

THE CHALLENGE

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APRIL

Ministry & Fellowship Opportunities

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Women's Bible Study 6 pm

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Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,

Bible Study 6 pm, Business meeting

Choir 7 pm

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Deacon Meeting 5 pm, WMU 5 pm

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Women's Bible Study 6 pm

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Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,

Bible Study 6 pm, Choir 7 pm

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Missionary Speaker: Jeri Cook 11 am

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Women's Bible Study 6 pm

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Men's Bible Study 8 am,

Spring up Youth Rally 6 pm

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Church Council 5 pm

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Women's Bible Study 6 pm

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Men's Bible Study 8 am, JAM 5:30 pm,

Bible Study 6 pm, Choir 7 pm

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JOY to Riverfront 11:30 am

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Baptist Men's Breakfast 8 am

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Baptist Men's Day

28

Baby Shower for Sarah Vanhoy 2-4 pm

30

Women's Bible Study 6 pm



Here is our
Vision in a Nutshell!

“Growing God’s Garden Together”

- **Glorify** Jesus Christ through worship
- **Grow** in a relationship with Jesus and other people
- **Give** of one’s time and resources by serving Jesus and His Church
- **Go** and reach out to others who need to experience the love of Jesus

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR:



Springtime. It is that wonderful time of year that makes me think of new beginnings. Sometimes I just sit in awe of the beauty God places around us. This past Easter weekend was beautiful, not just for the beauty around us and the awesome weather we had, but also for the reminder of what Easter is all about. We serve a God who creates amazing beauty, but we serve a God who loves us so very much that he sent his Son to die on a cross for us and defeat death by raising Him from the dead. I can't think of a better time than on a beautiful Spring day to reflect on the love that God the Father has for us.

God's Word reminds us in Ecclesiastes 3:1 *“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.”* Have you ever taken a moment to notice the beauty in the change of seasons? Think about it. With each season, there is something to appreciate and celebrate. Springtime announces the end of winter. It represents the beginning of hope and new life. With our yards and flower gardens coming to life and a shift into warm weather, Spring is a time to appreciate the newness in nature.

Could you imagine if there were only one season to experience? What would things look like? Would we be able to experience this portion of God's grace and beauty? Some people don't like the changing of the seasons. I do. I'm thankful we live in a beautiful area where we can experience all four seasons. The changing of the seasons reminds us however that change is inevitable. It's unavoidable. It brings about the unexpected, things we didn't plan for. Whether good or bad, it comes with something new. It pushes us out of our comfort zone. However, no matter how ready or reluctant we are to embrace change, one thing is for certain - God is with you every step of the way. No matter what life brings your way, God is with you in each and every change to lead and guide you. As believers, every change should bring you closer to God. The closer you get to God, the more your faith in Him increases. The more you trust God, embracing the changes He orchestrates for your life will become easier. I pray you'll be able to enjoy some beautiful spring weather and the changes that are coming with it.

I hope to see you in church this coming Sunday. Don't forget - let your light shine for Jesus!

Pastor Rick



Student Ministry

Wednesday



JAM 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Free Meal,

Worship and Bible Study
Preschool – 12th grade

Sunday



Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Children's Worship 11:15 am

Sunday Nights @ 5:30 pm

- Free Meal
- Worship
- Bible Study

"Authentic Love"

Ages 4 - 1st Grade

Worship Time

Every Sunday Night

5:30 pm - Meal
6:00 pm - Worship
6:30 pm - Bible Study



A MESSAGE FROM ANDY:



*"Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others."
•Philippians 2:4*

A few weeks ago at J.A.M., prayer was requested for one of our friends whose family is going through a difficult time. Immediately, another of our J.A.M. kids said, "Oh, I've been watching out for him at school!" His comment struck me and encouraged me that our J.A.M. kids "watch out" for each other and support each other even outside of church!

When Jesus was asked by a Pharisee about the great commandment, he responded in this way:

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

I am so grateful God has blessed me with this group of youth to work with and for a church family who loves them and models the importance of loving God and loving each other!

Let's continue to GLORIFY, GROW, GIVE, AND GO as we GROW GOD'S KINGDOM TOGETHER!

Andy



NEED A RIDE SUNDAY MORNING?

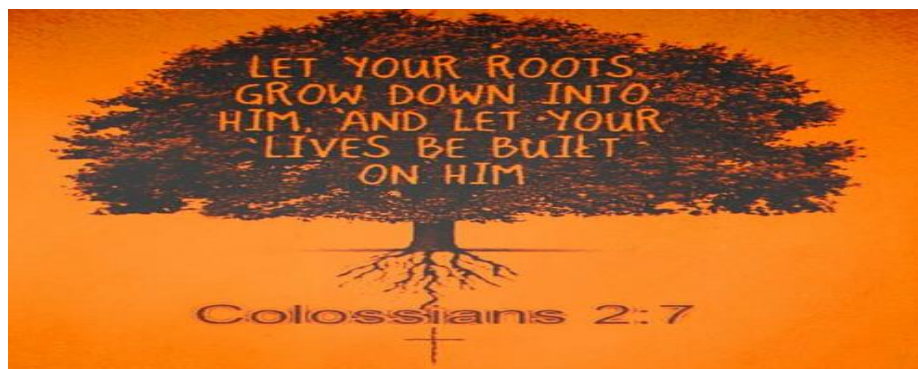
CALL OUR DRIVERS THE DAY BEFORE YOU WANT TO COME:

