

Great Swamp Baptist Church

September 2, 2018

<u>Sunday Morning Worship</u> 11:00 AM

Prelude

The Welcome

Announcements Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call to Worship

Hymn # 4 "To God Be The Glory"

Invocation Duane Armstrong

Selections of Praise & Worship

"Who You Say I Am"

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Offertory

Special Music Sadie O'Connor

"Come Alive (Dry Bones)"

Message Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr

Invitation

Benediction

Greeters

Today: Annette Malphrus / Krey Lowther Next Week: Olivia Stanley / Krey Lowther

Nursery Workers

Today: Latrelle Steedly/ Kim Malphrus

Next Week: Vicky Roberts / Emma



Children's Church Helpers

Today: Kaylee Standard / Emma Mingledorff Next Week: Olivia Stanley / Angel Cole

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

Today: Duane Armstrong 843-726-6795

Next Week: Wilbur Daley

843-305-0110





Pat Malphrus







From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

We'll Work till Jesus Comes

(II Thess 3:6-15)

Intro: I wanted to take a few moments on this Labor Day weekend to remind us what the Word of God teaches us about labor. It seems as though we are failing to pass on to each generation the absolute importance of work. The tragedy is that there fore our newer generations want to have less to do with actual labor or work, they expect everyone else to do it for them. But this is not what the Word of God teaches at all.

I. First, it is necessary to work because we are commanded to do so. Listen to what Paul said, "in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you brother to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. (vs. 6). Another way to say what Paul is saying is that I'm commanding you not to be idle but rather to work.

In verse 10, Paul reminded them that he gave them a rule when he was there with them and that rule was if you don't work, you don't eat. So, we must labor because we are commanded to do so.

II. Second, it is necessary to work in order to set an example to others. Paul reminds the church at Thessalonica that when he was among them, that he didn't idly sit by and let the people take care of him. No, he instead worked day and night in their midst in order to set them an example to follow. He wanted them to know that God expected them to work and if he was going to teach them this truth, then he had to model that truth to them and he did exactly that. So, God is calling us to labor because it is commanded and secondly because we need to model it.

III. Third, it is necessary to work because it is necessary for getting our provisions. Paul reminds them in these verses that he worked to earn money to buy his own provisions and not let someone else do it for him. Again, he directly said, ",,,if a man will not work, he shall not eat." (vs. 10).

IV. Fourth, it is necessary to work so that we are not a bad witness for Christ. As we try to share Jesus with others, we want to be sure that we don't give them as excuse for not listening to us. Well, if we claim to be a Christian and are trying to tell others about Jesus, but they don't see us working and providing for ourselves, then they may not take our testimony seriously.

Concl. Paul told the believers in Thessalonica that for those who are referring to work that they had better start working and paying for their own meal or else they were going to be shunned by the rest of the Believers who did work.

Let us hear the word of the old hymn, "We'll work till Jesus comes, we'll work till Jesus comes, we'll work till Jesus comes" then the song tells us, "And we'll be gathered home." Oh yes, there will come a day of rest when our work is done when Jesus comes or we go home but till then we'll work till Jesus comes.

Jesus Love You Ralph Lee, Jr.

Announcements



The Quilting Club is meeting in the Old Parsonage

Thursday, September 6th @ 10:00am

Watchman Prayer Group Saturday, September 8th @ 8:00 am



Grandmother's

Group

Tuesday, September 4th 11:30 am



Reminder

Sunday Morning
Breakfast
will resume
September 9th.



This Weeks

September 2nd September 3rd September 4th

September 5th September 6th

Pam Stanley Joyce Gamo Bobby Mohn Jessa Byrd William Holland Anita Blanton Ashley Duncan





Two houses sit beside each other in a neighborhood. They look very differently from one another. But when the foundations were laid, they looked almost identical. This is the basic idea behind our marriage conference. Sometimes your marriage is your marriage - the way you communicate, the way you show affection, the way you handle conflict all may be very different from your neighbor. However the foundation of every great marriage is very much the same. It must be built on at least a few foundational principles if it's going to survive, let alone rise above the storms of life. These principles are: understanding real love, understanding the differing values of sex between men and women, and understanding the basic principles of lasting change. These are some of the principles we will be focusing on during our marriage weekend.

Details:

Dates:

October 12th- 14th

Days: **Arrival Time:** Friday - Sunday

Departure Time:

Friday around 6pm [Dinner at 6:30pm]

Reservations:

Sunday around 1pm (864) 836-6392

Reservation Name: Great Swamp Forms Due:

Upon Arrival

Total Cost:

Deposit:

\$139.00 per couple

\$69.50 [50% of total cost]

NON-REFUNDABLE Upon Arrival

Balance Due: Includes:

Food, Lodging & Conference

Address:

100 Look Up Lodge Rd.

Travelers Rest, SC 29690

Taylor Daley:

(843) 505-7066 or tdaley2017@gmail.com

"Please see Taylor Daley for any questions (843) 505-7066 or tdaley2017@gmail.com".



