



A Church that Serves
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.

***Sunday Worship**

10:00 AM

Morning Bible Study

(For All Ages)

9:00 AM

Evening-Family

Ministry 6-7:30 PM

***On Facebook**

Everyone Welcome!



W VA Mission Trip All Praises to God for the safe return of our West Virginia Mission Team. We know God will bless all seeds planted during their trip. We pray for each child attending Bible Camps, those who asked Jesus into their heart and for all the repairs done at the different locations in Jesus' name by all the churches represented. Although a short week but one that God truly blessed once again! On behalf of Marion Steele, Missions Ministry Leader, and the entire Team their sincere thanks for all your prayers and support for this latest (just completed 20 years) West Virginia mission project. As God leads and continues to bless us to fulfill needs within this community, plans are being made for next year's July 20th-26th trip. Mark your calendars and pray about being a part of Missions at SLBC!



Deacon Nominations will be received on Sunday, August 20th. The following currently serve as Deacons and are not eligible for nomination: Jerry Conyers, Marty Griner, Ron Matthews, Don Miller, Marion Steele, and Rex Turner. Deacon *election* will be held in November to fill the vacancy of Jerry Conyers and Don Miller who rotate off. "Qualification of Deacon" list will be on foyer tables. Pray for God's direction and use these guidelines as you nominate men to serve as Deacons at SLBC. Thank You!

Sat. Sept. 9th

3-6 PM Drop-In

Shhhh! (It's a surprise!) We're honoring Pastor Butch & Mrs. Susan Powell for their 50+ years of faithful Ministry service. Drop-in will be on Saturday, September 9th from 3-6 PM with remarks and presentation of a "Memory Book" at 4:30 PM. This is where we will need your help. Please write a fond memory or special occasion on note card and a pic and e-mail to office@slbchurch.com as soon as possible for us to complete the "book". Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served and a great time of fellowship and reuniting will be had by all. Please come!



The God on the mountain is still God in the valley-worthy of praise in all Seasons-Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring; don't take a vacation from Him. Put God first as He is worthy.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

We continue collecting school supplies and book-bags year-round to take on our July mission trip to W. Virginia. With the supplies already discounted due to school restart August 9th and a tax free week-end (Aug. 4-6) purchases can be doubled! If you prefer, we will even buy supplies for anyone who doesn't have time to shop, just mark your donation as "supplies". Help show Jesus' love to these precious children and that others really do care for them. Thanks for your support!

God uses ordinary people to carry out His extraordinary plans



A Word From Pastor Butch... Greetings in the name of Jesus! Wow! how time flies. It seems that Summer was just starting and kids were just getting out of school. Someone very wise said, "The only constant in my life is change". That statement is so close to being true. We all change. Our children and grandchildren grow up and when they are grown they don't need us like they once did. Age changes what we can and cannot do and even what we want to do. I don't know that the old days were better, but I do know they sure were different. The good news is that there can be a constant in our lives. God never changes. Both Malachi and the writer of Hebrews tell us that God nor Jesus ever change (Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8). I have been blessed with a wonderful family, but there is little left here on earth of the family I was born into. My current family is such a blessing, but it is ever changing. Over the years I have discovered that often the greatest love and the greatest support comes from within the family of God. I have discovered that within the church, the Body of Christ, the Family of God, there are always those who will be there for you. Many who profess Christ miss one of the greatest benefits of being God's child by failing to enter the fellowship of the Family by neglecting church and the gathering together of the body of Christ. I can honestly say that the blessing of being in the Family of God has truly been a constant in my life. Brothers and sisters in Christ have always been there for us. Come and join us at SLBC or join in the fellowship and ministry of another Church body who loves Jesus and loves each other. We Love you! God Bless you, *Butch*



It is with sadness that I share with you the news that Brother Scottie has resigned as our Family Minister Pastor. After much prayer he feels God's call on his life is in church pastoring and preaching and not in youth and children's ministry. He will surely be missed. Quoting from Scottie's letter of resignation, "... I believe my season here at South Lexington Baptist Church has come to an end. I have enjoyed almost three and half years here. My family and I have made some great friendships, ones that I believe will last a long time. We are grateful for the Lord's provision in all things, but I believe now that our time at SLBC has come to an end. I have no doubt that I am called to pastor a church. I thank the deacons and the church body for your support as I ministered to and served the young people of this church. We will be in prayer for SLBC and for what God holds in the future. I ask that you will be in prayer for my family and I, as we seek God's will for us and where he will lead us." – *Scottie*. I will miss Scottie. He has been a strong right hand for three years and a great help to me. Pray for him, Brandy, Toby and Lexie. We Love you! God Bless you, *Butch*



Generosity begets Generosity- Numbers 18:29- Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the Lord, of all the best thereof, even the hallowed part thereof out of it. Being human we tend to operate from the mindset of scarcity because we consider resources to be finite and we become stingy with them. We become unsure of our resources future and thus become unwilling to embrace generosity. Generosity is the heart and character of God as He has modeled generosity to us. He gives freely and holds the future. While it is wise to exercise good stewardship over resources, it is equally wise to show generosity to God and others. The Levites were commanded to exercise generous tithing for offerings that were ultimately given back to them. **We can't out give our God.** Father, help us to model the unspeakable generosity and provision You have shown to us. *Jerry Frick-Finance*



The Road Of Life God of our life, there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies gray and threatening; when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage. Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and saints of every age; and quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the Road of Life, for Your honor and glory, Oh God.



