

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY!

Sunday School * 9:45 am

WHAT PROOF DOES MY TESTIMONY OFFER?

Acts 26:2-5, 12-18, 24-26

Worship Service * 11:00 am

TRUST THE POTTER

Jeremiah 18:1-6

January Bible Study * 6:00 pm

JEREMIAH: FAITHFUL TO THE MISSION

Overview of the Book of Jeremiah

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Addalynn Lee, 1-6

Pam Scott, 1-7

Sarah Workman, 1-8

Carson Dill, 1-9

Lisa Abercrombie, 1-11

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We express our love and prayerful support to

Kay Brown and family in the death of her brother in law, **Bill Dill**.

LADIES FIRST THURSDAY

Our Titus 2 Ladies ministry will meet for prayer during lunch on Thursday, January 2. Make plans to join us at 12:00 noon at Bronco's Mexican Restaurant. Come join us and invite a friend!

GOLDEN AGE FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, January 8 * 11:45 am

Our program guest will be **Michael J. Davis**, singer, songwriter, guitarist and performer.

Hosts: **Linda Rhodes, Audrey Bettis, Sybil Waddell,**

Carol Woodward Devotional: **Mary Dell Scott**



PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

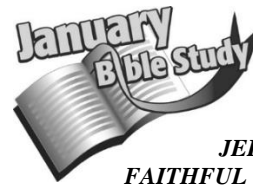
Wednesday – January 8

Join us next Wednesday night for our Church Family Prayer Time at 6:00 pm and then at 6:30 pm for a verse by verse study of 1 Corinthians. We will not meet this Wednesday (New Year's Day) but will resume on Wednesday, January 8.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Resume Next Wednesday, January 8

Our Wednesday Night Activities (supper, choirs, mission groups, Youth Lighthouse) start back next Wednesday. We give thanks for all of the people that make each of these programs possible. If you haven't been coming on Wednesday nights, add it to your schedule so that we can enjoy times of fellowship and Bible study together.



JANUARY BIBLE STUDY
Each Sunday in January
6:00 pm

JEREMIAH:

FAITHFUL TO THE MISSION

In addition to the class for the Adults that will be taught in the Fellowship Hall we will offer special classes for Youth and Children. A nursery will be provided.

SPRING SEMESTER WHS COURSE

On January 7 we will begin two Christian Beliefs classes (18 students in one class and 22 in the other class) for seniors at Woodruff High School. We will transport the students from the school to the church for class each school day. We will again be supplying the students with Bibles, books and resources for the class. **If you would like to help** with the cost of books simply mark an envelope 'WHS Course.' Thank you for your support of this incredible opportunity.

READ THE BIBLE

(A Chapter a Day with Your Family of Faith)

The new year is a great time to establish patterns that will help you grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Join with us as we read one chapter a day six days out of the week, with the aim of making Bible reading a lifelong practice. We publish the reading plan in the newsletter and bulletin, and also give you the option to sign up for daily text message reminders. If you would like a morning reminder, text @bibleam to 81010. If you would like an evening reminder, text @biblepm to 81010.

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Tuesdays * 2:45-4:00 pm * Woodruff Elementary

We need volunteers! Training will be held on **Saturday, January 11, 10:00 am at The Mill**. See **Lisa Abercrombie** if you would like to volunteer.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

A Woman's Heart – Author Beth Moore

We will resume on Tuesday, January 7 at 10:00 am. Be prepared to discuss week 5.

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

Strength to Stand * Pigeon Forge, TN * Jan. 18 – 20

Be praying for our youth as they take part in a weekend of discipleship and fellowship.

HAPPY NEW YEAR – WE NEED YOU!!

We need Mission Friends, RA & GA helpers on Wednesdays (6:30 –7:15 pm) If you are interested in ways you can get plugged in, talk to or email Lisa Abercrombie at lisafbcw@gmail.com.

JEREMIAH
FAITHFUL TO THE
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GETTING READY FOR JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

With 33,002 Hebrew words

Jeremiah is the longest book of the Bible. (Genesis is second with 32,046 words and Psalms is third with 30,147 words.)

