

*The*  
Jacobs Brothers



I N C O N C E R T

*Great Swamp Baptist Church*

JANUARY 13, 2019

# *Great Swamp Baptist Church*

January 13, 2019

*Sunday Morning Worship*  
*11:00 AM*

**Prelude**

**The Welcome**  
Announcements

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Call to Worship**

**Invocation**

*Bjo Mills*

**Selections of Praise & Worship**

**We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Offertory

Offertory Special

**Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Invitation**

**Benediction**

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## Greeters

*Today: Olivia Stanley / Krey Lowther*  
*Next Week: Betty Robertson / Krey Lowther*

## Nursery Workers

*Today: Debra Daley / Amanda Hodges*



*Next Week: Latrelle Steedly / Kim Malphrus*



## Children's Church Helpers

*Today: Kaylee Standard / Evelyn Bradley*

*Next Week: Kaylee Standard / Emma Mingledorff*

## DEACON OF THE WEEK :



*Today: Bjo Mills*

843-726-4344

*Next Week: Duane Armstrong*

843-726-6795

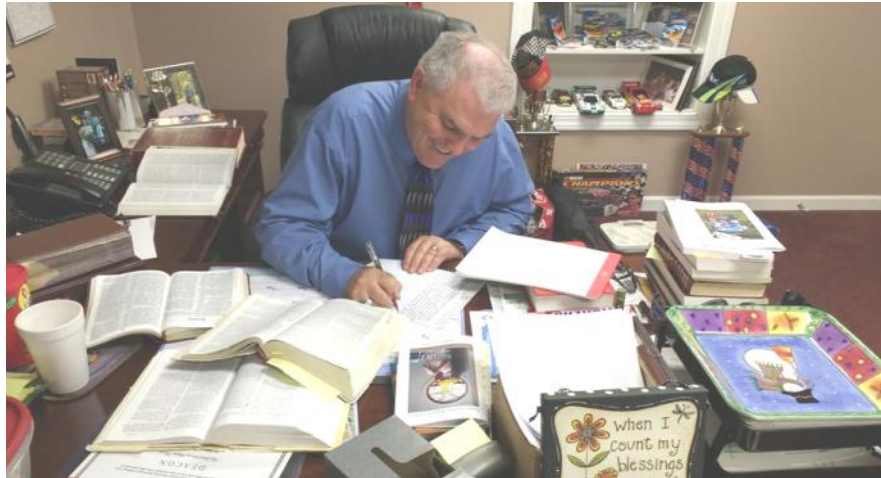


## Toll Committee

*For the month of January*

*Alice Way*

*Pat Malphrus*



*From Pastor Ralph's Desk:*

## **The Man With a New Start**

*(Mark 5: 1-20)*

*Intro: With the start of a new year, I want us to take a look at a man who indeed got a new start, and I mean a new start. As a matter of fact, there was absolutely nothing about this man that didn't need a new start. But boy indeed he got one, and his new start reveals the way in which we need to view our new start for the new year.*

**I. First, let us notice why this man needed a new start.** *Of course, sometimes when digging into a text of the Word of God, you might have to dig deep to get at the answer you are seeking. However, in this particular story it is all quite plain and obvious to each point we will examine.*

*To this first point the obvious reason why he needed a new start was because he was demon possessed. When Jesus asked for his name he replied, "My name is Legion." then he explained why he was called Legion because he said, "For we are many." As a matter of fact the term legion is a Roman military term that means 6,000 soldiers. Therefore, does this mean that this man had 6,000 demons housing themselves within him? Well, we can't be for sure but we do know that it indeed means that he was indwelt by many of them. When Jesus commanded for them to leave, He allowed them to go into a herd of pigs about 2,000 of them. So this poor man indeed needed a new start.*

*This man was not only indwelt by these demons but then he had to deal with all the consequences that come about from being indwelt by the demons. Verse five kind of points out how severe the consequences were. "Night and day among the tombs and in the hills, he would cry out and cut himself with stones."*

*Now let me point out that demonic activity is real and many folks are in some form or fashion is controlled by the demons and anytime you are controlled by the demons you need a new start.*

*Now, the truth is that even God's people have many demons to face. Some of those demons are real demons who thought can't indwell a Believer they certainly can seek to harass, tempt and pressure the Believer. Sometimes, however, the demons we face are our own doing and then sometimes we almost always are having to face. Of course, sometimes they pile up on us.*

*With each demon we face in life, we really need a new start. For each new demon creates its own set of consequences, results, and problems. It is in these times that we cry out, how can I get freedom from the demons haunting my life? Well ther is good news. There is hope and assurance for new starts as we will see as we examine my next point.*

