



Great Swamp Baptist Church

PALM SUNDAY

CELEBRATE THE KING

March 20, 2016

Great Swamp Baptist Church

March 20, 2016
Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn #215 "Majesty"

The Welcome

Announcements

Invocation

Bjo Mills

Selections of Praise and Worship

Hymn #16 "O Worship the King"

Chorus "You Are My King"

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr.

Demonstration of Stewardship

Offertory Special

GSBC Praise Band

"Mighty To Save"

Message

Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr.

Benediction

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During Children's Church Hour



Today:

Betty Robertson
Duane Armstrong

Next Week:

Mike Mingledorff
Duane Armstrong

Nursery Workers



Today:

Debra Daley

Cathryn Daley

Next Week:

Vicky Roberts

Emma Grace



Toll Committee

*For
March*

Latrell Steedly & Dorthie Armstrong

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today:

Bjo Mills
843-217-2840



Next Week:

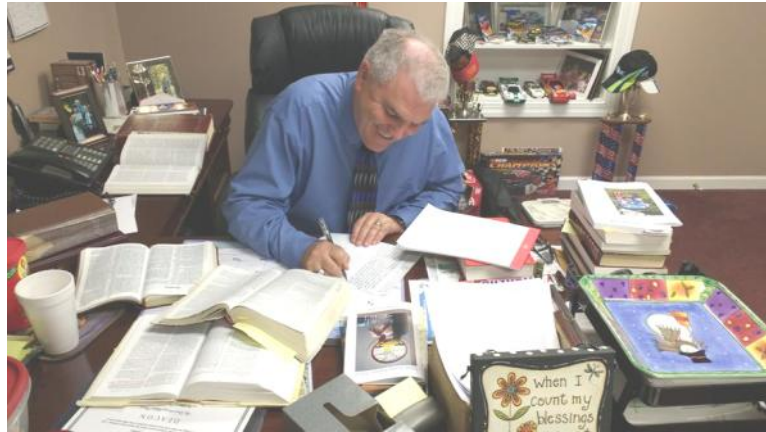
Fred Stanley
843-226-5641



IF YOUR DEACONS

CAN MINISTER TO YOU IN ANY WAY,

CALL THE CHURCH @ 726-3631



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

The Story of the Church (Part VI)

Colossians 1: 15-20

Intro: In our study of the story of creation, there is one primary truth that we discovered and that truth was that the story of creation is the story of Christ . He is sovereign, superior and supreme over it. Therefore, He was able to create the total sum of it. He also was before it was ever created and was there when it was created because He is the One who created it all. Therefore, we can count on the fact that He will always be there to sustain. Oh blessed be the name of our blessed Lord Jesus Christ who is beyond all doubt, our awesome creator.

From the story of creation, Paul jumps right into the story of the church. Now there is a specific reason why Paul puts these two things together. They both have the same conclusion of the matter which is just as the story of creation is the story of Christ. The story of the church is also the story of Christ. Let us examine the story of the church so we can see how it too is the story of Christ.

I. First, I want us to notice that the story of the church is a story of designation. *What I am referring to is our title. We are designated the title, "the Church". If we are going to understand the story of the church, then we must understand just who the church is. Who is it that was*

designated the church? Well to answer this question, we must understand the Greek word for church. That word is "ekklesia". In the public arena, it was a word that referred to an assembly of people who were called out to meet together for some specific purpose. It was adopted for a spiritual purpose to designate the people that God calls out to assemble together for the purpose of hearing from Him, worshipping Him and following Him. So the church is God's people assembled together to be His people. As we are gathered together here today to worship Him, we are the church.

Now, let me make a distinction about our designation. In the New Testament, the largest percentage of the time where you find the word church used, it is a reference to a specific church or a specific group of churches. However, on this occasion, Paul does not refer to a church or a group of churches, but rather to, "the church". What this does is to move it from just an assembly of believers in one or a few locations. Rather it is a reference to the assembly of believers from all locations and for all times. It is His church, universal and timeless.

The Scriptures are clear to teach that being a part of a local group of believers is extremely important. However, the Lord wants you to remember that you are also a part of something so much bigger. The world wide assembly of believers who have been saved since the church came into existence on the Day of Pentecost. The Word of God reveals this truth on a number of occasions, "For we were all baptized by one spirit into one body whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free and were all given the one spirit to drink." (I Corinthians 12:13). Also, we read in Galatians 3:26-28, "You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourself with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, .

male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

There are some important things this teaches us. First, it teaches us of a wonderful blessing and that blessing is that we have a world filled with brothers and sisters that we can count on to help us out in our time of need and also to help together to carry out the work of Christ in the world. In other words, we are not in this thing alone and we are not the only one out there. It is all of God’s people working together to carry out His mission in the world.

Second, it teaches us that we have a responsibility to work with our fellow believers I all places. We are not just to be concerned with our little group of believers but also with the believers wherever we run into them and wherever they call out for us.

