

Great Swamp

Baptist Church

*Know* that  
the Lord, He is  
God. It is He  
who has made  
us, and  
*we are His.*

Psalm 100:3

January 10, 2021

# *Great Swamp Baptist Church*

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

**Prelude**

**The Welcome**

**Announcements**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Invocation**

*Freddie Malphrus*

**Selections of Praise and Worship**

*Angell Usher*

**We Pray for Special Needs**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Special

*Angell Usher*

**Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Invitation**

**Benediction**

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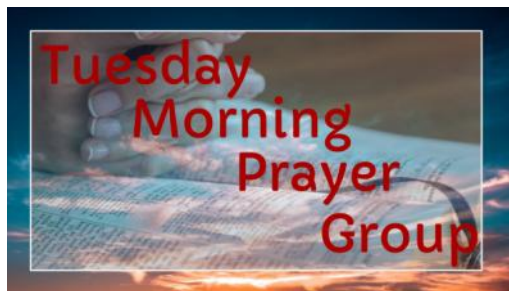
## Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak  
*Helpers Needed; See Vanessa*



## Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



## DEACON OF THE WEEK :

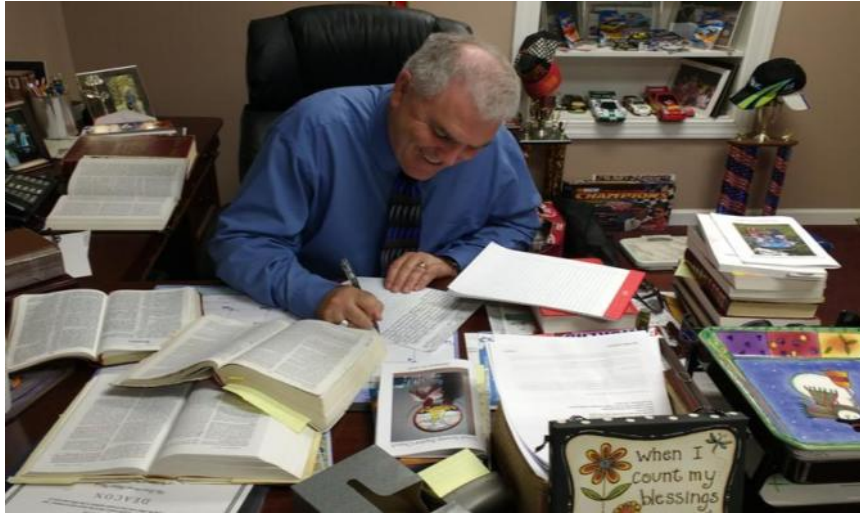
*Today:*

**Freddie Malphrus: 843-816-3206**

*Next Week:*

**Wilbur Daley: 843-305-0110**





## **Knowledge That Leads to Shouting** (Psalm 100)

*Intro: Tammy and I spent New Years at her sister's house on Lake Sinclair in Georgia together with her sister's family. At mid-night we all went out on the back porch to ring in the New Year and watch fireworks as people around the lake were firing them off. As all of this began taking place, we all began to shout our Happy New Year and of course, I was the loudest one of all.*

*I'm sure like us that most of us all at some place or another on New Year's Eve night also shouted out Happy New Year. However, the question I want to ask is how many of us actually meant that we believe that it is going to really be a happy year? Most of us shouted Happy New Year because that is simply what you do ever New Years. Truly, however, many of us based upon what we know about our previous year and carrying that knowledge with us into the New Year from a worldly point of view, we don't really feel that it is going to be a Happy New Year. As a matter of fact, that knowledge of worldly affairs and news make us believe that it is going to be a bad year.*

*However, today I want us to take note from God's Holy Word that we can enter the New Year truly shouting Happy New Years and actually mean that it is going to be a happy year.*

*For the knowledge that we receive from the text, we are currently examining, this set of verses gives us the knowledge that will make it possible to know it will be a happy year even if it is faced with many difficult days. As a matter of fact, this knowledge will create a wealth of praise and adoration. The text shows an intensity in worship as the result of the knowledge displayed in the verses. So, let us today examine the knowledge that leads to shouting and then let us start shouting.*

**I. First, let us notice that the knowledge that leads to shouting is the knowledge of who God is. (vs. 3).**

*When we know who our God is it will clearly give us the ability to be able to shout, it's going to be a Happy New Year! So, who does our Psalmist say that our God is?*

**A. First, we know that God is God.** *The Psalmist tells us that we, "Know that the Lord is God." One scholar said that it reads this way in the Hebrew it says that Jehovah is Elohim. Those are both names for God. Jehovah is the name that tells us that God is. He is the One who is self-derived. He needs no one to bring Him into existence because He's always been. No God before Him and no God will come after Him because He will always be. It also is the name that He used to identify Himself with His people.*

