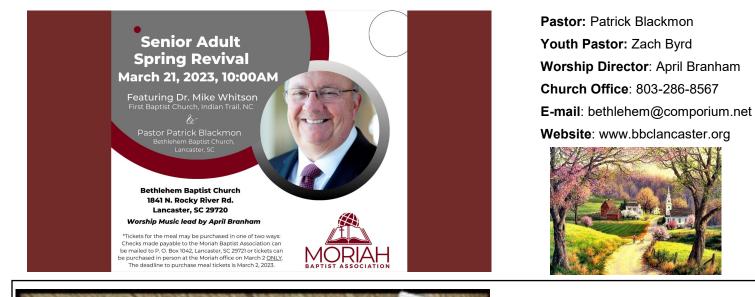
# **Bethlehem Baptist Church**

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Numbers 21:9, "So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live."

Picture the scene. The children of Israel are complaining about being in the wilderness again to Moses. They had already forgotten that it was their sin, rebellion, and grumbling before God that caused them to be there. Now they are beginning to experience the judgment of God. Folks are being bitten by fiery serpents. I don't know about you but I don't like any kind of snake. As the saying goes, "the only snake I like is a dead snake." The people are being judged by God and Moses intercedes for them. Then Moses receives this instruction, "make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." I don't know about you but if I am bitten by a snake the last thing I want to look at is another snake. However, this is setting the stage for the coming of the Lord Jesus. John 3:14 says, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life." The people of Israel would be saved if they looked to the serpent. The only way they would live is if they looked to the serpent. As we know Jesus fulfilled John 3:14 and that is the only way we can have eternal life. We must look to Jesus.

Church family God is on the move at BBC. For the last two months, we have seen God transform the lives of six individuals. Praise the Lord! We have seen God bring both numerical and spiritual growth. Praise the Lord! Church family I want to remind you that everything that is happening is only a result of what God is doing. I want to encourage you that no matter what is going on in your life or the life of the church we must look to Jesus. Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith. Let's keep looking to Jesus.

This month I want to encourage all of our senior adults to join us on March 21<sup>st</sup> for the associational Senior Adult Revival held at BBC. This will be a great time of fellowship, singing, and preaching of God's Word. Please see Brenda Rowell for any additional information.

Lastly, in February I shared with you about the expansion of our stage. Our goal to begin this renovation is \$60,000. Once we have reached this goal we will begin this project. I want you to prayerfully consider giving toward the CIF fund on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. This will be the first of two special ingatherings we will have for this year. God is on the move.

I love you all and look forward to what God will continue to do within BBC.

## From Your Youth Pastor: Zach Byrd

Church family I am continually amazed by God's faithfulness and goodness to us. God is worthy of our praise every single day, and there is no denying that He is working in our midst. I want to welcome all our new members because this may be the first time you are reading our newsletter. I am thankful that God saw fit to



lead you here and we are excited to serve along side you!

I also want to praise God for the salvations that have recently taken place. Welcome to the family of God! I want to encourage each of you to continue praying for each name that is laying on the altar of our church. 1 Samuel 12:23, *"far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you."* Each one of these names represents an eternal soul that God loves and Christ died for. Praying for individuals to come to know Jesus doesn't cause God to love that person any more or less, but it certainly changes our heart as we become more like Jesus. Let's pray that we would have the heart and mind of Jesus toward others while we continue to watch God bring men and women to Himself.

I don't know about you but I want to see the names of individuals taken off that altar and replaced with new names this year. I am encouraged by the evidence of God working in the lives of the individuals whose names I wrote down. Let's be faithful to our more than faithful God! I love you all and I'm excited for what the month of March will bring here at BBC.

Zach

Bible Study: Wednesday night at 6:30 pm Sunday night at 6:00 pm

April 5th - \$50 deposit for SummerSalt due

Anniversary in Service Zach Byrd, Youth Pastor 3 Years - March 9, 2020



It's exciting and amazing to see the move of the Lord on our congregation. As the song says let our worship be a sweet, sweet sound in the Lord's ear. Doesn't that amaze you that as a child of God, He hears our praises and He hears our prayers. If the Lord is calling you to join the worship ministry, please come and talk with me. We would love to have you!

Love in Christ, April



All ladies are invited to join us Saturday, March 11th for a day out of shopping and

dinner. We plan to leave the church at 9:00 am.



We are going to "Follow Through" for our JAM theme this year. As followers of Jesus, we are called to "Follow Through" to continue pursuing our relationship with Jesus and our relationships with others. Our theme

verse is I Timothy 4:12, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

March 1 - BARF (Bring a Friend) March 8 - OCC: Small Books March 15 - Wear Green Night March 22 - Store Night March 29 - NO JAM - Leader Night April 5 - No JAM - Easter Spring Break

**Deacon Ministry** Will meet Sunday, March 5th at 3:30 pm.



Thursday, March 16th at 7:00 pm in the FLC.

