

I am the way, the truth, and  
the life. No one comes to the  
Father except through Me.

John 14:6



*Great Swamp Baptist Church*

*April 28, 2019*

# Great Swamp Baptist Church

March 28, 2019

Sunday Morning Worship  
11:00 AM

## **Prelude**

## **The Welcome**

Announcements

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Call to Worship**

*“In the Presence of Jehovah”*

*Hymn # 514 “When We All Get to Heaven”*

## **Invocation**

*Bjo Mills*

## **Selections of Praise and Worship**

*“Behold the Lamb”*

## **We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Offertory

Offertory Special

*The Proclaimers*

*“Beautiful Empty Grave”*

## **Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Invitation**

## **Benediction**

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## Greeters

*Today: Dorthie Armstrong / Krey Lowther*  
*Next Week: Latrelle Steedley / Krey Lowther*

## Nursery Workers

*Today: Anita Blanton / Alyssa*

*Next Week: Carol Davis / Taylor Daley*



## Children's Church Helpers

*Today: Kaylee Standard / Evelyn Bradley*

*Next Week: Kaylee Standard / Emma Mingledorff*

## DEACON OF THE WEEK :



*Today: Bjo Mills*

823-726-4344

*Next Week: Duane Armstrong*

823-726-6795

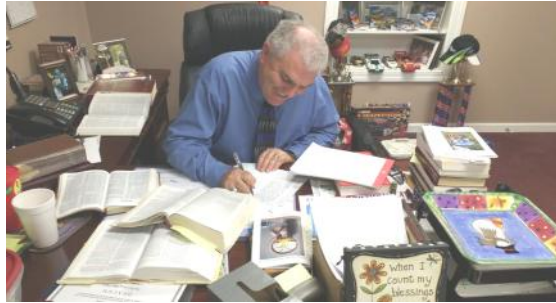


## Toll Committee

*For the month of May*

*Alice Way*

*Pat Malphrus*



*From Pastor Ralph's Desk:*

## **The Angels' Resurrection Direction**

*(Matthew 28:1-10)*

*Intro: Angels have always played a key role in God's work among mankind. When we read the Bible, we see their activity all over the place. We are even encouraged to treat strangers in a kind manner because we will never know when we might actually be entertaining angels. (Heb. 13:2)*

*However, the greatest work of the angels is the work they did for Jesus when He came among us. Particularly do we find them greatly involved at His birth and then at His resurrection and ascension, His coming into the world and His exit from the world. They will be also very active at His return as well.*

*Today I would like for us to focus upon the role of the angels at the resurrection of our Blessed Lord. Now the focus of what I want to see is the direction that the angels gave. So, the title of my message is The Angels' Resurrection Direction.*

**I. First, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction came following the conquest.** *The angels did not come upon the scene until after Jesus had already conquered death and resurrected up out of the grave. The point being that the angels did not do one thing to help Jesus come up out of the grave. He didn't need their help to arise. He didn't need their help to come out of the grave. He didn't need the stone to be rolled back to come out of the tomb. No, my friend, Jesus had all the power needed to resurrect Himself up out of the grave. As a matter of fact, He alone had and has the power over, death, hell and the grave.*

*On one occasion as Jesus was teaching and preaching, He spoke of His authority and power over the grave. "The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life only to take it up again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have the authority to lay it down and the authority to take it up again. This command I received from My Father." (John 10:17-18).*

*So let us remember that the angels are powerful but not all powerful like Satan wants us to believe. No, no one is all powerful but our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We conquer sin, death, hell and the grave only through His power and authority.*

**II. Second, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction started with a clearing.** *Now of course I am referring to the fact that we first discover the angels involvement in the resurrection event when they come down to roll the stone away from the tomb entrance. They cleared the way for all to see that Jesus had indeed and fact resurrected from the grave. They proved to the soldiers, the Roman government, the Jewish Sanhedrin and to Satan himself that they had failed.*

*It also was to show to all of us that we, through faith in Christ, had won because He had won. By the way Jesus didn't need the stone removed to resurrect. The next time you encounter a stone to large for you to move, call on Jesus and let Him walk you right on through it, and we know that its true because the angels removed the stone to prove it.*

