



*Great Swamp Baptist Church*

*July 30, 2017*

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July 30, 2017  
Sunday Morning Worship  
11:00 AM



## **Prelude**

## **The Welcome**

Announcements

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Call to Worship**

*Hymn #217 "Oh, How I Love Jesus"*

## **Invocation**

*Wilbur Daley*

## **Selections of Praise & Worship**

*Hymn #133 "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"*

## **We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Offertory Special

*Sadie O'Connor*

## **Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Invitation**

## **Benediction**



**Today:**  
*Olivia Stanley*  
*Krey Lowther*

**Next Week:**  
*Betty Robertson*  
*Krey Lowther*

**Nursery Workers**



**Today:**  
*Donna Carter*

*Amanda Hodges*

**Next Week:**

*Latrelle Steedly*

*Kim & Kimberlyn*



**Toll Committee**

*For August*  
*Helen Malphrus and Anita Blanton*

**DEACON OF THE WEEK :**

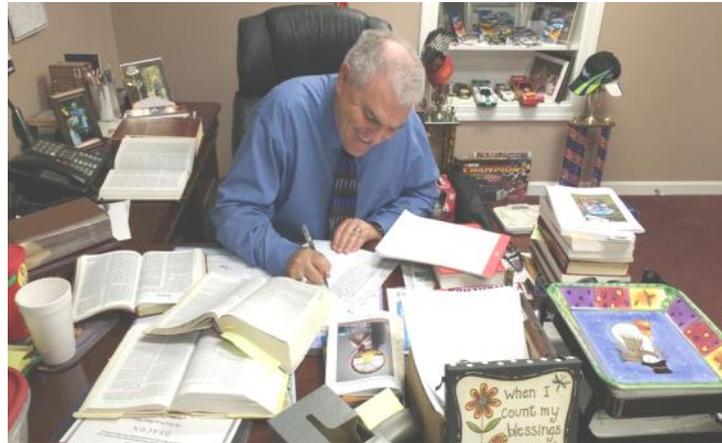


**Today:**  
*Wilbur Daley*  
*843-305-0110*

**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 Teamwork That Got Recognition**

*(Genesis 11:1-9)*

*Intro: A few days ago, two young brothers made quite a valiant team effort. These two young men wanted to go to their grandfather's house because he has many animals at his place. However, in order for them to get there, they were going to have to work as a team. They knew where their mother hid the car keys so they went and got them. They got the car started and as a team they managed to drive their mother's car three of the seven miles required to get to their grandfathers before crashing the car. The five year old brother worked the gas and brakes while the two year old brother steered the car. This was incredible team work for such young boys.*

*Tammy and I recently went and watched the movie Dunkirk. It was about the battle of Dunkirk. In this battle of WWII, the British, French and Belgians military was pushed back to the French coastline just right outside of Dunkirk. There was a total of over 400,000 men on the beaches that needed to be rescued. Well an amazing effort of teamwork made it possible for nearly 340,000 of those soldiers to be rescued. Together, the British air force along with hundreds of civilian vessels working together managed to rescue 338,000 soldiers in eleven days before the Germans completely overtook them.*

*Now the point that I want to make is that from these two stories I have shared, we learn the absolute value of teamwork.*

*If as a church we are going to make disciples, then we must do it as a team. Teamwork and team effort are absolutely required.*

*In the Old Testament, there is an incident in which the team work is so amazing that even God has given recognition to it. However, this team effort was done for all the wrong reasons and God has to put a stop to it. However, if we work together as a team in the same manner, but for all the right reasons, then we will be able to move mountains. So let us examine this teamwork that got recognition.*

**I. First, the teamwork that got recognition did so because they spoke the same language, vs 1.**

*It was because of this incident God confuses their language. However, up to the time of this incident and from the time that Noah and his family disembarked from the ark, everyone was speaking the same language.*

*Now this was a great advantage to the purpose that they set their minds to accomplishing.*

