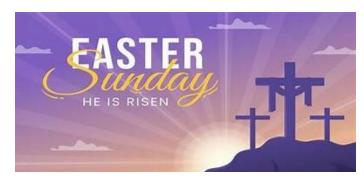
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Bethlehem Baptist Church

1841 N. Rocky River Rd. Lancaster, SC 29720



Sunday, March 31st

Sunrise Service begins at 7:30 am followed by breakfast at 8:00 am

Sunday School begins at 9:00 am and Worship is at 10:00 am

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"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise." James 5:13

Church family, we have so many reasons personally and corporately to praise the Lord. This past month we have seen God answer many of our prayers. First of all, you all exceeded our goal for Super Goal Sunday. Thank you for your commitment and faithfulness to BBC. Over the last two months, we have seen a growth increase within our Sunday School and Worship. As of the end of February, we had a 15% growth increase in our worship. Praise the Lord!! The key to all that is happening at BBC is prayer. Church family, I encourage you to continue praying and praising the Lord as we enjoy this special season we are in. This upcoming month is going to be awesome.

First of all, we will be travelling with a church in Fort Mill to Puerto Rico to help serve in a new community. We will be helping One Church with their glow-in-the-dark Easter Egg hunt. Would you pray for the 15 people that will be traveling? Would you pray for opportunities to share the gospel with the ones who attend? I look forward to sharing with you all that God will do through this partnership.

Secondly, this month Easter comes early. Mark your calendars for March 29th as we host our glow-in-the-dark Easter outreach. This outreach will begin at 6:30 pm till 8:30 pm. We need your help to serve in a variety of areas. This Sunday immediately following our morning worship I will be holding a meeting to discuss the details of this outreach. Please make plans to stay for this brief meeting. Also, for this outreach, we need a lot of candy for all of the children that will be attending. Lastly, will you pray for this outreach as we intentionally share the gospel with our community? Will you pray for hearts to be open and receptive to the gospel?

Also, on Easter Sunday morning, we will have our regular Sunrise service at 7:30 am in the parking lot, followed by breakfast at 8:00 am. After breakfast, we will have our normal Sunday School at 9:00 am. Then at 10:00 am, we will have our Living Lord's Supper drama. I am so excited about this unique opportunity to present the gospel. I am encouraging you to pray for all who will participate and for those who will attend. You will not want to miss Easter at BBC this year.

Church, God isn't finished with us yet. May we continue to keep our eyes focused on Him and do our part in whatever He is calling us to.

Pastor Patrick

From Your Youth Pastor: Zach Byrd

Happy March to you all! We are looking forward to the Spring and Summer season. Please take this time to mark your calendar for these three major events. On March 29th we are asking you to be apart of our Easter outreach. There are a multitude of ways to serve, so prayerfully consider how God wants to minister through you during this event. As many of you



know the first deposit was already due for our annual Summer Salt trip which will be from June 24th-28th. Our students are so excited for camp this year. One last thing that I wish to make you aware of is our annual Victory Sports outreach that will be from July 7th-12th. Plans are already being made in preparation for this event. Now this isn't everything that we will be apart of this summer. For this reason, I encourage you to check the church calendar so that you do not miss a thing. For now, be in prayer for these events. I look forward to serving and worshiping with each one of you during the month of March.

Bible Study: Sunday at 6:00 pm and Wednesday at 6:30 pm SummerSalt June 24-28, 2024



Zach Byrd, Youth Pastor
March 9, 2020

Thank you for 4 years of Service!



As I reflect on an entire year, I can't even begin to think about how God has blessed me in this role. I am extremely thankful for all that He has done and will continue to do! Time is flying by! March is here, and I am not sure how it happened so quickly! I am excited for all the things this month will hold. Our Easter

Outreach is quickly approaching, and I pray you will ask God to use you during this special event. Also, as we roll into spring, I ask that you be in prayer for our children. Many of them are starting spring sports, but they are also anxiously awaiting summertime. Pray that they will have the strength to finish out the school year strong, and that they will thrive where God has placed them. I am looking forward to all the summer will bring. Be on the lookout and mark your calendars for all the fun summer events that will be coming your way soon!

Yancey Dingler



This year, we are going to be studying God's promises through the Old Testament with Faithful Promises. Faithful Promises will lead kids to discover the steadfast

faithfulness of God through Old Testament promises. Kids will explore the details of the major covenants promised in the Old Testament and connect the bigger reality of God's faithfulness to their every circumstance. Through the covenants God made to Adam, Noah, Moses, David and others, kids will connect to the God of steadfast faithfulness, even when we are unfaithful, and see how all of God's promises are ultimately fulfilled in Jesus. Join us each Wednesday night at 6:30 pm.

