



July 3, 2016

Great Swamp Baptist Church

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Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Prelude

Call to Worship

“God Bless the USA” Robin Malphrus

The Welcome

Announcements

Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr

Invocation

Duane Armstrong

Pledge to the American Flag

Hymn # 634 “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

“Salute to the Armed Forces”

Proclaimers Gospel Choir

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr

Demonstration of Stewardship

Offertory *“If My People”*

*If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray
and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from
heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

2 Chronicles 7:14

Special Music

Proclaimers Gospel Choir

“In God We Still Trust”

Message

Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr

Benediction



Today:
Olivia Stanley
Duane Armstrong
Next Week:
Betty Robertson
Duane Armstrong

Nursery Workers



Today:
 Diane Thames
 Chesney
Next Week:
 Vanessa Smoak
 Jason Smoak



Toll Committee

For
July
 Latrelle Steedly & Dorthie Armstrong

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



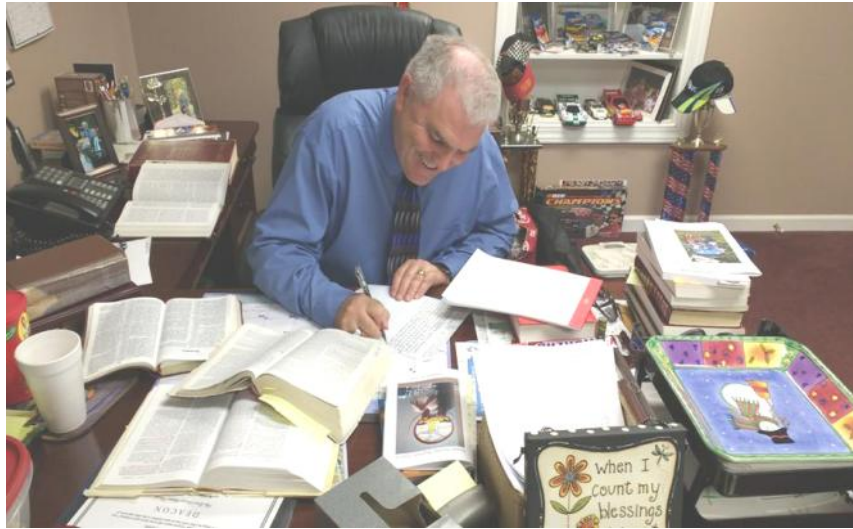
Today:
Duane Armstrong
 843-726-6795



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

(Acts 4)

Intro: A very important question to ask right now is why is it that most of our press and media and many of our government officials across our land are being so helpful and even encouraging to the very religion that has carried out the majority of the terroristic activities in the world for the last several years. Even in our own country for the last 15 years they have killed thousands on our own shores from 9-11 to the Boston marathon bombing also Fort Hood shooting, the California shooting and finally the Orlando shooting.

Also, not only have they carried out the terroristic activity but their own beliefs caused them to treat women and children as second class citizens. It also teaches them that they can kill anyone who disagrees with their faith, their teachings, even tell them that it is okay to lie if it will promote their religions.

Now the Christian faith is not carrying our terrorism. It does not make women and children second class citizens. It does not kill those who disagree with it and doesn't teach you to lie in order to promote your faith. Yet, the Christian faith is under constant attack and threat from the very ones that promote the Muslim religion which stands for everything they don't agree with except for the lying part.

Now the question again is why, why promote a religion that you so sharply disagree with in so many ways, then attack the Christian faith that is nothing like the other religions?

Jesus gives us that answer and that answer is in a name, His name, the name of Jesus. Listen to His words, “ Then he said to them: “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.”“But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. And so you will bear testimony to me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict.” So, Jesus is clear that it is all on account of My name. this same name that brings on our threats and attacks is also the same name that gives us complete victory over all. There is absolute power in the name of Jesus, and I want us to take a look at the power of that name.

I. First of all, the power of His name is the power to heal, vs 6-10; 3:16.
chapter three is the story of how Peter and John healed a man at the temple who was born lame. This man was brought to the temple each day to beg for alms. Peter and John offered this man something far greater than alms. Rather they offered him total and complete healing, and in the name of Jesus this man got up and began jumping, leaping and running. Peter and John took absolutely no credit for his healing. They rather gave all the credit to the name of Jesus.

Now I want you to understand that the Lord does not always choose to heal us. Paul prayed for healing three times yet, God answered each time that His grace was sufficient. Yet that ability to deal with and face your sickness through His grace in a way is a form of healing. It is a healing of moving on in spite of your sickness.

