

Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



A Spiritual Bucket List

Is there something that is on your bucket list that you dream about doing one day? Something that excites you just to think about it. This past December I was able to do something I have wanted to do for many years—attend the football game between Army and Navy. The entire experience was the first for me in several areas. It was the first time I travelled on Amtrak; the first time I visited Philadelphia; the first time I have been in a stadium where a professional football team plays; the first time I was able to view in person the pageantry and patriotism associated with the Academies; and the first time to eat a true Philly cheesesteak sandwich. I cannot tell you how excited I was about this opportunity.

However, there were several things about the experience that could have lessened my enthusiasm, had I allowed them to do so. It rained every day we were there but one—including the day of the game. The cost of a cab to and from the stadium was outrageous! And the effort to get to our seats was very difficult for Jan physically. However, I was determined to soak in all the experience because I do not anticipate another opportunity to enjoy the game in person. And enjoy it I did—it was fantastic.

But that got me to thinking. When was the last time I was that excited about worship? Each Sunday I have an opportunity to enter into the very presence of God. He invites me to come to Him. He tells me I can be bold in my approach. He longs for me to know Him intimately and personally. And yet I (and most of us) come to worship on Sunday morning in a very cavalier manner. Not expecting much of anything except the normal human led religious experience. The Psalmist wrote, *“As the deer longs for streams of water, so I long for you, O God. ²I thirst for God, the living God. When can I go and stand before him?” (Psalm 42:1-2, NLT)*. There, my friends, is someone who is excited about worshipping the One True God. This type of excitement cannot be worked up thru music or produced by eloquent preaching. It comes from a heart longing to experience God. When was the last time you were that excited about worship? If we ever hope to worship the Lord, then we must not allow anything to dampen our spirits or destroy our expectations. True worship begins with an individual, but can spread like a wildfire throughout a church. Let yourself be the one in whom worship begins. Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry

SUNDAY DRIVE

SUNDAYDRIVEMUSIC.COM

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WHAT: Southern Gospel Concert featuring “Sunday Drive”

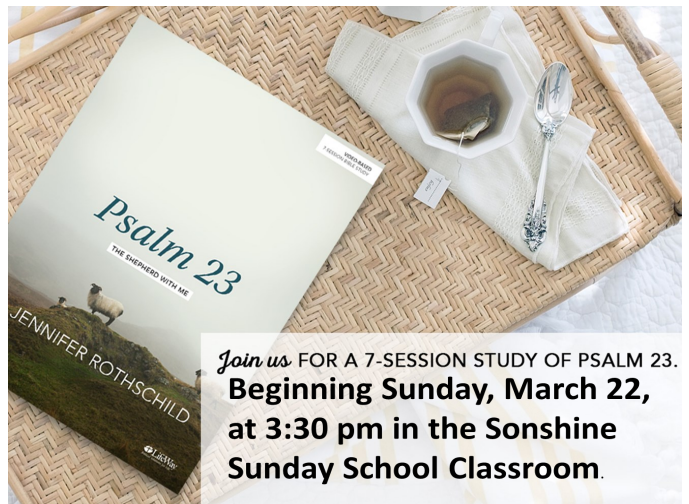
WHEN: Saturday, March 21, 2020

WHERE: FBCC SANCTUARY

TIME: 6:00 PM

Be sure to invite family and friends to come with you for an evening of good ole gospel music! A time of fellowship will follow in the Social Hall.

Women’s Bible Study



Join us FOR A 7-SESSION STUDY OF PSALM 23.
Beginning Sunday, March 22,
at 3:30 pm in the Sunshine
Sunday School Classroom.

Sign-up Sheet Posted/Books \$14.00 each

Don't forget to....



Spring Forward!

*Daylight
Savings Time
Begins*

*Sunday, March 8
Spring forward 1 Hour*



Prayer Room Ministry

JANUARY, 2020

Cards Mailed Out:	48
Phone Calls Made:	17
Prayer Requests Received:	14
Prayers Prayed:	301
Total # of Volunteers Serving:	8
Total Volunteer Hours Given:	27

Prayer Room Phone Number: 647-3777

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"the Re-connected Man" Part II

(9 Week Study)

Starting Thursday, March 19

6:00—7:30pm

Lighthouse of FBCC

Taught by Rev. Dr. Larry Cheek

(Sign up sheet posted on the Bulletin Board by the Water Fountain)

FBCC FOOD PANTRY ITEM FOR MARCH

Canned Tomato or Chicken Noodle Soup

March Grace Network Food Item

Assorted Vegetables (Veg-All) 15 oz. can

March Featured Items

Dish & Laundry Detergent and Deodorant

January Report

Average Attendance	
Sunday School	167
Worship Service	167
Monthly Offering needed	43,836
(4 Sundays)	
Monthly Offering Received	32,897
Rental Income	1,800
Other Income/Undesignated Memorials	10
Monthly Operating Expenses	28,243
Operating Account Balance	191,649
CD's & Savings Balance	60,681
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	9,953
Benevolence Designated Fund	1,581
Project Hope	2,905
Bereavement Meal Ministry	2,474
Van Fund	11,393
Music Fund	195

Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

In Sympathy:

Eddie Gunn, brother-in-law of Mary Jane Mayberry

Margaret Moore, aunt of Pat Cobb

Betty Manning, cousin of Nelda Billings

Welcome New Members

On February 16, 2020 the church voted to receive Craig and Carolyn Rockwell for membership based on transfer of letter from Hillcrest Baptist Church.

