

Great Swamp Baptist Church

April 21, 2019

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March 21, 2019

Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Easter Sunday

Prelude

The Welcome

Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call to Worship

Hymn # 160 "Low in the Grave He Lay"

Invocation

Robert O'Dell

The Proclaimers Choir Presents

Because He Lives (Part 2 "The Crucifixion")

Narrated by Alex Sineath

"Alive, Forever, Amen"

"Because He Lives Medley"

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Offertory

Offertory Special

"Behold the Lamb"

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction



Greeters

Today: Mike Mingledorff / Krey Lowther

Next Week: Mike Dorthie Armstrong / Krey Lowther

Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak / Jennifer Meador

Next Week: Anita Blanton / Alyssa



Children's Church Helpers

Today: Angel Cole / Emma Mingledorff

Next Week: Kaylee Standard / Evelyn Bradley

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today: Robert O'Dell

843-540-2072

Next Week: Bjo Mills

843-726-4344

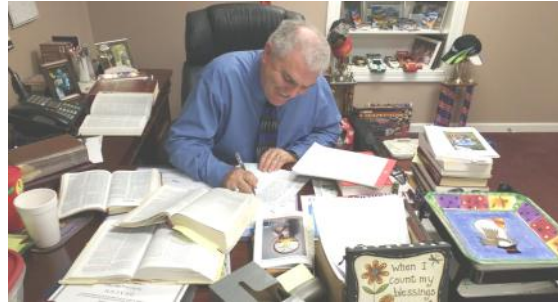


Toll Committee

For the month of April

Anita Blanton

Pat Bryan



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

So, How Did Your Week Go?

(Matthew 26:1-5)

Intro: Palm Sunday is the start of a week with a long chain of events. Of course, the week that I am referring to was the last week of Jesus' life on earth, and what a week it was. There has never been one like it before, and there will never be one like it again.

We often ask one another how did your week go? Sometimes we answer that it went well nor okay or it had its' ups and downs. Well, what would Jesus say if you asked Him how did His last week go? What would His answer be? So, that is what I want us to examine today, how did Jesus' last week go?

I. So, how did your week go? Nine began with a big recognition. (Matt. 21:1-11).

This big recognition came with Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem. If Jesus were speaking He might say, boy did the recognition start when the young donkey colt which no one had ever ridden before. This young colt recognized exactly who I am, His Creator. He gave me a ride all the way into Jerusalem without one ounce of resistance. It was as though this young colt had given many rides before.

Second, Jesus might say of this first day of His last week that not only did the young colt recognize that He was his Creator, but this big recognition event was a big recognition because a very large crowd of people gathered also to acknowledge and recognize that He was indeed the Son of David who came in the name of the Lord. To save them. So, the crowd was acknowledging and recognizing me to be the Messiah. Even though their understanding how He as the Messiah would save them was not the same as what He actually was doing to save them. However, they still were praise Him for Who He was and in the Messiah. Jesus said that if this large crowd hadn't of recognized Him then the rocks would cry out in recognition of Him. Again, Jesus is saying that His creation knows Who He is. But the question is how about us? Are we crying out with creation that Jesus is and Jesus alone is the blessed Messiah who came in the name of the Lord to save us. One day there will be a recognition by all in which every knee will bow and every tongue confess that He is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

II. So how did your week go? Mine had an eventful celebration. (Matt. 26:17-30).

Now during the last week of Jesus' life on earth, the Passover meal was being celebrated. Jesus celebrated it with His disciples, and boy was it an eventful experience, both for Jesus, His disciples and as far as that goes, all the rest of us too.

If Jesus were telling about that night of Celebration, He might have said it something like this: Boy, what a celebration. It began on a sad note as I revealed the fact that one of them would betray me on this very night. However, not only did I have to share this sad fact but I had to go a step further and tell them that they all would

deny Him especially Peter. This was very tough for me to do.

However, the celebration wasn't all sad. No, the celebration went from bitter to sweet when I was able to reveal to them that I was the true Passover Lamb and that I will sacrifice my body and pour out my blood for the forgiveness of their sins, so that the death angel would Passover them allowing them to have everlasting life in glory with Him. Thus the Passover meal has for Christians become a celebration called the Lord's Supper. Remembering the great truth that Christ gave His body, represented by the bread. He then poured out His blood, represented by the juice.

So, how about you? Have you denied and betrayed Him? Or have you come and submitted yourself to Him and Him alone as your Passover Lamb?

