

Happy Father's Day



Great Swamp Baptist Church

June 16, 2019

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Sunday Morning Worship

11:00 AM

The Welcome
Announcements

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Call to Worship

Invocation

Wilbur Daley

Father's Day Recognitions

Selections of Praise and Worship

We Pray for Special Needs

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Offertory Special

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Message

Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

Invitation

Benediction



Greeters

Today: Dorthie Armstrong / Krey Lowther
Next Week: Latrelle Steedly / Krey Lowther

Nursery Workers

Today: Diane Thames / Chesney

Next Week: Vickie Roberts / Emma



Children's Church Helpers

Today: Olivia Stanley / Angel Cole

Next Week: Olivia Stanley / Evelyn Bradley

DEACON OF THE WEEK :



Today: Wilbur Daley

843-305-0110

Next Week: Mack Pope

843-540-6636

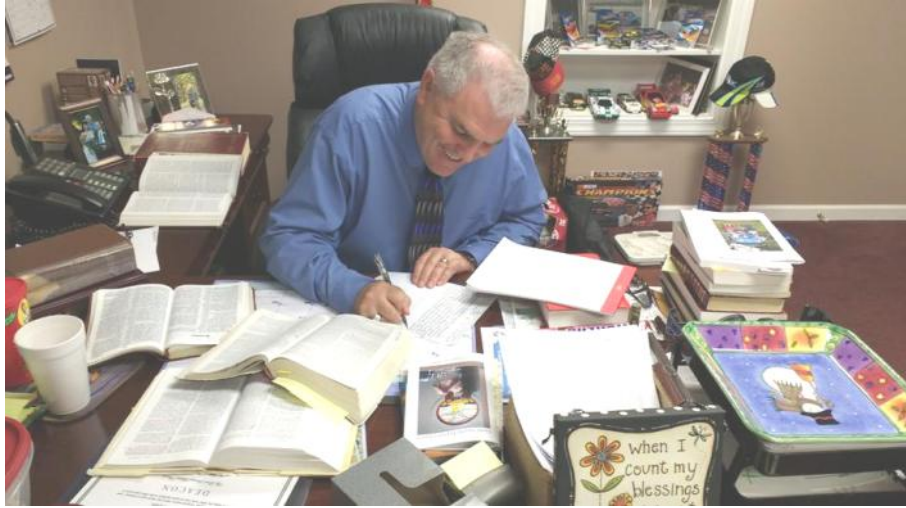


Toll Committee

For the month of June

Bernice Malphrus

Bonnie Pope



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

The Biblical Overview of the Human Race

Intro: There is only one real source of authority for the people of God and that, Of course, is the Word of God. So, as we seek answers about any subject or topic, we must begin with the Word of God and end with the Word of God. Now, of course, because the Bible is God's Word, eventually man will discover in all of their studies and experiments that God's Word will be verified as absolute truth.

Now, the reason I am emphasizing the authority of the Word of God is because this week during our Vacation Bible School, our topic was about the incredible human race. So, I want today to point out what the Word of God has to say about the race issue. For whatever the Word of God teaches us about this matter in the complete and total truth about it on the subject.

Now, some of the questions we looked at and dealt with were what the usual questions about race. Such as, how did we come into existence? How many sets of parents do we have? How many races are there? How did the different languages come into existence? What is common with us all? These questions and a few more we attempted to answer this week. Today, I want to summarize what we looked at under the title, "The Biblical Overview of the Human Race. We will look at many verses throughout the Bible to get the answers to the questions dealing with the subject.

I. First, let us notice our existence. *Before we answer the questions about our parentage and about how many different races there are and so on, we must first declare the most important doctrine about our existence. That important doctrinal truth is that our existence, no matter who we are, or where we come from, or what language we speak, we all exist fro one reason and on reason alone. That one reason is that God Almighty chose to create us. Plain and simple, our existence as a human race falls all the way back to one simple truth, God is our Creator. He is the Creator of us all.*

In the Word of God, over three hundred times, God in some form or fashion, is declared as the Creator of all. Let us examine what some of those texts are. Especially some that reveal His creation of the incredible human race. First and foremost is in the first chapter of Genesis. "Then god said, 'Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all creatures that move along the ground.' so, God created man in His image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." (Gen. 1: 26-27).

Now listen to the words found in the prophet Isaiah. "It is I who made the earth and created mankind upon it. My own hands stretched out the heavens. I marshaled their starry hosts. For this is what the Lord says—He who created the heaven, He is God; He who fashioned and made the earth, He founded it; He did not create it to be empty but formed it to be inhabited—He says, 'I am the Lord and there is no other.'" (Is. 45:12,18).