It also teaches us that when we seek to reach people with the gospel message of Christ, which will save them and thus bring them into the church that we must be willing to reach out to all segments of people regardless of their color or nationality or background for God’s family is made up of them all. The church is to be a place where we tear down walls that separate us and work on becoming united together in spite of our differences for Christ makes us one.

Finally, we must remember that many groups claim to be the one and only true church,. Most of these groups are anything but the true church, because they have denied the one thing that makes us the true church and that is that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, is the only One that can save us and bring us into His body, the church. Not human efforts, nor a combination of human efforts and Jesus Christ, No, the church is the church of Jesus Christ. He alone has the eternal power and He alone did what was necessary to save us. So, if we want to be a part of “The Church” then we do so by

coming to Jesus Christ our blessed Lord and Savior who died to save and conquer death three days later. Not by joining a specific group or denomination but by joining Jesus through repentance and faith.

*Jesus Love You,
Ralph Lee, Jr.*

WHO WANTS TO BE A SUMMER MISSIONARY?!



Openings are available for **Student Missionaries** this summer in the

Savannah River Baptist Association. This opportunity is a great way for students to engage in missions and grow in their faith. The student missionaries will serve for six weeks in Beaufort and Jasper counties and must be ages 16 and up. This is a paid position. An informational meeting will be held Sunday, March 13 at the SRBA office at 3:00 pm for anyone interested, as well as parents/guardian(s). Ask your pastor or youth leader for an application or call the association office at (843) 726-8294.



Jesus, Only Jesus

AN EASTER MUSICAL

presented by the
GSBC Easter Cantata Choir
Sunday morning
March 27th at 11am

GREAT SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH SCHEDULE

FOR EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2016

8:00am: Sun-Up Service at the GSBC cemetery
8:30am: Church-wide Breakfast
9:45am: Small Group Bible Studies
11:00am: Easter Worship Service



GSBC Goal:

\$800.00



In Honor Of:

*Travis, Emma, Natalie
By: Audrey & Wallace Roberts*

*My Wife, Lucille
Rhonda & Paul Sims & Family; Barbara & Tamp Graves & Family;
Ronald J. & Katina Degler & Family
By: Ron Degler*

*Our Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
By: Dorthie & Duane Armstrong*

*Dorothy Smart, Bon Bryan,
Eric & Kellie Chapman & Family, Jared & Trish Bryan & Family
By: Calvin & Pat Bryan*

*John Landers
By: Terri King*

*Our Children & Grandchildren
By Mike & Debbie Hodge
Libby Pendrak*

*Lula Floyd, Nancy Rivera, Dot Beach, Harold Stanley,
Jeffrey & Olivia Stanley
By: Fredrick & Pam Stanley*

In Memory of:

*Charles W. & Marie Degler / Carl & Annie B. Lowery
Don Degler
By: Ron & Lucille Degler*

*Mr. & Mrs. French R. Malphrus
By: Ellen M. Langford*

*Dorsey & Minnie Lee Vaigneur / Jimmy Vaigneur / Joe Vaigneur
Van Morrison
By: Cheryl V. Morrison*

*Norris Cleland
By: Wanda C. Cooler*

*Curtis Smart / Donald Knowles / Tiffany Knowles
Cora Hughes / Donnie Hopkins
By: Calvin & Pat Bryan*

*Vernon & Faye Amason
By: Eddie, Vandy, Travis & Natalie Amason*

*Ellen Murphy
By: Terri King*

*RJ "Chick" McGill
Wilma "Granny" McGill
By: Mike & Debbie Hodge
Libby Pendrak*

*A special thank you to those who provided Easter Lilies to
decorate the Church for Easter. They added greatly to create a
beautiful setting for worship.
Plants may be picked up after Morning Services, March 27th.*

GSBC Prayer Pages March 20, 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

Unspoken

Jonathan Malphrus-Job Search
Ann Malphrus

Bereavement

Family
Of
David Cubnick
John Lee
Suzanne Stivers
Larry Smith
Mike Reed

Hospitals

Jeffrey Stanley-Sav. Memorial

Nursing Centers

Elaine Degler-RNC

Surgery / Recovery

Bonnie Pope (3/4)
Brandi Freeman (3/10)
Saylor Moser (3/4)
Roy Williams (3/4)
Wanda Davis (3/9)

Cancer / Treatments

Barry Jones (2/18)
Lane Malphrus (2/25)
Daisy Johnson (3/3)

Other Health Needs

Mike Hodge (2/18)
Max Cole (2/22)
Debra Daley (2/25)
Wilbur Daley (2/25)
Mary Cope (3/4)
Judy Smith (3/4)
Brice Rupert (3/10)
Wilma McGill (3/10)
Wanda David (3/10)
April Malphrus (3/10)

Barbara Mills (3/17)
Thomas & Connie Way (2/18)
Ronnie Nettles (2/25)
Alice Way (2/25)
Carol Tally (3/4)
Grace Boyles (3/10)
Geneva Smith (3/10)
Jack Nettles (3/10)
Shannon Youmans (3/10)

Expecting / Births

Beth Reynolds Cabiness—July
N/A

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family
Robin Gray-Central Asia

Pray For Our Military



Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army

Jared Blanton-Home

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*

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

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



The Garden of Gethsemane became a place of prayer for our Lord as He faced the cross. Luke 22:44 says His praying was so earnest His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. He rose up from prayer to face the death on the cross. How do you face life's conflicts? PRAY.