However, all healing when it happens, comes from the Lord. Whether it is healing seen in a miraculous way or through medical procedures. It all comes from the Lord. Ps. 103: “Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases” That last verse tells us that we are to Praise the Lord because He heals all of our diseases. Now it is important to notice that He says all. You say however that is not true because you have a disease or you know someone who has or had a disease that He did not heal or has not healed and you prayed for Him to do so.

Well let me answer that by saying it is true He will heal all and I mean all of our diseases. However, what we must remember is that the timing of that healing is always in His hand, and for many of us that timing will not come until we leave this earth. At that moment though the blessed Lord will heal all of His peoples diseases whatever they may be.

My dad suffered with Parkinson's disease for at least 30 years. When I was a young boy, my dad was six foot four and weighed about 230 pounds. He was all muscle. When he died he had shriveled up and he

weighed only 90 pounds. Every bit of that muscle and stamina was totally gone. As a young Christian I prayed for my dad's healing every night. One night God spoke to me in an audible voice, one of the few times and told me that He would answer my prayer but I had to leave the timing up to Him. He let me know that death for the Child of God was the ultimate healing. So yes, Child of God, if He doesn't heal you here and now by His power He will heal you then and there forever. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Let me point out one more Scripture and that the Old Testament prophecy of Jesus' death on the cross for us. In this prophecy we are reminded that in securing our redemption for us at the cross and through His death, He also secured our healing for us. Now I believe it is referring primarily about spiritual healing, but if He had not done this for us we should not be experiencing any kind of healing. Praise our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who brought us healing in redemption, Isaiah 53:4-5, "Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

II. Second of all the power of His name is the power to do good, vs 9.

Peter filled with the Holy Spirit threw a curve ball right at the very ones who arrested them by saying basically you want to know who did this act of kindness and goodness to this man that was lame? Well he said it wasn't us, it was done in the power of and authority of Jesus' name. Acts 10:38 says Peter was preaching to the family and friends of a gentile named Cornelius. He was telling them about Jesus and in this verse he tells them how in the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus went about doing acts of kindness and goodness.

Also, James 1:17 says "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows."

So, let us remember that God has called His people to go about doing acts of kindness and goodness, but we must remember that it only can be done in and through the power of His name. So, will it be said of us as individuals and together as a church that in the power of His name we did acts of goodness and kindness for His power is released to us to be His agents of goodness and kindness.

*Jesus Love You,
Ralph Lee, Jr*

Bake Sale

*Today after Morning Worship
For Family in Need*



Ready for Some Summer Fun??

- WHO:** Great Swamp Baptist Youth
7-12th Grade and Rising 7th Graders
- WHAT:** Multi-Church Youth Lock-In
- WHERE:** Ridgeland Baptist Church
1448 Grays Hwy Ridgeland SC
- WHEN:** Friday, July 15th 6:00 PM through
Sat Jul 16th 6:00 AM

Please join us for some “middle-of-the-summer” fun at a lock-in planned for youth in multiple area churches! Games, Bible Study, Movies, Snacks! Just bring yourself, a pillow/blanket and your Bible.

You MUST pre-register for this event by signing the sheet in the youth house, replying on Facebook on the youth group or church page, or texting Mrs. Michelle @ 843-597-1322.

Deadline to register is Sunday, July 3, 2016.