Now, we will look at a couple in the New Testament. "Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made." (John 1:3).

Listen to the apostle Paul. "He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers, or rulers, or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together." (Col. 1:15-17).

So, we began with one obvious conclusion, we exist because God and God alone created us. Praise God, we are not an accident of random chance. We have purpose because we have been created by God.

II. Second, let us notice our parents. *In other words, who does the Bible say are our original parents, and does it tell us if there were many different sets of parents for the different sets of people groups? Well, we actually looked at this last Sunday but let us remind ourselves what the Bible says about this matter and it is extremely clear on this point. We find it in the Book of Acts where Paul is preaching in the city of Athens. Paul said, "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of the heavens and the earth and does not live in temples built by hands. And He is not served by human hands, as if He needed anything, because He Himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. From one man He made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek Him and perhaps reach out for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us. For in Him we live and move and have our being..." (Acts 17:24-28). You can't get any plainer than this. The Word of God is clear, all human beings have the same set of original parents, Adam and Eve. Geneticists have confirmed this teaching of the Word of God. They studied the genetic code makeup of all the different people groups around the world and discovered that we indeed all are basically genetically the same. Listen to what our study material for VBS had to say on this matter. "Geneticists have found that if we were to take any two people from anywhere in the world, the basic genetic differences between these two people would typically be around 0.2%. This holds true for two people from the same people group as well as for two people from different people groups. That means that 99.8% of the genetic code that makes up people is the same." We have the same genetic code makeup because as Paul said we all came from one man. So, what this means is there is only one race of people and it is called the human race.*

We are not many races but just one. This is a blessing because God didn't create a whole bunch of different races that would therefore not have anything in common and therefore wouldn't ever be able to come together. Because we are just one, then through Christ Jesus our Lord, we can be united." (Gal. 3:26-29)

III. Third, let us notice our differences. *So, the question is, if we are all one human race or the same race, then how come there are differences? How did different languages and skin color and different cultures, and so on come about? Well, again the Word of God gives us the answers to these questions.*

The answer begins with the story of the Tower of Babel (Gen. 11:1-9). In this story we discover that after the flood of Noah's day, the descendants of Noah refused to obey God's command to scatter out over all the earth. Instead they all decided to go directly against God's command by settling down in one place with the intention of staying in the place.

In order to get mankind to do what He asked them to do, God confused the language, so that instead of speaking one language, they began speaking many. This resulted in the people finally moving out into the areas of the world that God meant for them to.

So clearly we know why there are many different language groups because God made it happen starting at the Tower of Babel. But now the question is, what about the different skin colors and cultures? Well, in the first place God placed with each of His species the means of variety. When Noah built the ark and God commanded the animals to come to him, he didn't need a pair of every kind of dog or cat, for example, because with one pair of dogs or one pair of cats God placed enough variety that all other types of cats and dogs could come from just the one pair. So it is the same with human beings. Within the one human race, God gave the means of variety. Thus because of the variety, there is one race with the ability to have different skin colors and different languages and different heights and so on.

Now, Paul will ask why do those differences tend to stay with the different people groups. For example particularly skin color? The answer again is based upon the confusion of the languages that God did at Babel. Once each group of people speaking their particular language got together and moved out to their own particular place, they then began to primarily marry and have children within their own particular language groups. So as they did it caused their genetic code to slowly lose much of the variety within each of the groups and begin to give them their own particular genetic code makeup that primarily stayed within their own group. Still, however, it all just goes back to the fact that God gave to His one human race the means of variety with that one human race of His.

This is a blessing because what we discover is that God doesn't mean for us to use our differences as a means of not cooperating. For our differences is not a difference of actually not coming from the same race. It is rather just a difference of the variety that God placed within us.

IV. Fourth, let us notice our commonality. *In other words, what do we all have in common with one another? Well we have already answered a couple of the things we have in common. We all have the same Creator (God) and we all have the same parents (Adam & Eve). Therefore, we all are of the same race.*

Now, however, let us notice a few more things that we have in common. Let us notice first that since we have the same parents, then the same race, we are all born with the same sin nature that separates us from God. "Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death

came to all men, because all sinned.” (Rom. 5:12). This means that through Adam’s sin, sin has been passed down to us all and therefore we’ve all sinned and we will all die. As Paul also tells us in Romans, “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” (Rom. 3:23). So we all have in common that we are sinners, and are in need of a Savior.

