

*July 21, 2019*



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## *Sunday Morning Worship*

*11:00 AM*

**The Welcome**  
Announcements

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Call to Worship**

*Hymn # 334      "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"*

**Invocation**

*Wilbur Daley*

**Selections of Praise and Worship**

*Angell Usher*

**We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Offertory

Offertory Special

*Angell Usher*

**Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Invitation**

**Benediction**



## Greeters

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

## Nursery Workers

*Today: Vandy Amazon / Natalie*

*Next Week: Cassandra Bradley / Evelyn*



## Children's Church Helpers

*Today: Kaylee Standard / Emma Mingledorff*

*Next Week: Olivia Stanley / Angel Cole*

## DEACON OF THE WEEK :



*Today: Wilbur Daley*

843-305-0110

*Next Week: Mack Pope*

843-540-6636

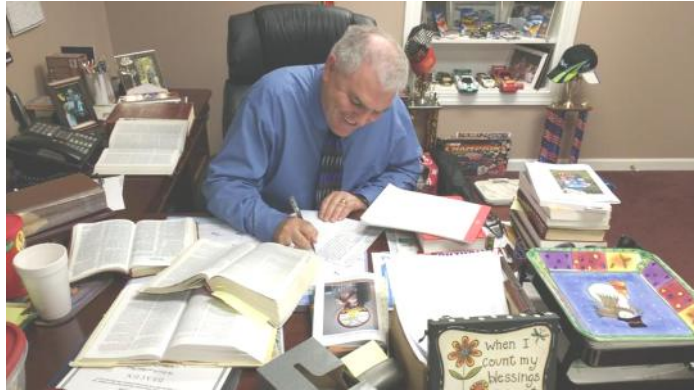


## Toll Committee

*For the month of July*

*Latrelle Steedly*

*Dorthie Armstrong*



*From Pastor Ralph's Desk:*

## **Building The Church**

*(Matt. 16:13-20)*

*Intro: As we start a series of messages focusing on the church. I wanted to begin in the Bible with the first mention of the church in the New Testament. It is here in these verses that the Lord reveals to His disciples and to us as well, that He is going to build the church. So, if we want to understand what it means to be the church, then it behooves us to take a careful look at this set of verses. I am simply naming my message, "Building The Church."*

**I. First, as we examine building the church, let us notice the founder and formation of the church.** *In other words, how is it that the church has come to be? Well, we don't have to do a whole lot of searching to find that answer. The Lord spills right out there for us to plainly see that the church was founded by His dear own hands, head and heart. These are the very words that let us know that, "...and on this rock I will build my church." So, the formation of the church came from one source and on one source only, our Lord Jesus Christ Himself.*

*Now this goes directly against the teaching of various religious denominations.*

*However, let us be assured that the church was not founded or formed by the disciples, apostles, pastors or popes, just Jesus. So, the result of this is that as we labor in the building of the church, we have the responsibility to do it the way the builder intends on it being done. Oh, thank God that the founder and thus the formation of the church is in the hands of the blessed Son of God. Therefore, it not only will get built, but it will be completed. Amen.*

**II. Second, as we examine building the church, let us notice the foundation of the church.**

*When building any type of building, you don't begin with the roof and you don't begin with the walls and you don't begin with the floors. Obviously you must start with the foundation which will support the floors, walls, and roof.*

*Now, you can build a building with a shoddy foundation but it will not stand the test of time. My dad and I spent many hours underneath homes with weak foundations shoring them up with more solid foundations that will allow the building many more years of life.*

*Well, when our Lord decided to build the church, He determined to build it on a foundation that would stand the test of time and when I say time, I am referring to His kind of time, Eternity. The only thing that He knew that could do that was none other than Himself. Let me point out how the Lord revealed this. After Jesus had informed Peter that His statement that He was the Christ the Son of the Living God was revealed to Him from the Heavenly Father, He then revealed to Peter that his name means, in Greek, a piece of rock or a little rock. Then, however, He revealed though that the church would not be built on him as a piece of rock. That is the recorded meaning of the other word rock he used, and that massive rock is Himself. Paul verifies that truth for us when he said, "By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ." (I Cor. 3:10-11).*

*Oh, dear Child of God, let us rejoice that we belong to the church of the eternal living Savior and on Him it is built, thus we will forever have a solid, secure foundation under us. Amen.*

**III. Third, as we examine building the church, let us notice the future of the church.**

*Well, we've already noted that the church's future is solid and secure because it has the most secure foundation it could ever have, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. He is a massive, unbreakable, eternal rock. We can't be shaken to ruins.*

