## **PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!** May 2 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL **10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE** "SEEK HELP!"

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

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

> 6:00 PM BIBLE STUDY BETTER DECISIONS, FEWER REGRETS Fellowship Hall

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Jerry Cooper, 4-25 Jessica Lambert, 4-25 Courtney Morgan, 4-28 Sergey Culbreath, 4-29 Mason Meadows, 4-29 Kate Hames. 5-2 John Lehman, 5-3 Beau Brooks, 5-3 Ami Webster, 5-4 Emma Lynn Lanford, 5-7

Levi Brown, 4-25 Tonva Jett, 4-26 Amy Carlile, 5-1 Missy Workman, 5-3 Megan Agardi. 5-3 Pam Pattillo, 5-4 Carla Blanton, 5-7

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Kate Hames will turn 98 years old on May 2. Cards may be sent to: 103 Waddell Road Woodruff, SC 29388.

#### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Our church family grieves the death of Jo Anne Westmoreland We extend our love and prayerful support to Her husband, Tommy Westmoreland, her daughters, Tommie Jo McAbee & Ellie Westmoreland, her son, James Westmoreland, and their families.

We extend our love and prayerful support to

Tammy Bailey & family in the death of her mother, Annette Newman;

Rodney Weaver & family in the death of his father, Gary Lee Weaver;

Carol Morgan & family in the death of her brothers, Charles Raines and Phil Raines.

## LUNCH AT STRAWBERRY HILL

Monday, May 3 \* Meet at the church at 11:00 am Join us for lunch at Strawberry Hill and a shopping trip at the farm stand. Bring money with you for your lunch, shopping, and to help cover the gas for the trip. Please sign up in the church office as soon as possible.

## **SUNDAY'S SERMON: "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

## **BETTER DECISIONS.** FEWER REGRETS

This Sunday, May 2 \* 6:00 pm Join us for Andy Stanley's video study of God's word. Good questions lead to better decisions. This week we will look two questions "The Legacy Question" - "What story do I want to tell?" and "The Conscience Question" - "Is there a tension that deserves my attention?"

#### **REACHING OUR NEIGHBORS** Sunday, May 2 \* 5:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall

We are making plans to reach out to our neighbors and invite them to attend our upcoming Family and Wheels Worship night. Join us for an information and planning meeting as we make plans to canvas neighborhoods and plan our family event. We need you, your input and ideas! See Lisa for more information.



**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!

## MAY CHURCH CONFERENCE Sunday, May 16

After the Morning Worship Service Plan to stay after church and take part in our May Church Conference. Financial reports, facility updates and other church business will be presented and discussed.

## **GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

We are preparing for Graduate Recognition Day on Sunday, May 23. If you know of someone who could be included in this service, please contact the church office.

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Mondays \* 7:00 pm \* Builders' Room

Ladies, come join us as we dive into God's Word. We plan to begin a new Bible study - "How to Read Your Bible" by Jennie Allen. Please let Lisa know as soon as possible if you plan to join us so we can order books. Christy Thompson and Lisa Abercrombie will be cohosting the study.

# **BLOOD DRIVE**

Wednesday, May 5 \* 3:00 - 6:00 pm The Blood Connection offers Covid Antibody Testing to all donors at no cost as part of the regular donation. See their website for more information. They are also giving a \$20 gift card to each donor. Register in advance at https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/ drive schedule/171331 or call the church office, 476-8171, and we will add you to their schedule.

## **CLOTHES CLOSET**

In May, our church will be staffing the Woodruff Community Clothes Closet on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Contact us if you can help.

## 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.

## MICHIKO PHILLIPS' ESTATE

A room has been set up at church where many items from Michiko Phillip's estate are displayed. Please invite friends and loved ones to come and see if there is anything they can use. The items 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.

## THE MISSION MOVES FORWARD

Season of Prayer for Missions in North America Church Goal: \$3,000.00 Received: \$2,865.00 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.

#### **OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT** \$102,740.74 has been contributed!

FINANCIAL REPORT			
<b>BUDGET</b>	<u>April 18</u>	April 25	<u>2021</u>
Needs	\$ 8,905.02	\$ 8,905.02	\$151,385.34
Offering	<u>\$ 4,641.22</u>	<u>\$ 8,585.83</u>	\$ <u>151,730.10</u>
Over/(Unde	r) (\$ 4,263.80)	(\$ 319.19)	\$ 344.76
Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts			
Over & Above		\$	1,085.00
Annie Armstrong		\$	200.00
Michiko Phillips' Estate		\$	305.00
Stewardship		\$	9.54
Youth Fund Fundraiser		\$	891.10
Youth Summer Camp		\$	110.00
Regal Tickets		\$	34.00
Theology Class		\$	25.00
Table Fund		\$	25.00

