



I recently received an encouraging email from the principal at Medulla Elementary School, expressing gratitude for our **Arise2Read** volunteers and the incredible work they have done this year. She wrote:

“Thank you for the time, energy, and heart you and the Arise2Read team pour into our second-grade students. Your dedication is helping build strong foundations in literacy that will support them for years to come. The impact you make each week is real, lasting, and deeply appreciated. We are so grateful for you all!”

As your pastor, I want to echo that heartfelt “thank you,” and also add a word of celebration.

Each week, our tutors faithfully give an hour of their time to invest in second-grade students at Medulla Elementary. Through one-on-one attention—using sight words, reading books, and engaging games—they are helping children grow in confidence and ability.

And the results speak for themselves. At the beginning of the year, only 11% of participating students were reading on grade level. By April, that number had risen to 94%. What an incredible impact!

Church family, we are so proud of our volunteers. Your faithfulness is making a real difference in these children’s lives—both now and for years to come. Well done.

And to God be the glory.

Pastor Mark

ARDELLA BAPTIST CHURCH (863) 646-2473 INFO@ARDELLABAPTIST.COM

April 19, 2026



Sunday April 26th @ 6 pm

Our Annual Cake Auction is a fun time when we raise money for missions & Youth Summer Camp.

Please sign up in the Foyer/Chapel and let us know what kind of cake, pie, or dessert you will bring to donate. See Kim Bedwell if you want to help or email her @ kimbedwell@gmail.com.



★ VBS Volunteers Needed! ★

We're getting ready for an amazing week, and we'd love for YOU to be part of it! There are so many ways to serve—leading small groups, helping with crafts, games, snacks, nursery care, decorations, and more.

★ Join us **TODAY** for an informational meeting, 11:30 am.

10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!



**PASTOR MARK AND
MRS. KIM BEDWELL**



**SUNDAY, MAY 3RD 5:00 PM
IN THE WORSHIP CENTER.**

10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ARDELLA BAPTIST CHURCH

**BRING A SIDE DISH,
MEAT AND DESSERT PROVIDED.
PLEASE SIGN UP ONLINE
OR IN THE FOYER OR CHAPEL.**



Please use the QR code on the right to register by **April 26th** and the QR code on the left to download a favorite picture or two.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5-6 pm in Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK'S MENU:

BAKED POTATO BAR
AND DESSERT



\$5 per adult, \$3 per child, or \$15 for family (2 adults + kids)

***sign up in worship center foyer or chapel*

TODAY - 11:30 AM VBS INTEREST MEETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

TONIGHT - 5 PM - CHOIR

6 PM - CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER

MEN'S PRAYER

Tuesdays, 10 am in the Conference Room

WED. MIDWEEK - ADULT BIBLE STUDIES, KIDS & YOUTH

5-6 pm Family Style Supper; 6:30-8 pm, Bible Studies, AWANA & Youth

EMBRACE WIDOW MINISTRY -NEW BIBLE STUDY-"LUKE IN THE LAND"

Tuesdays, Bible Study - 10 am in Room 101

D NOW YOUTH WEEKEND AT CRESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday, April 24th - Saturday, 25th

INTEREST MEETING FOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP - NEW ENGLAND CRUISE

Sunday, April 26th 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall

ANNUAL CAKE AUCTION FUNDRAISER-MISSIONS AND SUMMER CAMP

Sunday, April 26th, 6 PM. Sign up in the Foyer or Chapel.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sunday, May 3rd, 9 am - 11 am in Room 108

10 YEAR CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR MARK AND MRS. KIM

Sunday, May 3rd, 5 pm in the Worship Center. **Sign up by April 26th.**

MOTHER DAUGHTER TEA

Saturday, May 16th, 11 am, Fellowship Hall - Sign up online or in the Foyer or Chapel.

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EVENTS**



ARDELLA BAPTIST
CHURCH

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sunday, May 3rd in
Room 108

9 am - 11 am

Attending our church and
wondering about membership?

There is no obligation or expectation to join.

COME AND LEARN

Who we are and what do we believe?

Where is God leading us?

What does God want us to do as His body?

What does God want us to be doing in the
world as His church?

Please sign up in the Foyer or the Chapel.

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR

MOTHER- DAUGHTER TEA PARTY

SIGN UP HERE



DATE: MAY 16, 2026

TIME: 11AM - 1PM

VENUE: FELLOWSHIP HALL



Financial Stewardship/ Previous Week

Tithes	\$11,831.45
Missions	\$288.00
Total*	\$12,119.45

The House God Builds Part Two

April 19, 2026 *Psalm 127:3-5*

Behold the Children.

They are a **heritage** from the Lord. *(vs 3)*

They are a warrior's **arrow**. *(vs 4)*

They are **strength** at the gate. *(vs 5)*

Therefore

Steward the heritage.

Shape the arrows for release.

Stand strong at the gate.

Reflection Questions

Psalm 139:13–14 What does this passage teach us about **where children come from** and **how God views them**?

1 Samuel 1:6–11 How does this passage reveal the **deep pain of barrenness or longing for children**? How should this move us **to pray** for the barren, the unmarried, or those who have lost children?

Psalm 127:5 What do you think the psalmist means by a **“full quiver”**?

Deuteronomy 6:6–7 What does **daily stewardship of children** look like in this passage?

Proverbs 22:6 What does it mean to **“train up”** a child? What kind of **shaping** is implied?

Luke 2:52 How does this verse show a balanced, intentional development that **prepares a child** for adulthood and release?

Joshua 24:15 What does it look like for a parent or family to take a visible, **public stand for the Lord**?

Titus 2:6–8 How do we **actively disciple** the next generation so they can stand strong in culture, truth, and character?