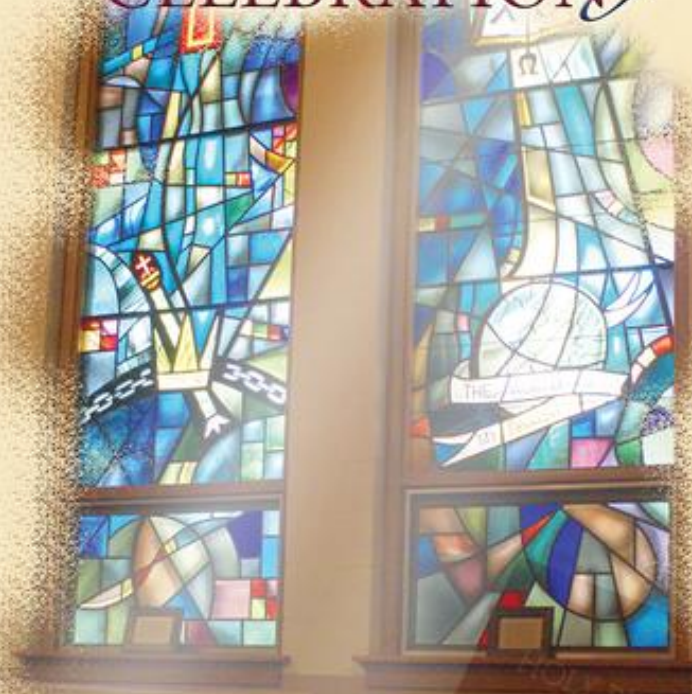


# *Homecoming* CELEBRATION



So in Christ Jesus you are  
all children of God through faith  
Galatians 3:26

Great Swamp Baptist Church  
October 18, 2015

# *Great Swamp Baptist Church*

October 18, 2015

Sunday Morning Worship

11:00 AM

**Prelude**

*Wayne Cooler*

**Call to Worship**

**The Welcome**

Announcements

**Invocation**

*Duane Armstrong*

**Selections of Praise and Worship**

Songs of Praise

**We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee*

**A Demonstration of Stewardship**

Offertory

Special Music

*The Proclaimer's Gospel Choir*  
*"Halfway"*

**Message**

*Wilbur Daley*

**A Time to Respond**

Invitation

**Benediction**



*The flowers were placed  
in the Sanctuary today  
in Memory of  
Hugh & Beannie Vaigneur  
and their  
children and grandchildren  
who have gone on before us.  
The Vaigneur Family*



*Today:*

*Olivia Stanley  
Duane Armstrong  
Next Week:*

*Betty Robertson  
Duane Armstrong*

## Nursery Workers



*Today:*

*Next Week:*



## Toll Committee

*For  
October*

Bernice Malphrus & Bonnie Pope

## DEACON OF THE WEEK :



*Today:*  
*Duane Armstrong*  
*843-726-6795*



*Next Week:*  
*Wayne Cooler*  
*843-726-4297*



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

# Baptism



Candidates for  
Baptism today are:

*Terri King*

*Natalie King*

*Nicole King*

## **A Message from the Baptist Association:**

This is just a reminder of 2 important events occurring on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

**First.--** The Annual Meeting of Savannah River Baptist Association convenes on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at the Euhaw Church Campus in Ridgeland. We begin at 6:00 p.m. with registration, refreshments, and fellowship. At 6:45 p.m. a Mini-Musical Concert will be presented by the Red Dam Baptist Church Choir. The Business and Worship Session begins at 7:00 p.m., concluding at approximately 8:45 p.m. Jim Baker will preach the annual sermon. He is our Moderator and the Pastor of Grays Hill Baptist Church in Beaufort. Please encourage your church's messengers to attend and to participate!

**Second.--** Please remind and encourage your people (who live in Senate District 45) to participate in the election to fill the Senate seat of the late Clementa C. Pinckney. Electing our governmental leaders is not only our privilege bought by blood, sweat, and toil; it is our responsibility.

Thank you so very much for taking time to read this appeal!

Derris Davenport  
Interim Director of Missions

# BUILDING A FAMILY LEGACY

FILM SERIES SUNDAY NIGHTS at 6:30pm

## OCTOBER 25th

### "Straight Talk to Men"

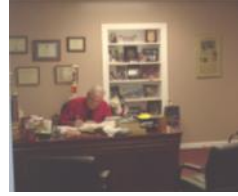


Dr. James Dobson outlines the responsibilities regarding Christian fathering, including teaching values as you go, spending time with your children, the spiritual development of your family, leading your children to Christ and the importance of accountability.

