

A NOTE FROM PASTOR SHAUN

Spring is almost here. A new season on the horizon. Colorful flowers. Birds chirping. Green grass. The ballpark. Warm sunlight. Spring is marching in to bring renewal. Even in the life of our church there is a “spring season” taking place. You’re a part of it! Have you seen it?

It’s been wonderful seeing so many new faces and the excitement taking place at church! Remember, that’s the Lord’s work but also your shared excitement of what is taking place. Don’t lose it. Here is why...

Distractions. Culture is full of distractions and activities that promise fulfillment and pleasure. Therefore, it is easy to forget about the church and living for God’s glory and purposes.

Read Ephesians 4:11-16

The Lord has blessed our church with men and women and children (yes you!) who have incredible gifts and talents for the purpose of EQUIPPING OTHERS. Have you ever given serious thought as to why you can do what you do? Some things just come natural to you while for others, they are pain staking.

You have the gifts and talents you do:

- **To serve in the body (v.12)**- The church is built up and made stronger when you use your spiritual gifts and talents to serve one another. When you don’t use your gifts and serve, your church is missing out on the blessing you add to it. Without you, we are not all that we can be.
- **To attain the unity of the faith and knowledge of Christ (v.13)**- Your service in the church allows us, the people of God, to stay established, grounded, and unified in the faith. That should inspire you, humble you, and motivate you to sacrificial service.
- **To hold fast to Christ as the head of the church (v.15-16)**- When you are equipped (by God’s Word) and are doing your part, the whole church functions as Jesus would desire. That is also when you and the church experience the growth the Lord would want us to have.

While God does give many things for our enjoyment, to live only for life’s pleasures is shortsighted. Doing so would result in great disappointment now and when we stand before Christ to give an account of our life. But living with God’s purposes in mind will ultimately glorify Him and prove most satisfying now. What an invitation!

Pastor Shaun.

FAMILY NEWS

Happy Birthday to...

Chris Jordan 03/08, Hettie Adkins 03/09, Marv Brown 03/09, Jonathan Gatch 03/11, Russell Smith 03/14, Jean Fraylick 03/19, Kayla Smith 03/19, Cara Fennessy 03/20, Laurie Weatherford 03/20, Athena Wiggins 03/20, Billy Chubb 03/23, Katie Courtney 03/26, Glenda Bennett 03/30, Mason O’Neal 03/30

Ministry of Encouragement (Contact church office for addresses.)

Hettie Adkins, Ed & Beth Davis, Margaret Harris, Joe & Dana Hill, Joe Schneider, Tony & Lila Spell, Barry & Sarah Williams

UNDER CONSTRUCTION by Dr. Bert Welch



DEDICATION DAY FUND

Our various leadership teams and committees have offered their insight into the much-anticipated capital improvements. The Finance Committee has approved the “work as we collect” process. In other words, as funds become available, we can start on a project instead of waiting until November. Please remember, the Dedication Day projects are in addition to our 2023 budgeted improvements as well as those that can be completed through current designated funds. I want to encourage everyone to join in the effort.

In light of our improvement focus, I want to ask this simple question. Why bother? There are many answers, but may I suggest two?

- Because God expects us to offer Him our best. **Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for man.** (Colossians 3:23)
- We need to honor the sacrifices and efforts of those who have gone before us and provided our wonderful church facilities. We are called to be good stewards of what we have. **Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.** (1 Corinthians 4:2)

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Jan. 29	\$2,922	\$50	<u>Capital Improvement Campaign</u>
Feb. 5	\$6,610	\$50	
Feb. 12	\$4,211	\$310	
Feb. 19	\$7,544	\$1,545	
			Goal: \$70,000
			Received: 13,425
			Needed: \$56,575

CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES

Volunteers

Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

1st Sunday

Nursery: Dalton & Katharine Taylor
3K-5K: Lisa Bolen
1st – 5th Grade: Terry Mobley

2nd Sunday

Nursery: Glenda Fennessy
3K-5K: Lisa Bolen
1st – 5th Grade: Terry Mobley

3rd Sunday

Nursery: Ryan & Reagan Anderson
3K-5K: Lisa Bolen
1st – 5th Grade: Terry Mobley

4th Sunday

Nursery: Alicia Chavis; Julie Cramer
3K-5K: Lisa Bolen
1st – 5th Grade: Terry Mobley

5th Sunday

Nursery
3K-5K: Lisa Bolen
1st – 5th Grade: Terry Mobley

Morning Worship – 11:00 a.m.

1st Sunday

Nursery: Stacie Walling
3K – 5K: Katie Courtney
1st-3rd Grade: Lauren Bolen

2nd Sunday

Nursery: Glenda Fennessy & Trisha Gatch
3K – 5K: Susie Chance; Jessica Rawlings
1st-3rd Grade: Jennifer Thrailkill

3rd Sunday

Nursery: Matt & Sarah O’Neal
3K – 5K: Lynn Behr; Terry Mobley
1st-3rd Grade: Geanne Behr

4th Sunday

Nursery: Jack & Athena Wiggins; Alicia Chavis
3K – 5K: Marv & Mandy Brown
1st-3rd Grade: Travis & Suzanne Atkinson

5th Sunday

Nursery: Garrit & Sylvianne Van Amerongen
3K – 5K: Kathy Welch

KID’S PRAISE - Sunday Mornings at 11 AM

The Bible is one story...God’s story! Woven throughout the story is His plan to make His name great so that people might know and worship Him. God set His plan in motion before the creation of the world, and He will see it through to completion. We have the privilege of communicating God’s story to your children each week in Kids Praise! Over the next year we will tell His plan from creation to our current part in this still unfolding story. This will help shape their view of God - His character, heart, and purposes - as well as their view of themselves - their identity, blessings, and purpose.

