



Great Swamp Baptist Church
August 23, 2015



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Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Welcome

Announcements

Invocation

Wayne Cooler

Selections of Praise and Worship

Song of Praise

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Pastor Ralph Lee

A Demonstration of Stewardship

Offertory

Offertory Response

Hymn #253

“Doxology”

Hymn of Praise

Special Music

Robin Malphrus

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee

A Time to Respond

Invitation

Benediction



Today:

*Annette Malphrus
Krey Lowther*

Next Week:

*Olivia Stanley
Krey Lowther*

Nursery Workers



Today:

Vicky Roberts & Emma

Next Week:

*Latrell Steedly
Kim Malphrus & Kimberlyn*

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today:

*Wayne Cooler
843-726-4297*



Next Week:

*Wilbur Daley
843-305-0110*



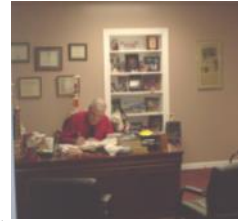
**IF YOUR DEACONS
CAN MINISTER TO YOU IN ANY WAY,
CALL THE CHURCH @ 726-3631**

From

Pastor Ralph's Desk:

God Builds David a House

(II Samuel 7:1-17)



Intro: This message comes from our Wednesday Night Bible Study. I began the message by asking, what was John F. Kennedy's most famous statement? The answer is, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." Well, in our Bible study, God does a reversal of this statement with King David. King David desired to build a house for God. A house that would hold the Ark of the Covenant. However, God basically said to David, Ask not what you can do for God, rather ask what God can do for you. For God, through the prophet Nathan, told King David that he wasn't going to build Him a house, rather He (God) was going to build David a house. Now, God's not referring to a literal house for David already had a house and palace built. Rather God is referring to the family aspect of a home. Let us examine in these wonderful set of verses the home that God builds for David.

I. First, let us notice the foundations of the home, vs 8.

When you build a home you start with the foundation of the house. I am using this idea to point out "when" God began building David a house or family or even a kingdom. In this verse, God reminds David that He actually started building him a house, family or kingdom long before he became an adult and long before he actually started reigning over the nation. As a matter of fact, He reminds David that he was just a lad out in the shepherd's field when He had him anointed to be the next king over Israel. Even David in Ps. 139 reminds us all that God began preparing him when he was in his mother's womb and even before when he was first in the heart and mind of God.

So it is with us that long before we became adults and long before we were drawn to salvation, even long before we were born, God was already working on our lives and our homes that He is building all His people into. Oh, praise be to God.

II. Second, notice the fame connected to this home, vs 9.

God assured David that although he had come from lowly circumstances of shepherding sheep, He was going to raise and even lift him up to a status beyond his imagination. He would be listed among the greatest men on the earth. So, that no one was going to have anything on David regardless of where he came from.

Now this all happens for no reason of David's choosing but rather purely because of God's choosing. So, his fame comes about because God's chooses to make it happen.

Many home and houses get toured because they once belonged to someone famous. The home may only be a cabin but because of its connection to some famous personality, it becomes special. When a person, regardless of their lowly or even sinful station come to Christ, they are lifted up to a status far beyond anything they could imagine. For we become a part of the

home that belongs to God. The one that He builds and you can't get anymore famous than that, Hallelujah!

III. Third, notice the family in the house, vs 10.

In this verse, God says to David that He will provide a place for my people, Israel, and give them a home of their own. So, this family in this house is God's people, Israel.

Now, it is important that we understand that there are two Israel's. There is first the actual nation of Israel. They are God's earthly chosen people and God is still working with this nation. Then there is the Spiritual Israel. This will ultimately be all of God's people, both Jew and Gentiles that have come to Christ for salvation. They are the Eternal Israel that are united together through the glorious works of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross and in His resurrection. We are all being built up into a home. Paul describes this for us in Ephesians 2:11-22.

If you want to be a part of God's eternal home that unites all of His people together, then you must come to Christ for eternal salvation and you will be added to the house that God is building.

IV. Fourth, notice the footing of this house, vs 10.

I am using the word footing to represent that fact that his house or home or family is real. It has an actual footing. In other words, it's not some fantasy or fairytale story that has no reality. Rather as God says in this verse, "He will provide a place." It is a real place. A place where all of God's people can be together. With the actual nation of Israel, He provided the promise land, but for us all out there in eternity, Jesus said in John 14 that He was going to prepare a place for us. It will be our actual place where we can put our foot there and say this is our place for all eternity with all of God's people and with God Himself. Wow!

V. Fifth, notice the fortitude of this house.

In other words how strong is this home? Will it weather the storms of time? Will it be a lasting place that we can count on? And the answer is a resounding yes, because this home is our eternal one. In verse 16 He comes right out and says, "Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever."

If you want to be a part of God's eternal home, you must believe in Jesus Christ for eternal salvation.

