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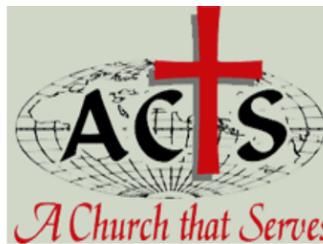
For The Record...

Dec. 29th - Attendance	Jan. 5th - Attendance
Sunday School 60	Sunday School 84
Worship 84	Worship 123
Jan. 12th - Attendance	Jan. 19th - Attendance
Sunday School 96	Sunday School 102
Worship 154	Worship 144

Jan. 26th - Attendance	Worship 147
Sunday School 97	

General Fund Offering Weekly Budget Requirement \$7,079.80

Dec. 29 Offering	\$ 7,987.62
Jan. 5 Offering	\$ 10,365.75
Jan. 12 Offering	\$ 5,836.50
Jan. 19 Offering	\$ 3,891.35
Jan. 26 Offering	\$ 4,592.23
Budget Requirement YTD (4 Weeks)	\$ 28,319.20
Offerings Received YTD	\$ 24,685.83
Expenses (Actual) YTD	\$ 28,340.74
Designated Receipts (YTD)	\$ 467.50
Love Offering (Day Break Center)	\$ 276.00



South Lexington Baptist Church
"People Sharing Jesus"

VOLUME 14

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ISSUE 2

Our Mission

South Lexington Baptist Church exists for the sole purpose of glorifying God. Our mission consists of reaching people for Christ, worshiping in Spirit and in Truth, teaching people the Bible, training people (discipleship), ministering to people's needs, and fellowshiping with people in Christ's Name. Let His Light shine through You!

All are Welcome!

Sunday Worship

10:30 AM

Sunday School

(All Ages)

9:30 AM

Evening Worship

6:30 PM

Wednesday Bible

Study and Worship

7:00 PM



Happy Valentines Day!

Looking for something to do with your someone special for Valentines or a place for you to just be able to come out to be among friends to fellowship with? How about a Dinner and a movie? Come to SLBC for both beginning Saturday, February 15th at 5 PM. The movie, "Ring the Bell", will be shown and a chicken cordon bleu dinner served for adults and pizza for kids all for a donation only. Please use sign up sheets provided or call Church Office to be added.



Begin your "spring" cleaning now to bring garage sale items for our March 14-15 Missions fundraiser. BBQ tickets now available. Get your \$8/ticket from a Mission team member or call office to get yours for the BBQ March 15th 11-5 PM. West Virginia summer mission trip scheduled July 12-19, make your vacation plans now!

Amp'd for Jesus Café will be open Sunday at 9 AM, February 9th before Sunday School, and Sunday evening at 7:30 PM. Anyone who can donate baked goods for this Youth sponsored event, please contact Tammy Tolbert or Crystal Bouknight. Come and fellowship with our Youth!



PASTOR
Search Team

Pastor Search Team Members voted on January 26th: From Deacons: Brian Bishop (Chair); John Meador, and Toby Spires; and From Membership: Crystal Bouknight and Donna Gooding. They would very much covet your prayers & support.



I am made in God's image, and He doesn't make any junk. God loves me and wants me to live a fulfilled life. Communing w/God constantly brings light, direction and blessings from Him. Life is astonishingly wonderful. Even the rough spots often turn out to be pluses. Hard lessons make me wiser, kinder, and more fruitful. When I feel boxed in or blocked, I can know that in God's good time, He will help me be victorious. God is never an instant too late. He may keep us from the knowledge of what He is going to do; but He always has His perfect plans successfully made. All we need to do is to put ourselves wholly in His hands, ask His guidance, follow His leadings and count confidently upon His blessings. When I cannot understand my Heavenly Father's leading, and it seems to be but hard and cruel fare, still I hear that gentle whisper ever pleading, God is working, God is faithful, ONLY WAIT! Your love for others is the measure of your love for God.

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The world is full of beauty when your heart is filled with love..



Pastor Ron...

