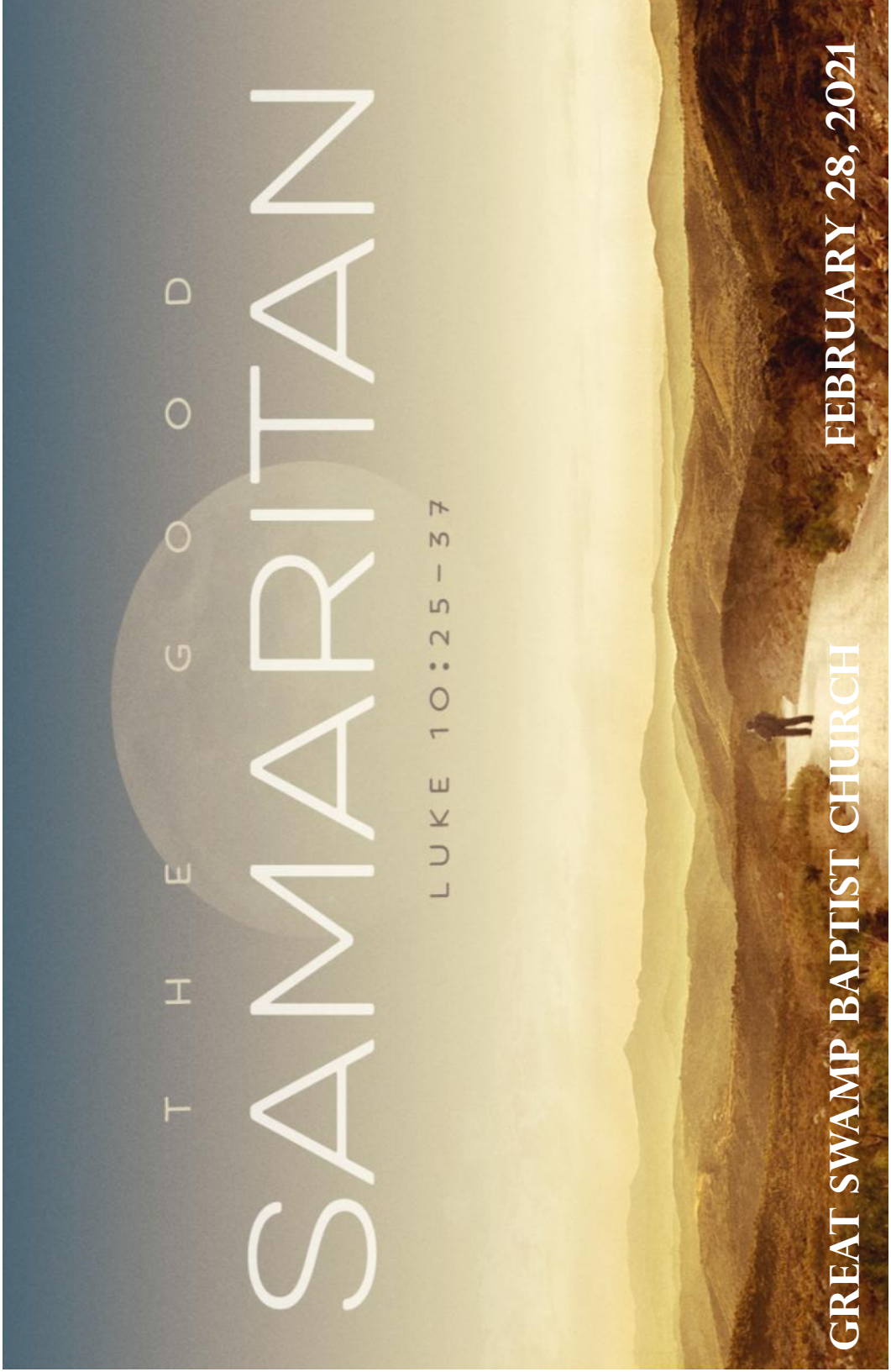


T H E G O O D
S A M A R I T A N

LUKE 10:25-37

GREAT SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 28, 2021



Great Swamp Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

Prelude *Wayne Cooler*

The Welcome

Announcements *Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Call to Worship
Hymn # 243 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Invocation *Keith Gamo*

Selections of Praise and Worship
"Forever Reign"

Responsive Reading # 1
"The 23rd Psalm"
"How He Loves"

We Pray for Special Needs *Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory Special *Mended*