*Now, though we have many different languages, it is still possible to speak the same language so to speak. However, tragically, it is possible to speak the same language yet appear to be speaking at the same time a completely different language.*

*If we as god's people, would get on the same page as to the topic of one conversation, then we could indeed go a long ways toward accomplishing the work of God in our world. If one topic of discussion focused upon the goodness of Jesus Christ and His love for us, then we could change our community.*

*Tragically, however, the language most people from us is mostly negative, complaining, selfish, and even foul. May the Lord lead us to work as a team speaking together on the things of God.*

**II. Second, the teamwork that got recognition did so because they had the same goals, vs 3-4.**

*From these verses, we seem to find two goals that the people in these verses had their mind to accomplish. Both of these goals were in direct disobedience to God's directive for them. The first goal was to build a city and a tower that would reach high into the sky for the purpose of adoring the greatness and ability of humanity. Instead of recognizing the greatness of our God, the One who built the sky they were trying to reach and who had saved them through the flood giving them a second chance, they were honoring themselves.*

*The second goal they had was to build this city so large that they wouldn't have to move anywhere else in the world. This was directly opposite of what God had called them to do. When Noah and his family came off the ark, God instructed them to multiply and scatter out all over the world. This shows*

*That they were not trusting God or they would not have feared moving out in the rest of the world.*

*Now, they were absolutely one hundred percent plus committed to the common goals. The whole team worked together as though they had no other things to accomplish. So it is if we focus on the goals and purposes that God has given us which is to reach the lost and make disciples, then we will be able to move mountains, so to speak. We will never agree on a lot of insignificant matters but we can agree upon the things God has called us to do. So, let us set aside our insignificant differences and focus upon God's purposes and we will do some amazing things.*

**III. Third, the teamwork that got recognition did so because they put forth a common effort, vs 3-4.**

*Now my point here is that everyone pitched in and did their part. Now you might be wondering how I know this and the answer is quite simple. They kept saying, "let us" or "each other". So, they all kicked in and performed some task to help accomplish their goal. Some had to go and dig the clay to make the bricks with. Some had to mold the bricks into shape. Some had to bake them. Some had to gather the tar necessary for cementing the bricks together. Some had to carry the bricks. Some had to lay them and so on. The point is everybody put forth a common effort to get the job done. They all had their place of service and it ended up helping the main objective.*

*This is clearly an example for us that if they each can do their part to do the wrong things, how much more should each of us do our part to do the right things.*

*What role or task or job are you going to fill this coming new year at Great Swamp Baptist Church?*

*Conclusion: God said in conclusion that these people are so united in their effort that the only way that we can defeat them is to go down and confound their language. Well this works also in reverse but with a positive effect. By this I mean when we choose to work as a team toward the purposes God called us to do, then the Lord will come down not to frustrate our teamwork but empower it. Thank you for your choice to work together here at Great Swamp as a team to do the work of the Lord.*

*Jesus Loves You*

*Ralph Lee, Jr.*



## Reminder

*There will be **NO**  
Sunday Morning Breakfast  
or  
Wednesday Night Supper*

*June thru August.*

*Meals will resume  
the first week  
of  
September.*



## Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off Challenge

*Let's start now collecting for our Shoeboxes. This year we will begin by collecting wash cloths and soap.*

*There will be 2 containers in the vestibule. One will say ages 40 and below and the other will say ages 41 and above.*

*Let's see which age group can collect the most. This is a fun challenge in which anyone can participate.*

*We will be collecting for the next three Sundays, that is July 16th; July 23rd; and July 30th.*

*Sincerely in the Lord*

*Alice Way*



Step Of Faith  
Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

*Friday, September 1st*

*5-7pm Eat In*

*Or*

*Take out at school dismissal*

*\$7 per plate*

*(Dessert at an additional cost)*

**DINNER  
AND  
AUCTION**



**Silent Auction**

Starts @ 5pm

*If you would like to donate an item or service for the auction*

*Contact*

*Amanda Bowen*

*843-227-8566*

**Donations Needed:**

*Boxes of Spaghetti*

*Noodles*

*Ragu Traditional Sauce*

*Desserts*

Contact for more info:

