

Sharing Love  
Because of Christ



# SOUTH LEXINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

**SLBC**  
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### SLBC Purpose

...to glorify God by making disciples who:  
**intentionally devote** themselves to their own spiritual growth,  
**joyfully celebrate** knowing Christ through corporate worship,  
**faithfully connect** with others for fellowship and accountability,  
**actively participate** in the ministry of the church and **purposely invest** their own time and resources in order to reach and disciple others in obedience to the great Commission.

### Morning Bible Study

(For All Ages)

9 AM

\*Sunday Worship

10 AM

Evening Family

Ministry 6-7:30 PM

\*On Facebook

Everyone Welcome!



Meal will be held on Sunday, Feb.27th after the morning worship for donations. Monies will be used to fund our Children's (K-5 thru 5th Grade) upcoming Summer events. Your support would be most appreciated! Thanks!! Leaders, MacKenzie Conyers and Ashley McCartha.



### Annie Armstrong Mission Focus-March 1st-April 17th (Easter)

100% of your gifts for this annual offering is used to support more than 5,000 North American missionaries. Please use envelopes provided for **SLBC \$1,200-Goal**. Thank You! WMU/WOM

### Missions Fundraiser-Yard/Bake Sale April 8th-9th-BBQ Plate April 9th

Start your Spring cleaning! Bring useable items in good condition to church during office hours Tues-Wed-Thur 8:30 AM-2:30 PM. BBQ tickets are available now for purchase. See any Mission Team member or call Church Office. Our West Virginia Summer missions trip is July 16-22.

Contact Marion Steele, Missions Ministry Leader, if you have any questions or wish to be a part of Missions at SLBC.



Because of inclement weather, service was canceled on Jan.16th (Sanctity of Human Life) and the love offering for Daybreak Ministries will be taken on Easter-April 17th. Please pray about What God would have you give to this Ministry. Thank You!

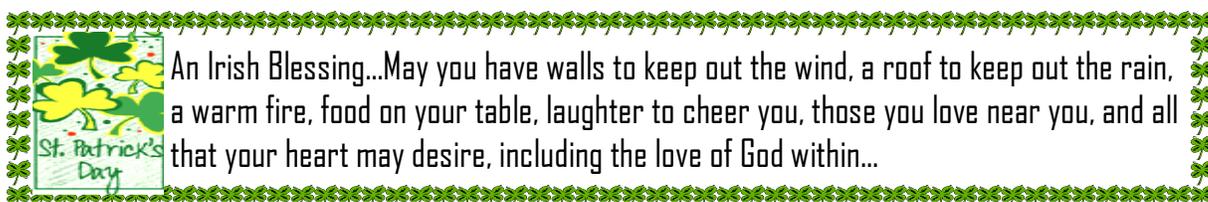


### Saturday, April 23rd 8 AM-1 PM

Mark your calendars for our Church-wide clean-up/work day. Everyone's help is needed! Bring any equipment you might need, tools, gloves, cleaning supplies, buckets, etc. Plenty of projects at everyone's skill level. Come and help us honor God and His House making it welcoming for all! Let Jimmy Gooding (Outside/Grounds) and Ron Matthews or Charles Tisdell (Inside/Fixtures) know of any area that needs attention or repairs to be added to the "To Do" list! Please come and help out. See you then!



*Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before bedtime on Saturday, March 12th so you won't miss out on morning Bible Study! Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 13th at 2 AM.*



**Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus rather than on your circumstances.**



**A Word From Pastor Butch...** Greetings in Jesus Name! I pray all of you are doing well. After this last outbreak of Covid, it's been so good to see many of our people back and well. We have had a number of people out over the last weeks including staff, both ministerial and office staff; but we praise God that they are doing well now. With what seems to be a decline now in the number of cases, we are in the process of making plans to resume a full schedule here, on church campus. Plans are to resume Wednesday night Prayer Time and Bible Study for adults and both children and youth activities as well. Be on the watch for restart announcement.