*Now the name Elohim is the name that basically declares the power of God. Basically we could say that it could be described as God Almighty. So, you put the two together and they are one and the same person, you cover all the bases. In other words, our God is not many but one and He alone is the only God, and as God He alone has not been created. He has lived forever and will. Yet with His eternal name, He is sought to bring us into an eternal covenant relationship with Him through Christ. Also, because He is Elohim, He is all power and all mighty.*

*So, with all of the above knowledge that our God is God and as God He is eternal, relational, and all powerful, we can start shouting.*

**B. Second, we know that God is our Creator.** *The Psalmist said, "It is He who made us, and we are His." (vs. 3). The Word of God goes out of it's way to declare over and over that God is our Creator. John in his Gospel, opens up his book with a very bold declaration that Christ is alone our Creator. "Through Him (Jesus Christ) all things were made, without Him nothing was made that has been made." (John 1:3).*

*The Apostle Paul also boldly declares that beyond no doubt no one but Christ alone is our Creator. "For by Him (Jesus Christ) all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or power, or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him." (Col. 1:16).*

*Now, all these verses mentioned above are just a small amount of literally many, many more.*

*So, why did God write so many verses about He being our Creator? Well, it's because, of course, He is! However, it's also because He knew that eventually the theory of evolution would come into existence.. Certainly this theory is guided by the direction of Satan. For this theory is used primarily for the purpose of explaining creation without God.*

*However, praise God, we are not creations of accidents. We are not creatures brought about by mere chance. We are not the results of things bumping into one another and that began a journey of millions of years to finally reach a point of humanity.*

*No, praise God because God is our Creator that gives purpose and meaning to our lives. When God created us He placed within each of us His divine image. Now that image has been marred by sin but it is still there and because it is there, we have the possibility to have an eternal relationship with Him through Christ, and all who do trust Christ will once again when we go to glory experience that perfect creation God meant for us to have.*

*Let us face this New Year shouting a happy one because we have been created by the loving hands of God, Creator. So, no matter what we face this coming year, we know our Creator has us and has a plan and purpose for us. Let us make sure we go out of the way to let others know that they are creatures of a loving Creator who wants to save them.*

**C. Third, we know that God is our Shepherd.** The Psalmist said, “we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.” (vs. 3). In this verse when the Psalmist said that it is God who made us and we are His, we see from this verse that we all are God’s by way of creation. However, we are not all God’s children spiritually. For sin has separated us from God and had made us spiritually dead to God.

Oh, but praise God through Christ, all who repent and place their trust in Christ will be made alive and placed into the sheepfold of God. John’s Gospel and in chapter ten, goes out of the way to discuss how we come into the sheepfold of God and all that Christ did to make it possible and all that He will continue to do to shepherd and care for his sheep. So, let us go shouting into this New Year, Happy New Years, because Jesus Christ our Shepherd will be shepherding us through the whole year right on into eternity.

**II. Second, let us notice that the knowledge that leads to shouting is the knowledge of what God is doing. (vs. 5).**

In verse one and two, we are told to worship God as we’ve seen because of Who He is. Now in verse four, we are told to come before the Lord with thanksgiving. In verse five, he tells us what we are to be thankful for and it is what God does for us. So, let us take a look at what God is doing for us and to us.

**A. First, God is doing good to us. (vs. 5).** Now, god is doing good to us because He is good. This adjective is used in reference to God over and over. Jesus is called our good Shepherd. (John 10:14). The Apostle Peter tells us that Jesus went about doing good in His ministry here on earth. (acts 10:38).

Now, it gets even better. The Apostle Paul tells us, “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.” (Rom. 8:28). Paul is letting us know that ultimately He will work both bad and good out for our good. God is good and good all the time. Shout this New Year a happy one because our God is good and doing good.

**Second, God is showing love to us. (vs. 5).** Now, He is not just showing love to us in the present but the Psalmist says, “His love endures forever.” I don’t really have to dwell long on this point because we know beyond any shadow of doubt He loves us and is loving us and will love us forever because He gave His only begotten Son for our Salvation and that says it all.

Let’s shout into the New Year a happy one because we are loved by our God.

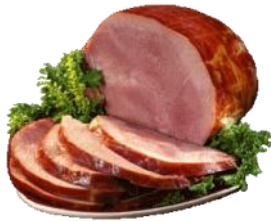
**Third, God is faithful to us.** God is fully committed and devoted to His people 100%. He has promised that He will never leave us nor forsake us. He has promised this over and over in His Word. So, let us know that whatever we face in this New Year, God will faithfully be there with us through it all.