Amanda Bowen

843-227-8566

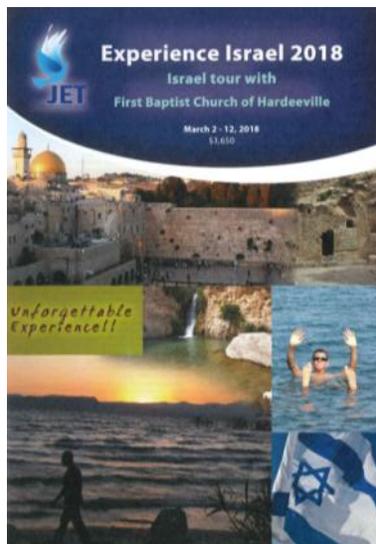


Savannah River Baptist Association  
invites you to the  
**SENIOR CELEBRATION**  
An Old Fashioned  
**CAMP MEETING REVIVAL**

Thursday, August 3  
10:00 am  
Port Royal Baptist Church

*Fun, Food, Fellowship,  
Music, Inspiration, Door Prizes,  
and More!*

Contact the church office for more info.  
A sign up sheet is in the foyer.  
Reservation Deadline is July 23rd.



*If you have never been to Israel or would like to visit again, here is your opportunity. First Baptist Church of Hardeeville along with Jet Tours will be going to Israel in the Spring of 2018. Payment schedules have been arranged. Literature for this trip is available in the Lobby. Call the first Baptist Church office @ 843-784-2239 for more info.*

# Deacon Election List—2017

*On Sunday, August 6th, during Morning Worship Service, we will select one deacon to serve until 2020. if you wish to have your name removed from the following list please contact the church office at 843-726-3631.*

*Bill Carter*

*Rodney Malphrus, Jr*

*Keith Gamo*

*Ronald Malphrus*

*Andre Goulet*

*Mack Pope*

*Kevin Malphrus*

*David Raines*

*Patrick Malphrus*

*Fred Stanley*

*Gentry Thames*

## Deacon Rotation

*Fred Stanley*

# Four Days of Unspeakable Joy

● ● ● ● OCTOBER 16-19, 2017  
 ● ● ● ● PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE



Monday 7 PM  
Tuesday 9 AM

**DAVID JEREMIAH**  
 With a commitment to teaching the Word of God, Dr. Jeremiah writes gripping books that get right to the point to see the lost saved.

**MÁRK LOWRY**  
 Singer, storyteller, humorist, author and songwriter, Mark is known and loved around the world as a trusted voice in the realm of Gospel music and beyond.

**STAN WHITMIRE**  
 Appearing Monday evening with Mark Lowry, Stan is a Dove Award-winning pianist and an integral part of the music ministry at his church in Atlanta.

**ANNIE MOSES BAND**  
 This talented ensemble of songwriters, singers, and musicians, combines technical skill with exhilarating showmanship.

Tuesday 8 PM

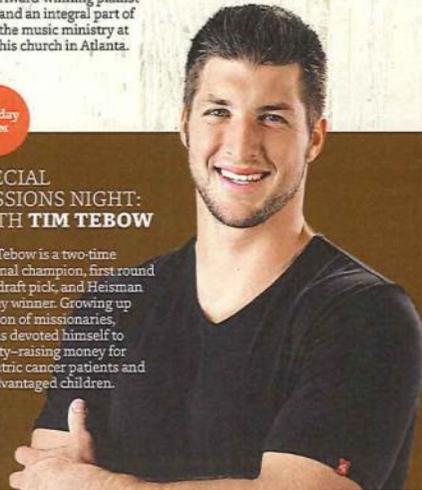
MONDAY	Session 1	7 PM - 10 PM
TUESDAY	Session 2	9 AM - Noon
	Session 3	7 PM - 10 PM
WEDNESDAY	Session 4	9 AM - Noon
	Session 5	7 PM - 10 PM
THURSDAY	Session 6	9 AM - 11 AM

Doors open about 1 hour before each session.