The author is Jeremiah, a prophet from Anathoth, a priestly community about 3 miles northeast of Jerusalem. His father's name was Hilkiyah. He is the only prophet of the OT whom God forbade to marry. His name means "Yahweh exalts."

The book takes place during the final days of the nation of Judah and records its destruction by the Babylonians.

Jeremiah is known as the "weeping prophet." He warns the people of the coming destruction, but the people do not listen. He is surrounded by false prophets who preach what the people want to hear - peace, safety and victory.

Jeremiah is also the author of Lamentations, a collection of funeral dirges for Jerusalem that proclaim God's faithfulness.

Jeremiah endures mockery, death threats, imprisonment, and kidnapping from the people he is desperately trying to help.

Jeremiah's ministry began in the 13th year of Josiah in 626 BC and concluded when the temple was destroyed in 586 BC – 40 years. The final paragraph of the book describes events that occurred in 560 BC, bringing the time period covered by the book to 66 years.

Jeremiah prophesied during the administrations of 5 of Judah's kings – Josiah (639-608 BC – 31 years); Jehoahaz (608 BC – 3 months); Jehoiakim (608-597 BC – 11 years); Jehoiachin (597 BC – 3 months); and Zedekiah (597-586 BC – 11 years).

The book of Jeremiah is quoted or alluded to around 125 times in the New Testament. Jeremiah proclaims a new and everlasting covenant that will be written on our hearts.

While the book of Jeremiah contains many words of warning and righteous judgement, it also contains a powerful message of hope and a future from God who is constantly at work to bring redemption and salvation.

CARE VISITS

Our Extended Sunday School Team visits those who are not able to be with us on a regular basis and shares love, literature, scripture, and more. Please contact the church office if you would like to receive visits.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Each Sunday * 9:00 am * Choir Room

Join us as we lift our hearts to God's throne of grace.

A PLACE TO GROW AND BELONG!

Join us this Sunday for Bible Study! There is a small group for everybody. Contact the church office or stop by the Welcome Center if you need help knowing which class would best meet your needs

GIFTS TO THE GLORY OF GOD!

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

In Memory of C. N. Mason

Mary Dell Scott

In Honor of the Church Staff

L.D. & Bobbie Cudd

In Honor of Sandy Farmer

L.D. & Bobbie Cudd

In Honor of Loretta Burdette

Over & Above Fund

In Honor of Andrew Shull

Jim & Kay Young

In Memory of C. N. Mason

Richie & Kim Foster

Terry & Tammy Summer

Joann Laster

Rex & Jan Skinner

Katherine Patton

Randy & Linda Rhodes

Steve & Janis Patton

Jane Turner

In Memory of Charles Brown, Sr.

Terry & Tammy Summer

Playground Fund

In Memory of C. N. Mason

Conn, Tyler and Liz Mason

Music Fund

In Honor of John & Julie Carroll

Jim & Kay Young

The Work of the Church

In Memory of C. N. Mason

Bobby & Patsy Going

| SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE | Dec. 22 | Dec. 29 | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Nursery | 3 | 1 | |
| Children | 13 | 10 | |
| Youth | 6 | 8 | |
| Adults | 59 | 60 | |
| Total Attendance | 81 | 79 | |
| BUDGET | Dec. 22 | Dec. 29 | 2019 |
| Needs | \$ 8,838.91 | \$ 8,838.91 | \$459,623.32 |
| Offering | <u>\$ 8,718.00</u> | <u>\$ 9,001.93</u> | <u>\$441,540.87</u> |
| Over/(Under) | (\$ 120.91) | \$ 163.02 | (\$ 18,082.45) |
| Additional Offerings Given for Special Accounts | | | |
| Over & Above | \$ | | 421.55 |
| Lottie Moon | \$ | | 815.00 |
| Wednesday Night Supper | \$ | | 89.00 |
| Youth Fund | \$ | | 420.00 |
| Playground Fund | \$ | | 1,000.00 |
| Reimbursement | \$ | | 6.00 |
| Music Fund | \$ | | 50.00 |
| Childrens Music Fund | \$ | | 546.49 |

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Next Wednesday, January 8

Sausage, Biscuits & Gravy, Eggs and Grits

Please turn in a Reservation card or call (476-8171) or email us (office@fbcwsc.org) by **Monday afternoon, Jan 6** so that we will know how much food to prepare.

