

Great Swamp Baptist Church September 8, 2019

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM

Prelude	
The Welcome	
Announcements	Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr
Call to Worship Hymn #	
Invocation	Bjo Mills
Selections of Praise an	d Worship
We Pray for Special N Pastoral & Offertory Pr	
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Offertory Special	GSBC Praise Band
Message	Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.
Invitation	
Benediction **	*******

Greeters

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

Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak / Jennifer Meador

Next Week: Carol Davis / Taylor Daley



Children's Church Helpers

Today: Olivia Stanley / Evelyn Bradley

Next Week: Angel Cole / Emma Mingledorff

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

Today: Bjo Mills

843-726-4344

Next Week: Michael Daley

843-505-0998



Toll Committee

For the month of September
Alice Way
Pat Bryan



From Pastor Ralph's Desk:

A Beneficial Visit

(Ex. 18:7-27)

Intro: For many people a visit from the in-laws is both a drain and a detriment. However, in our present set of verses, a visit from the in-laws was anything but a dread or a drain or a detriment. As a matter of fact, this visit from the in-laws was just the opposite. It was totally beneficial, pleasant and life changing in a very positive way. As a matter of fact, I would call it a God ordained visit. I believe that a visit from Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, will be a big blessing for our church as well. So, let's take a look at how his visit was beneficial.

I. First,. Let us notice that Jethro's visit was beneficial because of what he heard. When Jethro arrived, Moses didn't begin showing him things at first. Rather he began to tell him of all the great things that God had done for the nation of Israel, especially how God had delivered the nation of Israel from the hands of the most powerful nation in the known world at that time. Of course, we know that was the Egyptians. Without any military whatsoever, God moved in and delivered them.

With the last plague that God sent against the Egyptians, which was the movement of the death angel sent to destroy the first born son of every Egyptian's families and the way God spared the first born of the Israelite's homes by the blood of the Lamb which each family sacrificed and painted on the side and top of their doors so the death angel knew which

homes to pass over, greatly moved the heart of Jethro. He also heard how God had been leading the nation through the wilderness and taking care of their every need.

Now, these amazing things that Jethro heard from Moses, his son-in-law, so moved him that he declared that there was no God like the God of Israel. Then he offered up sacrifices to honor and praise the Lord.

The fact that Jethro heard all these things before he saw hardly anything prepared him a little later to be of a great help to Moses.

Now, from this, we can learn that by sharing the great awesome, powerful Good News that we have, which is the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we can help people to have their lives changed to the point that they too can be of benefit to us because the Good News of Jesus Christ has so moved them to see that there is no God but our blessed Lord and that no one else can measure up. So, let us be boldly telling the story so they can hear because faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. (Rom. 10:17).

II. Second, let us notice that Jethro's visit was beneficial because of what he saw. The question is, of course, then what did he see? Well there were at least two things that he saw and observed.

A. The first thing that Jethro saw was Moses working. There were two things that he noticed about Moses' work. Let us take a look at those two things.

1. The first thing that Jethro saw were Moses' tasks. He observed that Moses was helping the people in two ways. The first task was to help the people to settle their cases that they had with each other. In other words, he was working as Judge to help them settle their disputes with each other in a manner that would be pleasing to the Lord.

The second task Moses was doing that Jethro saw was to teach the people what the will of God was for their lives. Now, Jethro saw and observed that both these tasks were of absolute and extreme importance. He saw and understood that the people indeed needed the tasks that Moses was performing. It is no different today. Jethro would absolutely agree that it is of the upmost importance that the church must absolutely teach the people of God how we must work together and settle our disputes in a manner that pleases God and that we must also teach the people the Word and will of God.

However, Jethro saw something else about Moses while he was at work which we need to also see.

2. Second, Jethro saw Moses' team. We noticed what the task was of Moses, which Jethro observed for several hours, but Jethro also noticed how big his team was in order to do the necessary task he was doing. What he observed was that his team was just a team of one, himself, which really is no team at all. For Jethro, this was a very disturbing thing that he had observed so far. Why would Moses, who had the greatest message he had ever heard, and it led him to declare that there was no God like the God of Israel, share this absolute, necessary task for the people all on his own.

When God created the very first human being, He said that it was not good for man to be alone and so He created someone to work right along side of him. God intends upon every church member to work along side of each other so that together we can carry the task of helping the people to know and do the will of God.