WOW WEDNESDAY – WOW Wednesday meets on Wednesdays at 6 pm and is for ages birth through 5th grade. For more information, contact Lisa Bolen or the church office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTHFUL WELCOME! - Have you noticed our older students serving as a Welcome Team for Sunday morning worship? They greet members and guests alike with a friendly welcome and lots of smiles. Thanks to the students and their loyal leaders! Remember, they serve as the first impression for our guests, but we all should practice sincere Christian hospitality to everyone who comes.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

LADIES' GAME NIGHT - We will have Ladies' Game Night on **Thursday, March 9 at 5:30 pm**. Bring snacks to enjoy. For more information, see Terry Mobley.

3RD SUNDAY @ THE MOVIES – The next 3rd Sunday @ the Movies will be on **Sunday, March 19 at 2 pm**. For more information, contact Terry Mobley

MEN'S MINISTRIES

CAMO (Calling All Men Out) - The CAMO Meeting will be on **Monday, March 13 at 6 PM** at Bolen Family Farm (2889 Old Gilliard Road, Holly Hill.) Contact Mike Bolen at 843.881.3348 for more information.

CHURCHWIDE WORK DAY

Join us on **Saturday, March 18** beginning at 8 am for a church work day. We have some building projects among other things that we need willing hands to help with. See Julie Cramer for more information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is for all ages and begins at 10 am on Sunday mornings. For the month of February, we will continue in the study of the book of Ephesians. Below you will find a list of all adult Sunday School classes.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>ROOM</u>	<u>TEACHER(S)</u>
Children		
Infants-2K	101	Rotation
3K-5K	108	Lisa Bolen
1 st -5 th grade	111	Terry Mobley
Youth (6 th -12 th)	115	Wayne Mobley
Adults		
Noah's New Life/Beacons (Co-ed)	113	Lynn Behr, Mary Mims, and Ann Reeser
Thomas Hart (Men only)	124	Robbie Mims, David Neal, Fred Crider, Bert Welch
Pastor's Sunday School Class (Men Only)	Social Hall	Shaun Daley
Agape class (Ladies only)	121	Geanne Behr, Julie Cramer
Just Us Class (Ladies only 20s-40s)	125	Sarah Anne Daley

CHURCH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING

Coffee Time 9:30 a.m. (Social Hall)
 Sunday School 10 a.m.
 Worship/Kid's Praise 11 a.m.

TUESDAY MORNING

IT (Intercessory Team) 11:30 – *Pray wherever you are.*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

EQUIP Bible Study 6 p.m. (Adults)
 WOW Wed. (Crib-5th Grades)
 Youth (6th-12th grades)
 Choir Practice 7 p.m.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

1st Week – Bubba Harris, 2nd Week – Wayne Mobley
 3rd Week – Mike Bolen, 4th Week – Kelley Geddings

FLOWER MINISTRY:

March 5 – Gene Boyd

If you would like to put flowers in the church, contact Nettie Gentry at hbbaptist@hotmail.com or by calling 803-496-3961. *Please let her know if you want a certain Sunday repeated yearly.*

MEALS ON WHEELS: March 28

PRAYER ROOM: Lynn Behr, Amy Lindsay

SEXTON: Bubba Harris

USHERS: Paul Bolen, Billy Chavis, Ryan Anderson, J. C. Carroll

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 Mrs. Nettie Gentry, Ministry Assistant

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Wednesday, March 8 at 6 PM
 Join us for a delicious Italian night on **Wednesday, March 8th at 6 pm** in the social hall. We will enjoy spaghetti, lasagna, bread, salad, and dessert. Please **RSVP by Sunday, March 5th** so our

Kitchen team can plan accordingly. You may RSVP by filling out the form in the Sunday bulletin or calling the church office. Donation of \$5 per plate with a family maximum of \$15 is appreciated to cover the cost of the meal. Looking forward to a fun evening together!



We are off and running with the 2023 OCC Shoebox Ministry! If you would like to participate, there is a collection box in the Social Hall for your donations. For the month of March, we are collecting the following items:

toys for 2-4-year-olds, finger puppets, foam balls, foam cars/trucks, simple card games, beach balls, small board books, and dolls. Thank you in advance for helping to meet the physical and spiritual needs of so many children through this ministry!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Feeling right at home around here? Take your next step by taking our membership class to see who we are in more detail, and if this is a place you'd like to put down roots. **After church on Sunday, March 19, we will offer a membership class.** Lunch will be provided as well as childcare. **Please sign up by Thursday, March 16** if you'd like to attend.