Since **October** is **"Pastor Appreciation Month"**, may God nudge you to show your appreciation to our pastors. You could give them an encouraging word, a "Thank you", give them a hug, send them cards with personal notes, and especially **pray for them**.

Please include the following as the Holy Spirit leads you to cover them in prayer:

- Lord, praise You, for bringing each of these special leaders to our BHBC church family! (Eph.3:20).
- 2. Praise You, Lord, for You have greatly blessed our church! Our pastors have sown generously for You and You have drawn many to our church family. (2Cor. 9:6).
- 3. Thank You, Lord, for our pastors' hearts to surrender themselves to You every day and proclaim Your truth in a time when many pastors do not. May we be attentive to those words. (Ps. 40:8).
- Lord, keep them close to You as they continually seek Your guidance and direction personally, as husbands and fathers, and as the shepherds of our church flock. (Prov.3:5-6)
- 5. Help them to carve out the time they need with You, Lord to rest in You and be refreshed in You, the Spring of Living Water.
- 6. Lord, may their thirst for You continue to increase to know You more, to have a deeper understanding of You, so You will reveal to them Your insight and wisdom. (Phil. 1:6)
- 7. Lord, may they do each day's responsibilities with zeal and enthusiasm as if for the first time. (Gal. 6:9)
- Protect them and their families in all circumstances and all situations spiritually, physically, emotionally and mentally - for You are their refuge – in You they trust. (Ps 91: 2,11-12; Eph 6:13-17).
- 9. Bless and favor them and their families with great love, harmony and spiritual growth. (1John 4:16).
- 10.May we, the BHBC family, be Your loving arms around these pastors and their families. May we encourage, honor, fellowship and pray for them throughout the year. (John 13:34-35; Rom. 12:10, 1Tim.2:1-2).

Our pastors need our prayers covering them every day because they stand on the front line for <u>US</u> every day. LET <u>TODAY</u> BE THE BEGINNING - <u>PRAY FOR OUR PASTORS EVERYDAY!</u>

If you would like to be a part of ongoing prayer support for our pastors, please contact: Barbara Clark, Church Prayer Director at <u>bclark@burnthickory.com</u> or call 770 653-3314.