The next thing we discover that we have is that we have a common Savior and Lord. There’s not a Savior for white people groups and a different one for the black people groups. There is not a Savior for men and a different one for women. No, for all people groups; for all the world; for the one human race there is only one who is more than capable of saving the whole bunch and His name is Jesus. We must look no where else for our salvation, and we must preach no other gospel to all the different people groups in the world than the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peter preaching in the Book of Acts said of Jesus Christ that, “Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12).

Also, Jesus Himself said, “...I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” (John 14:6).

Then Paul said, “For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all men—the testimony given in it’s proper time.” (1 Tim. 2:5-6).

All of this is great news for it rules out any confusion about our salvation. It is simple if anyone in the human race wants to become a Child of God and be reconciled to God our Creator from whom sin has separated us, from there all we must do is come to the one and only Savior of the whole human race and repent of our sins and trust Jesus Christ and Him alone as our personal Lord and Savior. Amen.

Let of all let me mention that we have in common the same eternal heavenly home for all who turn to Christ for salvation. Listen to Jesus, “Do not let your heart be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.” (John 14:1-3).

Now, the apostle John gives us a peek of this wonderful place God has prepared for us and it is for all in the human race who trust Christ. They all will be together. Here is what John saw in Heaven. “After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice; Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” (Rev. 7:9-10). Praise be to the precious Lamb of God who takes away our sins and takes us to glory.

Concl. In conclusion, let us learn to focus not so much on our differences because in reality they are not really that many. We are one human race and if we will all turn to the one and only Savior of us all, Jesus Christ our Lord, we will be able to find the unity that God means for us to have.

Jesus Love You

Ralph Lee, Jr.

Deacon Election Candidates

Deacon Rotation

*Robert O'Dell
Duane Armstrong*

*We will be electing two Deacons in August.
If you would like your name removed
or if your name was omitted in error,
please call the church office at 843-726-3631.*

Thank You

<i>Eddie Amason</i>	<i>Wallace Malphrus</i>
<i>Duane Armstrong</i>	<i>David Meador</i>
<i>Tom Benton</i>	<i>Mike Mingledorff</i>
<i>Calvin Bryan</i>	<i>Ronnie Nettles</i>
<i>Michael Daley</i>	<i>Robert O'Dell</i>
<i>Ronald Davis</i>	<i>Robert Sauls</i>
<i>Keith Gamo</i>	<i>Timmy Sauls</i>
<i>Krey Lee Lowther, Sr.</i>	<i>Bobby Smith</i>
<i>Krey Lee Lowther, Jr.</i>	<i>Jason Smoak</i>
<i>Charles Malphrus</i>	<i>Tony Standard</i>
<i>Frankie Malphrus</i>	<i>Fredrick Stanley</i>
<i>Kevin Malphrus</i>	<i>Gentry Thames</i>
<i>Paul Malphrus</i>	<i>Mel Toland</i>
<i>Rodney Malphrus, Sr.</i>	<i>Truett Vaigneur</i>
<i>Rodney Malphrus, Jr.</i>	<i>Richard Waitt</i>
<i>Ronald K. Malphrus</i>	<i>Johnny Westbury</i>



Iron sharpeneth iron;
so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.
Proverbs 27:17 KJV

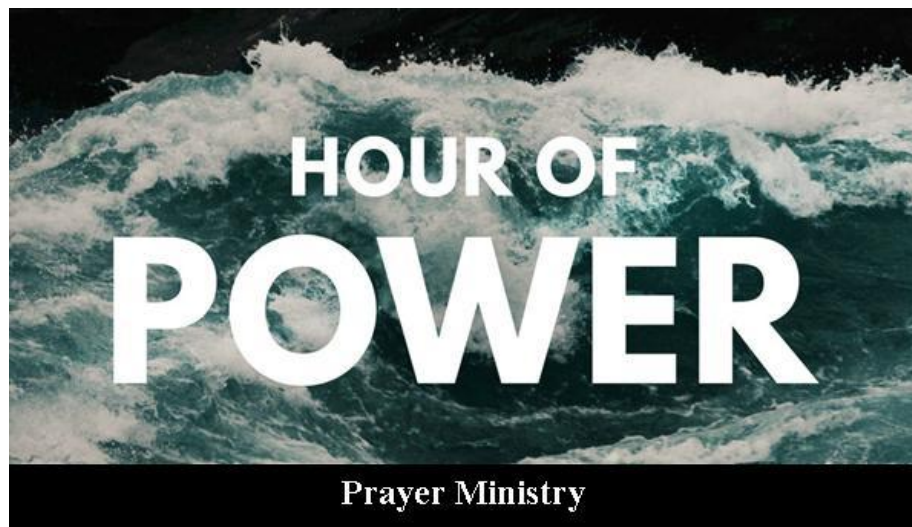
Calling all Men
Join us for the Men's Quarterly
Great Swamp Baptist Church
Date: July 18th
Supper @ 7pm
Meeting to follow

Announcements

Tuesday, June 18th
Prayer Breakfast
9:00 am



Thursday, June 20th
Quilt Club @ 10:00 am



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)

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.

