

**GREAT SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH**

**APRIL 18, 2021**



# Great Swamp Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

**Prelude**

**The Welcome**

**Announcements**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Call to Worship**

*Hymn # 516 "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"*

**Invocation**

*Mack Pope*

**Selections of Praise & Worship**

*"Blessed Be Your Name"*

**We Pray for Special Needs**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Special

*The Proclaimers*

*"Love Grew Where the Blood Fell"*

**Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

**Invitation**

**Benediction**

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## Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak  
Helpers Needed; See Vanessa



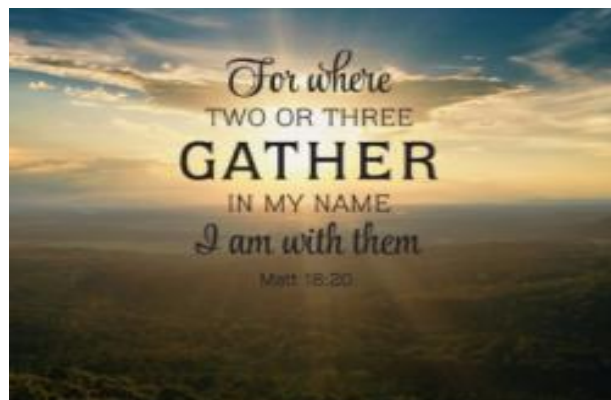
*Sunday Mornings*

*Following*

*The Song Service*

## Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley/Mason Losgar/Emily Johnson



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am



**DEACON OF THE WEEK :**

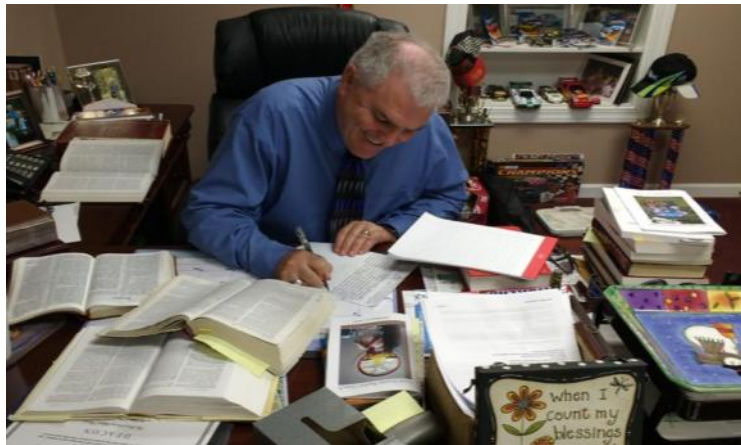
*Today:*

**Mack Pope: 843-540-6636**

*Next Week:*

**Keith Gamo: 843-986-8745**





## **Be Wise and Be Warned You Rulers of the Earth**

*(Psalm 2:1-12)*

*Intro: Anytime you see a therefore in the Bible, you need to ask the question, what is the therefore, therefore?*

*In verse ten of our verses, there is a therefore. Following the therefore, God is giving a warning to the nations of the world to heed His warnings and to wise up by following His instructions to start recognizing, honoring and serving the Lord Jesus Christ or else.*

*Now, the therefore tells us why the nations of the world needs to wise up and listen to, as well as, heed His warnings. It does so by connecting us to the preceding verses that list the reasons for wising up and heeding God's warnings.*

*So, today, I want us to examine those reasons stated in the preceding verses. Now, what we believe without any doubt that this is a Messianic prophecy concerning the power, authority and position of our Lord Jesus Christ. For this reason this prophecy was not only meant to have been spoken to the leaders of our world in the past but, as well as, our leaders in the present and those that will be in the future till Jesus returns. So, let me speak loud and clear to our present political leaders, be wise and be warned for if you fail to do so, then all that is left for you is His judgment. So, you rulers and I should say all of us, we need to wise up and heed God's warnings.*