I know these last couple of years have been difficult and scary. I too, felt the force of the Corona Virus and know how serious it can be. Yet, I fully understand the only real answer for the difficult and scary things we face is found in our Loving God and our Wonderful Savior, Jesus Christ. We must trust Him always. He has called pastors, teachers, & brothers and sisters in Christ, to be a part of the body of Christ, the Church. And the church is here to help prepare us to live for Him and to face the difficult and scary times. Listen to what God says to us: **Hebrews 10:23-25**, *Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.* Jesus said, **Matthew 10:28**, *“And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.”* Personally, my fear of failing God is greater than my fear of Covid, or anything else in this world. Please pray and seek God's guidance about your involvement with your church. Your church needs you and you need the discipleship and fellowship offered through the church. God Bless Each of You, We Love You, Butch.



**A Word From Pastor Scottie...** In Shakespeare's play "Julius Caesar" we hear the soothsayer issue a warning to Caesar. He says, "Beware the Ides of March!" Caesar ignores the warning and two acts later in the play, he is assassinated—on March 15th, the Ides of March.

We are issued a warning that we should heed. **John 3:16** says, **“For God so loved the world that he gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”** We all know that verse well. But did you catch the warning? Those who don't believe in Jesus as the Son of God, trusting in him for the forgiveness of sins and eternal life, will receive the opposite—eternal damnation.

"Beware the Ides of March" is nothing compared to "believe in Jesus or spend eternity apart from God!" I pray that if you don't know Jesus as Lord and Savior that you would realize your need for a Savior and that Jesus is that Savior waiting with open arms to receive you into his grace. With many blessings, *Scottie*.



**II Corinthians 9:6-But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Proverbs 21:20-A foolish Man devours all that he has.**

If we want to be a good stewards of what God has entrusted to us, then we have to take certain steps. We need to reduce or hopefully eliminate debt. We need to be guided by wisdom and not by impulse when making spending decisions. The key to financial security comes by spending less than we earn. Put another way "live below your means". We should have a minimum of six months living expenses in the bank. That way we are prepared when emergencies arise and rest assure, they will arise, they always do. We need to have a long term spending goal. Avoid the "get it quick" pitfalls. We can't just save; we have to sow. True financial freedom comes when giving no longer threatens our sense of security. We've learned that sowing into God's kingdom always generates reaping. Remember, little is much when God is in it. *Jerry Frick, Finance*



**Christian Sympathy** to families & friends in the death of these loved ones: Mamie Birt; Jeanette Ferguson; Beverly Howard; Jesse Jerkins; Joel McMillan. On Angel's wings you were taken, but in our hearts you'll stay. In God's light you will find joy, till we meet again!



Sr. last Thursday lunch meeting March 31st at 11:30 AM. Come join us and bring your favorite salads/desserts to share! We look forward to having our Ministry Leaders and everyone back together again for Fun, Food, Great Fellowship!



**March Food Collection** Food Pantry-Need Crackers (All kinds-Saltines, Town House, Ritz, etc.) Thanks to all our food angels who are so consistent in their donations!



**Move Forward Together...** WMU Mission Encounter and Annual Meeting March 25-26 at First Baptist Church in Goose Creek, SC. Contact Jean Felts if interested.



Special thanks to Margaret Tisdell outgoing flowers Min. Leader and to Carole Belford, Dee Griner, & Rosemary Miller as they assume this role. Sign-up calendar to place Sunday flowers is in foyer or see any of the above or call church office if you have any questions.

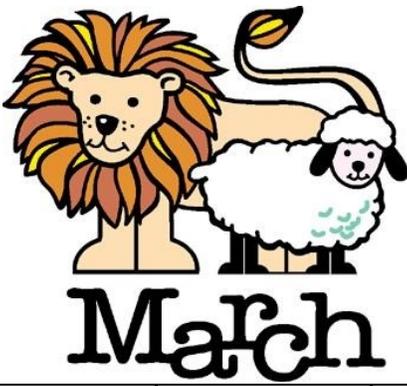


**Christian Friends,** Thank you so much for the prayers, calls, cards, food and gift cards during my surgery and Ronnie's hospitalization. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Love *Ronnie & Debbie (Agular)*.