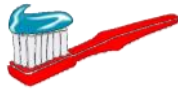
June Collections:

Tooth Brushes

Combs and/or Hair Brushes for Girls

Match Box Cars

Jewelry



June 16th Johnny Malphrus

June 19th Gerald Boyles

Gail Malphrus

June 22nd Betty Robertson

Angel Cole

Amanda Hodges

GSBC Prayer Pages June 16, 2019

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

Leadership

*President Donald Trump
United States of America*

Hospitals

*Shirley Malphrus-Sav. Memorial
Gail Williams-MUSC*

Surgery / Recovery

*Dwight Malphrus (5/7)
Patrick Malphrus (5/8)
Donald Malphrus (5/2)
Vera Floyd (5/16)
Fred Stanley (6/3)*

Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC
Doris Blackmon-Morningside
Becky Jones-Anderson
Royce Malphrus-VA Walterboro*

Special Requests

Robert O'Dell-Job

Church Needs

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

Unspoken

*Olivia & Juan Garcia
Amanda*

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)
Roschell Bush (5/2)
Eddie Kinard (5/23)
Lynn Daugherty (2/26)*

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry
Inreach Ministry*

Bereavement

*Family of
Gail Hubbard*

Other Health Needs

*Baby Gabrielle (2/7)
Max Cole (2/11)
Nicole Cole (2/11)
Danny Fogle (2/14)
Christen Gogol (3/21)
Ana Price Busby (3/21)
Rhonda Stones (5/9)
Briar Tracey (5/30)
Susan Oliver (5/30)*

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family

Expecting / Births

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
Ann Blocker
Annette Malphrus
Betty Robertson
Tommy Cooler
Bill Bell - Mrs. Rose's Dad*

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



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

Tristan Blanton-San Diego/ SWCC



Intercessory Prayer Today's Prayer Team

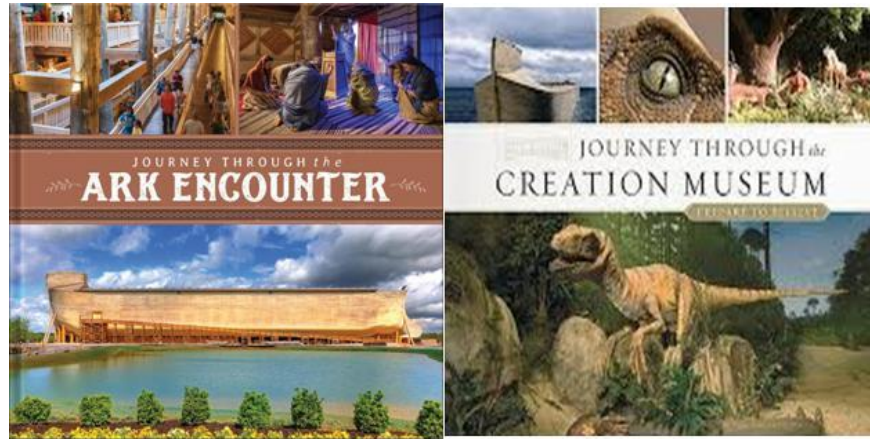
Truett Vaigneur

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>
1	\$531.00	\$106.20
2	\$367.50	\$73.50
3	\$313.00	\$62.60
4	\$285.75	\$57.15

Balances are now DUE.

More Info:

Contact the Church office @

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Sybil Reynolds or Timmy Sauls

Church Staff

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Finance Director: Timmy Sauls.....greatswampbc@gmail.com

Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
<i>Tithes & General Budget</i>	\$ 4,458.00	\$4,982.79	-\$ 524.79
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Seniors (Ark Encounter)</i>	\$1,468.00	*****	\$ 1,746.35
<i>Love Offering</i>	\$ 193.00	*****	\$ 193.00
<i>Philippians Mission (VBS)</i>	\$ 100.00	*****	\$ 100.00
<i>OCC (VBS)</i>	\$ 100.00	*****	\$ 541.28
<i>VBS (Bandanas)</i>	\$ 162.00	*****	\$ 162.00

WNS & SMB Announcement

Reminder that there will be no Wednesday Night Suppers or Sunday Morning Breakfasts during June, July and August.
Meals will resume in September.

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

and the journey will continue until God returns...

Great Swamp Baptist Church
9009 Taboro Rd.
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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