III. So, how did your week go? Mine involved a very difficult interruption. (Matt. 26:36-56). After the eventful celebration, I headed out to a quiet place to bathe myself in prayer preparing for what I was about to face. I took three of my disciples with me and asked them to watch and pray for me. I went a little further from them and poured my heart out to my Father in Heaven. I so wanted to save my people but I was really greatly concerned about the way I was going to have to do it. I asked my Father to take it away but instead He strengthened me so that I could accept His will. But one thing that made I so difficult was the fact that my disciples couldn't even stay awake and pray for me. I learned that I was going to have to face this task alone. No wonder I was sweating great drops of blood.

However, that is not the end of my prayer time. What had been a quiet place, except when I poured my heart out to My Heavenly Father, was rudely interrupted by a large crowd of people and soldiers. Amongst this crowd was one of my own, Judas Iscariot, He approached me first with a deceptive greeting. However, with this greeting he was betraying me to my enemies. This in turn led to my arrest. I've had many interruptions during my ministry but this was the most difficult of all.

So, we must ask ourselves like the disciples then, are we asleep on the job? Have we closed our eyes to the work of Christ in the world?

Also, we must ask ourselves, have we betrayed the Lord or are we going out of our way to show our allegiance to Him?

IV. So, how did your week go? Mine took me to a false examination. (Matt. 26:57-75). After being arrested I was led straight away to a mockery of a trial set up by the Jewish high leader called the Sanhedrin. These guys didn't like me because the people were turning away from them for me. They wanted to do everything in their power to get rid of me. One by one, they brought false witnesses against me, but their arguments didn't hold up. I just stayed quiet throughout most of the trial. Finally, they brought up a couple of witnesses who had heard me say that "I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days." Of course, when Jesus said this, He was referring to the temple of His body not the temple building.

However, upon hearing this accusation, the high priest asked me point blank, if I were Christ the Son of God, even though I had been quiet up to this point, I could no longer because it's true, I am the Christ the Son of the Living God.

Well, boy did that set off a fire storm. They accused me of blasphemy and then spit on me, hit me with their fists and slapped me with their hands.

Now all this was difficult to take but one of the worst things that happened at that trial was that my very own Peter denied me three times, and even though I forgave him, it was very hard on me as I faced what was about to come, the cross.

So, are we questioning who Jesus is? Are we putting Him to trial again? Are we denying Him again? May it be said that for us the trial is over and Jesus is Lord.

V. So, how was your week? Mine led me off to a dreadful crucifixion. (Matt. 27:1-26). After the Sanhedrin accused me of blasphemy, they led me off to the Roman officials in town to get Jesus sentenced to death. It took them a while but finally they convinced Pilate to send me away to be crucified. This experience was ludicrous, horrible and hurtful but necessary in order for me to offer salvation for humanity.

The pain began long before we got to the place of skulls where I was crucified. First the Roman soldiers mocked me. Then they put a thorny, painful crown upon my head causing several puncture wounds. They then hit me with a staff and finally, worst of all, beat me with a cat of nine tails with thirty nine lashes. It seemed impossible to survive that and all of this was before carrying the cross up to Golgotha. Once there, they drove the nails in my hands and feet and lifted me up. The physical pain was unreal. However, what was even more difficult was the spiritual battle raging. For I battled all along the forces of hell and the punishment of man's sins as my Father poured out His wrath against the sins all of which I was carrying. In the hours on the cross I suffered an eternity of hell in order to set people free. When it was all over, I cried those three words, "It is finished." I had done all that was required by my Father to sway His wrath against man's sins so He could offer them forgiveness, eternal life and a relationship with Him.

So, have you humbled yourselves and come to the cross of Christ and clung to His work there for your salvation? There is no other way.

Concl. So how was your week? Well let me close with some good news. First his week can make all your weeks better if you will believe. Second the week isn't quite finished. It will indeed get better. But you will have to stay tuned next week to get the rest of the story.

Jesus Love You
Ralph Lee, Jr.



Coming on Sunday, May 5th
The Journeymen of Praise
Concert @ 5:00 pm
Love Offering
Meal will follow concert

Contact Richard Waitt for more info.

Imagine if every believer could answer that question with the name of a person who is far from God—a person for whom they're praying and with whom seeking to share the gospel. That's the intention behind *Who's Your One*. We believe God's people don't merely need another method for evangelism—what they need is a white-hot passion to see people who are far from God experience the new life He offers through Jesus Christ.

Over the coming days, our church and countless others will prioritize personal ownership of the Great Commission as we each intentionally pursue one person with the hope of the gospel. At times, it seems the mission is simply too complex and too vast for churches like ours and people like us. While we can't do everything, we can do something. We can all take responsibility for *one*. And, because of God's power and the work of His Spirit, each of our ones can add up to make a significant impact for God's kingdom.

