

Great Swamp Baptist Church

June 4, 2017

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Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

Call To Worship

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invocation

Fred Stanley

Selections of Praise & Worship

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Offertory

Special Music

Sadie O'Connor

"Clean"

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction



Today:
Annette Malphrus
Krey Lowther

Next Week:
Olivia Stanley
Krey Lowther

Nursery Workers



Today:
Vicky Roberts
Emma Grace

Next Week:
Diane Thames
Chesney



Toll Committee

For June
Bernice Malphrus & Bonnie Pope

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today:
Fred Stanley
843-226-5641

Next Week:
Robert O'Dell
843-422-9521



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



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

Honor Our Heroic Soldiers

Intro: As we celebrate Memorial Day weekend, the words of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, rings loud and true, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). Of course it was just shortly following this statement that Jesus laid down His life for us all. Thus He proved His everlasting love for us.

Well today we too honor the men and women of our military branches who have laid down their lives so that we could and can live in freedom and be able to worship God as the Bible instructs us to. These men and women through their ultimate sacrifice have demonstrated their love for our country and therefore they deserve our honor.

King David demonstrates for us a Biblical example of why we should honor our men and women in uniforms. He takes almost an entire chapter honoring his heroic soldiers. These men mentioned were willing to lay their lives down for their King and nation and some did. So, let us examine the reason King David honors his heroic soldiers and I find it appropriate that it may have been the very last thing he did just before he passes away.

I. First, King David honors his heroic soldiers because they were not afraid to go into battle. *Many of King David's men were willing to serve as his soldiers but they were not necessarily eager to go into battle. These soldiers often retreated. However, King David's heroic soldiers understood that there could be no military without the battle. So, these heroic soldiers marched forward into battle in order to bring about their much needed victory.*

As Christians, we will often encounter battles. We may not go looking for them but they will come to us. For we live in a sin ridden world whose hatred for our Lord Jesus Christ is spurred on by the devil. So, we must not be afraid of these battles because our Commander and Chief, the Lord Jesus Christ will be right there with us and if we trust Him He will ultimately give us the victory.

II. Second, King David honors his heroic soldiers because they effectively used their weapons. *There are three weapons mentioned in this chapter. These three were a sword, a spear and a club. These heroic soldiers understood their weapons. They trained with their weapons and they went into battle knowing that these weapons were their best friends. So, they effectively used them against their enemies and won the victory for their King and nation.*

As Christians, we, too, as we face battle, need to understand that if we are going to defeat our enemies and win the victories, we must effectively use the weapons that our God has given to us. Ephesians 6:10-18 reminds us to put on the whole armor of God. Such weapons as the Word of God, prayer, faith, righteousness and a readiness to share the gospel will give us overwhelming victory over our enemies and make us effective soldiers for Jesus. May the Lord help us to learn to use our weapons in the power of His strength and wisdom.

III. Third, King David honors his heroic soldiers because they were willing to stand their ground. *The thing that King David often commented about these heroic soldiers wasn't that they were necessarily running after their enemies and they weren't running away from their enemies but they were indeed and in fact standing their ground. Running will add to your exhaustion but standing will allow you to use that strength for fighting the enemy.*

When you stand, you show that you are not afraid of your enemy and you also show that your faith in the Lord is strong. For you are showing that you have the confidence that God will give you the victory when you stand in His strength.

God needs His people today to stand their ground and show that their faith in the power of God is complete and assures that He will give us the victory. Once again, we are reminded in Eph. 6:10-18 to be unashamed of our Lord and in His strength and with His armor we are to stand our ground.