Message *Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Invitation

Benediction

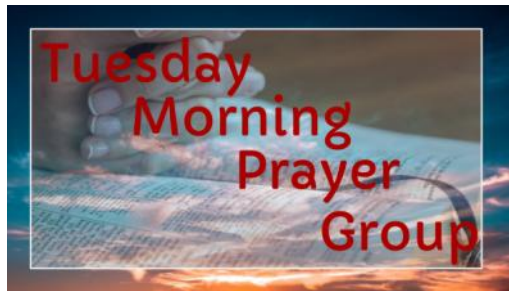
Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak
Helpers Needed; See Vanessa



Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley / Amelia Johnson / Angel Cole



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



DEACON OF THE WEEK :

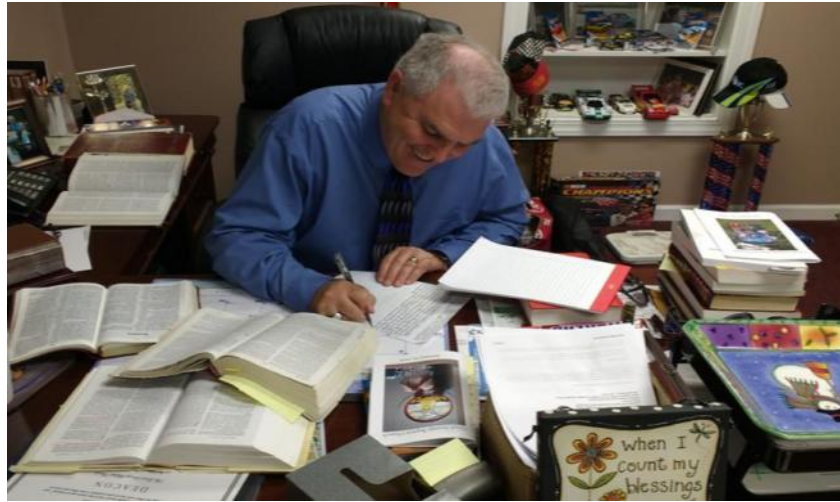
Today:

Keith Gamo: 843-986-8745

Next Week:

Freddie Malphrus: 843-816-3206





The Description of a Good Neighbor

(Luke 10:25-37)

Intro: Two Sundays ago, we examined the new commandment of love. This new commandment of love is different from the previous commandment of love. Instead of loving your neighbor as yourself we are to love our neighbor as Christ loved us.

Now in our present set of verses Jesus gives us a perfect picture of how we can love our neighbor as He loved us. Of course, the greatest picture of His love for us was the crucifixion, burial and resurrection. But outside of that eternal picture of love for us, this story of the good Samaritan reveals what it takes to be a good neighbor, and when we are a good neighbor as described in here, we will be loving one another as Christ loved us. So, let us examine the description of a good neighbor as found in this wonderful story.

I. First, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they know their priority.

One of the best ways to know what the priority of a good neighbor is, is to look at what their priorities are not. First, his priorities are not the same as the robbers, which by the way is what's yours is mine and I will get it anyway I can even if it means to harm you.

Now a good neighbor is going to say look what is yours is yours and if you need something else or more then I will help you get it.

Second, the good neighbor's priorities are not the same as the religious leaders. The religious leaders moved completely to the other side of the highway because they didn't want to be bothered or inconvenienced. Besides that, they were on their way to do religious duties and helping this man would interfere with religious responsibilities and that would hurt their image. So, their image was more important than being inconvenienced. Their promptness was more important than peoples problems and their religious duties more important than their spiritual duties.

A good neighbor is not concerned about being inconvenienced. A good neighbor understands that he has hardly any greater priority than helping his neighbor in need. The point is that a good neighbor makes others his priority.

The Apostle Paul stated it this way, "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interest of others." (Phil. 2:3-4). Then right after these two verses, Paul says that when we do these things, putting others before ourselves, than we are acting like Christ.

II. Second, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they know their purpose.

Now, once again we can easily notice that both the robbers and religious leaders knew exactly what their purposes were all about and obviously what their purposes were all about themselves. When they looked at you or when they looked at the victim, they either saw someone from whom they can get more for themselves or someone to be avoided because they couldn't benefit their image.

Now the Samaritan representing the good neighbor, he too, saw the victim. However, he saw him in a whole different light than the others did. What he saw drove him to take action to the benefit of the victim. His vision became a voice for the victim.

So, the Samaritan, thus the good neighbor, reveals to us that his purpose in life was to be observant of others and then allow what we see drive us into action when what we see requires the need for our actions to the benefit of those whom we see are in need.

So, the question is this, are you looking and being observant of those around you? Second, as you are being observant, are you allowing it to move you into action? Jesus was always looking and listening so He could be ready to spring into action.