Christian Sympathy to Families & Friends of: David Hallman; Myrtle Schaeffer; George Shealy; Ralph (Pete) Steele, Jr. We pray for God's Peace and Calm in all the storms of life. Receive our prayers for God's Comfort during difficult times and days ahead. Although it is difficult to see beyond the sorrow of today, may looking back in memory help comfort your tomorrow.



We will collect canned soups and P-Nut butter for August Pantry. We are so grateful for your support! God bless you! Jean Felts, WOM.



Sing Praises Unto Our Lord! This is a great time to join the Choir. Practice is on 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5 PM unless otherwise noted. See Ms. Susan Powell if interested in joining. Thanks!

If you go to church looking to become offended, you'll succeed. If you go to church looking for places where people fall short, you'll find them. If you go to church looking for imperfection, you'll see it. But if you go to church looking for an opportunity to worship alongside broken people (just like you), you'll find them. If you go to church looking for a place to serve, you'll find one. If you go to church to love people like Jesus does, you can. Ten out of ten times you will always find what you're looking for.



Look for Jesus.



A Bible that's falling apart reveals a life that isn't!

An idol is *anything* that takes God's rightful place. God's help is only a prayer away.



Sunday Schedule

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

Sunday Evening

Family Ministry
6:00 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday Schedule

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Food Pantry
No Supper (during Summer) Wed. Evening Bible Study 6:30 PM

On-Going Activities

Weekly Tuesday Prayer Time (All Welcome!) 9:00 -9:30 AM
Agape Stitchers 3rd Wed Meeting w/Lunch Aug 16th 10:00 AM
School Resumes Wednesday, August 9th
Deacon Nominations Sunday, August 20th

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
July 30 Baptism Lord's Supper Offering-A/C Unit/Nursery & Sound Booth	31	1 Hal Inabinet	2	3	4 Tax Free Week-End	5 Tax Free Week-End
6 Gage Pennington Tax Free Week-End	7	8	9 	10 Alice Gless	11 Corinne Carter	12 Gerry Cox Amelia Rast Brandy Redd
13 Eddie Chavis WOM Meeting 5 PM	14	15	16	17 Ronnie Aguilar	18 Sandra Voelker	19 Judy Matthews
20 Rilynn Fanning Erika Goff Rosemary Miller Deacon Nominations	21 Jerry Conyers, Jr Debby Hatchell	22	23	24 Daniel Dahlgren Justin Hall	25 Kimberly Sharpe	26
27 Linda Merritt Bruce Stanley	28	29 Bonnie Ard Irene Farmer	30	31  Sign-Up to provide Altar flowers for a Sunday Worship		

You can never do a kindness too soon because you never know how soon it will be too late!

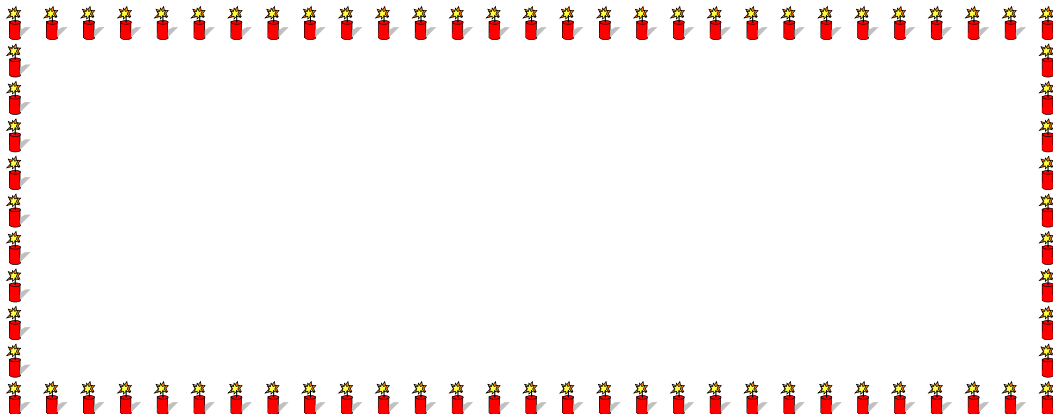
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 Marion Steele 609-6115 Rex Turner 429-8466



**Budget
 Update**

For The Record...



As of July 23rd. . .

Receipts - YTD	\$209,189
Expenditures - YTD	\$202,462
Designated - YTD	\$ 49,614



Thanks for using your personalized offering envelopes to ensure accuracy in posting **your** contributions. Sign-up, E-mail us, or stop by to pick up **your** box of envelopes.



GOD IS GOOD

All the Time



Someone once said, Vacation is what you take when you can't take what you've been taking any longer. There are good reasons to take a vacation every year: spending time with friends and loved ones, experiencing physical and mental refreshment, enjoying changes in scenery and routine, and preparing for another year of productivity. Enjoy your vacation, but be faithful to the Lord by attending Church if you have the opportunity while you're away. Just remember that during vacations and weekend get-a-ways, you're especially missed by your friends at Church. No one can fill your place of service quite like you. God's work goes on *all* summer long. Your presence and gifts are needed to enable South Lexington Baptist Church to be strong and vigorous throughout the entire year. Have a wonderful vacation & summer but remember to keep the Lord first and foremost in your planning!

Shut out all of your past except that which will help you weather your tomorrows.