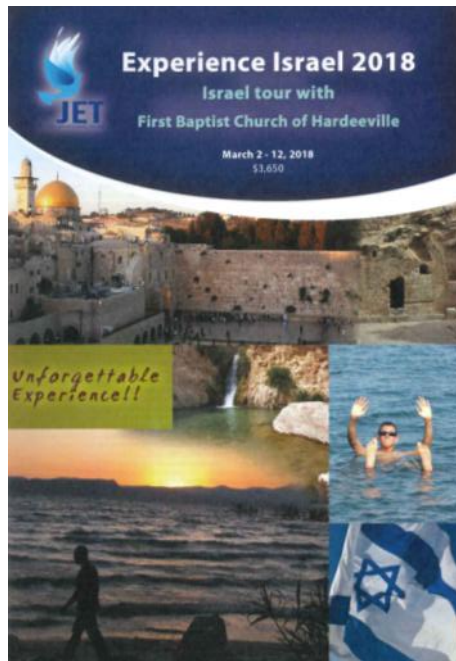
IV. Fourth, King David honors his heroic soldiers because they fought for a purpose. *It is very clear that the main reasons why these heroic soldiers fought so fearlessly was because they wanted to defend their king. They also fought to defend their fellow soldiers, their families and their nation.*

As soldiers of the King, we fight with the purpose of glorifying our King the Lord Jesus Christ. We also fight to show our love and concern for our fellow soldiers, our families and nation.

Conclusion: Jesus Christ was the greatest soldier of all times. He fought the toughest battle ever fought or will ever be fought and He truly voluntarily laid down His life for us all. No one has or ever will really make the ultimate sacrifice other than Jesus. For all of us, even the ones who laid down their lives for us, if they had survived, they would have eventually died. However, Jesus would have never died when He willingly made it happen. Oh, what a Savior we have. Let us honor Him above all.

Jesus Loves You

Ralph Lee, Jr



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.

Coming in July Movie Night



An underwater-themed illustration. In the top left, a boat labeled 'SUBMERGED' is shown with the text 'PARADISE POINT BECOMES THE SURFACE' below it. Two divers in orange suits and masks are swimming in the blue water. The bottom of the image shows a sandy seabed with various sea life including starfish, shells, and green sea anemones. Bubbles are scattered throughout the water.

June 19-22
5:30pm-8:00pm

Vacation Bible School

Great Swamp Baptist
Church

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.



MARK 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.



Monday 9 PM

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.



Tuesday 11 AM

ANNIE MOSES BAND

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

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

Doors open about 1 hour before each session.

Capacity: 9,800



Tuesday
8 PM

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.



Coming in 2017 to the
LeConte Center ::::

				
Wednesday 9 AM	Wednesday 11 AM	Wednesday 7 PM	Wednesday 8 PM Thursday 9 AM	Worship Leader
PHIL WALDREP The host of the Celebrators Conferences, Phil follows his heart to help men and women center their lives on God.	GREATER VISION This highly awarded trio inspires audiences with their rich vocal blend and their ability to impart the Gospel message.	VERITAS Committed to musical excellence, Veritas is a five-piece vocal powerhouse that brings a fresh, dynamic twist to the contemporary classical genre.	MAX LUCADO Serving the Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, Max is a preacher with a gift for storytelling, a pastor's heart, and a poet's pen.	CHARLES BILLINGSLEY Charles is one of Christian music's most captivating inspirational voices and a successful solo artist with 24 recordings.

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

YOUTH GROUP

If you would like to make a donation to the youth camp fund or sponsor a youth for their remaining balance of youth camp, please contact Michelle Waitt at 843-597-1322. OR, just put your donation in an envelope marked "Youth Camp Scholarship" and make a note if you are designating the donation for a specific youth member.

June 4th

Jonathan Waitt

June 5th

Kelly Baim

Ellie Morgan

June 8th

Garrett Malphrus



June 8th

Tim & Toni Broschard

June 10th

Red & Helen Malphrus

I would like to say thank you to all of my GSBC family for all of the prayers, calls, visits, house cleaning and landscaping during my recent illness. Continue to pray for my recovery. Love each and every one.



Timmy Sauls



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OF **MIND**
FOR **YOU.**

After School Care

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while you finish up your work day.*

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2017-2018 School Year

K3—6th Grade

Call School Office @ 843-726-6100

for more info

and

to sign up.