**I. First, let us notice that the rulers of the world need to wise up and heed the warnings because their threats don't scare god in the least bit. (vs. 1-6)**

*In these verses, the rulers of the world and their people make threats of coming against God and His anointed and breaking themselves loose from His control and His commands. In other words, they want to live their lives however they want to without God telling them that what they're doing is wrong or that they should live in the manner He created us to live.*

*Well, none of these threats, and even if the threats are more than threats, God is not shaking in His boots. As a matter of fact, He, not only isn't afraid, scared or shaking in His boots so to speak, but rather He is doing just the opposite. God is laughing, and when He finishes laughing, He scoffs at them. Then He rebukes them and terrifies them.*

*Now, we need to ask ourselves the question, why is it that God is not threatened by their threats? There is a simple answer. He is God and they are not. He sits on the Throne of Glory and they sit on earthly thrones.*

*There was one who attempted to unseat our Lord from His Heavenly throne and this person we know as Satan along with the third of Heavenly angels couldn't do it, then all the forces of humanity tied together can't do it either.*

*So, let us never forget that our God is God and is therefore undefeatable and unconquerable. So, let us be wise and be warned.*

**II. Second, let us notice that the rulers of the world need to wise up and heed the warnings because of God's declarations. (vs. 5-6).**

*In these two verses, God declares that the rulers of the world and their people need to wise up and heed God's warnings because He has declared that His precious Son Jesus Christ our Lord will not be installed as King on His Holy Hill and there will be no competition to His reign.*

*God has chosen just one to be in that position and Jesus is that one. He has declared it and that settles the issue. So, either you fall in line and acknowledge Jesus as Lord, Master, Savior and King or again face the wrath of the one who's declared His reign. God declared it. Jesus is the One and that's the end of the story. My prayer is that you have come to except God's choice for King because there will be no other.*

**III. Third, let us notice that the rulers of the earth need to wise up and heed the warnings because God has raised His Son from the dead. (vs. 7).**

*A very key word in this verse is the word, “today.” So, the question arises, what day is today? Well, the text clearly indicates that it was the day that the Father declared that Jesus was His Son and He was His Father.*

*Now, fake religions use this verse to say that this verse clearly indicates that Jesus wasn't always the Eternal Son of God. They say He didn't become the Son of God until the Father made it happen. They believe Jesus was created by the Father and that the Father then declared that Jesus had become His Son.*

*Well, of course, there are just too many other Scriptures that just blow that fake teaching completely out of the water. However, just using this chapter alone, God has already in the preceding verse has installed His Son on the throne on the Holy Hill. This takes place before God proclaims Him as Son and He as His Father.*

*So, let us go back to the word, today, in the Book of Acts, Paul reveals to us what day is today. “We tell you the good news: What God promised our fathers He has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus, as it is written in the second Psalm: ‘you are my Son today I have become your Father.’” (Ps. 2:7)*

*So, by raising Jesus Christ up from the grave, the Father was saying I am showing to you world that on this day I and letting you know that Jesus is my Son and I am His Father.*

*The Apostle Paul puts it this way in another one of His writings. “And wo through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by His resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. “ (Rom. 1:4).*

*So, the rulers of the earth and their peoples need to heed God's warnings and fall in line with His teachings because by His hand, He raised His son from the grave and showed that indeed Jesus is, has been, and ever will be the Son of God and God His father.*

*No one else ever has come back from the grave. His power and His alone is the resurrection power. The only power that can save, forgive and give eternal life. Don't resist His resurrection power.*

**IV. Fourth, let us notice that rulers of the earth need to wise up and heed the warning because God has given the nations of the earth His Son. (vs. 8-9).**

*In the temptation of our Lord when He walked upon the earth, Satan took Him upon a very high mountain and showed Jesus all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor and then offered them to Him if He would just bow down to Him. (Matt. 4:8-10).*