September Collection for OCC

School Supplies
Pencils
Pens Sharpeners
Scissors
Crayons
Colored Pencils

Harvest Fest Saturday

October 27, 2018

4 to 7 pm

Sign up sheets in Foyer



GSBC Prayer Pages September 2, 2018

Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor Richard Waitt- Music Director Deacons Church Needs
Sunday School
SFCA-Donna Carter
Child Dev. Ministries

Ministries Outreach Ministry

Leadership

President Donald Trump United States of America

Hospitals

Hamilton Hodge-Jax. FL Pam Stanley-MUSC

Surgery / Recovery

Judy Smith (8/16)
Joyce Pope (8/23)
Steve Higgins (8/9)
Fred Stanley (8/9)
Michelle Tuten (8/17)
Dorthie Armstrong (8/23)
Carol Davis (8/30)
Patrick Malphrus (8/31)

Unspoken

Tim Cramer Family

Special Requests

Trip Fogle-Guidance Enriqueta Torres-Spiritual Guidance

Cancer / Treatments

Mitzi Cramer (8/23) Jane Chapman (8/23) Becky Broxton (8/23) Jeanie Raven (8/23) Jimmy Mixson (8/23) **Bereavement**

Family of

Butch Mears Wofford Malphrus Kirk Malphrus Tom Hiers

Nursing Centers

Elaine Degler-RNC Doris Blackmon-Morningside Thelma Ashing-RNC Maureen Malphrus-RNC Becky Jones-Anderson

Other Health Needs

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family

Rodney Malphrus, Sr. (8/30) Jonathan Malphrus (8/9) Brenda Bekick (8/16) Talmadge Malphrus (8/16) Mike Mingledorff (8/30) Vera Miles (8/16) Ann Blocker (8/1) Dorothy Dean (8/1) Royce Malphrus (8/16) Elena Brannen (8/24)

Expecting / Births

Amanda Fletcher



Come join us for the
Proclaimers Choir Practice
every
Wednesday Evening
following
Bible Study.

Pray For Our Military



Bobby Emerson— South Korea-Army
Jared Blanton-Fort Benning
Isaac Martin Malphrus Cape May, NJ / Coast Guard
Matthew Mills-Va-US Marines
Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force / Oklahoma City. OK
Michael Sottile-Depolyed
Owen White-Fort Benning

Please Continue To Remember

Ricky Cleland Mike Hodge Shirley Malphrus Rose Boyles Mary Cope Judy Smith Jeffrey Stanley Joyce Sutler Redden Tuten Vera Floyd Dot Nettles
Tom Hinely
Olivia Stanley
Lois Bootle
Grace Boyles
Patricia Malphrus
Scott Boyles
Dot Dean
Ellen Langford

Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Mary Daley
Leonard Steedly
Barbara Mills
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.
Lanell Smith
Brian Freeman
Dot Tindal



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
752 Great Swamp Rd.
Ridgeland, SC 29936

What is in your hand? Jesus was a carpenter's son. His hometown had trouble seeing him for whom he really was-God's Son. How do you look at others? Do you see them as Jesus sees them? Prayer keeps us alert to others and their needs. What is your "Tool" of the trade? What is that in your hand?

E.L. Ambrose

Senior Celebrator's Trip

It's that time of year again for getting prepared for our Annual Trip. A sign-up sheet and brochure is in the foyer. We are putting together our room list. Your Balances are due. We still have 5 rooms available. See Timmy Sauls for more info.



Spaghetti
Salad / Bread
Dessert
Tea & Coffee



Roberts Family Cooking Team

\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more

Church Staff

Pastor: Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr	jehu27@gmail.com
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Landscaper: Wallace Malphrus	Josie6@embarqmail.com
Finance Director: Timmy Sauls	greatswampbc@gmail.com

Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
Tithes & General Budget	\$3307.30	\$4,973.36	-\$ 1,666.06
Online Offerings	\$		
Designated Funds	This Week	******	Acct. Balances
Seniors Fund	\$868.00	********	\$6,312.46
George Pepper Fund	\$1.00	*******	\$736.03
Gleaners SS Class	\$78.00	*******	\$157.11
Children's Ministries	\$30.00	*******	\$573.20
Missions	\$50.00	********	\$480.54
OCC	\$25.00	*******	\$607.40

Pam Stanley

Ashley River Towers Charleston, SC Room # 7011 843-876-4611

Reminder

Office / School will be closed September 3rd For Labor Day

Great Swamp Baptist Church 9009 Tarboro Rd. PO Box 446 Ridgeland, SC 29936

Sunday School 9:45AM Morning Worship 11:00AM Evening Worship 6:00PM Wednesday Night Supper 6:00PM Wednesday Night Service 7:00PM Saturday Watchman Prayer 8:00AM Email: greatswampbc@gmail.com Website: greatswampbaptistchurch.com Church Office: (843) 726-3631