GSBC Prayer Pages June 4, 2017

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

Leadership

*President Donald Trump
United States of America*

Hospitals

Nursing Centers

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

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family

Church Needs

*Sunday School
Small Groups
SFCA-Donna Carter*

Unspoken

*Ryan Tuyls
Tim Cramer Family*

Surgery / Recovery

*Robin Holmes (5/4)
Duane Armstrong (5/4)
Bess Parnell (5/4)
Timmy Sauls (5/11)
Kellie Chapman (5/16)
Steve Higgins (5/16)*

Other Health Needs

*Raymond (Lloyd Freeman's Friend) (5/18)
Tony Blanton (4/27)
Brandy Freeman (5/11)
Donnie Pinckney (5/11)
Paul Malphrus (5/11)
Joseph Laycock (5/19)
John D. Rogers (5/21)
Mark Boyles, Sr. (5/21)
Lloyd Freeman (6/1)
Ronnie Malphrus (6/1)
Justin Lane (6/1)*

Ministries

*Outreach Ministry
Nominating Committee
Youth Camp 6/11-16
VBS 6/19-22*

Bereavement

*Family Of
Louise Craven McClendon
Erma Crider Steedly
Carlile O'Quinn*

Expecting / Births

Victoria Keiffer

Cancer / Treatments

*Barry Jones (5/24)
Mitzi Cramer (5/4)
Susan L. Vaigneur (6/1)
Becky Floyd (5/4)
Wallace Roberts (5/18)
Diane Thames (5/18)
Maxie Mason (5/24)
Lydia Sauls (5/18)
Chris & Marie Buck's
Niece, Bella (5/18)
Susan Smith (5/21)
Lawrence Smith (5/21)
Jimmie Ckleland (5/24)*

*Ron Davis (4/27)
Betty Robertson (4/27)
Vera Floyd (5/4)
Vera Miles (5/4)
David & Iola's son, David (5/4)
Abaigail Kidwell (5/22)
Wilma Jean McGill (5/24)
Dana Cooler (5/24)
Bonnie Pope (5/24)
Mike Mingledorff (5/24)*

Pray For Our Military



Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army

Jared Blanton-Home

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
Lane Malphrus
Grace Boyles
Patricia Malphrus
Scott Boyles
Brian Freeman*

*Billie Langford
Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Mary Daley
Leonard Steedly
Barbara Mills
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.
Lanell Smith*



The Holy Spirit is the Christians great defender. He prompts, convicts, directs and sustains. He is God in you. Listen to Him as you enter into prayer and He will make you a person of integrity as He speaks to your heart.

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, June 6th @ 11:30am / MPB

Bring Finger Foods.

*Also bring pictures of your father, Father-in-law
and Grandfathers.*



***The Quilting Club is meeting in the
Old Parsonage***

Thursday, June 8th @ 10:00am

Watchman Prayer Group

Saturday, June 10th @ 8:00 am



Save The Date

Saturday, June 10th @ 6:30pm

Wedding of

Michael Allen Daley & Taylor Corley Bur-
nette

2003 Bees Creek Rd—Ridgeland, SC

RSVP by May 1, 2017

By email: tdaley2017@gmail.com



with God with others in service
connect.

“Connect”

Sunday, June 11th

5:00 pm

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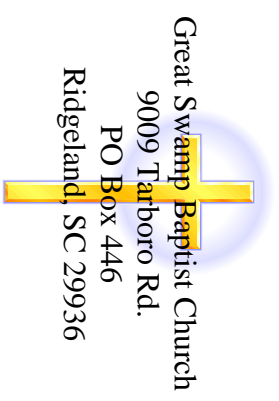
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Calendar of Events

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	\$2,470.10	\$ 4,943.56	-\$2,473.46
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
WNS (Youth)	\$150.00	*****	\$2,643.94
Hanshew Offering	\$25.00	*****	\$50.00
Cemetery Fund	\$25.00	*****	-\$110.00
SFCA Office Supplies	\$89.16	*****	\$99.16
SFCA Repairs (Grayco)	\$310.15	*****	\$442.98
SFCA Trash Pick Up	\$125.00	*****	\$0.00
SFCA Security	\$51.90	*****	\$0.00
SFCA Janitorial Supplies	\$500.00	*****	\$777.53
SFCA Electric	\$2,314.07	*****	\$0.00



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