Concl. So, this New Year when by worldly standards, the news doesn’t look good, let us as Believers, go on and shout anyway because we have the knowledge that will see us through.

Jesus Loves You  
Ralph Lee, Jr.



**WEDNESDAY**  
NIGHT  
*Suppers*



*Baked Ham  
Potatoes / Gravy  
Green Beans  
Candied Yams  
Coffee & Tea*

*\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more.  
NO Meal Deliveries at this time.*

## **Volunteers Needed**

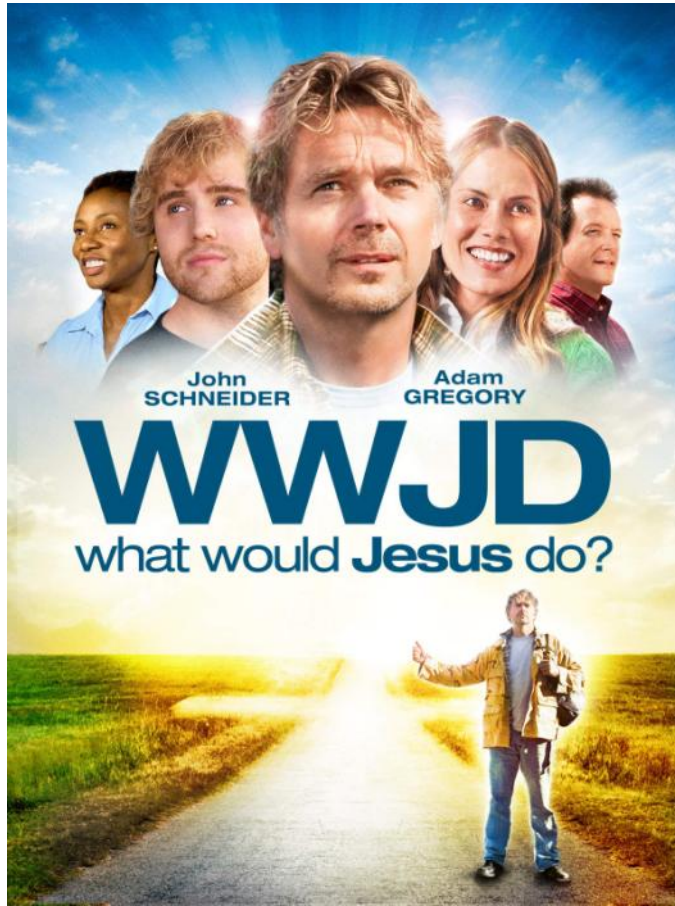
*Volunteers are needed to sanitize the church on Fridays or Saturdays  
whichever is more convenient for you. Please see Mack Pope for more info.*

## **Memorial**

*A gift of \$200.00 has been given to the Kitchen Fund  
In Memory of Rodney Malphrus, Sr. By Mamie M. Minton.*

*A gift of \$200.00 has been given to the Kitchen Fund  
In Memory of Leonard Steedly. By Mamie M. Minton.*

*A gift of \$ 200.00 was given to Cemetery Fund  
In Memory of Maxwell & Annette Malphrus  
By Mamie M. Minton.*



Coming  
to  
Great Swamp  
on  
Sunday  
January 24th



“What  
Would Jesus Do?”

Refreshments  
6:30pm

Movie  
7:00 pm

*Popcorns & drinks  
provided.*

*Please bring finger  
foods to share.*

 Weekly Offering	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	\$ 5,957.00	\$ 4,982.47	+\$ 1,357.63
<b>Online Offerings</b>	\$ 383.10		
<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>This Week</b>	*****	<b>Acct. Balances</b>
<i>Cemetery</i>	\$ 200.00	*****	\$ 355.00
<i>Lottie Moon Offering</i>	\$ 1.00	*****	\$ 2,325600
<i>MPB Fees (Mills Family)</i>	\$ 100.00	*****	\$ 100.00
<i>Kitchen Supplies</i>	\$ 400.00	*****	\$ 400.00



**Wednesday Night Services @ 7pm**

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**PASTOR'S PRAYER SERVICE**—*Building 3, Old Social Hall*

**Leader-Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.**

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**ABIDE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE**—*Multi-Purpose Building*

**Leader-Wilbur Daley**

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**YOUTH GROUP**—*Youth Annex*

**Leader-Michelle Waitt**

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**R.A.'S (Royal Ambassadors)**—*Room 417*

**Leader-Pat Mason**

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**G.A.'S (GIRLS IN ACTION)**—*Room 415*