**II. Second, let us notice how he got his new start.** *As I noted in the first point, the answer to these points is extremely clear and obvious and the obvious answer to how he got his new start was found in the person of Jesus Christ. It was not until Jesus Christ came into the vicinity where this demonic dwelt that this man found deliverance and a new start. It all began when Jesus came to the area and he came to Jesus.*

*This man had many people try to do things with him and to him but none was found that could do anything about him or with him. All their wisdom, power, strength, talents and abilities couldn't relieve this man of his demons. No, he required someone who had the power, wisdom, strength, ability, and authority to override that of the demons. The only person who wheeled that kind of authority and who still does is none other than our glorious and blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, God's holy and only begotten Son. Even the demons knew that Jesus was the Son of God and even though they know that one day He will torture them and cast them into the lake of fire and even though they hate Him they know who he is and they must acknowledge who He is, and His authority over them. These verses even tell us that they fell down in a worship position as they came before Him. So, Jesus is the answer to the demons you face.*

*I like something that John MacArthur said about Jesus dealing with this demon possessed man and all other demon possessed men. He said, "It is significant that Jesus never blamed a person for being either diseased or demon controlled. He recognized them as victims of power beyond their own control and as in need of deliverance, not exhortation or condemnation." so out of mercy, grace and compassion, Jesus released this man from his demons. He showed how much more He was concerned for this man and his demonic problem by sending the demons into a large herd of pigs who then ran off into the lake and drowned themselves. Jesus showed that this man's life was far more valuable to Him than two thousand pigs.*

*Oh, listen, Jesus has far more compassion for us than we can imagine. His mercy and grace is abundant and His power superior. Let us, like this man, run to Jesus that we might find victory over the demons we face.*

**III. Third, let us notice what his new start looked like.** *Once again, we have a clear and obvious answer to this point. He was clearly a new man. He was changed from the inside out. He became as the apostle Paul said a new creation in Christ. With this change he got a new start.*

*In verse fifteen, we get a picture of what his new start looked like and how much of a changed man he was. "When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid?"*

*First, the people of the area when they came out to see what was going on, Mark tells us that they saw the man. In other words, he wasn't running away from them or hiding from them. Not only did they see him, but they saw him "sitting there." now what this indicates is that this man is at peace. When we come to Jesus, one of the ways that a new start will look like is that we are filled with comfort, peace and relief.*

*Second, it tells us that when they saw this man he was dressed. The demons took away all sense of morality from this man, so that he didn't care about how he acted and behaved. This included how he dressed. Now, however, with Jesus he is dressed. A clearly indicates that the morality and behavior of his live had changed. We, too, when we come to Jesus he will give us a new start that focuses upon behavior in the manner that He*

would have us to.

*Third, it tells us that the next thing they noticed about this man is that he is now in his right mind. They no longer see a man who is out of his mind. A man who is crazy and insane. A man who absolutely doesn't think straight at all. No, now they see a man who is absolutely sane, thinking straight and making the right and good kind of decisions. It is important to understand that when you are not coming to Jesus, and when you don't allow Him to have authority over your lives, then you won't be of the right mind. Satan, sin, and the world will distort your thinking so much that you don't think straight. In this situation your thinking will be more about what you feel or think than about what is actually right and factual. But when you come to Jesus, He will straighten out your mind so that you can see, know and understand what is true and right. Thus leading to a right mind. When we start new, we want to indeed start it with a right mind. Coming to Jesus will do that for us.*

**IV. Fourth, let us notice what he did with his new start.** *Like the other points of the message, the answer is obvious and clear. First we are told that he hungered to be with Jesus. Because the people of the area being afraid and maybe upset with Jesus about the loss of the pigs, they asked Jesus to leave the area. As Jesus and His disciples are about to launch off, the delivered man begs Jesus to allow him to go with them. Now even though Jesus didn't allow him to go with them, the fact that he wanted to go was important. Of course today Jesus is with His people all the time. But we don't often live like that is the fact. May the Spirit of God help us with the start of the new year to hunger to be with Jesus. To seek Him with all of our heart because lovingly and graciously He has freed us from our demons.*

*The second thing that he did with his new start was to do what Jesus told him to do and that was go home and tell his family what great thing God has so mercifully done to him. It looks like he not only told his family but everyone he came in contact with in his area. We are told that all the people were amazed at what Jesus had done to him.*

*Like this man with his new start, we should hear the voice of Jesus telling us to go and tell the great things God had done for us. You really know that someone is thankful when they are*

*willing to talk about what has been done for them. If we are really thankful for our salvation and our new start, then we will go and brag about what great and glorious things that God has done for us with the desire that it will cause them to turn to Jesus themselves.*

*Jesus Love You  
Ralph Lee, Jr.*



## **Sanctity of Life Sunday**

***Baby Bottle Ministry***  
*Begins on Sunday, January 20th*  
*Ends on February 24th*

***Gideons Presentation***  
*Sunday, January 20th*  
*AM Service*





# Wednesday Night SUPPER



Pulled Pork  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Corn  
Dessert  
Tea & Coffee  
Keith Gamo Cooking Team