## SPECIAL MISSIONS NIGHT: WITH TIM TEBOW

Tim Tebow is a two-time national champion, first round NFL draft pick, and Heisman trophy winner. Growing up as a son of missionaries, he has devoted himself to charity—raising money for pediatric cancer patients and disadvantaged children.



## Senior Adult News

It is that time of year again. A sign-up sheet is in the Lobby for those who plan on attending. A non-refundable deposit of \$25.00 is due NOW. We need you to sign up as soon as possible so that we may put together a room list with balances. October 16-19.

We will be staying at the Willowbrook Lodge.

Early Bird Rates are:

- 4 per room \$199.00
- 3 per room \$219.00
- 2 per room \$259.00
- 1 per room \$379.00

Bus Fee is a separate \$50.00



## Sign-Up Sheet

*It is time to update our Telephone Tree for Great Swamp. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Please sign up with your name and phone contact along with if you would like to be a group leader for making calls when we have funerals and such.*



*This extra special thank you note sent to you today holds more appreciation than any words can say. For you're among the nicest people we have ever known. And you'll never be forgotten for the thoughtfulness you've shown.*

*Thanks for all the prayer, thoughts, food and friendship during Lane's illness and his going to see Jesus. We will miss him.*

*Love to all,  
Callie, Elizabeth, Kirk & Mary  
Kirk Lane Malphrus, Jr. Family*

July 30th  
August 1st  
August 4th

Josh Carter  
Gage Duncan  
David Bradley



July 31st

Michael & Doranda Fitzhugh



A gift of \$50.00 was given in Memory of Lane Malphrus to the Lane Malphrus Memorial Fund by Patrick & Kim Malphrus.

A gift of \$100.00 was given in Memory of Lane Malphrus to the Lane Malphrus Memorial Fund by Darren & Margaret Hemphill.

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The Men's Ministry would like to thank all the ladies for the wonderful desserts that you prepared for the Men's Supper last week. They were delicious and well appreciated.



**FUN**  
FOR THEM.  
**PEACE**  
OF **MIND**  
FOR **YOU.**

# After School Care

*A safe place for your children to stay  
while you finish up your work day.*

*Now enrolling*

*2017-2018 School Year*

*K3—6th Grade*

*Call School Office @ 843-726-6100*

*for more info*

*and*

*to sign up.*

# GSBC Prayer Pages July 30, 2017

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

**Church Needs**  
*Sunday School  
Small Groups  
SFCA-Donna Carter*

*Ministries  
Outreach Ministry  
Nominating Committee  
Deacon Selection*

**Leadership**  
*President Donald Trump  
United States of America*

**Unspoken**  
*Tim Cramer Family  
Margaret & Keith Floyd & Family  
Lloyd Freeman (7/13)  
David Sauls (7/20)*

**Bereavement**  
*Family Of*

**Hospitals**  
*Mike Hodge (Sav. Memorial)*

**Expecting / Births**  
*Victoria Keiffer*

**Surgery / Recovery**  
*Duane Armstrong (7/6)  
Ryder Smith (7/6)*

**Cancer / Treatments**  
*Barry Jones (7/6)  
Mitzi Cramer (7/6)  
Wallace Roberts (7/27)  
Diane Thames (7/27)  
Maxie Mason (7/27)*

**Nursing Centers**  
*Elaine Degler-RNC  
Wofford Malphrus-Effingham  
County Rehab. Center  
Doris Blackmon-Morningside  
Thelma Ashing-RNC*

## Called to Ministry

*Chris Carter & Family*

## Other Health Needs

*Lloyd Freeman (7/6)  
Ronnie Malphrus (7/6)  
Rhonda & Marvin Patterson(7/13)  
Patrick Malphrus (7/13)  
William Burke (7/20)  
Gail Malphrus (7/20)  
Dorothy T. (Shuford) Malphrus (7/27)  
KayCee Goethe (7/27)  
Robert Sausl (7/27)*