III. Third, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they are driven by pity.

The story comes right out and tells us that the Samaritan, once he saw this man in his terrible condition, he took pity on the man. As we've already noted the other persons that came along also saw the man. But what separates the Samaritan from all the others is that when he saw him he had compassion, neither of the others had compassion.

You know what has become a real travesty is that we see people all the time who are hurting and in need but we've become so hard hearted that we are no longer moved with compassion.

Praise God that Jesus took pity on us all and with His compassion, allowed Himself to be taken all the way up Calvary's mountain to pay for our sins. May the compassion of Christ in s move us into action for the needs of others.

IV. Fourth, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they became involved personally.

Now, the robbers indeed became personal with the victim but definitely not in a way that was beneficial.

On the opposite end, the religious leaders didn't get involved at all. Once they saw the man, they quickly moved to the opposite side of the road, and most likely moved on quickly to get away from the victim.

However, when it came to the Samaritan, he became involved in an extremely personal manner that was clearly to the benefit of the victim. He didn't move on and send someone else. Nor did he call someone else to come. Rather, he rolled up his sleeves and jumped in there with everything he had.

Most likely his personal involvement with the victim got him dirty, bloody and worn out. He used his own hands, rags, oil and went to help the victim. He also placed the man on his own donkey. So, if we could see the scene, we would hardly be able to see the victim because the Samaritan was all over him helping out.

Oh, thank God that our Lord and Savior saw us in our sin sickened condition, headed to a devil's hell and didn't choose to cross to the opposite side of the road and move on. No praise God He left His home in glory and took upon human flesh so that he could personally reveal Himself to us and personally do whatever was necessary to bring us eternal redemption. He came and touched us; walked with us; fed us; loved us and died for us in our place. There has never been anyone who has done more for us in a personal manner. May the Lord move us to roll up our sleeves and get personally involved in the lives of those in need.

V. Fifth, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they are willing to pay the price.

The Samaritan not only got personally involved but he also used his own personal money to help take care of the needs of the victims. He didn't put a limit on that either. He said he would pay more if it was necessary to cover the victims needs.

Jesus didn't put a limit either when it came to purchasing our redemption. Of course, the only price that would satisfy our debt of sin was the blood of the perfect Lamb of God. Jesus was willing to pay that price and in fact and indeed did.

When it comes to helping our neighbor and showing the love of Christ to them, we need to be ready to pay the price and count the cost.

VI. Sixth, let us notice that the description of a good neighbor is that they are persistent.

Even after everything that the Samaritan had done, it wasn't enough. He followed through with the victim until he knew he was going to be alright and possibly even longer thereafter.

A good neighbor is someone who not only attends to immediate concerns but will also be persistent and follow through with those that we are helping. Jesus will never forsake us. So let us be good neighbors who are always following through.

Concl. State Farm says, "like a good neighbor, State Farm is there." well, let it be said this was like a a good neighbor. Christians are there. They are there to show the love of Christ.

*Jesus Loves You
Ralph Lee, Jr.*

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

Wednesday Night Services
@
7pm

PASTOR'S PRAYER SERVICE
Building 3, Old Social Hall
Leader-Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.

ABIDE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
Multi-Purpose Building
Leader-Wilbur Daley

YOUTH GROUP
Youth Annex
Leader-Michelle Waitt

R.A.'S (Royal Ambassadors)
Room 417
Leader-Pat Mason

G.A.'S (GIRLS IN ACTION)
Room 415
Leader-Carol Davis/Diane Thames

SECA DRAMA PRESENTS

CHATEAU LA ROACH



My mission in
life is not merely
to survive, but to
thrive; and to do
so with some
passion, some
compassion,
some humor, and
some style.