The battle is real and we as God's dear children are in it. In 2 Timothy 3:10-12 we hear Paul tell us who are following faith-fully after the Lord Jesus that suffering is part of this battle. *"But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra--what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution"* (2 Tim. 3:10-12). Listen to how one describes this battle for us in our modern day. "We must not underestimate what we are up against. We face titanic struggles on behalf of human life and human dignity against the culture of death and the great evils of abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia. We are in a great fight for the integrity of marriage as the union of a man and a woman. We face a cultural alliance determined to advance a sexual revolution that will unleash unmitigated chaos and bring great injury to individuals, families, and the society at large. We are fighting to defend gender as part of the goodness of God's creation and to defend the very existence of an objective moral order. Beyond all these challenges, we are engaged in a great battle to defend the existence of truth itself, to defend the reality and authority of God's revelation in Scripture, and to defend all that the Bible teaches. A pervasive anti-supernaturalism seeks to deny any claim of God's existence or our ability to know him. Naturalistic worldviews dominate in the academy, and the New Atheism sells books by the millions. Theological liberalism does its best to make peace with the enemies of the church, but faithful Christians have no way to escape the battles to which this generation of believers are called" (Al Mohler President Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, blog e-mail, 1/9/2011). Let us not suffer without hope. We do have hope, not a "hope so" but a sure and solid hope in the Lord Jesus, who is and was and is to come (Rev. 1:8). Peter with all his ups and downs, victories and defeats sums up for us who live in Christ and have this hope. *"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear"* (1 Peter 3:15). Do you hear Peter? We are to live sanctifying the Lord and sharing this same sanctified life with the lost around us. Then they will see our lives full of hope, will ask of that hope and by believing be enabled to have the same hope we have.

See You Sunday, Pastor Ron... John 14:6

DOLLARS & CENTS

DID YOU KNOW? South Lexington Baptist Church contributed \$15,112 to the SC Baptist Convention Co-operative Program and an additional \$1,000 to Annie Armstrong; \$2,049 to Lottie Moon and \$1,059 to JD Chapman Missions for 2013 and this doesn't include other Consolidated Missions Projects. **God and Your Money:** To live by the principles of God's Word and be financially blessed, keep three things in mind: (1) *Remember that God owns everything.* Your name may be on the account, but don't get any wrong ideas. (2) *Remember that God is your source.* You don't have a thing He didn't give you; (3) *Remember that every spending decision is a spiritual decision.* Your checkbook will reflect your priorities.

Jerry Frick, Finance



We will again plan for the retreat for all Seniors at Spring Maid Beach in Sept. 8-12. A time of renewal with special speakers and singers for 4-nights. Bible study each morning and a special Southern Gospel concert on Thursday evening. Included in cost, 4-breakfasts & 3-dinners. For added fellowship & savings, we can also double up on rooms. Free time will also be offered. We hope to have a larger attendance this year, so mark your calendars now to plan for your vacation time. See BJ if you have any questions. Don't forget to join us for our monthly lunch meetings on the last Thursday of each month. Bring enough meal fixings for sharing. Hope you can join in with us! BJ



Hard to envision summer with the cold weather we've been experiencing, but it will be here sooner than you think, and it's not too early to be thinking about VBS. Be praying about where God would have you serve this year. Training Clinic locations will be announced later. Big thanks to Susan Battles and Susan Bishop for being our VBS co-directors again this year! Let them know where you can help June 16-20. Say "YES to VBS"!



Food Pantry monthly collection (through end of February): P-nut butter, jelly, and crackers. Your donations are much appreciated. Beryl & WOM Ladies.

Attention Ministry Leaders, be sure background check forms are up-to date on **ANYONE** working with Children and Youth and please turn in to Church Office. (Background Check requirement: **every** 3 years). Also, be sure to give your Ministry's list of Calendar Events/Activities to your Deacon or the church office to be included in our 3-Month church calendar. Thanks!



Blessings & Well Wishes

Dear Friends: Our staff would like to take a moment and thank each of you for your contribution to our 2013 Christmas Party. Without the support that you provide, many families would struggle during the holidays. We fed 647 people a hot meal and made Christmas possible for a total of 472 children. 78 Senior Citizens and people w/disabilities attended this year (the highest number yet). We also distributed 210 food boxes. All of your support makes this happen. We couldn't do this without you. Thank you! Big Creek People in Action-W. Va.

God Bless you all for the loving response to the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions and the pounding for the Missionary family from Alaska who will be staying in the Lexington Baptist Association missionary house for the next few months. A great big thanks for the ladies who prepared the house for their arrival and filled the pantry and freezer with food and filled other needs. Beryl Bledsoe



Christian sympathy to the following families & friends in the loss of their loved ones: Garland (Pop) Addy; Vera Berry; Kennedy Branham; Wade Clamp; Mitchell Corbitt; Cecil Gunter; Amy Jeffers; AJ Johnson; Rich Outlaw; Paul Potter; Zion Toland and Rev. Leroy Vest.



We thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new. We thought about you yesterday, and the days before that too. We think of you in silence, we often speak your name. Now, all we have are memories, and your picture in a frame. Your memory is our keepsake, with which we'll never part. God has you in His keeping, we have you in our hearts.



Helpers Needed! Since all clean-up at SLBC is done by volunteers, we are once again making an appeal for help. Due to health issues, some team members have had to drop out and we are in need of filling these spots. Even if you can't help out on a regular basis, if you see something out-of-place, please put it back. Turn off lights if you're the last one to leave a room; clean up your dishes. And if we can add you to a team, please call Susan Bishop (419-9817) or Gene Crumpton (600-6555) to volunteer. Please help keep God's house clean, reverent and inviting to all who enter. Weekly Clean-Up Team Leader reminders are on the back of weekly bulletin and are also mailed out the week of your scheduled clean-up (FYI) Thanks!!



Can you Help Out? We need Volunteers!! If you can help out with childcare once a month, please contact Terri McCurdy (730-6311) to offer your "gift". Thanks so much!!

YOU TOOK MY PARKING SPACE AT CHURCH -*This should wake us up...* One day, a man went to visit a church, He got there early, parked his car and got out. Another car pulled up near the driver, got out and said, "I always park there! You took my place!" The visitor went inside for Sunday School, found an empty seat and sat down. A young lady from the church approached him and stated, "That's my seat! You took my place!" The visitor was somewhat distressed by this rude welcome, but said nothing. After Sunday School, the visitor went into the sanctuary and sat down. Another member walked up to him and said, "That's where I always sit! You took my place!" The visitor was even more troubled by this treatment, but still he said nothing. Later as the congregation was praying for Christ to dwell among them, the visitor stood up, and his appearance began to change. Horrible scars became visible on his hands and on his sandaled feet. Someone from the congregation noticed him and called out, "What happened to you?" The visitor replied, as his hat became a crown of thorns, and a tear fell from his eye, "I took your place."



Please take note: Church Office Hours are Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM Closed Mondays & Fridays. Leave a message phone calls are checked daily. Thanks.



Newsletter deadline is 20th of the month for next month's newsletter. Information for Sunday bulletin is to be given to church office by noon Wednesday. Thanks, Robert Mitchell, Office Ministry Leader.



Congratulations to Amanda & Patrick Bannister and proud grandparents, Robert & Linda Jumper upon the birth of Baby Girl Cecilia Grace born November 20th; and to Jessica Meador and proud Great Grandparents, Sharon and John Meador upon the birth of Baby Boy Dakota Alexander born on December 2, 2013. God's blessings upon these precious babies and their special families.



Time flies, suns rise and shadows fall. Let time go by. Love is forever.

If you meet one too tired to smile, leave one of yours; nobody needs a smile as much as those who have none to give.



February 2014

Sunday Schedule

Sunday School
 9:30 AM
 Morning Worship
 10:30 AM
 Evening Worship
 6:30 PM
 AWANA Sept.-May

Wednesday Schedule

7:00 - 8:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
 7:00 - 8:00 PM Team Kids
 7:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Meeting
 7:30 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday Schedule

10:00 AM Discipleship Bible Study
 10:00 AM WOM-Last Tuesday

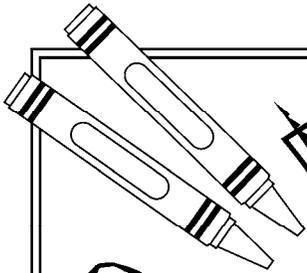
On-Going Activities

11:30 AM Sr. Adults-Seasoned to Serve - Last Thursday

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 Betty Jarvis  <small>Groundhog Day</small>	3 Carol Burnett	4 10 AM Disc. Bible Study	5 Virginia Filson Darrell Tedder Dorothy Wheeler	6 Jessica Cantley	7 Thomas Glenn	8 James Bennett Mae Morris
9 Kimberly Leaphart Kristy Woodmansee Amp'd For Jesus Café 9am-7:30 pm	10 Sandy Merck Billy Stillson 7:30 PM Deacon's Meeting	11 10 AM Disc. Bible Study	12 Clyde Simpson Crystal Stanley	13	14 Joyce Jenkins  <small>Valentine's Day</small>	15 Brianna Meador Valentine Dinner & Movie 5PM
16	17 Emma Spires Nathaniel Spires  <small>PRESIDENTS' DAY</small>	18 Katelynn Mabe 10 AM Disc. Bible Study	19 Carmen Geiger Grace Widener	20	21 Wesley Mills	22 Tracey Ducker Kizer Hoffman Traci Smith
23 Lisa Matthews MacKenzie Conyers Ministry Fair	24 George McCain Eric Mull	25 Donna Widener Ladies WMU	26 Sarah Mabe	27 James Bradley Mary Catherine Wood 11:30 AM Senior Adults	28 Allison Barnes Zana Hundley Bill Lucas, Jr. Tonya Williamson	