*Join us for Supper at 5:30pm*

**Door Prizes ~ Childcare Available**

*From*  
*Pastor Ralph's Desk:*



## **A Challenge to His Honor**

*(Malachi 1:6-14)*

*Intro: Last week we began examining from the Book of Malachi a challenge to God's Honor. What we looked at first was God's affirmation of His honor. First, He affirms that we should honor Him and second He affirms why we should honor Him. We should honor Him plain and simple because of who He is. Seven times He said to Israel in these verses that He was the Lord Almighty. The second reason why we should honor Him is because of the relationship He has allowed us to have. It is a relationship where we get to call Him our Father and that means we are His children. Also, He is our Father and we are His children because of His actions, not our own. Third, we found out that we were to honor Him because one day all nations and people will.*

### **II. Today as we examine a challenge to His honor, I want us to notice Israel's objection to His honor.**

*We have already examined God's affirmation of His honor. Now we want to see how Israel and how we object to His honor.*

#### **A, First, notice with me the problem with their objection.**

*Well, the problem was that they weren't even aware of the fact that they were objecting His honor. In other words, they didn't realize that they were dishonoring His name. They had grown so cold and callous in their faith, commitment, service and worship of the Lord that they even objected to the fact that they were dishonoring Him. They went so far as to ask God to prove that they had*

*and they did not really believe that He could.*

*We see this even today. We have what we call worship, commitment, faith and service but it really does not seem to truly honor the name of the Lord. For as we carry out our honor to Him, we are merely doing it in a fashion that is just another thing we must do. It is a ritual in which we carry out in a cold and callous manner. Yet we are not even aware that we are doing it. As a matter of fact, we would point our fingers to them and say we are doing everything right and just prove that we are not. What a shame that we would challenge the Lord Almighty's assessment of the situation. May the Lord through His Spirit help us to see how we are dishonoring His name especially when we think we are not.*

**B. Second, notice with me the persons who make the objection.**

*Well, there is no problem understanding this answer because God plainly states who the persons were. They were the priest. The people who were suppose to be the Spiritual leaders of the people. However, tragically, what the priest did greatly affected what the people did and that is what we see happening in the last verse of the chapter.*

*Now, there are a couple of lessons we learn from this point. The first lesson we learn is that there is no position that can allow you to even rise above the necessity of honoring the name of the Lord. Whether you are a priest or a pastor or a pope or a president or a prime minister, you have not reached a level in which you can say I am beyond needing to honor God because of the position that I hold.*

*On the other end of the stick, you are never too low. so to speak. to stop honoring God. Some people believe that because they have not received the fame or the possession or the positions that others hold, they are somehow exempt from having to honor God.*

*Satan is behind this whole matter of objecting to honoring God. For at one time He was the highest angelic being created by God in Heaven. The Bible tells us that he was an amazing creature. He was powerful, beautiful and popular. He allowed his position to not only think he did not need to honor God, but, rather that he was better than God and could even be God himself. So, instead of giving God the honor, he demanded that it go to him and he has not stopped insisting on it even now. Well, tragically the devil has convinced us that we do not need to honor God either but rather that we can rise to the same level as God Himself and demand praise to ourselves.*


*Many so called religious leaders have begun placing man on the same level as God. They have done so by downgrading the level of God so that Jesus Christ is not who He said He was, and that man is better than whom God declared him to be. As a matter of fact, the pope just recently said that the cross was a failure of Jesus Christ and also that a good atheist was a redeemed person. By having made these statements, he was giving honor to mankind more than to God. As a matter of fact, he was dishonoring God.*

*Ask yourself a question, are you truly honoring God or have you grown cold and callous in your faith? Just simply remember that God is God and you are not and that is because God is God, you are not. Don't challenge His honor but rather, relish in His honor.*

*Jesus Loves You*

*Ralph Lee, Jr.*


Please Pray for our  
Southern Baptist Convention  
Chaplains of the Week



**CHAPLAINCY**  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION


**Chaplain (Captain) Timothy Griffis**  
U.S. Army  
23d CBRNE BN | Unit 15803 | APO AP 96257  
[timbedagriffis@gmail.com](mailto:timbedagriffis@gmail.com)  
Based: Camp Stanley, South Korea  
Wife: Beda

Pray our lives will continue to shine the light of Jesus to all we encounter. Pray for the safety of those who continually put the lives of others first. Pray that God will send a revival throughout the world.