**III. Third, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction stated a claim.**

*Now, the claim was four words and those four words were, "He is not here..." the angels knew that the women and later the men who came to see the tomb were looking for the body of Jesus. However, the angels could clearly state to these followers of Christ that, "He is not here." in another one of the gospels, they said it this way, "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" (Luke 24:5). Now this is a very bold claim to make. As a matter of fact, from man's perspective, pretty much an impossible statement to make. But with these angels, we too, must make this bold statement that Jesus is no longer in the grave. The living is not a part of the dead. In our next point, we will see why the angels said He is not here.*

**IV. Fourth, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction revealed the cause.**

*Now, my point could really run right together because each one supports the other in a straight forward manner. For once the angel stated the claim that Jesus was not there in the tomb, He also followed right up with the reason or cause why He was not there, and of course, it was because He had risen from the grave.*

*It was extremely important to reveal the cause because at first the women thought that the tomb had been rolled away because either the Jews, or the soldiers had moved the body somewhere else. Or they may have concluded that someone simply came and stole the body which would in and of itself be almost impossible because of the soldiers.*

*However, the angels stated cause removed all conjecture as to why the tomb was open and the body was gone because the truth is no one took the body. He is gone because He arose. Amen and Praise the Lord.*

**V. Fifth, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction gave absolute certainty.**

*Now the angels appear to have had one primary responsibility and that responsibility was to convince the followers of Christ and as far as that goes anyone else who would listen that Jesus indeed and fact was risen from the dead.*

*Now the way in which they brought certainty to the Jesus resurrection was to first of all remind the women and the men that came to the tomb, that they could be sure that Jesus had resurrected from the dead because He had already told them that He would. On a number of occasions, He had told them that He must die but then three days later resurrect from the dead. Well, this reminder from the angel did its' job. Luke tells us that once the angel reminded them they did in fact remember that Jesus had said so. You can always trust Jesus to fulfill His promises and words because He always did and therefore always will.*

*The second means of certainty that the angels gave was a simple yet powerful invitation. "Come and see the place where He lay." this invitation was an invitation to actually witness for themselves that He wasn't there and that He had risen from the dead. There is absolutely no reason for us to deny or have difficulty with believing in the bodily resurrection of our Lord. For there was an untold number of witnesses who saw the empty tomb but not only the empty tomb but the actual presence of our exalted, risen Savior Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Paul tells us that Jesus was seen by Peter and then by the twelve and even at one time by at least 500 of the Brethren and then by him last of all. The Gospels also reveal a few others. So let us rejoice that our faith is not a blind faith but a faith based in reality. So, we don't serve an ideal or a thought or a mere symbol or even a hope. No, sir, praise God our faith is in an absolute, actual, exalted risen Savior and Lord and His name is Jesus Christ. He lives.*

**VI. Sixth, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction caused calm and celebration.** *The angels' words to the disciples of our Lord was, "Do not be afraid" or "Do not fear." now there is no way that at first did they couldn't have been afraid. However, as the angel worked gently with them assuring them of His resurrection, fear turned to calm and eventually calm into celebration.*