**Leader-Sherry Toland**

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**Sunday School Classes @ 9:15am**

**CAMO CLASS**—*Room 406*

**Leader- Bobby Smith**

**GLEANERS CLASS**—*Room 401*

**Leader-Audrey Roberts**

**VISIONARIES CLASS**—*Building 3, Old Social Hall*

**Leader-Wilbur Daley**

**SOJOURNERS CLASS**—*Room 417*

**Leader-Mack Pope**

**SENIOR ADULT MEN CLASS**—*Room 413*

**Leader-Truett Vaigneur**

**YOUTH**—*Youth Annex*

**Leader-Faye Lowther**

# GSBC Prayer Page

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

## **Leadership**

*President Donald Trump  
United States of America*

## **Hospitals**

## **Surgery / Recovery**

*Skylar Saygen  
Ann Blocker  
Michelle Rooks  
Marie Cole*

## **Nursing Centers**

*Elaine Degler-RNC  
Doris Blackmon-Morningside  
Wilma Jean McGill-RNC  
Bobby Mohn-Indigo Pines HHI  
Byron Vaigneur-Assist.*

## **Church Needs**

*Sunday School  
SFCA-Donna Carter  
Child Development  
Ministries*

## **Unspoken**

*Jessica Cleland  
Steve Crosby  
Heather Betz  
Randy Bethune  
Jason Holt  
Jennifer Cooler Mazzochi*

## **Cancer / Treatments**

*Lynn Daugherty  
Sidney  
Douglas Denegel  
Becky Goretzka  
Gail Sims  
Gloria Davis  
Gary Malphrus  
Skip Brooks  
Cynthia Box  
Regina Bouye  
Mack Pope  
Kaiaya Alston  
Evelyn Olsen  
Tripp Daley*

## **Expecting / Births**

*Heather Reid, Feb.*

## *Ministries*

*Outreach Ministry  
In reach Ministry  
Abide Wednesday Services*

## **Bereavement**

*Family of  
Rod Tillotson*

## **Other Health Needs**

*Cookie Daley  
Jane Gorman  
Jerry Cooler  
Bobby Tootle  
Randy Smoak  
Brenda Farve  
Andrew Miller  
Lloyd Way  
Jason Smoak  
Celeste Lucas  
Pinky Rushing  
Chip Sutler  
Diane Hannah  
Loony Jones (Jeffrey Stanley's  
Grandfather)  
David Sauls  
Tracey Lake  
Pat Kemple  
Annette Mole  
Jerry E. Cooler  
Annette Mole  
Bill Kemple*

## **Please Continue To Remember**

*Shirley Malphrus  
Rose Boyles  
Judy Smith  
Jeffrey Stanley  
Redden Tuten  
Vera Floyd*

*Dot Nettles  
Tom Hinely  
Grace Boyles  
Patricia Malphrus  
Scott Boyles  
Ann Blocker*

*Gary Way  
Frankie Malphrus  
Betty Robertson  
Kenneth & Doby Cleland*

## **Pray For Our Military**

*Sgt. Jared Blanton-Deployed  
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*

## Church Staff

*Pastor: Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr*.....*jehu27@gmail.com*

*Music Director: Richard Waitt*.....*waittfamily83@gmail.com*

*Sunday School Director: Mike Davis*.....

*ABIDE Contemporary Service: Wilbur Daley*.....

*Pianist: Michelle Waitt*..... *waittfamily83@gmail.com*

*Administrative Assistant: Sybil Reynolds*.....*greatswampbc@gmail.com*

*School Administrator: Donna Carter*.....*dcarter@hargray.com*

*Landscaper: Wallace Malphrus*.....*Josie6@embarqmail.com*



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>10th</i>	<i>Sadie O'Connor</i>
		<i>Colleen Standard</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>15th</i>	<i>Ann Nettles</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>16th</i>	<i>Chip Sutler</i>
		<i>Jayla Daring</i>



<i>Thursday</i>	<i>14th</i>	<i>Ralph &amp; Tammy Lee</i>
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## Grandmother's Group

*Every 2nd Monday of the month  
11:00 am, MPB  
Please bring soups, salads  
& desserts.*

*If you feel more comfortable wearing  
a mask, please feel free to do so. If  
you are uncomfortable with a mask,  
you are not required to wear one.  
If you have any questions, please call  
Debbie Hale @ 843-368-5436*



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*Sunday Morning Breakfast* ..... 8:15AM  
*Sunday School*..... 9:15AM  
*Morning Worship*..... 10:30AM  
*Wednesday Night Supper* ..... 6:00PM  
*Wednesday Night Service* ..... 7:00PM

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