# **SERVING for the month of March**

Sunday, March 5

Sound

Adam Nguyen

<u>Video</u>

Joni Catoe

<u>FB Live</u>

Faye Zaugg

Nursery

Annette & Morgan Deese

Children's Worship (PS)

Becky Sanders, Melissa Wallace

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Susan Montgomery, Ronnie Bailey, Ashley Lee

**Security** 

Barry Faile, Ab Wright Sunday, March 12 Sound Jake Workman <u>Video</u> Melissa Wallace <u>FB Live</u> Ronnie Williams

<u>Nursery</u>

Ryan & Anna Jordan

<u>Children's Worship (PS)</u> Yancey Dinger,

Karen Dingler

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Megan & Bryan Jenkins, Youth

Security Todd Wallace, Monty Craig Sunday, March 19 Sound Adam Nguyen <u>Video</u> Caedan Deese <u>FB Live</u> Susan Montgomery <u>Nursery</u> Erin & Hunter Sims <u>Children's Worship (PS)</u> Jessica Williams, Karen Whitaker <u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u>

Charity Deese, Brittany Blackmon, Youth

Security

Wayne Boone, Jeff Funderburk

Sunday, March 26 Sound Jake Workman Video Halie Workman FB Live Melissa Wallace Nursery John & Cherie Tanner Children's Worship (PS) Cheryl Morgan, Allana Morgan Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr) Joining Corporate Worship **Security** Ronnie Williams, Joseph Wright

#### Wed Night Sound/FB Live

March 1 - Joni Catoe March 8 - Faye Zaugg March 15 - Ronnie Williams March 22 - Susan Montgomery March 29 - Melissa Wallace

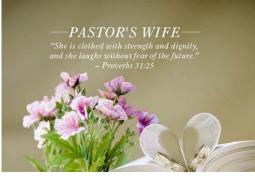


### OCC March Madness

This month we are encouraging our Sunday School classes to a friendly competition collecting water bottles and flip flops. See Halie Workman for additional information. Items Needed: Juice, spaghetti pasta, canned potatoes, peanut butter, jelly and dry beans.



Jordan Killough Jackie & Darnell Adams Haley Vincent Emme Forrester Sarah Branham



A special thank you to Brittany during Pastor's Wife Appreciation Month. We are very grateful for Brittany and the way she supports our Pastor and many ministries here at BBC!



- 2 Annette Deese, Ivy Ritchie
- 7 Amy West
- 11 Trace Briggs
- 12 Chris Watts
- 13 Camden Morris
- 14 J.R. Baker, Anna Jordan

15 - Jackie Adams, Brandan Craig, Ronnie Williams

- 16 Karen Dingler, Alaina Robinson
- 18 Jack Carnes, Peggy Ormand
- 19 Reid Blackmon, Zoey Blackmon
- 21 Doug Sistare
- 23 Jeb Wright
- 25 Willow Tanner
- 27 Xander Holden
- 28 Cherie Tanner
- 29 Ruth Mahaffey

30 - Luke Bowers, Kaylee McIntyre, Teresa Moseley, Bentlee Sapp, Brady Watts

31 - Karen Blackmon

The Sewing Ladies will meet Tuesday, March 7th at 9:00 am in the FLC.





Quilters will meet Saturday, March 18th at 9:00 am in the FLC.

Crochet group will meet Thursday, March 23rd at 6:30 pm in Janice Mathis' home.



Anniversaries
1 - Charles & Teresa Funderburk
6 - Doug & Annette Deese
10 - John & Rosemary Ehrlich
11 - Dan & Kathy Rowell
26 - Wayne & Laura Boone
27 - Richard & Charity Deese
30 - Darrel & Brenda Rowell



CoEd Church Softball League will begin March 13th. Please sign up on the welcome table if you are

interested in playing. You may see Adam Nguyen, Morgan Deese or Yancey Dingler if you have any questions.

Month of February offerings						
	<u>Tithes</u>	<u>CIF</u>				
February 5	\$10,831.00	\$0.00				
February 12	\$13,474.00	\$0.00				
February 19	\$8,574.00	\$500.00				
February 26	\$9,293.00	\$500.00				
Totals	\$42,172.00	\$1,000.00				



Monday, March 13 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Tuesday, March 14 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Wednesday, March 15 - Larry & Hollis Deason Thursday, March 16 - Judy Whitaker, Don White

Friday, March 17 - Larry & Hollis Deason





Wedding Shower for Adam Nguyen and Brittany Short on Sunday, March 12th at 2:30 pm. The shower is given by the family of Nancy Nguyen. They are registered at Target and Belk.



Rethlehem Stars



Trip to Hamricks in Gaffney on March 28th. Sign up sheet is on the welcome table.

This month we recognize Jack & Phebe Carnes as our Senior of the Month. We love you, Jack & Phebe.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
B	ethleh	em	1 JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	2	3	4
5 Deacon's Meeting 3:30 pm	6	7 The Sewing Ladies 9:00 am FLC	8 JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	9	10	11 Security Training 9 am Women's Day Out Shopping & Dinner 9:00 am
12 Wedding Shower for Adam Nguyen & Brittany Short 2:30 pm FLC	13 Meals on Wheels	14 Meals on Wheels	15 Meals on Wheels JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	16 Meals on Wheels Men's Ministry 7:00 pm FLC	17 Meals on Wheels	18 Quilters 9:00 am FLC
19	20	21 Senior Adult Spring Revival BBC 10:00 am	22 JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	23 Crochet Group 6:30 pm	24	25
26 BBC CIF Ingathering	27	28 Bethlehem Stars trip to Hamricks	29 JAM Leader Night Youth & Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	30	31	