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## SOUTH LEXINGTON **BAPTIST CHURCH**

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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.

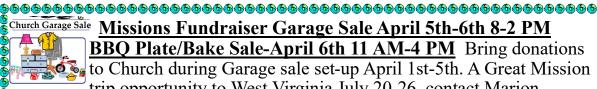
**Sunday School** (For All Ages) **9 AM** \*Sunday Worship **10 AM Evening Family** Ministry 6-7:30 PM \*On Facebook **Everyone Welcome!** 





No Wednesday evening supper/Bible study March 27th; Maundy Thurs. service with Lord's Supper March 28th, 7 PM; Easter Sunday, March 31st-Sunday School 9 AM with Cantata and Easter Message, 10 AM. 5th Sunday

Love offering for Bldg. Debt loan following service. Please pray about what God would have you give to help reduce this outstanding debt balance. No PM Family Ministry or activities. We strive to glorify the Name of Jesus in all we do at South Lexington and we encourage you to come join with us to share His Love and spread His Light.



Church Garage Sale Missions Fundraiser Garage Sale April 5th-6th 8-2 PM BBQ Plate/Bake Sale-April 6th 11 AM-4 PM Bring donations to Church during Garage sale set-up April 1st-5th. A Great Mission trip opportunity to West Virginia July 20-26, contact Marion Steele, Ministry Leader, for any questions. Be part of our Missions Bar-B-Q! Team showing and sharing the love of Jesus to others. Your support of all Missions at South Lexington is greatly appreciated!



Can you help out? We need (Homemade) Cakes, Cookies, Pies, Cupcakes, etc. for our Missions fundraiser Bake sale. Please bring Friday, Apr 5th or by 10 AM Saturday, Apr 6th. Thanks so much!

Church Directory

UPDATE

Cindy Grigsby has been working diligently getting our People Directory ready for in-house printing. If you haven't already provided your information, please call her ASAP (803-422-3317) so you/family will be included. This People

Directory is being made available so we can all get to know one another better at South Lexington and for you to easily turn to when a computer isn't available for access to our on-line directory. We appreciate Cindy and Robert Grigsby both who are also our volunteer photographers who can include a pic of you/ your family as well. Help us all get to know one another even better at SLBC!



SAVE THE DATE! VBS-June 2nd-6th 6-8 PM-Breaker Rock Beach "God's Rock-Solid Truth in a World of Shifting Sands" Romans 12:2. Volunteers needed! Sign-Up table in Worship Center. Children are our greatest asset...Invest in their future.



Mark your calendars for "Sr. Adult Day", Sunday, May 5th, when we recognize our Sr. Adults and what their Faith and Leadership mean to us at SLBC! A meal provided, served by our youth. A sign-up list will be made available for food preparation count.



A Word From Pastor Butch... Greetings in the name of Jesus!

We have just concluded the Easter Season. What a special time for those who know and trust Jesus. As I was taking a fresh-new look at "Passion week", Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, I was again reminded of the various ways that people of this earth view their Creator. John taught in John1:3 "...without him was not anything made that was made." On Palm Sunday, Jesus made what has been called "His Triumphant Entry" into Jerusalem. Crowds shouted "Hosannas", and said, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" (Luke 19:38). Just a few days later the crowd in Jerusalem

shouted to Pilate, "Crucify Him, Crucify Him." What a contrast in views! The people were making judgments concerning Jesus. That is the ultimate foolishness in this world. We cannot judge Jesus, He will judge us. We can accept or receive Jesus, but we cannot judge Him. And even more ironically, His judgment of us will be based upon whether we believe and accept Him, or whether we reject Him. John 3:18, "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God." You do not have to shout "Crucify Him, Crucify Him!" to be numbered with the crowd that did. Anyone who rejects Jesus will be with them in eternity. What do you think about Jesus? We Love you! Butch



As Springtime is here and people are planning to plant their garden, it reminds me of the five weeks we just spent in two local elementary schools teaching the Good News to approximately 90 children. We have planted many seeds, watered and nurtured others, and seen some bloom into Professions of Faith. This has been a wonderful time of blessings for us and the children. As children of God, we know that God listens to our prayers. We ask that you continue to pray for the volunteers and all the children and their families. We will take a short break and God willing, we will be back in the schools during the fall. If you would like any information about the GNC, please call Doreen 803-429-0402. Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, (Ephesians 6:18)