B. The second thing that Jethro saw was the people waiting. So, first he saw Moses working, the task of his work and the team of his work. Then, however, he also saw what the people were doing and it mostly was waiting. They were waiting in line to have their disputes settled and to receive the Word and will of God for their lives. However, because Moses was doing all this alone, they mostly were just waiting instead of getting what they really needed. We need to understand that it is extremely important that we get to the people the teaching of Christ as soon as we possibly can and not keep them waiting. For if we keep them waiting, they may become discouraged with their growth in the Lord.

III. Third, let us notice that Jethro's visit was beneficial because of the advice that he gave. Jethro advised his son-in-law, Moses, with tow pieces of advice.

A. First, Jethro advised Moses to keep up the work. (vs. 19-20). In these verses and we've already been talking about it, Jethro encouraged Moses that the task God had given him to give to the people must be continued and never cease. The people absolutely must be taught how to apply it to their lives.

We, too today, must never cease from fulfilling this task as well. We must do it because no one else will. God has given the responsibility to the church because the world is not going to do it. So, let us set our hands to the plow and carry out this necessary task. However, in order to do this task, we need to heed Jethro's second piece of advice.

B. Second, Jethro advised Moses to get more workers. Simply put, Jethro told Moses that the work was to great for just one man to do, and it was too needed to make the people have to wait on it. So, he encouraged him to get more people, qualified people, to help him get the work done, and that is exactly what he did. It is also what the Lord wants us to do as well.

Concl. Jesus points out exactly what Jethro was saying to Moses when speaking to His disciples on one occasion. He said, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore to send out workers into His harvest field." (Matt. 9:37-38). May the Lord help us at Great Swamp Baptist Church to see the need of the tasks and pray for the workers to help us get it done.

Jesus Loves You Ralph Lee, Jr.



Sunday Morning Breakfast will resume on Sunday, September 8th

Anyone who would like to make a dessert for Wednesday Night Supper should sign up on the sheet out front.



Chicken 'n Fixins

Dessert

Tes & Coffee

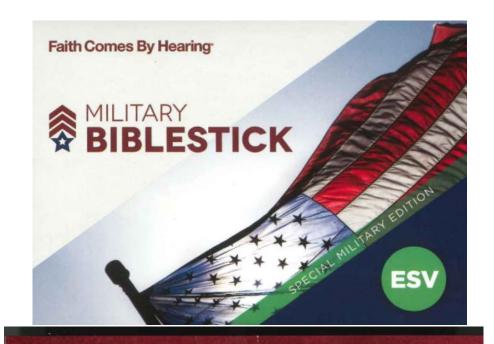
Dorthie Armstrong Cooking Team \$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more







Tuesday, September 10th
11:30 am
Will meet in the Parsonage to work on
Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes
Everyone is asked to bring a salad
to share for lunch.



HOPE FOR OUR HEROES

Partnering with the Local Church to Support Our Troops



Offering will be take up on Sunday, September 1st

Learn from top evangelistic leaders how to create evangelistic culture, raise the expectation of evangelism, and inspire every member to be a disciple maker who shares hope.

September 10 | 9am - 2pm | Ridgeland Baptist Church | 1448 Grays Hwy, Ridgeland, SC 29936

FEATURING SPEAKERS:





Chad Moore, Founding Pastor of The Church at LifePark, Mt. Pleasant and Marshall Blalock, Senior Pastor FBC Charleston

REGISTRATION: \$20 Lunch & Resources Included

Register at www.scbaptist.org/evangelism



THE REAL CHRISTMAS STORY NARROWAY, FT. MILL, SC

Saturday, December 7, 2019 | Trip#13007 | \$129.00 per person

Early Bird Book By November 7, 2019 - \$119.00 per person

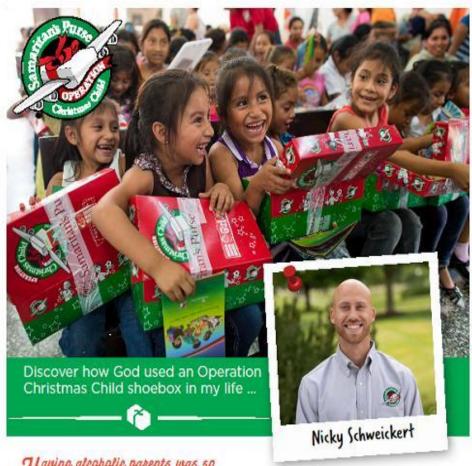


Persons who have signed up already, the \$50.00 deposit is now past due. Make check payable to GSBC. Check Envelope Box # 005 Seniors Offering. (Total Amount: \$119.00)

Announcement

All committees and teams for the 2019-2020 Church year need to elect officers and turn in to church office no later than the end of September so that Leadership manuals can be printed.