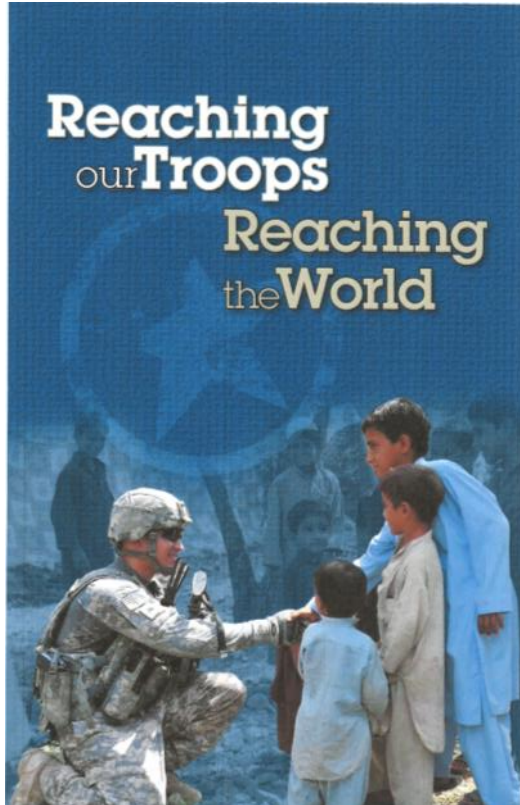
VI. Finally, notice the Father of this house, vs 14-16.

Clearly God says He will be the Father of this home and of course, Jesus taught us that as Christians, God is our Heavenly Father. So, in this house you never have to worry about anything because there is no father like our Father. He is the Father of Fathers and He won't let us down because of who He is. His love will always be an unconditional everlasting love for His children. Oh what a joy and privilege to be in this home. Are you a part of this home? You can be by trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus Loves you!

Pastor Ralph

Coming in September

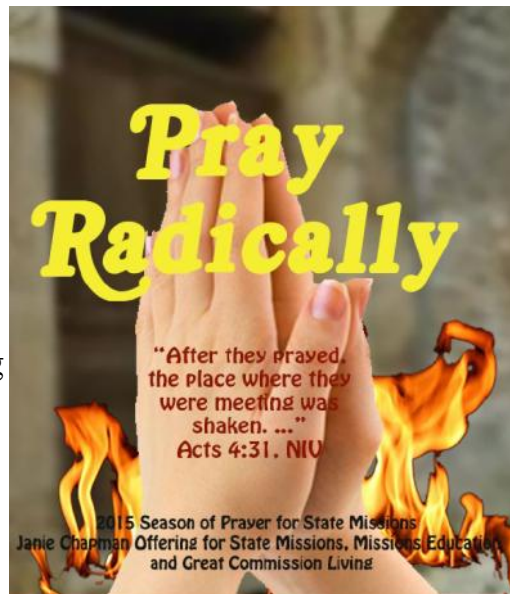


Faith Comes
By Hearing

Military
Bible Sticks

2015
Season of Prayer

Janie Chapman Offering
State Missions



2015 Season of Prayer for State Missions
Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions, Missions Education
and Great Commission Living



Starting
on
September 2nd
6:00 pm
MPB



**2015-2016 WNS Cooking
Teams**

Anyone interested in cooking on Wednesday nights for the upcoming church year, please contact Ann Malphrus at 717-1776.

"Welcome to the Youth"



Wednesday, August 26th at 6:00pm
for all current youth and rising 7th graders.
Pizza and sides will be served from 6:00-7:00
with our regular youth meeting
beginning at 7:00.

Parents of new youth group members
are welcomed to join us
at 6:00 for pizza.

If you have any questions,
please contact
Michelle Waitt
At
843-597-1322

Wednesday Night
SERVICE
We look forward to seeing you then!

**MIDWEEK
EXPERIENCE**

go deep



SUNDAY SCHOOL
JOIN US
THIS WEEK

**NEW
SUNDAY
SCHOOL
CLASS**

**College &
career**



GSBC Prayer Pages August 23, 2015

Church Needs

Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor
Richard Waitt- Music Director
Deacons
Child Dev. Ministries

Sunday School
Small Groups
SFCA-Donna Carter

Ministries
Outreach Ministry
Nominating Committee

Leadership

President Barack Obama
United States of America

Unspoken

Jonathan Malphrus-Job Search
Ann Malphrus

Bereavement

Family
Of

Hospitals

Nursing Centers

Elaine Degler-RNC

Surgery / Recovery

Mack Pope, Sr. (7/29)
E L Ambrose (7/23)
Olivia Stanley (7/29)
Burnette Pinckney (7/30)
Barry DeMay (8/4)
Gail Malphrus (8/20)
Barbara Mills (8/20)

Cancer / Treatments

Lane Malphrus (8/6)
Barry Jones (8/20)
Virginia Wells (8/2)
Dean Goen (8/3)
Billy Benton (8/2)
Gene Bryan(8/20)

Other Health Needs

Dot Tindal (8/6)
Katelyn Morgan (8/6)
Lynn Glasser (8/6)
Saylor Moser (8/6)
Mary Cope (8/6)
Betty Nettles (8/6)
Vera Floyd (8/6)
Davey McGill (8/6)
Dwaine Malphrus (8/2)
Faye Cleland (8/2)
Krey Lee Lowther (8/2)

Scott Boyles (7/24)
Lois Bootle (7/24)
Wayne Green (7/30)
Steve Maddox (7/30)
Jane Waitt (7/30)
Dorthie Armstrong (7/30)
Suzie Mitchell (8/10)
Judy Smith (8/20)
Ann Malphrus (8/20)

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family
Robin Gray-Central Asia
Bjo Mills-USA

Expecting / Births

Pray For Our Military



Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army

If you have someone who needs listing, call either the church office @ 726-3631 or E.L. Ambrose @ 726-5479.