*However, the future of the church is not only solid and eternally secure because it has a perfect foundation under it, but it is eternally secure also because of the promise or guarantee made by the builder of the church. The promise that Jesus made gives us the absolute assurance that the church will survive and thrive throughout all eternity. That guarantee and promise He made was, "...and the gates of Hades will not overcome it." (vs. 18).*

*Next to the greatest force outside of the Lord is the forces of Hell, Satan and all his demonic forces. Satan is the leader of all that is evil, wicked and the realm of death. Well we must remember that Satan and all the forces of Hell with him are created beings. Our Lord Jesus Christ is not a created being. He is the eternal Son of God. He actually created Satan and his demons to be good angels and glory but they rebelled. But their rebellion was unsuccessful and they were kicked out of glory. The created cannot conquer the eternal.*

*Second, however, Jesus not only conquered the forces of Hell because of His eternal power over the created, He also conquered everything that Satan controls when He came to earth and took on flesh. He defeated sin at the cross by bearing its' judgment and three days later He conquered death, hell and the grave when He arose. So, when Jesus made the promise that the gates of Hades shall not overcome it you can one hundred percent count on it.*

*So, dear friends, don't ever give up on the church. With all of her faults and hardships, she will absolutely come out on top because nothing will ever be able to ultimately knock her out. If you want to invest in that it will give back eternal dividends, then the church is the only place.*

**IV. Fourth, as we examine building the church, let us notice the Fabricator of the church.** *To fabricate means to assemble. Though Jesus Christ is the Founder, Builder and Foundation of the church, He is using His people to assemble the church together. We are His laborers in the work force. He told Peter that He was giving to him the keys of the Kingdom. This means that He was giving to Peter, who represents the church, the authority to carry out, in conjunction with Him of course, the labor and work necessary to build the church.*

*When we are doing the work of building up the church, we are showing to the world that through us Christ is building His church. So, the question is are you working in conjunction with our Lord to help assemble together His church? There is no such thing as a workless Christian.*

**V. Fifth, as we examine building the church, let us notice the focus of the church.**

*When Jesus told Peter that he was representing the church, thus all Believer, was to us the keys of the Kingdom for the purpose of binding and loosing. What most scholars believe, believe Jesus meant was that by the church preaching the Gospel message of our Lord Jesus Christ, some would be bound for Heaven as they received Christ as their Savior. Others would be loosed or lost from Heaven because they refused to believe in the Gospel message of salvation. So the tasks of the church has been given *i s t o* boldly and unashamedly declare that Christ and Christ alone is the only means of salvation. There is to be then just on focus, Jesus Christ.*

**VI. Finally, as we examine building the church, let us notice the force of the church.**

*In other words, where do we get the power to do this work that has been given to us? Well, the answer is like the others, very simple. Jesus told Peter that the Heavenly Father had revealed to him the truth of whom Jesus is. He also told Peter that it was He who would build the church, and finally Jesus told him that He was giving him the keys to the Kingdom. So, the simple answer is that our Lord is reminding Peter and us that He's the force to carry out the work. Through the person of the Holy Spirit, God empowers us to do the work of building the church. May we ever cry out for and depend on Him to get the work done.*

*Concl. Now it is simple when you see this passage of Scripture which is the first one on the church, you are encouraged to move boldly forward in working with our Lord in building the church because it is absolutely surround in, around, above and below our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Jesus Loves You  
Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Sign up sheet is on bulletin board.

# Senior Celebration



**August 15, 2019 • 10:00 am**  
**Port Royal Baptist Church**

***Food, Fun, Fellowship,  
Music, Inspiration,  
Door Prizes!!***

**Music by:  
Tidal Fource  
Katie Lynn Godowns  
Gale Parker**

Great Swamp will cover the costs of the tickets for members.





Bring A Kid to the Race  
Sign Up sheet on bulletin board.

## Announcements

*Tuesday, July 23rd  
Prayer Breakfast  
9:00 am*



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

**OCT. 21-24 / 2019  
LECONTE CENTER  
PIGEON FORGE,  
TENNESSEE**

**SCHEDULE**

Doors open approx. one hour before each session.