Thank You



Having alcoholic parents was so volatile that Nicky, then age 4, felt safer living on

volatile that Nicky, then age 4, felt safer living on the streets. He repeatedly ran away from home in Ukraine, returning in hopes that things had gotten better. But that hope was always crushed. Nicky ate out of garbage cans and slept in a sewer drain before police took him to an orphanage at age 9. Nicky felt like no one loved him until he received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift—his first present—and heard about God's love for the first time. Come hear what a difference that has made in Nicky's life.

October 4th During Morning Chapel



Announcements



Deacon's Meeting Monday, September 9th

Tuesday, September 10th Prayer Breakfast 9:00 am





Business Conference Wednesday, September 11th

Thursday, September 12th Quilt Club @ 10:00 am





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

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





CONFERENCE ONLY RATE	\$125 PER PERSON	
STANDARD	4 PER ROOM \$209	
LODGING PACKAGE 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.

Spaces still available for any church Contact Timmy Sauls @ 843-783-3418 For more info

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.

Wash cloths

Soap

September Collections:

School Supplies

Full Supply List in Foyer.

Combs/Brushes

Stuffed Animals

Match box Cars



September 11th Emma Grace Mingledorff

September 12th Shirley Malphrus

September 13th Grace Malphrus



September 12th Patrick & Kim Malphrus

GSBC Prayer Pages September 8, 2019

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

Leadership
President Donald Trump

President Donald Trump United States of America

Hospitals

Surgery / Recovery

N. C.

Patrick Malphrus (5/8)

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

Church Needs

Sunday School SFCA-Donna Carter Child Dev. Ministries

Unspoken

Olivia & Juan Garcia Jessica Cleland

Spiritual Guidance Other Health Needs

Ministries

Outreach Ministry

Inreach Ministry

Bereavement

Family of

Garbade Carter

Dan Peeples (6/26) Charles Maney (7/2)

Lee Martin (7/3)

Ann Blocker (7/25)

Tiim Tomlison (7/29)

Eric Chapman (8/15)

Enriqueta Torres David Peacock John Woodly Mary Lou Torres Emerald Trujillo

Cancer / Treatments

Mitzi Cramer (1/28)

Mack Pope (4/22)

Lynn Daugherty (8/30)

18 month old Baby Girl (8/15)

Special Requests
Robert O'Dell-Job

Called to Ministry

Chris Carter & Family

Expecting / Births

Please Continue To Remember

Mike Hodge Shirley Malphrus Rose Boyles Mary Cope Judy Smith Jeffrey Stanley Redden Tuten Vera Floyd Bobby Mohn Erma Cooler Dot Nettles
Tom Hinely
Lois Bootle
Grace Boyles
Patricia Malphrus
Scott Boyles
Ann Blocker
Annette Malphrus
Betty Robertson
Tommy Cooler
Wallace Malphrus

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



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



Savannah River Baptist Association Woman's Missionary Union Fall Meeting

Great Swamp Baptist Church Saturday, September 28, 2019

The purpose of this meeting is to prepare for the new church year. Conferences will be offered twice to allow participants the opportunity to learn about different organizations.

Mellie Jones, a SC WMU specialist from Saluda Association, will lead conferences for myMISSION, the organization for young women.

Each church is asked to bring enough salads for the number in its group to be shared.

The church having the largest number attending conferences will be recognized.

<u>Schedule</u>

9:00 Registration (coffee and pastries)

9:30 General Session

10:00 & 10:55 Conferences (two sessions)

WMU Directors Joyce Bunton **Nell Simmons** Missions *Craft Mission Project Ideas Barbara Cook Women on Mission Loraine Ferguson myMISSION (young women) Mellie Jones *Youth Organizations Barbara Cook Children's Organizations Carol Davis Mission Friends (preschool) Denise Wilson

*These conferences offered once

11:45 Salad Lunch (bring salads to share)

Church Staff

Pastor: Rev. Ralph Lee, Jr	jehu27@gmail.com
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Landscaper: Wallace Malphrus	Josie6@embarqmail.com
Finance Director: Timmy Sauls	

Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
Tithes & General Budget	\$ 4,995.00	\$4,982.79	+\$ 12.21
Online Offerings	\$		
Designated Funds	This Week	*******	Acct. Balances
Senior Trips	\$ 738.00	********	\$ 4,482.40
Bible Sticks	\$ 77.00	********	\$ 146.00
George Pepper Scholarship	\$ 100.00	********	\$ 613.03

SEPTEMBER 15

starting @ 10:45am





and the journey will continue until God returns...

Great Swamp Baptist Church 9009 Tarboro 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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