Thank You

Please Continue To Remember

*Ricky Cleland
Mike Hodge
Shirley Malphrus
Rose Boyles
Myia Angala Ellis
Susan L. Vaigneur
Norris Sauls
Lula Floyd*

*Dot Nettles
Jimmie Mills
Betty Nettles
Tom Hinely
Olivia Stanley
Joyce Sutler
Kevin Roach
Wofford Malphrus*

*Myrtle Rowell Smith
Billie Langford
Lisa Koon
Mitzi Cramer
Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Mary Daley*



What about revival? Can we have one of our own choosing? No. Only god can give revival. What is our roll? Prepare the way of the Lord. Make the road a straight one. It leads us to examine the "Desert" of our lives. Then God will send revival. Prayer will lead the way.

Today's Prayer Team

Group I

**Patricia Malphrus-- Leader
Truett Vaigneur
Shirley Malphrus**

**Watchman Prayer Service
Saturdays @ 8:00am**

Prayer Note

*For emergencies
a prayer chain
is available for needs.
You may access
by calling the
church @ 726-3631
Or*

E.L. Ambrose @ 726-5479

This Week:



August 23rd *Wofford Malphrus*
Billy Fennel

August 26th *Faye Lowther*

August 28th *Kate Carter*

August 30th *Linda Langford*



Thank you so much for remembering our mother with the flowers you sent. They were beautiful. She would have appreciated them. God Bless.
The Family of English Malphrus

Announcements

Monday, August 17th
1st Day of School



Thursday, August 27th
10:00 am
Home of Shirley Jean Wing



Saturday, August 29th
Watchman Prayer Group
8:00 am

DR. JAMES DOBSON'S

BUILDING A FAMILY LEGACY

F I L M S E R I E S




STARTING SEPT 20TH at 6:30pm

DOOR PRIZES EACH NIGHT

WE STAND WITH GOD
PRO-FAMILY RALLY

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Join Us At The
South Carolina State Capitol
August 29th | 11a.m.

*KEYNOTE SPEAKERS INCLUDE:



Senator
*Ted Cruz

Governor
*Rick Perry

Pastor
*Dr. Ron Baily

Chad Connelly

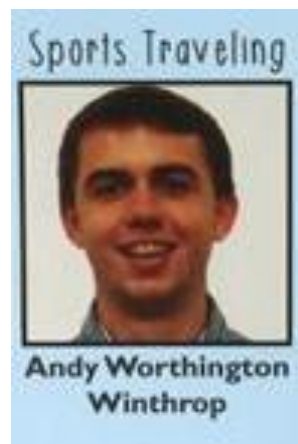
Dr. David Gibbs III

SC Representative
Richie Yow

& Many Others To Be Announced:



*Weekly prayer
for
Summer Missionaries*



SFCA
Blood Drive



It takes!
all types!
GIVING = LIVING

September 11th
Starting @ Noon
MPB

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Church Staff

Pastor: **Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr.**jehu27@gmail.com
 Music Director: **Richard Waitt**waittfamily@embarqmail.com
 Sunday School Director: **Wallace Malphrus**Josie6@embarqmail.com
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 Treasurer: **Faye Lowther**kreyleesmom98@gmail.com
 School Administrator: **Donna Carter**dcarter@hargray.com
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 Landscaper: **Wallace Malphrus**Josie6@embarqmail.com

Calendar of Events

For
 August 24th through August 30th

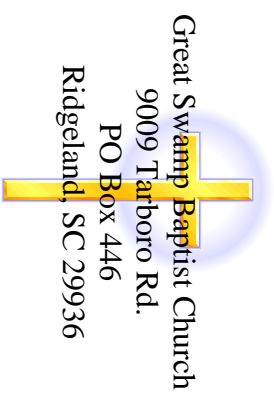
Sunday Morning Breakfast (September thru May Only)..... 8:30AM
 Sunday School..... 9:45AM
 Morning Worship.....11:00AM
 Evening Worship.....6:00PM
 Wednesday Night Supper (September thru May Only)..... 6:00PM
 Wednesday Night Service.....7:00PM
 Saturday Watchman Prayer.....8:00AM

Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
<i>Tithes & Offerings</i>	\$3,498.25	\$ 4,616.28	-\$1,118.03
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Kitchen Supplies</i>	\$50.00	*****	\$504.61
<i>OCC</i>	\$1.00	*****	\$730.47
	\$	*****	\$
	\$	*****	\$
	\$	*****	\$
	\$	*****	\$

Nursery Workers Needed

More nursery workers are needed for the 2015-2016 church year. If you are interested in joining our team, please contact Diane Thames @ 321-0806.



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