Think about people who often eat alone that you could bring with you to these wonderful meals.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

- Jan. 1 – No Services or Activities
- Jan. 8 – Regular Schedule Resumes

WOMEN'S MISSIONS BREAKFAST

All ladies are invited to join us for breakfast on **Saturday, Jan. 25 at 9:00 am** in the Builder's SS Room at **First Baptist Church**. **Lori Smith**, a missionary from **Harvest Seekers International** will be sharing about her ministry with the people of **Mali**. Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share and invite others to come and fellowship with us! Come and see how God is at work and how you can help!

YOUR OFFERINGS

A portion of each dollar you place in the offering plate goes to support Camp LaVida. Since 1983, Camp LaVida, located in Fairfield County, has ministered to Girls in Action, Acteens & women of all ages. *"Anyone who has been to Camp La Vida can tell you that it is an awesome camp. It is a place where a camper can make lifelong friends and unforgettable memories. It is a place to meet missionaries from around the world & learn about other cultures. It is a place to soar through the sky on the Flying Squirrel & make pottery with your own two hands. It is a place to swim in the warm sun while seeing God's beauty all around you. It is a place where you can learn about God & have fun with other believers."* We are grateful for the incredible difference the camp makes in hearts & lives & are excited to have a part in what God is doing at Camp LaVida.

Spartanburg County Baptist Network

EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING

Tuesday, January 28 * 5:30 pm

Contact our pastor if you would like to come and help represent our church. The meeting will be held at our Network Office, 5245 Hwy. 221, Roebuck.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for your gift to ACT II. You are touching tomorrow by investing in North Greenville University. We are grateful for your partnership.

In Christ, **Gene C. Fant, Jr., Ph.D. President NGU**

DAY BY DAY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1 – Happy New Year!

OFFICE CLOSED 2 Corinthians 2

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 – 2 Corinthians 3

12:00 pm Ladies First Thursday – Bronco's

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3 – 2 Corinthians 4

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 – 2 Corinthians 5

9:00 am Sunday Morning Prayer

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

6:00 pm January Bible Study – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 – 2 Corinthians 6

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 – 2 Corinthians 7

10:00 am Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 – 2 Corinthians 8

11:45 am Golden Age Fellowship

5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper

5:45 pm Preschool & Children's Choirs, Youth Lighthouse

6:00 pm Church Family Prayer Time

6:30 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

Adult Choir Rehearsal, Missions Groups

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 – 2 Corinthians 9

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 – 2 Corinthians 10

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

10:00 am Good News Club Training – The Mill



The Church Office
will be closed:
New Year's Day,
Wednesday, January 1.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We still have some Christmas that did not get picked up during the Christmas season. We will place them in the Sunday School boxes for this Sunday.

STOP BY FOR COFFEE

Before Sunday School at the Welcome Center

ONLINE GIVING

Secure online giving is available
on our church website: www.fbcwoodruff.org

OVER AND ABOVE PROJECT

\$82,639.60 has been contributed! We give thanks and look forward to these projects being accomplished!

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

Received: \$3,751.00

SHARING THE MINISTRY – JAN 5

Counting: P Elliott Notes: Julia H B Pressure: R Lanford

Nursery: Jamie W & Jessie W pm: Vicky C, Sharon W

W Center: B & C Fortner C Worship: Vicky C, Katherine T

Ushers: Milton S, Bill S (c) Lenn C, Don S (f) Randy R (p)

Duane B (o) Jason K, Wayne W, Bobby A (outside)

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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First Baptist Church * Woodruff, South Carolina

January 1, 2020

**JEREMIAH
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**January
Bible Study
2020**

**EACH SUNDAY
IN JANUARY
6:00 PM**

C. Andrew Shull, Pastor
Bryan C. Thompson, Associate Pastor for Youth
John C. Carroll, Minister of Music
Lisa C. Abercrombie, Ministry Coordinator
Carol R. Morgan, Secretary
Kay M. Young, Pianist
Tommy Jo McAbee, Site Manager
Randy C. Rhodes, Site Manager

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