Weekends) Support in Local Schools † SBC Community Food Pantry † FISH (Multi-Church Community Food Pantry) † SBC Quilters Ministry † Letter Writing Ministry † Singles Dinner Group † Women's Mission Small Groups † SBC Sisterhood † Adult Choir † Missions Team † Bible Study Groups for All Ages † Prayer Meetings … and more!

We are also partnering with a local Portuguese and Hispanic ministry to share our meeting spaces and resources. We know God's work has just begun!

COME DEVELOP, REACH, AND SERVE WITH US!