- Items:**
- 1 Toothbrush
  - 1 Toothpaste
  - 1 Soap 4-5 oz.
  - 1 Wash Cloth
  - 1 Comb
  - 1 Bath Towel

**Migrant Health Kits - Helping Our Neighbors** We will help LBA collect health kits for migrants, ministry centers, mental health clients, State Fair workers & others. *Please put items in a 2-gallon Ziploc bag provided and return to Church for delivery by April 28th. Be a part of touching lives in Christ's name.*

**He who has no money is poor; but he who has nothing but money is the poorest of all.**



**Sunday Schedule**

Morning Bible Study  
9:00 AM  
Morning Worship  
10:00 AM

**Sunday Evening**

Family Ministry  
6:00 - 7:30 PM  
WOM/WMU 2nd Sun.  
Meeting - Mar. 13th  
5:00 PM

**Tuesday Schedule**

9:00 AM - 9:30 PM Prayer Time  
10:00 AM Disc. Bible Study

**Wednesday Schedule**

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Food Pantry

**On-Going Activities**

Deacon's Meeting 2nd Sunday -Mar.13th 4:45 PM  
Sr. Adult's Last Thurs. Lunch Meeting -Mar. 31st 11:30 AM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 Spaghetti Meal Donation Fundraiser Noon	28	1 Ruth Crumpton Ted Priester	2 	3	4 Sylvia Mishoe  World day of Prayer	5 Pat Crapps Morgan Taylor
6 Joanne Kelley	7	8	9	10	11	12 Sherry Nicewonger
13 Deacon's Meeting 4:45PM WOM Meeting 5:00 PM 	14 Jimmy Faile	15	16 Jerry Atkins	17 	18 Sherry Clark Brandi Moore	19
20 	21	22 Adara Mancine	23 Roger Evans	24 Linda Kupcs	25 Carole Belford Jeff Knight	26 Thad Bustle Kathy Esterline Rachel Sox
27	28	29 Thomas Riffle	30 Brennan Battles	31 Joe McKay	 THESE ARE WRITTEN SO...that by BELIEVING you may have <b>LIFE</b> IN HIS NAME. JOHN 20:31, ESV	

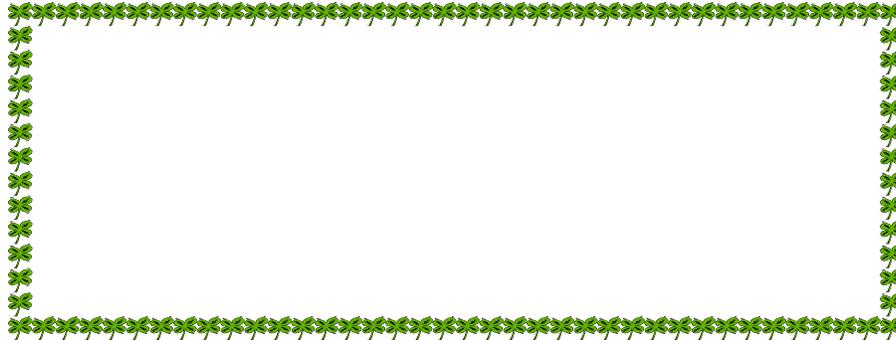
It's not the number of hours you put in, but what you put in the hours that counts.

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**Family Minister** Pastor Scottie Redd  
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 Ron Matthews 312-3036 Don Miller 770-862-9739  
 \*Ted Priester 250-9753 \*Marion Steele 609-6115

*As of Feb. 20th (8 Weeks)...*

Receipts	YTD	\$44,836
Expenditures	YTD	\$48,850
Budget Requirement	YTD	\$58,486
Designated	YTD	\$ 3,585

We encourage you to use numbered, personalized offering envelopes. They help ensure accuracy in posting. Sign-up, E-mail us or drop by during office hours to pick up a box. You don't have to be a member to receive personalized envelopes! Thanks for your prayers & financial support!



**Deacons Meeting** *Reminder:* Deacons meet on the 2nd Sunday (March 13th) at 4:45 PM.

**Thanks to Everyone!** who came to our Valentine's social on Saturday, February 12th. To *Chester Keisler* for Audio/movie; and especially to our Fellowship Ministry Leader, *Pat Crapps* and her family & helpers for the great meal, for all the preparations, set-up and cleanup. A great time of fellowship was had by **ALL!**

 Shamrock-St. Patrick used the shamrock to teach people about the Godhead. Holding up a shamrock, he challenged them, "Is this one leaf, or three?" Inevitably, people replied that it was both, prompting St. Patrick to draw the analogy that so, too, is God: one God in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit—the Holy Trinity.

Don't let your mind become so busy that your heart can't respond.