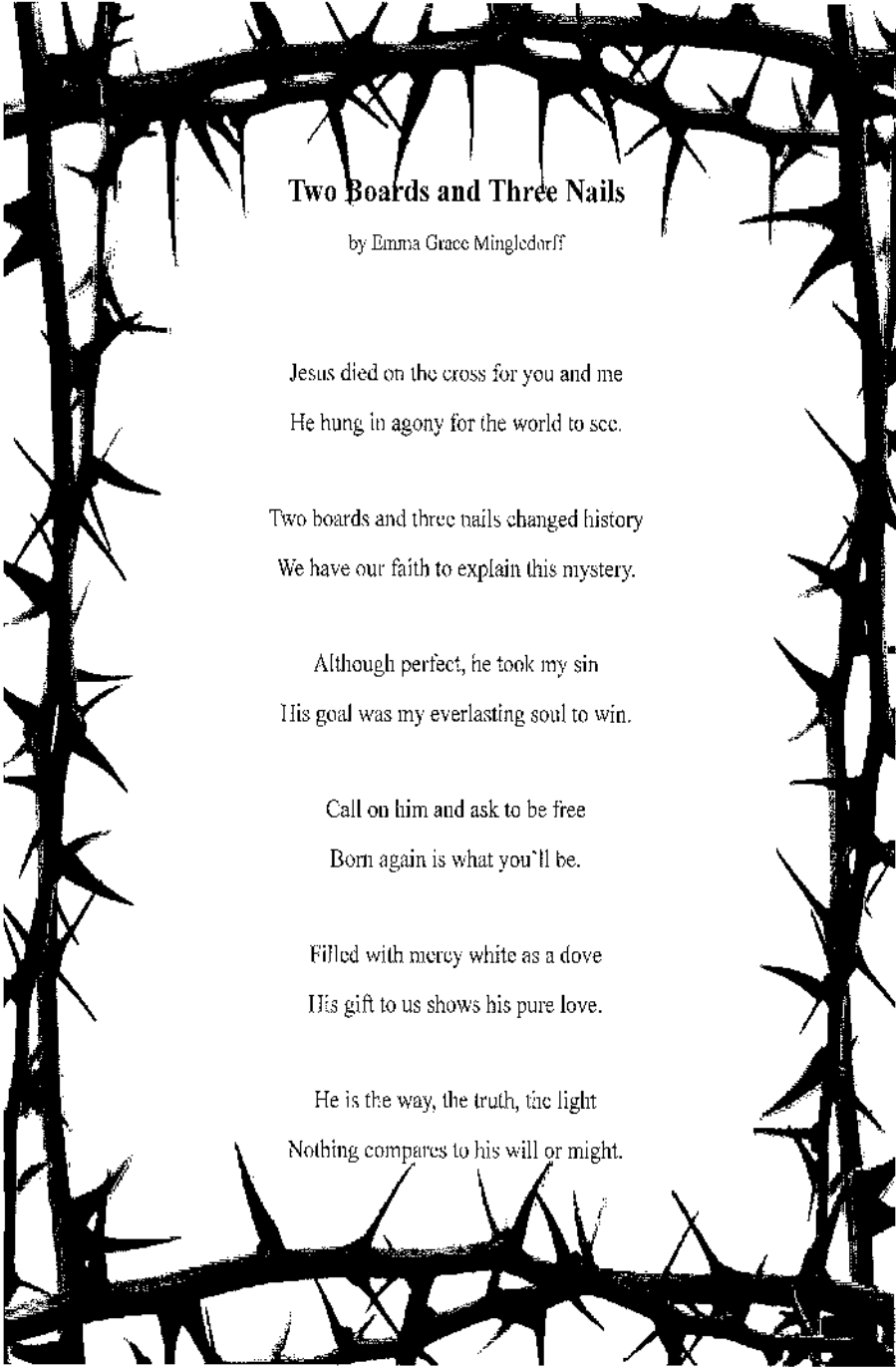
*Now, however, calm did not overtake the soldiers. Their fear was so deep that the Scriptures here tell us that the mighty Roman soldiers became like dead men. They were in total shock. Their fear was never swayed because they failed to accept the fact of what had happened. When you refuse to accept the reality of Christ' resurrection, you will live a life of fear because you have no certainty about your reality and future.*

*Let Jesus calm your fears and give you something to eternally rejoice about.*

**VII. Seventh, let us notice that the angels' resurrection direction concluded with a charge.** *After the angel convinced the women who first came to the tomb that Jesus had resurrected and after he calmed their fears, he then instructed them with the charge to go and report the good news of His resurrection to the rest of the disciples and this they did. This resulted in others coming to see and that resulted in them spreading the good news.*

*Concl. Well the Lord is telling us the same thing today. Go and tell that our Savior lives. Tell them that not sin, death, the grave, Satan or hell could hold Him back. He is alive. He is alive. Shout it out.*

*Jesus Love You  
Ralph Lee, Jr.*



## Two Boards and Three Nails

by Emma Grace Mingledorf

Jesus died on the cross for you and me  
He hung in agony for the world to see.

Two boards and three nails changed history  
We have our faith to explain this mystery.

Although perfect, he took my sin  
His goal was my everlasting soul to win.

Call on him and ask to be free  
Born again is what you'll be.

Filled with mercy white as a dove  
His gift to us shows his pure love.