March 6 - BARF (Bring a Friend)
March 13 - OCC: Small toys
March 20 - Wear Green Night
March 27 - Store night



The Bible says that the Lord Inhabits the praise of his people. There is power and strength in praise.

Sunday March 17th we are setting aside a night full of worship and testimony and praise to our Heavenly Father. As we enter into this Easter season I hope you will join us as we celebrate and worship the Lord for who he is and all he has done.

Love in Christ, April



March 10

Don't forget to move your clock ahead one hour





Will meet Thursday, March 21st at 7:00 pm. A sign up sheet is on the welcome table.



On Friday, March 29th, we will host our Annual Glow-in-the Dark Easter Egg Hunt. In preparation for this outreach, we are asking for candy donations. A bin is located in the foyer. A meeting for all volunteers will be Sunday, March 3rd immediately following morning worship.

The Sewing Ladies will meet Tuesday, March 12th at 9:00 am in the FLC.



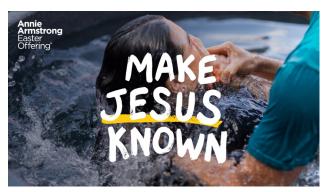
The Sewing Ladies



Quilters will meet Saturday, March 16th at 9:00 am in the FLC.

Crochet group will meet Thursday, March 28th at 6:30 pm in the home of Janice Mathis.





Day of Ingathering: March 17th Mark 16:15 ESV, And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

BBC Goal: \$5,000



March Madness Toy Drive: Our Sunday School classes will be competing again this year for a chance to win breakfast. Brackets have been selected. Classes are encouraged to bring toys and bags (drawstring or reusable type bags) for 10-14 year olds. Toy suggestions include balls (no liquid), marbles, mini games (such as dominos and cards), bracelet/jewelry/craft kits, yo-yos, hot wheels and puzzles. GO BBC! Let's make 2024 a year to remember for our OCC children!



invited to join us at Pizza Inn on March 6th at 12:00 pm for a great time of fellowship. We will also travel to Hamrick's on Tuesday, March 26th. A sign up sheet is on the welcome table to reserve your seat. The Senior Adult Spring Revival will be April 22nd at Crestview Baptist Church. Tickets for lunch will be \$11 and you can pay Ms. Brenda Rowell. A sign up sheet is also on the welcome table for this event. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, April 7th.





Do you want to know what BBC is all about or how to become a member? Come join us Sunday, March 17th at 9:00 am in Room 103, Lower Level.



Security Team Simulator Training on March 16th at 9:00 am. Meet at the church at 8:15 am. Please see Jamie Sims if you are interested in being apart of this training.

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!



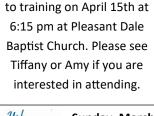
- 2 Annette Deese, Ivy Ritchie, Lucas Segee
- 4 Brantley Garris
- 7 Amy West
- 11 Trace Briggs
- 12 Chris Watts
- 13 Camden Morris
- 14 J.R. Baker, Anna Jordan
- 15 Jackie Adams, Brandan Craig, Ronnie Williams
- 16 Karen Dingler, Alaina Robinson, Theresa Horton
- 18 Peggy Ormand
- 19 Zoey Blackmon, Reid Blackmon
- 21 Doug Sistare, Raegan Whitaker
- 23 Jeb Wright, Chanda Harding
- 25 Willow Tanner
- 26 Lou Ann Gardner
- 27 Xander Holden
- 28 Cherie Tanner
- 29 Ruth Mahaffey, Novie Kennington
- 28 Xuan Nguyen
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- 30 Luke Bowers, Bentlee Sapp, Kaylee McIntyre, Teresa Moseley, Brady Watts
- 31 Karen Blackmon



- 1 Charles & Teresa Funderburk
- 2 Doug & Annette Deese
- 11 Dan & Kathy Rowell
- 26 Wayne & Laura Boone
- 27 Richard & Charity Deese
- 30 Darrel & Brenda Rowell



A church-wide trip is being planned for October 17-20. You may sign up at the welcome table. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due March 3rd to reserve your seat. Cost for Seniors (60+) \$306; Adults \$320; Youth \$272 and Children \$214. Cost includes tickets for both museums, stay for 3 nights, transportation, breakfast for 3 days and lunch at both museums.