On February 16, 2020 the church voted to receive Gabbie France for membership based on her profession of faith and baptism.

New Contact Information

Craig (Rocky) and Carolyn Rockwell, 5551 N. Daniels Creek Rd., Martinsville, VA 24112 Telephone: 224-0976

Henry Co. Baptist Association

WMU Annual Meeting

Mount Vernon Baptist Church

April 14 @ 5:15 pm

Refreshments will be served at 5:15pm

Cookbooks

The FBCC Library has a collection of Cookbooks compiled by the late Eva Spencer that is available for you to check out. They have a lot of the "old timey recipes" we remember from the past. Check them out and "happy cooking" to each of you.

Calendar Highlights

March 08: Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 09: Friendship Club Set-Up/Social Hall

March 09: CC4C Monthly Meeting @ 6:30pm

March 10: Friendship Club Meeting @ 10:30am

March 12: VBS Decorating (5:00-7:00pm)

March 14: Reshape (Church Growth) Conference @ Starling Avenue Baptist Church

March 17: Senior Adults/BINGO/Collinsville YMC

March 19: Men's Bible Study "The Re-connected Man" Part II

March 21: Gospel Singing with Sunday Drive/FBCC/6:00pm

March 22: Ladies Bible Study "Psalm 23"

March 24: Finance & Church Council Mtg./Conference Room

March 30: Ladies Card Ministry @ 12:00 Noon/SonShine Rm.

April 05: Palm Sunday/Communion

April 05: Essie Janey's 100th Birthday Celebration

April 09: CC4C Monthly Meeting @ 6:30pm

April 11: Children's Easter Egg Hunt

April 12: Easter Sunday

April 13: Easter Monday—Church Office Closed

April 14: Friendship Club Meeting @ 10:30am

April 14: HCBA WMU Annual Meeting @ Mt. Vernon B. C.

April 23: Henry Co. Baptist Association VBS Clinic @

FBCC/ 6:00-8:00pm

March Senior Adult Happenings

March 03: Sr. Adults/BINGO/C'ville YMCA

March 10: Friendship Club Meeting/10:30 am

March 17: Sr. Adults/BINGO/C'ville YMCA

WMU Week of Prayer for

North American Missions—March 2-7

Annie Armstrong Offering Goal

\$5,000.00



VBS DECORATING
THURSDAY, MARCH 12
5:00-7:00PM

**Come on out and give us a hand in
making decorations for our VBS and the
HCBA VBS Clinic**

The Henry County Baptist Association will meet on Thursday, April 23 at FBCC for their VBS Clinic. We will start with a worship rally with music and some fun games with prizes. Then there will be three breakout sessions, followed by snacks. Prizes given to church with most in attendance, and also door prizes. This year's theme is CONCRETE & CRANES.



Friendship Club Meeting

Tues., March 10 @ 10:30 am

FBCC Social Hall

After the program lunch provided for only \$3.00. Invite someone to come with you.

MARCH NURSERY WORKERS

- 01 Becky Crotty, Nancy Edwards (B)
Leslie Houston, Melanie Eggleston (P/S)
 - 08 Judy Dodson, Yvonne Harris (B)
Katrell Ramsey, Susan Wagoner, Carri Turner (P/S)
 - 15 Angie Alley, Lana Martin (B)
Rebecca & Cindy Vernon & Daniel Craven (P/S)
 - 22 Sandy & Taylor Jo Gary (B)
Suzanne Terry, Marille Espana (P/S)
 - 29 Peggy Delancey, Susie Baldwin (B)
Susan Rorrer, Taylor Jo Gary, Savannah McBride
- (B)=Babies (P/S)=Preschool

College & Careers For Christ

Monday, March 9

6:30—9:30pm

(Light House)



This is a night reserved for college students to eat, fellowship, release some pressure and just unwind and take in God's word.

MARCH WMU MISSION ACTION

Spring is coming, spring is coming...how do you think I know, I saw Daffodils blooming under the snow!!

Our March Mission Action is the Hairston Home Birthday Party and also our Missionaries (you choose). You may share anything for the party these special people may need and want, chap stick, pens, toiletries. lotion, toothpaste, tissues and anything else you want to share! We are also in need of quarters for Bingo prizes...they love to use the money for the drink machine! We still have plenty of costume jewelry for the ladies (thanks to Brenda Newman).