He is the way, the truth, the light  
Nothing compares to his will or might.

## **VBS Supplies Needed**

(Sign Up Sheet in Foyer)

- 1-Tortillas (See Kim Malphrus)*
- 1-Index cards (See Pat Mason)*
- 5-Black Permanent markers*
- 50- 11 1/2 x 8 1/2 x 5/8 in. shirt boxes*
- 60 mini suction cups (See Darlene Bollack)*
- 2- light brown craft paper rolls (See Darlene Bollack)*
- 60 or more used men's ties*
- 6- Extra Large sponges*
- 3- Large buckets*
- 1-bag of pebbles*
- 200-water balloons*
- 20 used towels (clean please)*
- Rope (See Pat Mason)*
- Small foam balls (See Pat Mason)*
- 1-pack green construction paper*
- 1- pack fasteners (See Kim Malphrus)*
- 1-pack paper plates*
- 1-pack of foam plates*
- 20-small scissors (can be used)*
- 2-packs of solo cups (2 different colors)*
- 1-mounting paper (See Kim Malphrus)*
- 1-quart size zip loc bags*
- 2- Packs Plastic Straws*
- 1- box of sugar cubes*
- 25 pair - chop sticks*
- 1-bag of cotton balls*
- 10 packs of crayons*
- 3-packs of scotch tape*

**(Food Supply List Coming Next Week)**





June 2nd thru 5th

5:00-8:30 pm

Ages: 3yrs.— Adult

Youth/Adult class by Woody Oliver

Great Swamp Baptist Church

9009 Tarboro Rd

Ridgeland



## who's your **1**NE?

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.

 North American  
Mission Board

[WhosYourOne.com](http://WhosYourOne.com)  
#WhosYour1   

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

# Journeyman of Praise



**SPRING CONCERT**

**MAY 5, 2019**

**AT 5:00 PM**

**AN EVENING OF MUSICAL ENJOYMENT  
RECEPTION FOLLOWING**

**GREAT SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH**

9009 TARBORO ROAD  
RIDGELAND, SC 29936  
843-726-3294

[WWW.GREATSWAMPBAPTISTCHURCH.COM](http://WWW.GREATSWAMPBAPTISTCHURCH.COM)





Spaghetti  
Salad  
Toasted Bread  
Dessert  
Tea & Coffee

Roberts Family Cooking Team

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



# Announcements



*Tuesday, April 30th  
Prayer Breakfast*

*Thursday, May 2nd  
Quilt Club @ 10:00 am*



## 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*



## Graduation Recognition

*Sunday, May 19th @ 11:00 am*

*Please see Michelle Waitt  
for more info*



# This Weeks Birthdays



*April 28th*

*April Malphrus  
Ann Malphrus*

*May 1st*

*E. L. Ambrose  
Connie Benton  
Forrest Bowen*

*May 4th*

*Dorthie Armstrong  
Hannah Bowen*

*May your marriage be blessed with love,  
joy and companionship for all the years of your lives.*

