

July 24, 2016



Great Swamp
Baptist Church



Great Swamp Baptist Church

July 24, 2016
Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Welcome

Announcements

Wilbur Daley

Invocation

Duane Armstrong

Selections of Praise & Worship

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Demonstration of Stewardship

Offertory

Special Music

Message

Tony Hemphill

Invitation

Benediction



Today:
Cassandra Bradley
Duane Armstrong
Next Week:
Dorthie Armstrong
Duane Armstrong

Nursery Workers



Today:
Anita Blanton
Allysa
Next Week:
Vandy Amazon
Natalie



Toll Committee

For
July
Latrell Steedly & Dorthie Armstrong

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



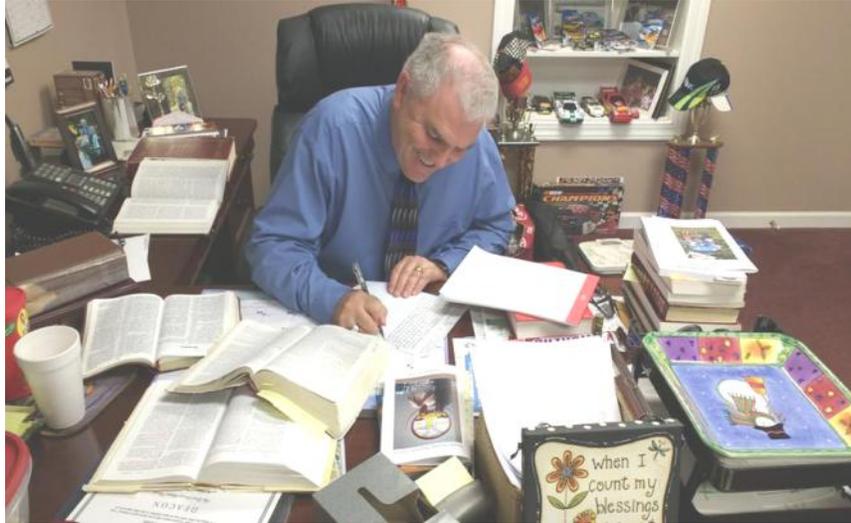
Today:
Duane Armstrong
 843-726-6795



Next Week:
Fred Stanley
 843-226-5641



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



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

The Power of the Name of Jesus (Part 3)

(Acts 4)

Intro: As we investigate the power of the name of Jesus, we've already noted that the power of His name is the power to heal, to do good and to save. However, there is so much power in the name of Jesus that the list could never be exhausted. For our study though, we will focus on the ones that are presented to us in this chapter which we've been studying. Today, we will examine two more aspects that happen through the power of His name.

IV. Fourth, the power of the name of Jesus is the power to be courageous, vs 8-20. *Now, we are referring to the courage of Peter and John as they faced the religious leaders of the Jews who had them arrested following the healing of the lame man and the message which they preached. It was their captors that acknowledged that they were brave and courageous men, and when you acknowledge your courage, that speaks loudly.*

A. First, let us notice what they were courageous about. *There was only one thing they were courageous and confident about and it was the message which they preached. From the previous messages, we know without any doubt what their message was. That message is that all power in heaven and earth to save sinners, to heal the sick, to do good,. To raise the dead and so much more is found only and I emphasize only in the name, power and authority of*

the Lord Jesus Christ. It was the only answer that they gave to their captors. The healing of the lame man was done in the power of Jesus' name. They said and as well that the people saved following their message, the day before was also done through the power of Jesus' name. for they said, "Salvation is found in no one else..."

From this we learn that the power that God gives us to be courageous is for the purpose of declaring the power and authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, and Him alone. To proclaim boldly that theirs is salvation is no one but Jesus and Jesus alone.

B. Second, let us notice why their courage was so significant. *First, their courage was significant because they were clearly aware that they might be greatly punished for being so bold in their proclamation of the power and authority of the Lord Jesus. The religious leaders, especially didn't want them to preach in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which they did without hesitation. So, the question is would we be so bold about Jesus if we knew that it might lead to persecution and punishment? If we rely upon His power, we can be courageous under intense pressure.*

Second, their courage was significant because as the religious leaders said, "that they were unschooled." In other words, they weren't educated men. Peter and John had not sat under all the scholars that these religious men had sat under. Like most, this fact would alone cause us to cower down especially in front of men so educated, but not Peter and John. For, though they had not been to college or seminary so to speak, and possibly they had never attended any school in their entire lives.

However, the important thing to take note of is that Peter and John, though uneducated by the standard of the religious leaders they had sat under, for three years they had the greatest teacher of all eternity. For though the religious leaders called them unschooled, they also, "took note that their men had been with Jesus." (vs. 13). So, in order to be courageous, we don't have to hold all kind of educational degrees. Rather, like Peter and John and all the disciples, we just need to spend time with Jesus. For in Jesus is wrapped up all the wisdom of eternity.