**Annie
Armstrong
Easter
Offering
Our Goal:
\$700.00**



Wednesday Night SUPPER



- Shepherd's Pie
- Green Beans
- Rolls
- Salad
- Dessert
- Tea & Coffee
- Youth Cooking Team

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

Announcements



*Tuesday, April 23rd
Prayer Breakfast*

*Thursday, April 25th
Quilt Club @ 10:00 am*



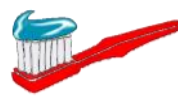
*Thursday-Saturday
Kairos
Prison Ministry*

Operation Christmas Child

It is time to get excited and motivated for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Since our goal for this year is 400 boxes, we are going to have a friendly completion. In the foyer will be 2 boxes for donations; 1 box for ages 40 and younger and 1 box for 40 and older. So, let the donations begin. Monetary donation are also welcomed. Any question, see Dorthie Armstrong.

April & May Collections:

*Tooth Brushes
Combs and/or Hair Brushes for Girls
Stuffed Animals
Soap & Wash Cloths*



This Weeks Birthdays



April 22nd *Joyce Sutler*
Andrew Malphrus
Michael Daley
Trista Daring

April 23rd *Rose Boyles*
Franklin Fryman
Sybil Reynolds

Graduation Recognition

Sunday, May 19th @ 11:00 am

*Please see Michelle Waitt
for more info*

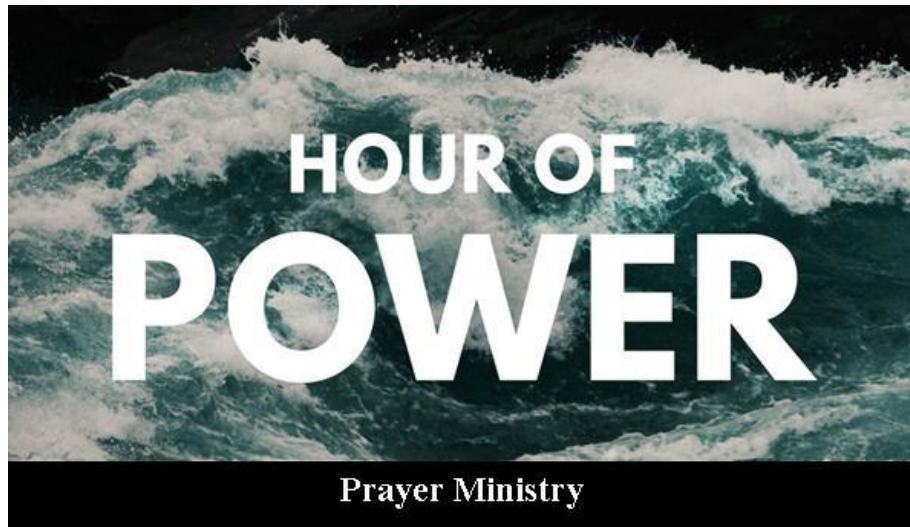


BACCALAUREATE
S E R V I C E

Wednesday, May 15th @ 7:00 pm

A meal will follow the service.

More info coming soon.



Every Tuesday @ 9:00am
Refreshments Served

MPB

Great Swamp Baptist Church
9009 Tarboro Rd
Ridgeland, SC

All are invited to come

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

2 Chronicles 7:14 (KJV)

GSBC Prayer Pages April 21, 2019

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

Leadership
*President Donald Trump
United States of America*

Hospitals

Surgery / Recovery
*Brian Freeman (3/14)
Don Price (3/21)
Briar Tracey (4/11)
Dwight Malphrus (5/7)
Patrick Malphrus (5/8)*

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

Special Requests
Robert O'Dell-Job

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

Unspoken
*Tim Cramer Family
Olivia & Juan Garcia*

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

Cancer / Treatments
*Mitzi Cramer (1/28)
Jane Chapman (12/1)
Becky Broxton (12/1)
Jeanie Raven (1/28)
Heidi Crosby (12/26)
Bill Martin (12/30)*

Called to Ministry
Chris Carter & Family

Please Continue To Remember

*Mike Hodge
Shirley Malphrus
Rose Boyles
Mary Cope
Judy Smith
Jeffrey Stanley
Joyce Sutler
Redden Tuten
Vera Floyd
Bobby Mohn*

*Dot Nettles
Tom Hinely
Lois Bootle
Grace Boyles
Patricia Malphrus
Scott Boyles
Ellen Langford
Ann Blocker
E. L. Ambrose
Annette Malphrus*