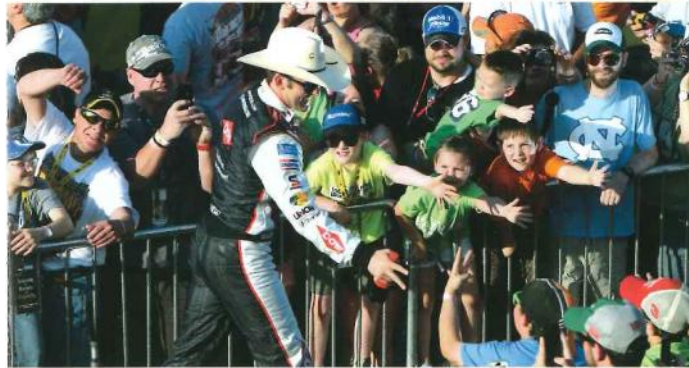


Tickets
\$20.00 each

BRING-A-KID

RACE DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016



843-395-8857 | DARLINGTONRACEWAY.COM/BRINGAKID

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

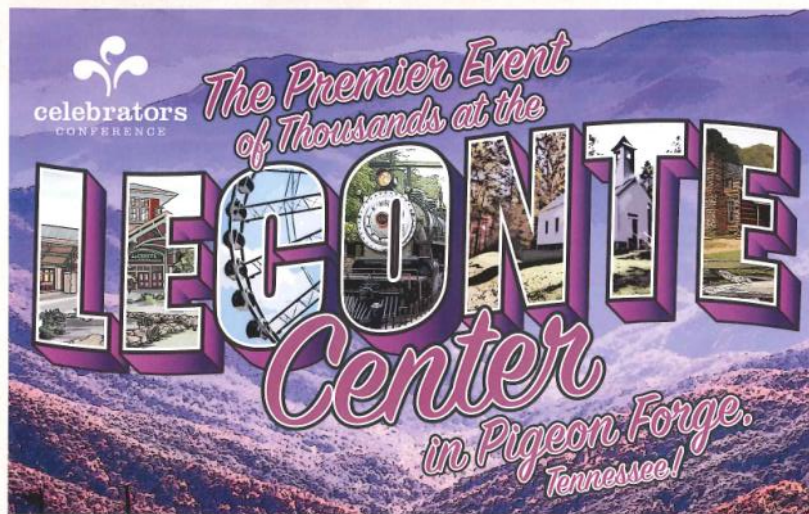
Operation Christmas Child

For the month of July, we are collecting:

Toothbrushes

&

Toothpaste



Seniors Announcement

It is that time of year once 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. By then we will begin to put together a room list, so you your know your balance.



Announcements



Grandmother's Group
Tuesday, July 5th @ 11:30 am
MPB
Bring Finger Foods



The Quilting Club is meeting in the Old Parsonage
Thursday, July 7th @ 10:00am



Watchman Prayer Group
Saturday, July 9th @ 8:00 am

Movie & Ice Cream Social



"War Room"
Sunday, July 17th
Special Fundraiser for a family in need.
Donations Welcome.
More Details Coming Soon



GSBC Prayer Pages July 3, 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
Max Cole

Bereavement

Family
Of

Hospitals

N/A

Nursing Centers

Elaine Degler-RNC
Wofford-NHC

Surgery / Recovery

Brandi Freeman (5/26)
Randy Reynolds (6/09)
Matthew Davis (5/26)
Pam Altman (5/26)
Grace Boyles (6/23)

Cancer / Treatments

Barry Jones (5/26)
Leo Smerglia (6/16)
Jackie Cooler (6/23)

Other Health Needs

Saylor Moser (6/16)
Mary Cope (6/1)
April Malphrus (6/1)
Bill Carter (6/8)
Li Li Carter (6/8)
Grace Boyles (6/12)
Jimmie Cleland (6/16)
Johnny Westbury (6/13)
Connie Benton (6/16)
Dan Morgan (6/20)
Kistler Malphrus (6/23)
Maurice Crosby (6/23)
Ryan Tuyls (6/30)
José Arturo Nava

Rick Orlick (6/16)
Bobby Smith (6/30)
Patricia Malphrus (6/2)
Wanda Lowther (6/2)
Deanna Davenport (6/6)
Robin Malphrus (6/16)
Zoe Fluery (6/20)
Mallory Lynch (6/22)
Wallace Malphrus (6/30)
Dot Smart (6/30)
Andy Miles (6/30)
Jane Waitt (6/30)
Joanna Daring (6/30)

Expecting / Births

Beth Reynolds Cabiness—July 16th
Vanessa Smoak -December 17th

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family
Robin Gray-Central Asia

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
Kevin Roach
Wofford Malphrus
Lois Bootle
Lane Malphrus*

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



*“One Nation Under God”
Perhaps you’ve said or heard the above phrase. It speaks to the past when our Nation was young and depending on God was part of our founding philosophy. Today, we have reached a turn in the road and the cry of many is one nation without God. Sad commentary. Oh, that our Nation would return to God and humble ourselves before Him in prayer.*

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



July 5th

Vandy Amason

July 6th

Truett Vaigneur

July 7th

Jane Hodges

Amanda Fletcher

Olivia May



July 7th

Paul & Diane Malphrus

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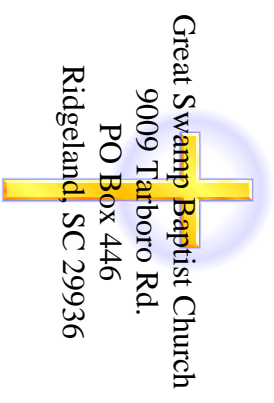
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Calendar of Events For July 3rd through July 9th

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	\$2,943.00	\$ 4,828.76	-\$1,885.76
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
Youth	\$100.00	*****	\$127.33
Cemetery	\$45.00	*****	\$165.00
SFCA Floor Cleaning (Church Repairs)	\$2,047.50	*****	\$1,506.11
SFCA Electric	\$2,057.00	*****	\$0.00
SFCA Janitorial	\$500.00	*****	\$826.98
SFCA Security	\$51.90	*****	\$51.90
SFCA Trash Pick Up	\$125.00	*****	\$0.00



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