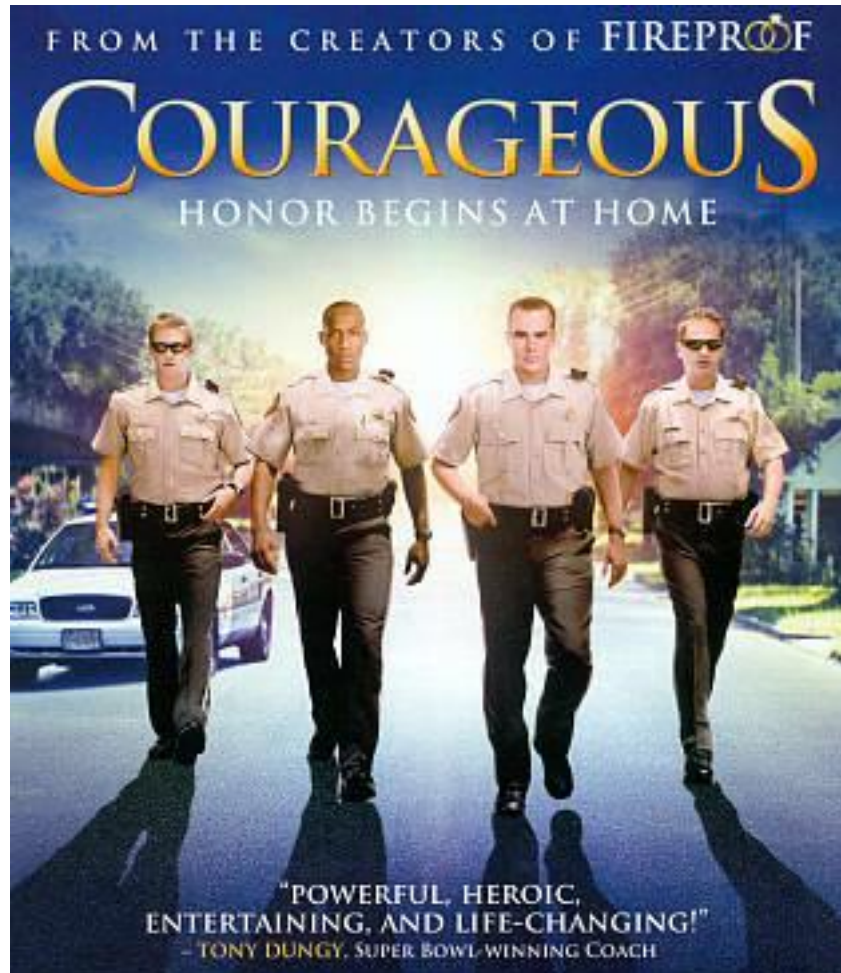
March 12, 13
at 7 PM

9009 TARBORO ROAD
RIDGELAND, SC

MAYA ANGELOU

Directed by-Mrs. Rhonda Stones

Movie Night



TONIGHT

Sunday, February 28th

Concessions 6:00 pm

Movie 7:00 pm

*Popcorn & Drinks provided
Please bring finger foods to share*



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT Suppers



**TO BE
ANNOUNCED**

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

INFORMATION NEEDED

Due to a computer crash at the end of the 2020 year, many of our membership records were lost. The church office is asking that, even if you have not had any changes, to please fill out the Member Info Sheets on the back wall and turn in to the church office, a deacon or put in offering plate.

We have replaced the old computer and are working on a new system. It is imperative that we get the member info back into our system.

If you know any members who are not currently attending due to the virus situation, please feel free to take an info sheet to them.

Thank You

Share A Need Ministry

The Grandmother's Group has begun a new ministry. If you know anyone who has a particular need that the Grandmother's Group could help minister to, please contact Carol Davis @ 843-226-0258 or let any member of the Grandmother's Group.



Grandmother's Group

*Monday, March 8th
11:00 am, MPB
Please bring soups, salads
& desserts.*

GSBC Prayer Page

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

Leadership
*President of the
United States of America*

*Vice President of the
United States of America*

Hospitals

Surgery / Recovery

*Skylar Saygen
Ann Blocker
Michelle Rooks
Marie Cole
Stephen Roberts
Bob Mosely*

Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC
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
Kaiaya Alston
Evelyn Olsen
Tripp Daley
Wesley Ethridge
Angela Proctor
Jay Dalton*

Expecting / Births

Heather Reid, Feb.

Please Continue To Remember

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

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

*Ministries
Outreach Ministry
In reach Ministry
Abide Wednesday Services*

Bereavement

*Family of
John Adams (Mike Davis Uncle)*

Other Health Needs

*Cookie Daley
Jane Gorman
Bobby Tootle
Randy Smoak
Brenda Farve
Andrew Miller
Lloyd Way
Loony Jones
(Jeffrey Stanley's Grandfather)
Tracey Lake
Pat Kemple
Annette Mole
Jerry E. Cooler
Derris Davenport
Bobby Smith
Keith Gamo
Wilbur & Debra Daley
Wallace Malphrus
Telie Ethridge
Kenny Smith
Dora Reynolds
Pinky Rushing
Chip Sutler
Arlette Jones
Sara Davis*

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*

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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>Monday</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>Richard Waitt</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>Darlene Bollack</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>4th</i>	<i>Jeffery Stanley</i>

Baby Bottles Ministry

Due NOW



Great Swamp Baptist Church
9009 Tarboro Rd.
PO Box 446
Ridgeland, SC 29936

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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