PREPARING FOR SUNDAY! April 18

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

"SEEK WISDOM!"

James 1:5-8; 3:13-18; Matthew 7:7-8

Join us in person or by way of live stream or radio broadcast WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM or later on the church YouTube channel. An order of service will be posted on our web site.

11:00 AM HOT DOG LUNCHEON 6:00 PM BIBLE STUDY

BETTER DECISIONS, FEWER REGRETS Fellowship Hall

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jonathan Cooper, 4-18
Matt Lineberger, 4-18
Grant Foster, 4-19
Charlie Ramey, 4-21
Matthew Orias, 4-23
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Brandy Fortner, 4-18
Noelle Suggs, 4-19
Lee Hill, 4-21
Andrew Shull, 4-23
Brayden Orias, 4-23

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Our church family grieves the death of **Sara Ouzts**.

We extend our love and prayerful support to her son, **David Ouzts** and family.

We extend our love and prayerful support to **Ricky Forrester** & family in the death of his brother. **Gerald Forrester**

We lift up the family of **Rev. Buster Ball** and give thanks for the way that Buster used the gifts God entrusted to him to love and minister to this community.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We celebrate with **Alex** and **Lindsey Craig Thompson** in the birth of their son, **Coleman Webster Thompson**. Coleman was born on April 9 and weighed 7.62 lbs and was 21.25 inches long. Coleman is Hadley Kate's brother, Lenn and Cindy Craig's grandson and Betty Rhodes' great grandson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

 $A\ Place\ to\ Grow\ and\ Belong$

Each Sunday * 9:00 am

You are invited to join us for Bible study! A nursery will be provided. Contact us if you would like more information about which class to attend.

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

\$101.655.74 has been contributed!

IF WE WILL SEEK THE LORD!

A Worship Series From the First Chapter of James We need to seek the Lord! Life, love, wholeness, purpose, joy, satisfaction, wonder, goodness, salvation, wisdom, and help are found with the Lord! Over and over, the Scriptures tell us to seek the Lord... for if we will seek the Lord... we will surely find Him. This past Sunday we looked at how God can use our brokenness and pain to help us become whole. Join us as we continue to read James' letter...

April 18

"SEEK WISDOM!"

James 1:5-8; 3:13-18; Matthew 7:7-8

Life is filled with difficult decisions, but if we will seek the Lord, He will give us wisdom generously and without finding fault.

April 25

"SEEK TRUE WEALTH!" James 1:9-11; 4:13-17; 5:1-6; Matthew 6:19-21

Money and material things do not provide the security and fulfillment that we need, but if we will seek the Lord, we will discover rich, satisfying and abundant blessings.

May 2

"SEEK HELP!"

James 1:12-18; Matthew 6:13; 7:9-11

We are tempted by many deadly things, but if we will seek the Lord, we will find that He is at work for our good and is the giver of every good and perfect gift.

You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:13

HOT DOG FUNDRAISER LUNCH

The youth will be selling hot dog lunches after the morning service **this Sunday, April 18** to raise money for summer camp. Plates will cost \$5, and will include 2 hot dogs, sides, and dessert. If you would be able to make baked beans or cole slaw to help reduce our costs, please see Bryan Thompson.

THE SHEILA WALKER CURRENT EVENTS CLASS

The Current Events class invites you to join with them each Sunday at 9:00 am in the Church Library. The class is facilitated by **Curtis Walker & Rex Skinner**. Contact the church office for an email of the lesson. Each week the Bible study uses a story from the news as a launching point to discuss the powerful truth of God's word.

RA & GA CAMP

GA - Monday – Wednesday * July 12-14 RA - Thursday – Saturday * August 12 - 14

Call us at 476-8171 as soon as possible if you would like to go.

BETTER DECISIONS, FEWER REGRETS

Beginning this Sunday, April 18 * 6:00 pm

Join us for this special study of God's word. Your decisions not only determine the direction and quality of your life but they also impact the direction and quality of other people's lives – not just for today but often for generations to come. Good questions lead to better decisions. The *Better Decisions, Fewer Regrets Bible Study* written by Andy Stanley, will equip us with five catalytic questions to consider each time we make a decision -

The Integrity Question:

"Am I being honest with myself?"