Charles Billingsley David Jeremiah Tim Lovelace comedy	<b>MONDAY EVENING 7-10</b>
Charles Billingsley David Jeremiah Jason Crabb concert	<b>TUESDAY MORNING 9-12</b>
"Greater Vision Hymn Sing" with the Mark Trammell Quartet, Jim and Melissa Brady, the Mylon Hayes Family, and the HymnSing band	<b>TUESDAY EVENING 7-9</b>
Charles Billingsley David Jeremiah "Front Porch Chat" with Charlie Daniels	<b>WEDNESDAY MORNING 9-12</b>
Annie Moses Band concert	<b>WEDNESDAY EVENING 7-9</b>
Charles Billingsley Phil Waldrep	<b>THURSDAY MORNING 9-11</b>



Join us  
ON THE  
**FRONT  
PORCH**

CONFERENCE ONLY RATE	<b>\$125</b> PER PERSON
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STANDARD LODGING PACKAGE	4 PER ROOM \$209
EARLY BIRD COST PER PERSON FOR THREE NIGHTS PLUS THE CONFERENCE	3 PER ROOM \$229
	2 PER ROOM \$269
	1 PER ROOM \$389

**Notice**

***Due to the price increases with  
the Charter Bus,  
It will cost \$100.00 per person.  
Bus Fee Due, October 7th.***

All package rates increase \$20 per person after 7/24/2019. Register EARLY for the best availability. See available hotels at **CELEBRATORS.ORG**.

Reserve your place today with a \$25 per person non-refundable deposit, which is included in all our prices. (balance due 9/11/2019.) We look forward to seeing you!

**Lodging has been reserved at  
Willowbrook Lodge**

## 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.*



<i>July 23rd</i>	<i>Katie Mock Bobby Smith Rodney Malphrus, Sr.</i>
<i>July 25th</i>	<i>Tim Malphrus Lois Bootle Kevin Malphrus</i>
<i>July 26th</i>	<i>Barbara McGill Anber Broschard Red Malphrus</i>

<i>July 17th</i>	<i>Thomas &amp; Erma Cooler Donnie &amp; Burnette Pinckney</i>	
<i>July 21st</i>	<i>Fred &amp; Pam Stanley Alex &amp; Sophia Sineath</i>	
<i>July 23rd</i>	<i>John &amp; Julie Mingledorff</i>	
<i>July 25th</i>	<i>Duane &amp; Dorthie Armstrong</i>	

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# GSBC Prayer Pages July 21, 2019

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

## **Leadership**

*President Donald Trump  
United States of America*

## **Hospitals**

*Melonie Williams (7/2)  
Ann Blocker (7/17)*

## **Surgery / Recovery**

*Patrick Malphrus (5/8)  
Ron Davis (7/2)  
Wallace Malphrus (7/8)*

## **Nursing Centers**

*Elaine Degler-RNC  
Doris Blackmon-Morningside  
Becky Jones-Anderson  
Royce Malphrus-VA Walterboro  
Shirley Malphrus-NHC  
Mr. Creech-NHC*

## **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)  
Heidi Crosby (12/26)  
Bill Martin (12/30)  
Mack Pope (4/22)  
Roschell Bush (5/2)  
Eddie Kinard (5/23)  
Lynn Daugherty (2/26)*

## **Called to Ministry**

*Chris Carter & Family*

*Ministries  
Outreach Ministry  
Inreach Ministry*

## **Bereavement**

*Family of*

## **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)  
Doug Byrd (6/20)  
Dorthie Armstrong (6/26)  
Dan Peebles (6/26)  
Charles Maney (7/2)  
Audrey Key (7/2)  
Roy Gibbons (7/2)  
Lee Martin (7/3)  
Barbara Blocker (7/9)  
Pat Bryan (7/17)  
Chris Carter (7/17)*

## **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*

*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**

*Mack Pope*

*Kevin Malphrus*

*For Prayer Needs*

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

## ***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*

*Michael Daley*

*Robert O'Dell*

*Keith Gamo*

*Jason Smoak*

*Kevin Malphrus*

*Tony Standard*

*Ronald K. Malphrus*

*Fredrick Stanley*

*Wallace Malphrus*

*Mel Toland*

*David Meador*

*Richard Waitt*

*Mike Mingledorff*

*Johnny Westbury*

### **Grandmother's Group**

*There will be **NO** Grandmother's Group for July or August.*

## 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>	\$ 3,613.00	\$4,982.79	-\$ 821.48
<i>Online Offerings</i>	\$ 548.31		
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
<i>Youth Annex Renovations</i>	\$50.00	*****	\$ 164.00
<i>Mission Dignity</i>	\$ 23.00	*****	\$ 23.00

## Nursery Announcement

*Our nursery is in need of some volunteers for Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights. If you would like to be added to our rotation schedule, please contact*

*Vanessa Smoak*

*Thank You*

## 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...*

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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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