E.L. Ambrose

Today's Prayer Team

Group III

**Timmy Sauls- Leader
Mary Daley**

**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



<i>March 20th</i>	<i>Thelma Ashing</i>
<i>March 21st</i>	<i>Sherri Fryman</i>
<i>March 22nd</i>	<i>Jane Himes</i>
<i>March 23rd</i>	<i>Wayne Cooler</i>
	<i>LeAnna Maldonado</i>
<i>March 24th</i>	<i>Jeff Shiansky</i>
<i>March 25th</i>	<i>Judy Smith</i>
	<i>Sam Mock</i>



*A gift of \$100.00 was given to the General Fund
in Honor of
Sam & Chyleen Mock's Birthdays
by Bess Parnell.*

Announcements



Quilting Club
Thursday, March 24th @ 10:00am

Church Office & School



Watchman Prayer Group
Saturday, March 26th @ 8:00 am

Please Pray for our
Southern Baptist Convention
Chaplains of the Week

 <p>CHAPLAINCY SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION</p> <p>Chaplain (Captain) Barry “Hoot” Busby U.S. Army 399 Highgrove Dr. Spring Lake, NC 28390 hootbusby@me.com Based: Fort Bragg, North Carolina Wife: Anissa</p> <p>Pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare opportunities for me to share the reality of the love of Christ.</p>	 <p>NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD</p>
 <p>CHAPLAINCY SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION</p> <p>Chaplain (Major) James Collins U.S. Army ARCENT/Chaplain's Office APO AE 09306 Based: Camp Arifjan, Kuwait Wife: Amanda</p> <p>Pray that God will open doors for us to speak to many the mystery of Christ.</p>	 <p>NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD</p>

Wednesday Night SUPPER

BBQ Sandwich

Tater Tots

Cole Slaw

Dessert

Tea & Coffee



Youth Cooking Team





Beth Greer

"Refresh My Soul" *Women's Conference*

Port Royal Baptist Church

April 2, 2016

10:00 - 2:00

"If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

John 4:10

Schedule

Registration, coffee, pastries	9:15
Session 1	10:00
Break	11:15
Session 2	11:30
Lunch	12:30
Session 3	1:00

Lunch

Chicken salad with croissant
Fruit salad
Chips
Desserts (pies and cakes)
Tea, lemonade and coffee

Please register number by March 23, 2016
(843-521-1994 or secretary@portroyalbaptist.org)

\$5.00 donation for lunch may be paid at the door

A native South Carolinian, Beth grew up in Brazil, South America, where her parents served as Southern Baptist missionaries. She is a graduate of Columbia College, Columbia, South Carolina, where she majored in Spanish. Beth is a gifted Bible teacher, speaker and worship leader and finds great joy in serving the Lord. She is committed to the truths of God's word as a wife and mother and is passionate about teaching and equipping the Body of Christ. She also has a passion for seeing those who are lost come to know Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. She is married to Tom Greer and lives in Lexington, SC, with their two teenage daughters, Blake and Jordan. She is a member of First Baptist Church, Columbia, SC, where she is a 4 and 5-year-old preschool teacher and is active in the music and women's ministries.

Operation Christmas Child

For the month of March, we are collecting:

Soap

&

Wash Cloths



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 School Administrator: **Donna Carter**dcarter@hargray.com
 Custodian: **Ann Malphrus**ramalphrus@hargray.com
 Landscaper: **Wallace Malphrus**Josie6@embarqmail.com

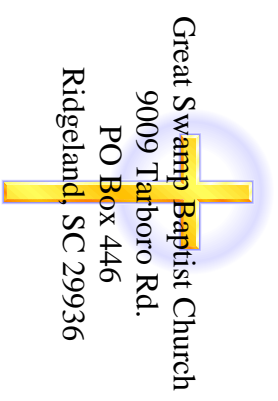
Calendar of Events

For
 March 21st through March 27th

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	\$2,942.50	\$ 4,828.76	-\$1,886.26
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
WNS	\$181.00	*****	\$351.11
SMB	\$59.00	*****	\$269.85
OCC	\$1.00	*****	\$618.55
Annie Armstrong	\$105.00	*****	\$190.00
Children's Ministries	\$25.50	*****	\$831.91
Easter Lilies	\$75.00	*****	\$197.26
VBS	\$5.00	*****	\$401.28
Gleaners SS Class	\$23.00	*****	\$140.35



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