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry
Inreach Ministry*

Bereavement
*Family of
Ellen Langford*

Other Health Needs
*Bill Bell - Mrs. Rose's Dad (2/7)
Baby Gabrielle (2/7)
Max Cole (2/11)
Nicole Cole (2/11)
Danny Fogle (2/14)
Peggy Fludd (2/14)
Lynn Daugherty (2/26)
Christen Gogol (3/21)
Eric Chapman (3/21)
Wanda Davis (3/21)
Ana Price Busby (3/21)
Joyce Pope (3/29)
Tommy Cooler (4/1)
Betty Robertson (4/8)*

Expecting / Births
Amanda Bowen & Baby Boy

Good Report
Pam Stanley

*Gary Way
Christy Gagel
Vera Miles
Barbara Mills(Knee)
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.
Lanell Smith
Dot Tindal
Pam Stanley
Garbade Carter*



Pray For Our Military

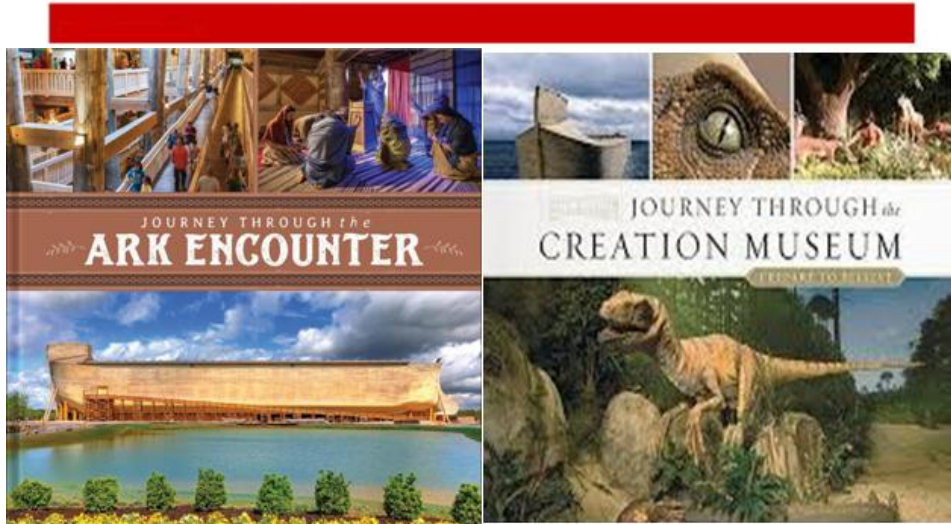
*Jared Blanton-Fort Benning
Isaac Martin Malphrus
Cape May, NJ / Coast Guard
Matthew Mills-CA-US Marines
Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force /
Oklahoma City. OK
Michael Sottile - Deployed
Owen White-Fort Bragg
Tristan Blanton-San Diego/ Navy Seals*



Intercessory Prayer Today's Prayer Team

*Truett Vaigneur
Mike Mingledorff*

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



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

Complete Package Plan

(Includes lodging, travel & tickets)

(A continental breakfast is free daily, all other meals are not included.)

<i>Persons Per Room</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Monthly</i>
1	\$531.00	\$106.20
2	\$367.50	\$73.50
3	\$313.00	\$62.60
4	\$285.75	\$57.15

***The March Payments are NOW past due.
April Payment is due Tuesday, April 30th.***

More Info:

*Contact the Church office @
843-726-3631*

Sybil Reynolds or Timmy Sauls

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 + / -
<i>Tithes & General Budget</i>	\$ 2,845.00	\$4,982.79	-\$ 2,127.79
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$ 10.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Seniors (Ark Encounter)</i>	\$110.00	*****	\$ 13,359.30
<i>Office Supplies</i>	\$ 12.00	*****	\$ 28.67
<i>WNS</i>	\$ 233.00	*****	\$ 233.00
<i>SMB</i>	\$ 73.00	*****	\$ 73.00
<i>VBS</i>	\$ 20.00	*****	\$ 880.00
<i>In Reach Ministry</i>	\$ 130.00	*****	\$ 176.42
<i>Church Repairs</i>	\$ 100.00	*****	\$ 207.78
<i>George Pepper Scholarship</i>	\$ 120.00	*****	\$ 1,088.03
<i>Annie Armstrong</i>	\$ 186.00	*****	\$ 306.00
<i>Operation Christmas Child</i>	\$ 40.00	*****	\$ 436.28
<i>Janitorial Supplies</i>	\$7.00	*****	\$ 153.32

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

and the journey will continue until God returns...

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PO Box 446
Ridgeland, SC 29936

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

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