FREE VBS Fraining

for Leaders

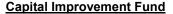
All volunteers who plan to

teach/lead in VBS are invited



Sunday, March 3rd is the last day to reserve your ticket for our FFN on Sunday, July 21st. We will

travel to watch the Columbia Fireflies baseball game. Sign up sheets are on the welcome table. You may see Anna Jordan to make your payment. Cost for Adults is \$28; Children ages 3-7 is \$21 and children under 2 are free as long as they sit in a parent's lap. Gates open at 4:00 pm and the game starts at 5:05 pm. This cost includes entry into the game, a complimentary Fireflies hat and an all you can eat buffet **prior** to the game. Manu includes: burgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, grilled chicken breast, mac & cheese, baked beans, pasta salad, banana pudding and Pepsi product drinks.



IN MEMORY OF

Sylvia Hegler

Marion & Dianne Pitmon
Paula Tuten





Month of February

Giving Back to God					
	<u>Tithes</u>	<u>CIF</u>			
February 4	\$10,547.00	\$0.00			
February 11	\$9,267.01	\$500.00			
February 18	\$13,024.00	\$50.00			
February 25	\$13,909.00	\$10.00			
Totals	\$46,747.01	\$560.00			

Sunday, March 3

Sound

Adam Nguyen

<u>Video</u>

Joni Catoe

FB Live

Faye Zaugg

Nursery

Chanda Harding, Christina Harper

Children's Worship (PS)

Jessica Williams, Karen Whitaker

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Caeden Deese, Jaime Marshall, Youth

Security

Wayne Boone, Joe Wright

Sunday, March 10

Sound

Jake Workman

<u>Video</u>

Melissa Wallace

FB Live

Ronnie Williams

Nursery

Erin Sims, Hunter Sims

Children's Worship (PS)

Allana Morgan, Amy Small, Julia Craig

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Haley Vincent, Tonda Wallace, Youth

Security

Rex Knight, Anna Jordan

Sunday, March 17

Sound

Adam Nguyen

<u>Video</u>

Caeden Deese

FB Live

Susan Montgomery

Nursery

Allana Morgan, Jessica Williams, Morgan Williams

Children's Worship (PS)

Becky Sanders, April Wright

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Susan Montgomery, Ronnie Bailey

Security

Barry Faile, Todd Wallace

Sunday, March 24

Sound

Jake Workman

Video

Halie Workman

FB Live

Melissa Wallace

Nursery

Alexis Blackmon, Peyton Deese

Children's Worship (PS)

Tiffany Nguyen, Nancy Nguyen, Teresa Moseley

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Megan & Bryan Jenkins, Youth

Security

Ronnie Williams, Bill Kennington

Sunday, March 31

Sound

Adam Nguyen

Video

Susan Montgomery

FB Live

Adam Nguyen

Nursery

John & Cherie Tanner

Children's Worship (PS)

Joining Corporate Worship

<u>Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)</u> Joining Corporate Worship

Security

Jeff Funderburk, Melissa Wallace



If you would be willing to help with our Bereavement team, please contact the church office or Dianne Pitmon. Our bereavement team prepares meals to meet the needs of families in our church.

Current needs include: grits, oatmeal, jelly, rice, pasta (any kind), spaghetti sauce, boxed instant potatoes and 64 oz juice.

Monday, March 4, 25 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Tuesday, March 5, 26 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Wednesday, March 6, 27 - Larry & Hollis Deason Thursday, March 7, 28 - Larry & Hollis Deason

Friday, March 8, 29 - Ernest & Peggy Phillips



We are so grateful for the support our 2 students have received with food and snacks. Please continue to support them by bringing food items they can easily prepare



themselves. Specific items include soups, beef stew, Capri Sun drinks, Lance crackers and snack bars. A bin is located in the foyer for your donations.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Be	thleh	em			1 Youth Bonfire 6:00 pm	2
3 Deacon's Meeting 3:30 pm	4 Meals on Wheels	5 Meals on Wheels	6 Meals on Wheels Bethlehem Stars Pizza Inn 12:00 pm JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	7 Meals on Wheels	8 Meals on Wheels	Don't Forget SPRING Forward
10	11	The Sewing Ladies 9:00 am	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	14	15	16 Quilters 9:00 am FLC
17	18	19	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	21 Puerto Rico Mission Trip Men's Ministry 7:00 pm	Puerto Rico Mission Trip	Puerto Rico Mission Trip
24 PR Mission Trip ———— 31	25 Puerto Rico Mission Trip	26 Meals on Wheels	27 Meals on Wheels	28 Meals on Wheels	29 Meals on Wheels Glow in the	30
Easter Sunday	Meals on Wheels	Bethlehem Stars to Hamricks	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	Crochet Group 6:30 pm	Dark Easter Outreach 6:30 pm	