*Ron Davis (7/6)  
Vera Floyd (7/6)  
Bonnie Pope (7/27)  
Mike Mingledorff (7/27)  
Craig Cooler (7/6)  
Paul Peeples (7/3)  
Joyce Sutler (7/11)  
Ladonna Stonerock (7/27)  
Pam Stanley (7/27)  
Kimberlyn Malphrus (7/27)*

## Pray For Our Military



*Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army*

*Jared Blanton-Fort Benning*

*Matthew Mills-Va-US Marines*

*Jericho Malphrus-Air Force*

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

*Thank You*

### **Please Continue To Remember**

*Ricky Cleland  
Mike Hodge  
Shirley Malphrus  
Rose Boyles  
Lula Floyd  
Mary Cope  
Judy Smith  
Jeffrey Stanley  
Joyce Sutler*

*Dot Nettles  
Betty Nettles  
Tom Hinely  
Olivia Stanley  
Lois Bootle  
Grace Boyles  
Patricia Malphrus  
Scott Boyles*

*Gary Way  
Christy Gagel  
Vera Miles  
Mary Daley  
Leonard Steedly  
Barbara Mills  
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.  
Lanell Smith  
Brian Freeman  
Susan L. Vaigneur*



*John was exiled to the Isle of Patmos because of his testimony of the Love of God and Jesus. Here he was separated from loved ones, kept from worship of church, exposed to unfriendly natives. Yet Revelation 4:1 says, "A door was opened in Heaven". His circumstances were inhospitable but did not block God's vision to him of Heaven. No chains or weights can hinder our opening to God by prayer. Pray always.*

*E.L. Ambrose*

### **Today's Prayer Team**

#### **Group II**

*Barbara Mills-Leader  
Betty Robertson*

**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*

# Announcements



**Grandmother's Group**  
Tuesday, August 1st  
11:30 am / MPB

**The Quilting Club is meeting in the  
Old Parsonage**  
Thursday, August 3rd @ 10:00am



**Watchman Prayer Group**  
Saturday, August 5th @ 8:00 am



*Starting in September, the ages for children's Church will  
be K-4 thru 5th grade.*

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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  
 Pianist: **Michelle Waitt**.....waittfamily@embarqmail.com  
 Administrative Assistant: **Sybil Reynolds**.....greatswampbc@gmail.com  
 School Administrator: **Donna Carter**.....dcarter@hargray.com  
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 Landscaper: **Wallace Malphrus**.....Josie6@embarqmail.com

### Calendar of Events

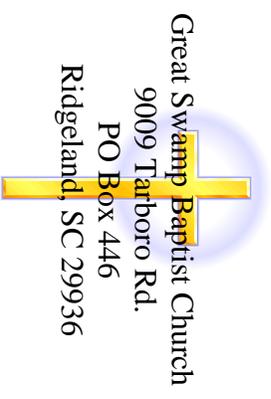
Sunday Morning Breakfast (September thru May Only)..... 8:30AM  
 Sunday School..... 9:45AM  
 Morning Worship..... 11:00AM  
 Evening Worship..... 6:00PM  
 Wednesday Night Supper (September thru May Only)..... 6:00PM  
 Wednesday Night Service..... 7:00PM  
 Saturday Watchman Prayer..... 8:00AM

## Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
Tithes & Offerings	\$3,364.36	\$ 4,943.56	-\$1,579.20
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
Lane Malphrus Memorial Fund	\$150.00	*****	\$290.00
Senior Celebrator's Trip	\$754.00	*****	\$2,895.20
Gleaner's SS Class	\$69.00	*****	\$159.10
Kitchen Supplies	\$10.00	*****	\$13.65
	\$	*****	\$

### Address Update

Patricia Azzarelli  
 858 8th Street S/E  
 Apt. 15  
 Altoona, Iowa 50009



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