GRIFFIS


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**CHAPLAINCY**  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

**Captain Alan M. Hansen**  
Chaplain, U.S. Navy  
PSC 817 Box 810 | FPO AE 09622-0009  
[pitstopsgm@yahoo.com](mailto:pitstopsgm@yahoo.com)  
Based: Naples, Italy  
Wife: Elizabeth

Pray that I will have greater influence, wider mentoring opportunities and continued sustainment by our Lord to continue provision of high-caliber ministry now and in my future.



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## Leadership Updates:

*Vice Chairman of Deacons—Fred Stanley*

*Bereavement Chairman-Dorthie Armstrong*

*CDM Chairman-Margie Malphrus*

*Chairman of Deacons: Duane Armstrong*

*Chairman of Trustees: Wallace Malphrus*

*Vice Chairman of Cemetery Committee-Timmy Sauls*

*C.I.A. Sunday School: Audrey Roberts*

*Youth Sunday School:*

*Teacher: April Malphrus*

*Co-Teacher: Faye Lowther*

## 2015-2016 Committees & Teams

*All committees and teams for the 2015-2016 Church Year need to meet and elect Chairmen and officers. Please submit to or call the church office @ 726-3631 as soon as possible.*

*Also, any departments that have schedules, need to be updated for the 2015-2016 church year and turned into the church office.*

*Thank You*



## HELP SUPPORT

*Operation Christmas Child 2015*

*Donations of any amount  
will be greatly appreciated.*

*Check mark box ☐ 043  
on your tithing envelope.  
See Alice Way for more info.*



Sponsored by  
"SOFFE"

*(Sisters On Fire For Eternity)*

October 31st

4:00 pm to 7:00 p.m.

Great Swamp Baptist Church  
9009 Tarboro Rd.



Trunk  
or  
Treat



The  
Cakewalk



BINGO



*Food and lots more!*

*Sign-Up Sheets in Lobby*

## *This Week:*

*October 19th*

*Andy Malphrus*

*October 22nd*

*Terri Hamner*

*October 23rd*

*Pearl Malphrus*



## *Anniversaries This Week:*



*October 18th*

*Jeremiah & Kea Dennen*

## **Veteran's Day Service** **November 8<sup>th</sup> at 11am**



**Submit pictures of your veteran(s)**  
to the church office by Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
for our military slideshow.



#### SHARE and CARE JASPER COUNTY

United Way of the Lowcountry is holding a Share & Care Day. We ask that you **share** to show you **care** about this **community**. We have local agencies and churches which help those in need and we want to help stock their pantries.

We are asking that you donate adult diapers, personal care products such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, body lotion, body powder, after shave. We also are asking for canned goods....vegetables, soups, especially meats such as corned beef hash, canned hams, tuna, rice, boxed staples, crackers, cookies. Whatever **your family** likes, others like!

**WHEN:** Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

**DROP OFF TIME:** 10:00 – 3:00

**DROP OFF LOCATION:** area across from D&R Auto Sales near RR crossing – downtown Ridgeland, SC

For more information, please call Myra Collins at the local United Way office - 843 645-6500

# GSBC Prayer Pages October 18, 2015

## Church Needs

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

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

*Ministries*  
*Outreach Ministry*  
*Nominating Committee*

## Bereavement

*Family*  
*Of*

## Leadership

*President Barack Obama*  
*United States of America*

## Unspoken

*Jonathan Malphrus-Job Search*  
*Ann Malphrus*  
*Max Cole*

## Hospitals

*Thomas Way-Bft. Memorial*

## Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC*  
*Leonard Steedly-NHC (Bluffton)*

## Surgery / Recovery

*Mack Pope, Sr. (10/15)*  
*Mickey Reed (10/15)*  
*Nicole Cole (10/16)*

## Cancer / Treatments

*Lane Malphrus (10/8)*  
*Barry Jones (9/24)*  
*Billy Benton (10/8)*  
*Bobby Emerson (10/01)*

## Other Health Needs

*Mary Cope (10/15)*  
*Betty Nettles (10/15)*  
*Grace Mejia (9/24)*  
*Matthew Mejia (9/24)*  
*7 year old Mejia (9/24)*  
*Amanda Henley (10/01)*  
*Jean Daring (10/13)*  
*Mary Fell (10/15)*  
*Saylor Moser (10/15)*  
*Jean Daring Tindal (10/15)*  
*Barbara Mills (10/15)*

*Lois Bootle (10/01)*  
*Judy Smith (10/01)*  
*Lynn Glasser (10/01)*  
*Melissa Smith (9/24)*  
*Curtis Addison (10/02)*  
*Nicole Cole (10/8)*  
*Shelby Greene (10/8)*  
*Holly White (10/8)*