*A very happy  
Wedding Anniversary  
to both of you*



*May 3*

*Calvin & Pat Bryan*

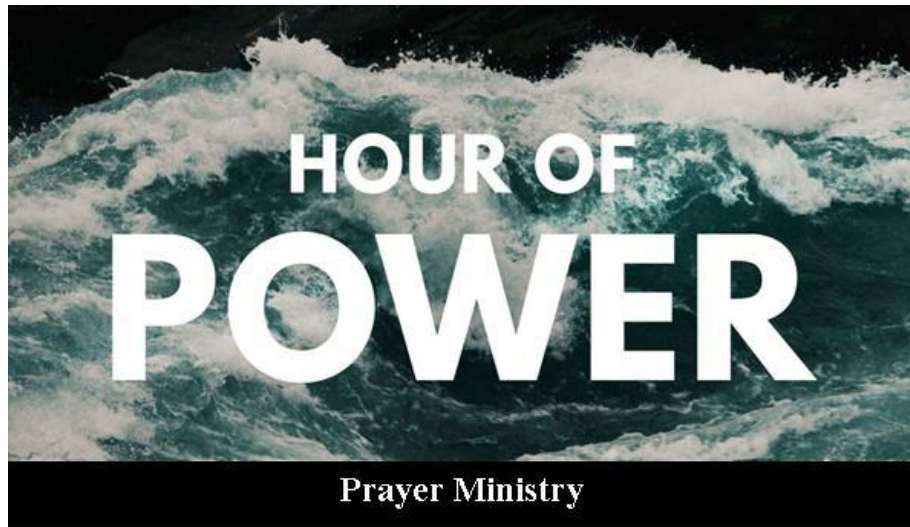


**BACCALAUREATE**  
S E R V I C E

*Wednesday, May 15th @7:00 pm*

*A meal will follow the service.*

*Sign Up sheet in Foyer.*



**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 28, 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)  
Robert Sauls (4/23)  
E.L. Ambrose (4/24)*

### **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)  
Mack Pope (4/22)*

## **Called to Ministry**

*Chris Carter & Family*

*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*

## **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*

*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 Stewart*

*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/ SWCC*



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

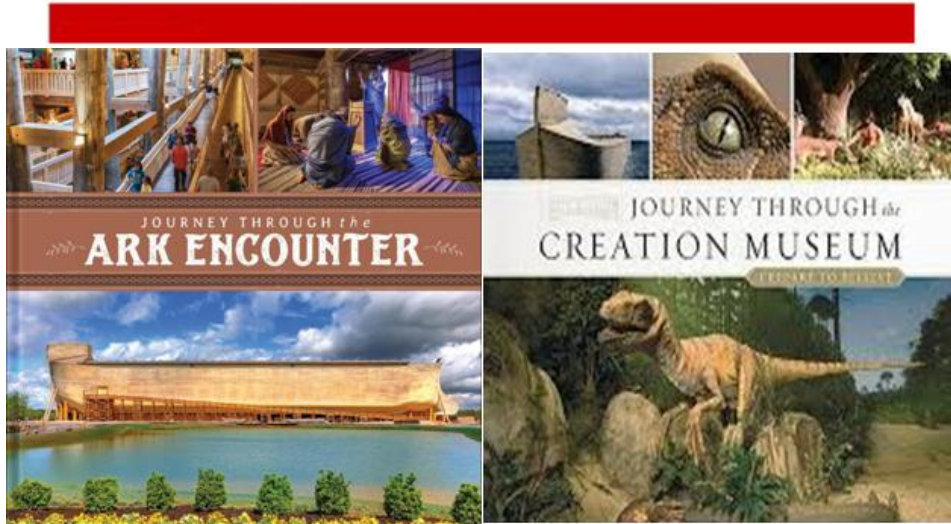
*Truett Vaigneur*

*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>
<b>1</b>	<b>\$531.00</b>	<b>\$106.20</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>\$367.50</b>	<b>\$73.50</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>\$313.00</b>	<b>\$62.60</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>\$285.75</b>	<b>\$57.15</b>

***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*  
*Music Director: Richard Waitt* ..... *waittfamily83@gmail.com*  
*Sunday School Director: Wallace Malphrus* ..... *Josie6@embarqmail.com*  
*Pianist: Michelle Waitt* ..... *waittfamily83@gmail.com*  
*Administrative Assistant: Sybil Reynolds* ..... *greatswampbc@gmail.com*  
*School Administrator: Donna Carter* ..... *dcarter@hargray.com*  
*Custodian: Ann Malphrus* ..... *ramalphrus@hargray.com*  
*Landscaper: Wallace Malphrus* ..... *Josie6@embarqmail.com*  
*Finance Director: Timmy Sauls* ..... *greatswampbc@gmail.com*

## Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
<i>Tithes &amp; General Budget</i>	\$ 4,592.00	\$4,982.79	-\$ 390.79
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Seniors (Ark Encounter)</i>	\$250.00	*****	\$ 13,609.30
<i>WNS</i>	\$ 216.06	*****	\$ 424.06
<i>SMB</i>	\$ 158.00	*****	\$ 231.00
<i>VBS</i>	\$ 51.00	*****	\$ 931.00
<i>Annie Armstrong</i>	\$ 45.00	*****	\$ 351.00
<i>In Reach Ministry</i>	\$ 25.00	*****	\$ 201.42

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

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

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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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