One more reason I want to note why their courage was so significant was because as the religious leaders said of them that not only were they unschooled but they also took note that they were just "ordinary men" (vs 13). From a worldly point of view, Peter and John didn't hold any high position or rank in society. Therefore, because they are just ordinary men speaking before these religious

leaders who held such high positions, it would only be understandable if they said nothing because they are a couple of nobodies in front of a bunch of some bodies.

However, what we must remember is that because Peter and John had been with Jesus and was still with Him, they had a far higher position than all the religious leaders for through Christ they were children of God. Sons and daughters of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, go on ahead child of God and be courageous.

Now let us consider where their courage came from. Well, of course, we know that answer. It came from the Lord Himself. In what we call the great commission, Jesus told the disciples and us to go into all the world and make disciples and lo He would be with us to the ends of the earth. (Matt. 28:16-20). Then He told His disciples to wait until the promised gift of the Holy Spirit was given to them. Then, they were to go out and carry out the great commission. Well, on the Day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit of God indwelt the believers, they became a powerhouse for Jesus. Courage comes from the power of the name of Jesus. It is from Him that we will receive it.

V. Fifth, the power of the name of Jesus is the power to be afraid, vs 13-17. We might call it the power to fear. This is just the opposite of the previous point. You see that the ones that become afraid in this situation is the religious leaders that arrested Peter and John. There are several things that give the indication that they had become somewhat afraid or fearful. For other than arresting and questioning them, they let them go. As a matter of fact these religious and political scholars couldn't even come to a decision about what they should do to them. For they couldn't deny the fact that the lame man had indeed been healed and everyone in Jerusalem knew about it. The other indication that they had become fearful was the fact that they threatened Peter and John before they let them go to speak in the name of Jesus no more. For fear often leads to threats when you become afraid that you might get caught or you are afraid that you just might be wrong. So, maybe they were a little fearful that maybe Peter and John were right and if they were right, then they are opposing the truth.

The point is that through the power of the name of Jesus, people are convicted of their sins and of the fake beliefs and if in that conviction they don't repent and believe in Christ, they will be fearful for eternity.

Let us remind people to die without Christ is to die eternally lost. This may bring about fear but hopeful that fear will cause them to cling to the love of Christ for then and trust in Him for their salvation. Matthew 10:26-28 says, "So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell."

Conclusion: When through God's conviction, we turn to Christ then we never more have to fear His wrath. Instead we will find the boldness to be courageous for the cause of Christ.

Jesus Love You,

Ralph Lee, Jr

Tickets
\$20.00 each



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RACE DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016



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DEACON ELECTION NOTICE

On Sunday, August 7th, during the Morning Service, we will select three deacons to serve until 2019. If you wish to have your name removed from the following list please contact the church office at 726-3631.

<i>Eddie Amason</i>	<i>Jonathan Malphrus</i>
<i>E.L. Ambrose</i>	<i>Patrick Malphrus</i>
<i>Duane Armstrong</i>	<i>Paul Malphrus</i>
<i>Kelly Baim</i>	<i>Robin Malphrus</i>
<i>Gerald Boyles</i>	<i>Rodney Malphrus, Jr.</i>
<i>Calvin Bryan</i>	<i>Rodney Malphrus, Sr.</i>
<i>Bill Carter, Jr.</i>	<i>Wallace Malphrus</i>
<i>Ken Cleland</i>	<i>Davey McGill</i>
<i>Wayne Cooler</i>	<i>Sam Mock</i>
<i>Michael Daley</i>	<i>Ronnie Nettles</i>
<i>Wilbur Daley</i>	<i>Robert O'Dell</i>
<i>Mike Davis</i>	<i>Mack Pope</i>
<i>Chad Duncan</i>	<i>Tony Roberts</i>
<i>Michael Fitzhugh</i>	<i>Robert Sauls</i>
<i>Keith Gamo</i>	<i>Timmy Sauls</i>
<i>Mike Hodge</i>	<i>Leonard Steedly</i>
<i>Krey Lowther, Sr.</i>	<i>Gentry Thames</i>
<i>Andy Malphrus</i>	<i>Truett Vaigneur</i>
<i>Charles Malphrus</i>	<i>Christopher Waitt</i>
<i>Frankie Malphrus</i>	<i>Jonathan Waitt</i>
<i>Irwin Malphrus</i>	<i>Richard Waitt</i>
	<i>Gary Way</i>

Deacon Rotation

Wayne Cooler
Robert O'Dell
Duane Armstrong

SAVE THE DATE !



SENIOR CELEBRATION



Heavenly Sonlight

"The Musical"

August 11, 2016 • 10:00 am

Port Royal Baptist Church

***Food, Fun,
Fellowship!***

Tickets \$8.00

Music by:

Sweet Grass Angels

Tidal Force

The Eternal Connection



Registration/ticket forms and additional info
will be sent to churches in July.