- 7 Roy Chapman 782-0246
- 14 Louis Trivette 429-7537
- 21 Joe Collier 276-2154
- 28 Roy Chapman 782-0246

The Bus is for people of all ages. If you would like a ride on a Sunday morning, please call the driver by 5 pm on Saturday. We would love for you to join us and this ministry is for you.



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Branches College Ministry

at Lynn Garden Baptist
John 15:5



April Sunday
Morning Ministries

Deacon of the Week:

- 7 Michael Strickler
- 14 Freddie Puckett
- 21 David Hammonds
- 28 Glen Rogers

Greeters:

- 7 Allen Rhoton, Frances Bates
- 14 Wilma Carico, Carolyn Meade
Lois Ann Southard
- 21 Kenny and Deborah Lawson
- 28 Freddie Puckett, David Murphy

Audio:

- 7 Michael Strickler
- 14 Michael Bush
- 21 Michael Strickler
- 28 Michael Bush

Power Point:

- 7 Michael Bush
- 14 TBA
- 21 Michael Bush
- 28 TBA

Video:

- 7 Conner Collins
- 14 David Hammonds
- 21 Doug Clark
- 28 Conner Collins

Nursery Workers:

- 7 Aliceson Collins, Nancy Byrd
- 14 Anissa Barrett, Caroline Gilbert
- 21 Kim Trivette, Christine Chapman
- 28 Debbie Gilbert, Michael Dingus

Transportation:

- 7 Roy Chapman 782-0246
- 14 Louis Trivette 429-7537
- 21 Joe Collier 276-2154
- 28 Roy Chapman 782-0246

Children's Worship:

- 7 Debbie Gilbert, Linda Walters
- 14 Doug Clark, Dolores Osborne
- 21 Aliceson Collins, Vicki Wallen
- 28 Roy & Christine Chapman

Tellers:

- 7 Rhoton, Lawson, Trent
- 14 Rhoton, Vicars, Marshall
- 21 Rhoton, Sparks, Lawson
- 28 Rhoton, Tittsworth, Trent

Ushers:

- 7 Andy Walters
- 14 Gale Osborne
- 21 Kenny Lawson
- 28 Andy Walters

Outside Morning Security:

- 7 Joe Smith
- 14 Roy Chapman
- 21 Louis Trivette
- 28 Paul Bowman



OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

Our Community Outreach continues as we collect food for the neighborhood food bank. The current needs are toiletries, food items or monetary donations. They can purchase the food at a cheaper cost. Please place them in the collection area behind the choir loft or drop donations in the offering boxes.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE:

Are you uninsured and in need of healthcare? Providence Medical Mobile Clinic will be at Gravelly Baptist Church on April 8, 2024 from 8 am – 1 pm. Bring a photo id. For more information call 423-246-6086

WMU Happenings

Mission Focus Meetings

...will be held at the same time the deacon meetings are held.
Join us, Sunday, April 6, 2024 at 5 pm, in the parlor.

Women's Bible Study

We will meet on Tuesdays at 6 pm beginning April 2 then the next 6 weeks. The study is entitled "When you Pray" It covers six Prayers in the Bible.

Brotherhood Happenings

Men's Bible Study

Every Wednesday morning at 8 am
In the fellowship hall. All men welcome!



THURSDAY APRIL 25, 2024 / MEET AT 11:30
RIVERFRONT SEAFOOD 1777 NETHERLAND INN ROAD
Kingsport, TN 37660



OUR 2024 GOAL
\$2,500.00

We have received
\$2,215.00

Thank you to everyone that supported
The North American Missions Program.



February 2024

FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

Budget Need: \$61,300.00
Budget Received: \$45,985.74
Amount Under Need: \$15,314.26

YTD Budget Received: \$45,985.74
YTD Budget Expenses: \$54,896.15
Receipts Under Expenses \$8,910.41

YTD Designated Given: \$10,760.00

Everyone is invited to join us for a night of worship and praise as we hear God's Word!



SPRINGING UP

YOUTH RALLY



**INVITING
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
AND LOCAL YOUTH GROUPS
TO JOIN US FOR AN EVENING TO
WORSHIP
JESUS!**

**WED.
APRIL
17TH**

LYNN GARDEN BAPTIST

5:30 - FELLOWSHIP

6:00 - PIZZA

7:00 - WORSHIP IN SANCTUARY

**MESSAGE ANDY AT
(423) 418-4880 TO LET US KNOW
YOU'LL JOIN US!**