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

# Announcements

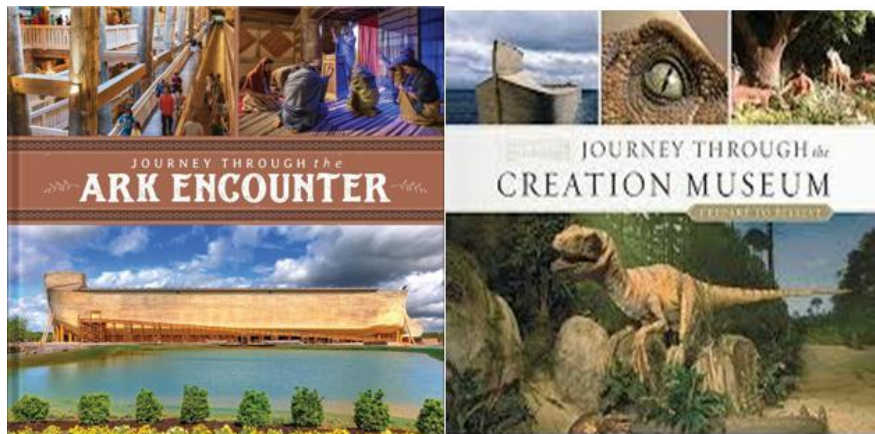


*Deacon's Meeting*  
*Monday, January 14th*

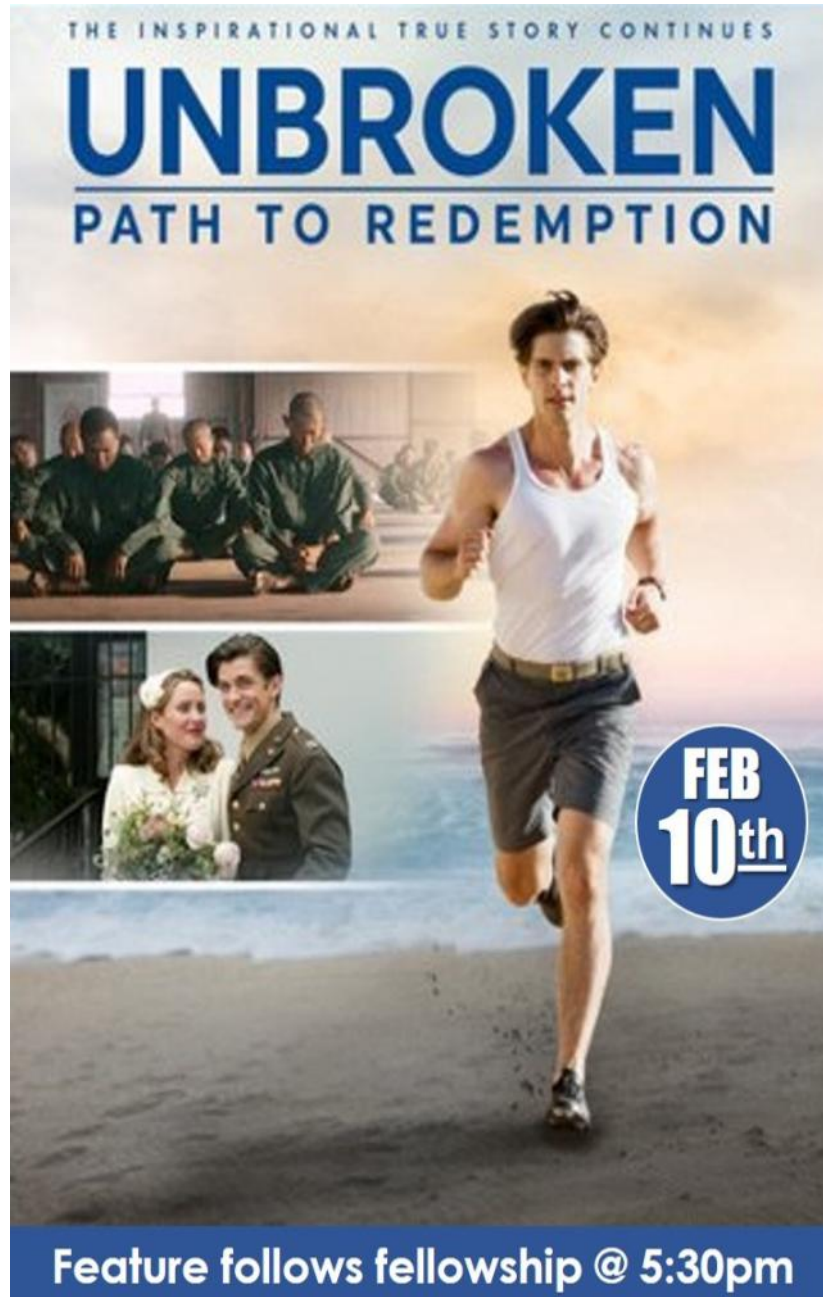
*Men's Quarterly*  
*Thursday, January 17th*  
*Coosawhatchie Baptist Church*