Will post a date as soon as I check with those who want to go!

As always, there will be a tote in the foyer to collect these items.

A special Thank you for all the baby gifts for the pregnancy center, it was amazing! Filled a car up, front and back, you all are a blessing!

Blessings, Lana Martin



Ladies Card Ministry

Monday, March 27 @ 12:00 noon

SonShine Classroom

Making Birthday and Anniversary Cards



2020 VBS Theme
"Concrete & Cranes"
Sunday, June 7—12

Motto: "Jesus our strong foundation"
(We have classes for ages 2 yrs.– 6th grade)

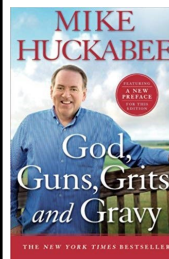
We need cereal boxes and small and large cardboard boxes to make decorations.

If you have any old construction toys, we can use them too! If you want them back, please put your name on the bottom and keep a list of what you let us borrow.

Church Library—Book of the Month

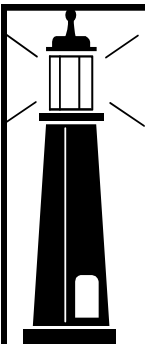
"God, Guns, Grits and Gravy"

By Mike Huckabee



Anyone who has enjoyed any of the previous books by Huckabee--former governor, one-time presidential candidate, and Fox News host--will be more than satisfied with this examination of the differences between "Bubbleville" (New York, L.A., and D.C.) and "Bubbaville" (the rest of America)...Huckabee's leavens his musings on the state of the union with a sense of humor ("I prefer boots over Birkenstocks. Does that make me weird?") that makes him enjoyable to read."

—Publishers Weekly



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Prayer Time (Prayer Room)	9:30-9:40 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Sunday Worship Service	11:00 am
Children's Church	
Awana	5:00 pm
Wednesday Evening Activities:	
Children's Choir Practice K thru 6th grade	5:30 pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00 pm
RA's & GA's	6:30 pm
Yuth IMPACT (Middle & High School)	6:33 pm
Mission Friends	6:45 pm
Prayer Service	6:45 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm

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Return Service
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u>March Birthdays</u>	20 Ashley Anthony
01 Pat Cobb	29 Jose Castro
02 Jay Knighton	21 Katie Houston
03 Gunnar Robertson	21 Calla Mayberry
03 Jase Ramsey	22 Jimmy Anderson
05 Charlie Fickling	22 Joshua Coleman
05 Molly Shelton	24 Jason Collins
05 Jose Cedillo	25 Brenda Hagood
05 LeeAnna Ferguson	27 Judy Dodson
05 Eli Martin	27 Christina Decker
06 Susan Rorrer	28 Megan Chilton
07 Catherine H. Privette	29 Hunter Whitlow
07 Joyce Jacobs	29 Blayke Collins
07 Jennifer P. Judy	30 Dale McGhee
09 Stacy Craven	30 Harold Nofsinger
09 Kellie Powell	30 Ralph Shropshire
10 Eva Oliver	30 Ellen Prato
12 Neil Ramsey	30 Heather Chitwood
13 John Anthony, IV	30 Noah Dotson
15 Carlos Cedillo	31 Melvin Newsome
15 Madison Ferguson	
16 Lucas Draper	
17 Timothy Hatchett	
19 Darlene Gamble	
20 Merleen Beale	

April Birthdays

01 Marietta Gunter
02 Pam Albanese
03 Debbie Hancock
05 Ashleigh Breath

06 Sharon Barrow
07 Karen Castro
07 Noah Castro
08 Essie Janey
08 Jonathan France
08 Chris Kistler

March Anniversaries

01 Arthur & Marcilene Emberson
01 Ken & Becky Wagoner
05 Tim & Michelle Pace
06 Thomas & Frances Arrington
07 Michael & Rebecca Vernon
11 Larry & Jan Cheek
15 Tim & Pat Gauldin
16 George & Ruth Brown
19 Greg & Shirley Craven
29 Tim & Sandy Gary

April Anniversaries

01 John & Sherry Flanagan
02 David & Melanie Catron
03 Rudy & Barb Kobelia
07 Harold & Gerry Nofsinger
08 James & Denise Collins
09 Jason & Paige Collins

AWANA MEETINGS
SUNDAYS
5:00-6:30PM
Ages 2 Years—6th Grade
FBCC Social Hall

Happy 100th Birthday!

*Help us Celebrate
Essie Janey's
100th Birthday
Sunday April 5
2:00-3:00pm
FBCC Social Hall*

Come on out to congratulate Ms. Essie on her 100th birthday. Ms. Essie is the oldest member of FBCC. Refreshments will be served