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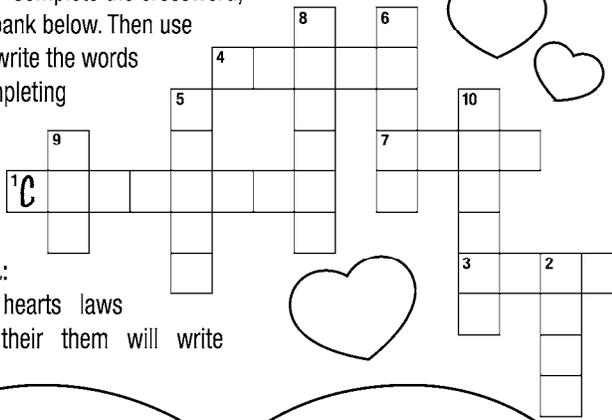


PUZZLE

ON THEIR HEARTS

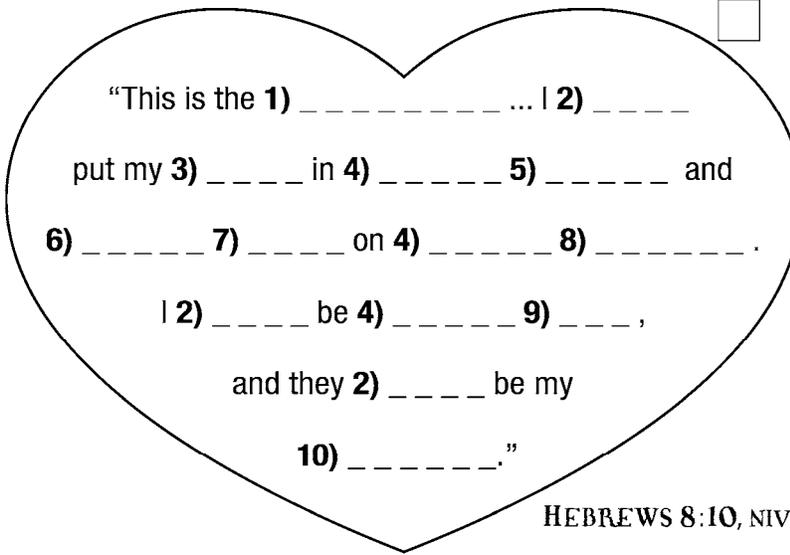
God made a special promise about a relationship he wants to have with people who love him.

DIRECTIONS: Complete the crossword, using the word bank below. Then use the numbers to write the words in the heart, completing God's promise.



WORD BANK:

covenant God hearts laws minds people their them will write



"This is the 1) _____ ... | 2) _____

put my 3) _____ in 4) _____ 5) _____ and

6) _____ 7) _____ on 4) _____ 8) _____.

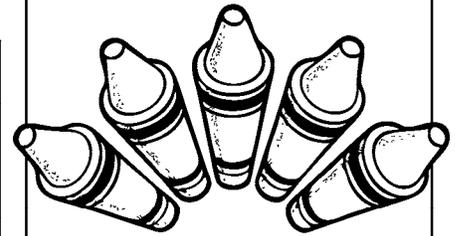
| 2) _____ be 4) _____ 9) _____,

and they 2) _____ be my

10) _____."

HEBREWS 8:10, NIV

Answer: "This is the covenant ... I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people." Hebrews 8:10, NIV



Crayon Heart

Make heart-shaped crayons as a reminder that the things of God should be written on our hearts.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- Oven
- Oven mitt
- Heart-shaped silicon mold (available at craft stores)
- Old crayons

What you do:

1. Heat oven to 230 degrees.
2. Remove paper wrappers from crayons. (This is easier if you soak crayons in cool water first.)
3. Break crayons into small pieces. Place pieces into heart-shaped mold, filling them about two-thirds full.
4. Bake for 15 minutes or until crayons have completely melted.
5. When the heart-shaped crayons are cool, remove them from the mold.

SORRY IF WE MISSED YOUR BIRTHDAY - BUT HELP US GET OUR FILES UP-TO-DATE. FAMILY MEMBERS, TAKE A MOMENT AND CALL SOUTH LEXINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH AT 957-8285 SO WE CAN WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY NEXT YEAR, THANKS FOR HELPING!!