*Now it is true that God kicked Satan out of Heaven and sent him into the atmosphere of our globe. Therefore, there is a sense in which this world is his only because tragically many world leaders and their people have chosen to follow his path instead of Gods.*

*However, Jesus didn't need to bow down to Satan to get this world because it already was His, and Jesus will return to claim it and when He does Satan and all of his followers will be kicked out and cast into the lake of fire.*

*Therefore, we better wise up and heed the warnings God has given to us because this world belongs to Him. He created it; He owns it; He died for it; He is coming back to claim it and set up His millennial reign.*

*Concl. The old saying is if you can't beat them then join them. Well, there is no way you can beat the Heavenly Father and His Glorious Son whom the Father chose to be the King of kings and Lord of lords and proved it when He brought Him up out of the grave. So, let us choose to humble ourselves before Him and acknowledge Him to be who He is, Lord, Savior and King. Asking Him to forgive us and save us so we can be a part of the Eternal Kingdom that He will rule forever and ever.*

*Jesus Loves You  
Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## Sunday School Classes

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**9:15am**

**CAMO CLASS** *Room 406* **Leader- Bobby Smith**  
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**GLEANERS CLASS** *Room 401* **Leader-Audrey Roberts**  
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**VISIONARIES CLASS** *Building 3, Old Social Hall*  
**Leader-Wilbur Daley**  
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**SOJOURNERS CLASS** *Room 417* **Leader-Mack Pope**  
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**YOUTH** *Youth Annex* **Leader-Faye Lowther**

## Wednesday Night Services

@ 7pm

**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-Carol Davis/Diane Thames**  
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**TONIGHT**

*Sunday, April 25th*

**Concessions 6:00 pm**

**Movie 6:30 pm**

*Popcorn & Drinks provided*

*Please bring finger foods to share*





  
**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*

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## **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.*





**Operation  
Christmas  
Child**

## **April Collections Soap & Wash Cloths & Toothbrushes**

*(When you go to the dentist, ask them if they will donate toothbrushes for  
Operation Christmas Child. Get as many as you can.)*  
Thank You

# SFCA DRAMA INVITES YOU

APRIL 24, 2021

## *The Annual Duke's BBQ and Fundraiser*



10190 S. JACOB  
SMART BLVD

***This year there will NOT be a silent auction. To help the drama department simply arrive at Duke's in RIDGELAND, SC any time during business hours on April, 24 and enjoy your meal there. The owner has generously agreed to donate a percentage of all sales that day***

# 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  
Michelle Rooks  
Stephen Roberts  
Connie Benton  
David Sauls  
Bess Parnell  
Judy Rogers*

### 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

*Sidney  
Douglas Denegel  
Becky Goretzka  
Gail Sims  
Gloria Davis  
Gary Malphrus  
Skip Brooks  
Cynthia Box  
Regina Bouye  
Kataya Alston  
Wesley Ethridge  
Angela Proctor  
Jay Dalton  
Reggie Malphrus  
Raj's Mother*

*Ministries  
Outreach Ministry  
In reach Ministry  
Abide Wednesday Services*

## Bereavement

*Family of  
Gary Malphrus*

## 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  
Annette Mole  
Jerry E. Cooler  
Bobby Smith  
Keith Gamo  
Telie Ethridge  
Kenny Smith  
Pinky Rushing  
Chip Sutler  
Arlette Jones  
Sara Davis  
Bob Cramer  
Iola Daring  
Shelby Green  
Karen Phillipi*

## Please Continue To Remember

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

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

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

## 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>18th</i>	<i>Grace Boyles</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>19th</i>	<i>Lisa Chandler</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>22nd</i>	<i>Andrew Malphrus</i>
		<i>Michael Daley</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>23rd</i>	<i>Rose Boyles</i>
		<i>Sybil Reynolds</i>



<i>Monday</i>	<i>19th</i>	<i>Wilbur &amp; Debra Daley</i>
		<i>Keith &amp; Joyce Gamo</i>



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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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