## **GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

**Over & Above Fund** In Memory of Gerald Forrester **Buddy & Loretta Burdette Tommy & Lynne Morgan** 

In Memory of Jo Anne Westmoreland **Buddy & Loretta Burdette** Jerald Craig Phil & Myra Wood John & Kim McAbee **Richie & Kim Foster Tommy & Lynne Morgan** Liz Mason Jane Turner **Curtis & Nancy Walker** Winsome Sunday School Class Garden Ella Garden Club **Carol Morgan** Joann Laster Curtis & Lisa Lancaster Gary & Cynthia McAlister Leigh Santanello In Memory of Michiko Phillips **Richie & Kim Foster** In Memory of Vicki Manley Gary & Cynthia McAlister In Memory of James Smith Gary & Cynthia McAlister In Memory of Sara Ouzts Jane Turner Gary & Cynthia McAlister In Memory of Charles Raines & Phil Raines **Tommy & Lynne Morgan** Liz Mason **Curtis & Nancy Walker** In Memory of Annette Newman In Memory of Gary Lee Weaver Tommy & Lynne Morgan Theology Class In Memory of Gary Chumley

## **Richie & Kim Foster** Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

In Memory of Michiko Phillips

Mary Dell Scott

#### In Memory of Nancy Huff Liz Mason

In Memory of Jo Anne Westmoreland **Bob & Julia Howard** Mildred Taylor **Ronnie & Ann Henson** 

#### Work of the Church

In Memory of Kyle Suggs Noelle Suggs

Fellowship Hall Table Fund In Memory of Jo Anne Westmoreland **Bobby & Lisa Abercrombie** 

#### WALKING THROUGH THE BIBLE Wednesdays \* 6:00 pm \* Fellowship Hall

Join us for Bible study. 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 28–Joel \* May 5 – Amos We know very little about the historical background of the Book of Joel but internal clues suggests that it was written around the 9th century BC. It mentions a devastating plague of locusts that becomes a symbolic reference to an army that will invade in the future. Joel warns us about The Day of the Lord which refers to a period of judgment and purification through intense suffering that will be followed by a time of restoration. Joel gives a passionate appeal for genuine, sincere repentance - "Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and He relents from sending calamity." Joel 2:13 The Book of Joel is quoted by the apostles in relationship to the Day of Pentecost as God pours out His Spirit on both men and women. Acts 2:17

Amos identifies himself as a sheepbreeder and tender of sycamore fruit. His messages date to around 762 BC. He is a contemporary of Jonah, Hosea and Isaiah. Though he lived in a time of peace and prosperity there was an absence of true worship and a lack of justice in the land. The rich prosper at the expense of the poor. Amos gives a graphic description of *The Day of the Lord* – a day of darkness and not light. He says, **"Let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" Amos 5:24** The apostles point to how Jesus **"restores David's fallen shelter."** Amos 9:11, Acts 15:16

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Concrete & Cranes – Jesus our strong foundation! Wednesdays in June (June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30)

5:30 – 7:30 pm \* K4 – Grade 5

A light supper will be served each evening. You must preregister to attend. Registration information will be coming soon! **"I am sure of this, that He who** started a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:6

#### An Evening With THE REGAL'S & FRIENDS Saturday, July 24 \* 7:00 pm

Let's enjoy an evening of great music, laughter and fellowship. Tickets are \$17 per person. **Please sign up in the office by this Sunday, May 2** if you plan to join us so we can order tickets. See Lisa for more information.

## DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

9:30 am Covid Vaccination Clinic – Second Dose SUNDAY, MAY 2

9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service – Live on Radio & YouTube 4:00 pm Deacons' Meeting 5:00 pm Reaching Our Neighbors Planning Meeting 6:00 pm Bible Study - *Better Decisions, Fewer Regrets* – Fellowship Hall

#### MONDAY, MAY 3

11:00 am Depart for Strawberry Hill 7:00 pm Womens's Bible Study WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

## 3:00 pm Blood Drive

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

#### **MINISTRY PARTNERS – MAY 2**

Children's Worship – Lorraine F, Grace C Nursery: Tommie Jo M, Laurie G AM Christy T, Heather Е РМ

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST Each Sunday \* 10:00 am Woodruff Radio WQUL 101.7 FM 1510 AM

#### FAMILY WHEELS & WORSHIP Friday, May 21 \* 6:00 - 7:30 pm \* Back Parking Lot

Come join us for a wonderful family event as we have fun riding our wheeled toys. Please bring your wheeled toys, lawn chairs and friends. Sign up in the office.

> Helping Hands Ministry's CAR AND BIKE SHOW Saturday, May 15 \* 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Parking Lot, Woodruff Church of God

## **THANK YOU!**

Dear First Baptist Church Family, I will never be able to show you how much you mean to me and my family. Thank you so much for all the prayers, beautiful cards, calls, text messages, flowers & food that my family received during the loss of my two brothers. I am truly blessed to be part of a wonderful family. Love in Christ.

Carol Morgan, Karen Rhodes, Steve Raines & The Families of Charles Raines and Phil Raines

Thank you to everyone who prepared food, made donations, and supported our youth last Sunday at the hot dog fundraiser. We raised enough to give all of our youth who participated a little over \$60 each toward their summer camp cost, which will help everyone tremendously. Thank you for being such a generous church family.

# 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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Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:17

**Regular Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Friday 8:00 am – 12:30 pm

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