*Quilting Club*  
*Thursday, January 17th*



*The Ark Encounter and Creation Museum*  
*information on Bulletin Board*



*Everyone is asked to bring their favorite finger foods and desserts.*

# GSBC Prayer Pages January 13, 2019

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

**Leadership**  
*President Donald Trump  
United States of America*

**Hospitals**  
*Mackenzie Cooler-TN*

**Surgery / Recovery**  
*Mike Mingledorff (12/7)*

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

**Special Requests**  
*Robert O'Dell-Job*

**Church Needs**  
*Sunday School  
SFCA-Donna Carter  
Child Dev. Ministries*

**Unspoken**  
*Tim Cramer Family  
Mandy Drew  
Olivia & Juan Garcia*

**Spiritual Guidance**  
*Trip Fogle  
Enriqueta Torres  
David Peacock  
John Woodly  
Mary Lou Torres  
Emerald Trujillo*

**Cancer / Treatments**  
*Mitzi Cramer (12/1)  
Jane Chapman (12/1)  
Becky Broxton (12/1)  
Jeanie Raven (12/1)  
Jimmy Mixson (12/1)  
Pam Stanley (12/1)  
Heidi Crosby (12/26)  
Bill Martin (12/30)*

**Called to Ministry**  
*Chris Carter & Family*

*Ministries  
Outreach Ministry  
Lottie Moon Offering*

**Bereavement**  
*Family of  
Marie Malphrus*

**Other Health Needs**  
*E.L. Ambrose (12/1)  
Bobby Mohn (1/10)  
Ann Blocker (1/10)  
Lyman Malphrus (12/4)  
Pinkie Rushing (12/4)  
Lanell Smith (12/31)  
Patricia Malphrus (1/10)*

**Expecting / Births**  
*Amanda Bowen  
Victoria Keiffer*

## 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  
Alice Way*

*Gary Way  
Christy Gagel  
Vera Miles  
Barbara Mills(Knee)  
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.  
Lanell Smith  
Brian Freeman  
Dot Tindal  
Pam Stanley  
Nadine Smoak  
Vanessa Smoak*



## **Pray For Our Military**

*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 - Deployed  
Owen White-Fort Bragg  
Tristan Blanton-San Diego/ Navy Seals*



## **Intercessory Prayer Today's Prayer Team**

*Mack Pope, Jr.  
Kevin Malphrus*

*For Prayer Needs*

*You may access by calling the church at  
843-726-3631*



*Operation Christmas Child 2019 will start collecting shoeboxes, wrapping paper, and small to medium size stuffed animals in January. After Christmas sales will be a great time to find deals on items.*

*Great Swamp Baptist Church goal for 2019 is 400 boxes. Thank you for all your help.*

*Dorthie Armstrong*



*January 13th Leigh Laycock*  
*January 15th Ann Nettles*  
*January 16th Chon Madison*  
*Chip Sutler*  
*Jayla Daring*

*January 14th Ralph & Tammy Lee*



**Gifts**

*A gift of \$50.00 was given to the*  
*Cemetery Fund in*  
*Memory of Louise Baker, George Baker & Jerry Baker*  
*by Jimmy & Elaine Baker.*

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*A gift of \$ 25.00 was given to the*  
*General Fund in*  
*Memory of*  
*Leonard Steedly*  
*by Kelley & Mary Jane Richardson.*

## Church Staff

Pastor: **Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr.**.....jehu27@gmail.com  
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 Finance Director: **Timmy Sauls**.....greatswampbc@gmail.com

## Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
<i>Tithes &amp; General Budget</i>	\$4,446.00	\$4,982.79	-\$261.79
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$275.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Lottie Moon Offering</i>	\$220.00	*****	\$1,650.25
<i>Office Supplies</i>	\$80.00	*****	\$100.23
<i>Sojourners SS Class</i>	\$4.00	*****	\$225.04
<i>MPB Fees</i>	\$100.00	*****	\$1,069.05
<i>SMB</i>	\$84.00	*****	\$362.00
<i>WNS</i>	\$145.00	*****	\$398.00
<i>Cemetery Maintenance</i>	\$50.00	*****	\$123.83
<i>George Pepper Scholarship</i>	\$100.00	*****	\$763.03

**Celebrating**  **175 years of God's Faithfulness**

*and the journey will continue until God returns...*

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*Sunday Morning Breakfast* ..... 8:30AM  
*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

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