



THE BEACON

March 1, 2023

Giving is Worship

"Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart..." ~ 1 Chronicles 29:9

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

SUNDAYS

Morning:

Morning Worship 9:30 AM
Sunday School 10:45 AM

Evening:

C.R.E.W. 5:30 - 7:00 PM
Children's Bible Study 5:30 - 7:00 PM
Youth 5:30 - 7:00 PM
NEXT Ministry 5:30 - 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Mid-week Connection 6:30 PM
Youth Bible Study 6:30 PM
Children's Bible Study 6:30 PM
Choir Practice 7:30 PM

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ACCOMPANISTS

GOD'S BLESSINGS LAST MONTH

JANUARY 29

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$ 6,790.50
BUILDING FUND \$ 50.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 14.14

FEBRUARY 5

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$10,542.60
BUILDING FUND \$ 175.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 94.14

FEBRUARY 12

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$ 5,829.00
BUILDING FUND \$ 0.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 14.14

FEBRUARY 19

TITHES/OFFERINGS \$ 8,496.17
BUILDING FUND \$ 0.00
LOVING YOU JESUS \$ 94.14

FEBRUARY 26

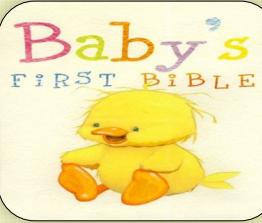
TITHES/OFFERINGS \$
BUILDING FUND \$
LOVING YOU JESUS \$
WORLD HUNGER \$ 500.00



Accompanists Appreciation Sunday

A love offering will be received March 5, 2023 to show our accompanists how much we love and appreciate them for sharing their talents with us each Sunday.

Thank You, Melanie & Brenda!



WMU Service Project

The New Day Woman's Center (Sav A Life) needs monetary donations to purchase Bibles to put into the diaper bags that are distributed to the new mothers. If you would like to contribute in this way, see Trudy Anders or Brenda Long.



CCBC Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

@ 6:30 pm



Deacons' Meeting

March 5, 2023

4:00 pm

All deacons are encouraged to attend.



Eagles' Wings Foundation 15th Annual Dinner & Auction

Benefiting Eagles' Wings Inc.

April 7, 2023

Gift baskets or monetary donations are needed. If your Sunday School Class, Wednesday Night Prayer Group, or Organization can help, call Cay Hamner @ (205) 792-7388, for more information.



Sunday Nights @ The Creek

5:30 pm—7:00 pm

C.R.E.W. Classes for Adults
Youth & NEXT Ministry Bible Study
Nursery & Children's Activities

Come Grow Spiritually With Us!!!!



Wednesday Night Prayer Groups

@6:30 pm

Men's Group—Room S106

Ladies Group—Room S104

Coed Group—S105

Nursery, Children, & Youth Activities Provided

March Preaching Schedule

March 5: John Scott
March 12: John Scott
March 19: Chad Palmer
March 26: Chad Palmer



Wednesday Nights @ 7:30 pm
There is a spot for you.

Security Ministry

March 5: Jeff Kirkley
March 12: Keith Kirkley
March 19: Bill Leow
March 26: John Long



John Martz

NEXT

Galatians 2:20

A Ministry For and With Those 18-25 Years of Age

What Has Priority in Your Life?

I was doing some reading the other day and came across this devotion by The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. It reminded me that I needed to slow down and allow God to show me just what is most important in my life: God or my wants. I challenge you to read the devotion as I did and allow God to show you if He is the most important thing to you or your desires.

You know that the hardest thing for you to give up is your money. It represents your time, your energy, your talents, your total personality converted into currency. We usually hold on to it tenaciously, yet it is uncertain in value, and we cannot take it into the next world. The Scripture teaches that we are stewards for a little while of all we earn. If we misuse it, as did the man who buried his talent, it brings upon us the severest judgment of God. The tithe is the Lord's. If you use it for yourself, you are robbing God. We are to take the tithe as a standard, but to go beyond the tithe is an indication of our gratefulness for God's gifts to us. In the midst of sorrow and trouble, this life has many blessings and enjoyments which have come from the hand of God. Even our capacity for love is a gift from God. We show our gratitude by giving back to Him a part of that which He has given to us.

Christians who want to please the Lord often have questions about tithing. The dictionary defines the word "tithe" as "a tenth part of something paid as a voluntary contribution for the support of a religious establishment." It was a common practice in the Old Testament and was required of members of the nation of Israel.

Many Christians believe that this principle of giving one-tenth should be carried over to the New Testament in giving to the church and other Christian organizations. Billy Graham would fit into this category. He has said, "We have found in our own home, as have thousands of others, that God's blessing upon the nine-tenths, when we tithe, helps it to go farther than ten-tenths without His blessing." However, even then the question as to whether to tithe from one's net or gross income is not answered in Scripture, nor is the question of whether to give it all to the local church or to include other ministries. We feel that such decisions should be based on personal conviction.