The Legacy Question:

"What story do I want to tell?"

The Conscience Question:

"Is there a tension that deserves my attention?"

The Maturity Question:
"What is the wise thing to do?"
The Relationship Question:
"What does love require of me?"

CHURCH CONFERENCE REPORT

The church gave unanimous approval to the Property Committee's recommendation to employ...

- *Bonitz* to replace the flooring in the sanctuary and foyers at a cost of \$74,720.00;
- *Bonitz* to replace the flooring in the Office Area and Builders' Room at a cost of \$10,255.00;
- Premier Pew Padding to replace the upholstery at a cost of \$27,980.00;
- *B* & *H* Acoustics Inc to replace the ceilings in the fovers at a cost of \$10.810.00;
- N, C, & E Electrical Contractors, LLC to replace the lighting in the foyers at a cost up to \$11,200.00.

Work in the foyers and office area will begin as soon as possible. Work in the sanctuary is scheduled to begin in mid-June.

The church also acted on a recommendation from our Trustees authorizing the sale of the house and property from Michiko Phillips' Estate.

MICHIKO PHILLIPS' ESTATE

Our church has been greatly blessed by Michiko Phillips. A room has been set up at church where many items are displayed. **They are available to anyone who wants them.** If you are able to benefit from them, please consider making a donation to the church in Michiko's memory if you are able to do so. We want very much to allow her gift to benefit the church so that we will have the resources to reach more people with the gospel and grow faithful disciples.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday * 10:00 am Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

THE MISSION MOVES FORWARD

Season of Prayer for Missions in North America Church Goal: \$3,000.00 Received: \$2,665.00

Pray that God will continue to call out workers into His harvest field and prayerfully consider your gift to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering as we seek to reach the people of North America with the hope that comes through the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The North American Mission Board has launched a special emphasis leading us to ask the question, "Who's your one?" Imagine the impact if every Christian had ONE person they prayed for and shared the gospel with. Who will you commit to pray for?

Here are some ideas to help strengthen your relationships with the ones you are praying for...

- Take them out for a cup of coffee.
- Write a note of encouragement.
- Hand out notes of encouragement to those who serve you at grocery stores, restaurants, etc., letting them know they are prayed for and loved by Jesus.
- Send a text asking how you can pray for them.
- Drop off a gift card for your one at their door and leave them a hand-written note explaining why you did it.
- Type up a note saying you're offering to help your neighbors in any way they need. Leave it on neighbors' mailboxes or on their doors. Offer to do yard work, run errands, etc. Ask for prayer requests. Put contact information on the note.
- Any time the Lord puts your one on your mind, take the time to pray for them, then send them a text or message to let them know you have been praying for them and ask how they are doing.

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Work of the Church
In Memory of Michiko Phillips
Ted & Susan Culbreath

FINANCIAL REPORT			
BUDGET	<u> April 11</u>		<u>2021</u>
Needs	\$ 8,905.02		\$133,575.30
Offering	\$ 9,641.82		\$138,503.05
Over/(Under)	\$ 736.80		\$ 4,927.75
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
Over & Above Offering		\$	220.00
Annie Armstrong		\$	500.00
Children's Ministry		\$	100.00
Michiko Phillips' Estate		\$	120.00
Stewardship		\$	8.13

WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Wednesdays * 6:00 pm * Fellowship Hall

Join us as we learn about a different book of the Bible each week & what it teaches us about Jesus. We meet in the Fellowship Hall practicing social distancing. We live stream the study for those who are not able to be with us in person. It can be viewed live a little after 6:00 pm on Wednesdays or afterward at a time of your convenience.