## Called to Ministry

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

## Expecting / Births

*Vanessa Smoak & Baby Boy Nathan (9/24)*

## Pray For Our Military



***Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army***

***Jared Blanton-Afghanistan***

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

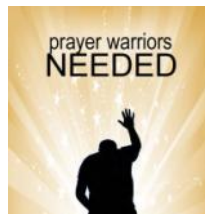
*Thank You*

### **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*



*This is written to give you a history of opportunities for prayer at Great Swamp. The Sunday praying during services was started on June 132, 1993. Twenty-two years of praying. The Saturday Morning Watchman's Prayer Group was started on March 4, 1995. Twenty years of praying. The prayer chain was organized in august, 1999. Sixteen years of praying. You are welcome at any of these prayer times.*

### **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*

A cartoon illustration of a pig wearing a white chef's hat and a white apron over a green shirt. The pig is holding a silver spatula in its right hand and has a friendly, smiling expression. The background behind the pig is a circular wooden frame.

# Macaroni & cheese

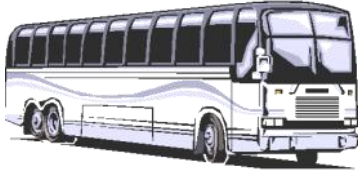
## Dessert

Ann Malphrus  
Cooking Team



*Join us for Sunday Morning Breakfast*

# Announcements



***Monday, October 19th***  
*Senior Adults Leave for Trip*



***Monday, October 19th***  
*S.O.F.F.E. women's Group*  
*Will meet at 7:00 pm in MPB*  
*Bring Light Finger Foods.*



***Thursday, October 22nd***  
*Quilting Club / 10:00 am*  
*Home of Shirley Jean Wing*



***Saturday, October 24th***  
*Watchman Prayer Group*  
*8:00 am*  
*\*\*\*\*\**



***Gifts***  
*A gift of \$100.00 was given*  
*to the Youth Fund*  
*in Memory of Paula Hodges*  
*by the Hodges Family.*

Tuesday, October 20, 6:00 pm:

## ***Associational Annual Meeting***

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### ***Sign Up sheet for Baptist Courier***

*is in foyer.*

*If you want your name removed from the current listing please contact the church office.*

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### ***Greeters & Ushers Sign Up sheet*** *in Foyer.*

LOOK UP LODGE 2016  
Registration has begun!  
Forms are on the table in the  
Multi-Purpose Building.

There are 17 camper spots available,  
so make sure to get your form in early.

The cost of camp is \$329 per person.

**A DEPOSIT OF \$65.00 IS REQUIRED TO HOLD YOUR SPOT.**

There will be fundraisers to help each camper pay the remaining balance.

If you wish to pay the deposit in two separate payments,  
please note that on your form.

**The deposit deadline is October 15, 2015.**

Please contact  
Michelle Waitt at 843-597-1322  
for additional questions.



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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  
 Treasurer: **Faye Lowther** .....kreyleesmom98@gmail.com  
 School Administrator: **Donna Carter** .....dcarter@hargray.com  
 Custodian: **Ann Malphrus** .....ramalphrus@hargray.com  
 Landscaper: **Wallace Malphrus** .....Josie6@embarqmail.com

### Calendar of Events

For

October 19th through October 25th

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

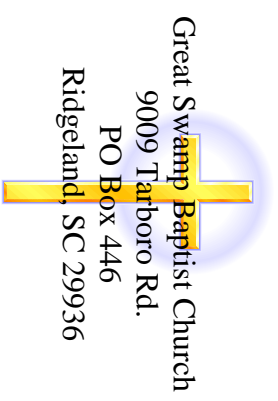
## Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
Tithes & Offerings	\$2,450.11	\$ 4,616.28	-\$2,166.17
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
Youth Camp Deposit	\$100.00	*****	\$531.28
VBS	\$20.00	*****	\$376.28
WNS	\$114.00	*****	\$531.28
SMB	\$83.00	*****	\$109.81
SFCA Feed the Need	\$65.00	*****	\$65.00
Senior Adult Trip Fund	\$869.00	*****	\$3255.45
OCC	\$201.00	*****	\$689.55

## Correction

*A correction was made to last week's deposit. The amount of \$52.00 for the Gleaner's Sunday School class was placed in the wrong account. It has now been adjusted to the correct account. I apologize for any inconvenience.*

*Thank You.*



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