Other Christians who tithe do so simply because they respect the Old Testament principle and find it a helpful place to begin in their giving. They do not believe, however, that tithing is a New Testament obligation. It is not mentioned in the New Testament except where it is describing Old Testament practices or in the Gospels where Jesus is addressing people who were under the Old Testament law. Note Jesus' comments to the Pharisees in Luke 11:42.

A New Testament teaching on giving which may be helpful to you is found in 1 Corinthians 16:2: "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income." This passage brings out four points: we should give individually, regularly, methodically, and proportionately.

The matter of your giving is between you and God, and He always takes into account our circumstances. He knows when they are beyond our power to direct and control. The important thing is that we see giving as a privilege and not a burden. It should not be out of a sense of duty, but rather out of love for the Lord and a desire to see His kingdom advanced.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 says: "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

The deeper question, you see, is this: What has priority in your life? Is Christ really first—or do you put yourself and your own desires first? Make sure Christ is first in your life, and then ask Him to guide you.

In Christ,

Bro. John

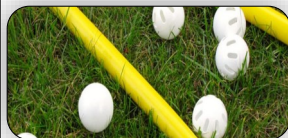


Chuck Eavenson



*"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set for the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."
1 Timothy 4:12*

CCBC Ball Park and CCBC Youth



With the time changing and warmer weather coming, CCBC youth are looking forward to using the CCBC ballpark. Thank you to everyone who came out to clean up and tidy up the ballfield. The youth will meet at the ballpark Sunday nights on March 12th, 19th, and 26th. On the 26th we will have a cookout and have hamburgers and hotdogs.

Something New on Wednesday Nights



New worship and Bible study led by Isabella Jones will begin on Wednesday nights starting on March 29th. This new series will go through April 26th. Please be in prayer for Isabella as she prepares and leads our youth in song and Bible study.

CCBC Youth Camping Trip May 5th



Parents, mark your calendars and have your students sign up for the upcoming camping trip to Lake Lurleen. The girls will be staying in campers, and the boys will be roughing it in tents. We will have dinner at Lake Lurleen on May 5th. Parents, please drop off your youth at Lake Lurleen any time after 5:00 pm. On Saturday we will have breakfast and lunch in the park. Pick up time and more information to come soon.

Summer Camp 2023 - Student Life at the Beach—June 12-16



At this time all youth that are planning to attend summer camp should have the \$75 deposit turned in. If you have a student that plans to attend, please let me know ASAP. The total cost for summer camp is \$275 plus money for seven meals and spending money. The theme for camp is "Three in One" and comes from 2 Corinthians 13:14: "May the grace of the Lord Jesus, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

Mark your Calendars for Sunday night May 21st as professional fisherman and YouTube sensation Andrew Nordbye comes to Carrolls Creek Baptist Church and shares His story. You can find him at "Fishing with Nordbye" on YouTube. This will be a family event for everyone. Be on the lookout for more information.



Brian Wilson

What a joy it is to see the Lord move in our services. When we lift Him up through praise and worship, then God draws people to Himself. I believe God uses music to draw us into His presence. The closer people move to the Lord, the more we become like Him. I am praying for ten more people to join our choir and help us lead worship each Sunday. God Bless you.

Brother Brian

"I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations."

Psalm 89:1.



March 2023

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 midweek connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	2	3	4
5 Deacons' Meeting 4:00 pm	6	7	8 midweek connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	9	10	11
12 SPRING FORWARD! Daylight Saving Time	13	14	15 QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING 6:30 pm	16	17	18
19	20	21 JOY Fellowship	22 midweek connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 midweek connection Adult Prayer Groups Children's Activities Youth Bible Study 6:30 pm	30	31	

It's time to **SING AGAIN!**

*Join senior adults from across
Alabama for an unforgettable
morning of singing and worship.*

Chapel Hill Baptist Church

Tuesday

March 21, 2023

10:00 am—Noon

This a free event.

*The Joy Group will meet at CCBC
@ 9:15 am and ride the bus over to
Chapel Hill. We will also be eating
lunch at CCBC following the event.*



March 1	David Jackson
March 4	Courtney Espey
March 6	Randall Clardy
March 7	Sarah Hamner
March 10	Preston Clardy
March 12	Marilyn Elmore
March 13	Isabella Jones
March 15	James Bailey
March 22	Glenda Barber
March 24	Betty Jo Malone, Lauryn Clardy
March 25	Tommy Latham, Robin Gurganus
March 26	Wilford Calhoun
March 28	Randi Hatton
March 30	Wanda Simmons, Nathan Dunn

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