April 14 – Daniel * **April 21**– Hosea

Hosea served as a prophet during the last decades of the nation of Israel, which fell to Assyria in 722 BC. He was a contemporary of Isaiah and Micah. In the Book of Hosea, we gain a glimpse into the heart of God who loves us more than any parent ever could. God states, **It was** I who taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by the arms. I led them with cords of human kindness, with ties of love. Hosea 11:3-4 Because we have rejected His love and set ourselves on a path for destruction, God's heart is broken - My heart churns within Me; all my compassion is aroused. Hosea 11:8 The theme of Hosea is God's chesed. Chesed describes the way that God gives Himself to us fully, with love and compassion in a faithful covenant relationship.. There is not a precise English equivalent to the word *chesed*, but it is often translated as loving-kindness, mercy, steadfast love, loyalty, goodness, grace, and beauty. God's Chesed is illustrated in the love Hosea has for his promiscuous and unfaithful wife, Gomer. In order to bring her back home, Hosea must pay to "redeem" her. God's people were called to live in a covenant relationship with Him, but they too have a long history of unfaithfulness and betraval. God chose to continue to love them and to buy them back at great cost - With the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 1 Peter 1:19

Helping Hands Ministry's CAR AND BIKE SHOW

Saturday, May 15 * 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Parking Lot, Woodruff Church of God

Fun, Food, & More

The Blood Connection will be on site taking blood donations. Each blood donor will receive a \$10 Visa gift card and Helping Hands will receive \$10 also.

BOXES FOR TITHES & OFFERINGS

"Offering Boxes" have been installed for your convenience on the walls at each entrance to our Sanctuary and at the entryway to the Fellowship Hall.

MINISTRY PARTNERS – APRIL 18

Children's Worship – C A Talanges, A Fortner Nursery: T & T Sumner AM T & S Culbreath PM



DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible - Live on YouTube; Mission Friends; Children's Choir; Youth Lighthouse 6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship Service - Live on Radio & YouTube

11:00 am Youth Fundraiser

6:00 pm Bible Study - Better Decisions, Fewer Regrets
- Fellowship H - Live on YouTube

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

6:00 pm Walking Through The Bible - Live on YouTube; Mission Friends; Children's Choir; Youth Lighthouse 6:45 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

WELCOME NEW PASTORS!

We welcome Nathan Dye, the new pastor of Selma Baptist Church, and Rex Keaton, the new pastor of West End Baptist Church, to the Woodruff Community. Please pray for them as they serve. We give thanks for our sister churches and pray that God will richly bless them as together we seek to lift up the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Each week we add worship services, sermons, Bible studies, music and podcasts to our YouTube channel that can be viewed on phones, computers and televisions across our community and across the world. Viewers can take part in our services and events live or watch them later at a time of their convenience. Visit our church website www.fbcwoodruff.org for a link to this channel or search for "First Baptist Woodruff" on YouTube. We give thanks for all who have been involved in recording, editing, and making this possible.

Muffins with Morn

MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, May 9 * 8:45 am Make plans to join us as we celebrate Mother's Day with muffins with moms. More details coming soon!

DEACON FAMILY MINISTRY

Our deacons are committed to being part of the ministry team along with our pastor & church staff. Contact them with prayer concerns, questions, & ministry opportunities as we seek to love & care for one another.

A-Co Buddy Few and John Ward

Cp-G Jason Ketterman and Tommy Morgan

H-Lc Patrick Elliott and Ken Vaughn

Ld-O Milton Smith and Terry Sumner

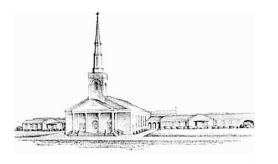
R-S Ted Culbreath and Terry Hauser

T-Z Sam Cooper and Susan Cooper

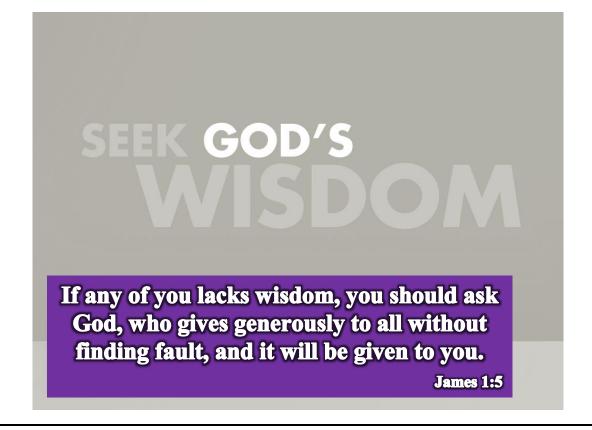
THE ENCOURAGER

"...to prepare all God's people for the work of Christian Service to build up the body of Christ."

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