Sponsored by Savannah River Baptist Association

Operation Christmas Child

For the month of July, we are collecting:

***Toothbrushes
&
Toothpaste***



A gift of \$50.00 was given to the Hanshew Offering by the Grandmother's Group.



Seniors Announcement

Balances for the Senior trip are due by August 31st. Bus Fees are due by September 30th.

Announcements



*The Quilting Club is meeting in the Old Parsonage
Thursday, July 28th @ 10:00am
Needed: At Home Sewers
To put together quilt blocks already cut out
Call: Bernice @ 843-726-5622*



*Watchman Prayer Group
Saturday, July 30th @ 8:00 am*



Community Blood Drive
*Ridgeland Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
Friday, July 29th
1:30pm—6:30pm
Call Tara @ 843-726-3127 for more info*

GSBC Prayer Pages July 17, 2016

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
Pastor Ralph-Revival
(24th-27th—N.C.)*

Unspoken

*Jonathan Malphrus-Job Search
Ann Malphrus
Max Cole
Laycock Family
Ray & Peggy Michael*

Bereavement

*Family
Of
Angie Smith Griner
(Relatives of Bobby Mohn)*

Hospitals

Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC
Wofford Malphrus-Effingham County
Rehab. Center*

Surgery / Recovery

*Grace Boyles (7/21)
Bobby Smith (7/7)
Stacy Barwick (7/7)
Fred Stanley (7/25)
LiLi Carter (7/25)
Rick Orlick (7/21)
Brian Freeman (7/21)*

Cancer / Treatments

*Barry Jones (7/7)
David Davenport (7/03)
Troy Altman (7/7)
Jack Nettles (7/7)*

Other Health Needs

*Saylor Moser (7/14)
Jimmie Cleland (7/14)
Ryan Tuyls (6/30)
José Arturo Nava (7/14)
Lanell Smith (7/14)
Patricia Malphrus (7/14)
Lilly Smith (7/21)
Richard Mason (7/21)
Tim Jones (7/21)
Scottie Graham (7/21)*

*Wallace Malphrus (6/30)
Dot Smart (6/30)
Andy Miles (6/30)
Jane Waitt (6/30)
Joanna Daring (6/30)
Ernie Barefield (7/7)
David Lee (7/7)
Jeanie Raburn (7/7)
Theo Drayton (7/21)*

Expecting / Births

*Beth Reynolds Cabiness & Baby Boy
Vanessa Smoak -December 17th*

Called to Ministry

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

Pray For Our Military



Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army

Jared Blanton-Home

Matthew Mills-Parris Island

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
Lula Floyd
Mary Cope
Judy Smith
Jeffrey Stanley*

*Dot Nettles
Jimmie Mills
Betty Nettles
Tom Hinely
Olivia Stanley
Lois Bootle
Lane Malphrus*

*Myrtle Rowell Smith
Billie Langford
Lisa Koon
Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Mary Daley
Leonard Steedly
Barbara Mills
Joyce Sutler*



How is your prayer life? Have you developed regular prayer times? Why not commit for the month of August to one of the special prayer times? You will be strengthened and your walk with the Lord will take on a freshness you will appreciate. Consult your bulletin for the times and if you need information, call E. L. Ambrose at 843-726-5479. Good Praying.

E.L. Ambrose

Today's Prayer Team

Group I

**Patricia Malphrus— Leader
Truett Vaigneur
Shirley Malphrus
Vera Miles**

**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



July 15th

Kayla Horton

July 25th

Tim Malphrus

Lois Bootle

July 26th

Barbara McGill

Amber Broschard

Red Malphrus

July 29th

Nicole Cole

July 30th

Josh Carter



July 25th

Duane & Dorthie Armstrong

July 29th

Frankie & Margie Malphrus

Jimmie & Amanda Anderson

July 31st

Michael & Doranda Fitzhugh

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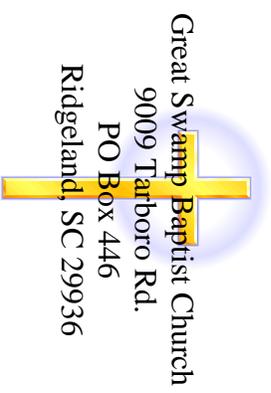
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Calendar of Events For July 24th through July 30th

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>	\$3,560.00	\$ 4,828.76	-\$1,268.76
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Benevolence</i>	\$321.72	*****	\$457.31
<i>Hanshew Offering</i>	\$50.00	*****	\$230.00
<i>SFCA</i>	\$7.00	*****	\$1,314.51
<i>Mission Dignity</i>	\$168.00	*****	\$168.00
<i>Dot Lee Scholarship</i>	\$25.00	*****	\$635.00



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