DOLLARS **SEVSE** A LIFE WITHOUT FEAR -Let me ask you a question. Are you afraid of what this world may bring? Are you afraid of the unknown? Years ago, there were some men who were on a leaky old ship in the middle of a stormy sea. And they were fearful for their lives, not knowing if they were going to sink or swim. One of them asked, "Captain, are we safe?" The Captain said, "Well, I'll put it to you this way. The boilers on this ship are very weak and may explode at any moment. Also, the ship is very old, and she's taking on water." He went on to say, "To be very honest with you, we may have an explosion, or we may sink. We may go up, or we may go down, but at any rate, we are going on." That's the way we need to face each day. Jesus may come, we may go up-we may die, and go down and then up, but at any rate we are going on. We face each day not knowing what it's going to bring. With that in mind, look at **Hebrews 13:5-6** which says, "Let your conversation (behavior) be without covetousness, and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So we may boldly say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not fear My<sub>Two</sub> what man shall do unto me." Mr. Jerry, Finance Cents



Christian Sympathy in the death of: Herb Gladden; Jimmy Killingsworth; Bill Loftis; Heather and Cheyanne Padgett. Death is not the end of light, it is only the gate-way to eternity. For if there were no grief to hollow out our hearts, there'd be no room for joy. Prayers for God's Peace-remembering you in your sorrows.



Sr. Adults monthly Thursday lunch fellowship April 25th-11:30 AM. Seniors are invited for fun,

food and great fellowship. Bring sides/desserts to share w/fried chicken provided. Be part of our Seniors On The Go group at SLBC, Walter Brown, Leader.

<u>AFTER</u> <u>EASTER</u>...After is every Christian's middle name. In his autobiography, A Song of Ascents, missionary E. Stanley Jones tells of an African man who changed his name to "After" immediately following his conversion. Because all things were new and different and important after he met Christ, the man wanted to reflect that new reality in his name as well as in his thinking. Easter is what makes us "After" Christians. After we accept the Risen Christ, nothing in life is ever the same.

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Boxed Mac 'n cheese & Dried Beans. Much thanks to Panery all our "Food Angels". Food Pantry Ladies



Church Family

Welcome New Member: Welcome to our growing Church Family: Pam McFaddin-Letter. So glad you're here!

Thank you all for your prayers during my cancer surgeries and for your calls, visits and food. Prayers still needed for my upcoming radiation and for Leroy and his health too. Thank you and God bless all of you! Sarah & Leroy Gillion.



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#### **Sunday Morning**

Sunday School 9 AM Worship 10 AM

#### **Sunday Evening**

Family Ministry 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Disc Bible Study 6 PM Food Pantry Wednesdays Wednesday Supper

Wednesday Evening Bible Study (Romans)

On-Going Activities

Weekly Tuesday Prayer Time (All Welcome!) 9:00-9:30 AM
Weekly Tuesday Disc. Bible Study 10:00-11:00 AM
WOM Monthly Meeting-Apr 14th 5:00 PM
Agape Stitchers 3rd Wed. Meeting w/Lunch -Apr 17th 10:00 AM

Sr.'s Monthly Lunch Fellowship –Thurs Apr 25th

11:30 AM

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

5:30 PM - 6:15 PM

6:30 PM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Katherine Elliott Andrew Kneece Caleb Kneece Barbara Priester	2 Dee Griner Susan Powell	3	4	5 Ron Matthews Missions Garage Sale Fri & Sat 8 AM-2 PM Church Garage Sale	6 William Rast Amy Turner BBQ Plate/Bake Sale 11-4 PM
7 Cindy Grigsby Eternal Harmony 10 AM	8 Vivian Smith	9 Jacob Warren	10 Ron Howell	11	12	13 DJ Watson
14	15 Danny Loftis	16	17 Clayton McCurdy Marie Turner AGAPE Stitchers 10 AM	18 WKHS Special Olympics Use of Parking Lot 9 AM - 2 PM	19 Irma McKay	20
21	22	23 Jaman Smith	24	25 Sr. Adults Lunch Fellowship 11:30 AM	26 Jerry Conyers Linda Stratakos	27
28	29 Marina Reynolds	30 FCA Breakfast 7 AM				

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Pastor: Robert A. "Butch" Powell

Deacons: \*Primary Deacons for Month of \*April

Marty Griner 605-9972 Ron Matthews 312-3036 \*Joe McKay 603-8792 \*Marion Steele 609-6115

As of Mar. 24th (12 Weeks)...

Receipts YTD \$72,523 Expenditures YTD \$78,570

Budget Requirement YTD \$79,899 (12Wks)

Designated YTD \$17,832

Annie Armstrong-\$1,620; The Gideons In'l.-\$1,049 On-line Giving is now available thru Tithe-ly on Facebook or thru Church's website <a href="https://www.slbchurch.com">www.slbchurch.com</a>. Your prayers and financial support are much appreciated!

**TRIVIA**...How is the date for Easter determined each year? Easter is usually observed on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of spring-so Easter can fall on any Sunday between March 22 and April 25. **2025-April 20th; 2026-April 5th; 2027-March 28th** 



<u>Always With Us</u>-40 days after Easter, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into Heaven. This occurred 10 days before Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' followers, as He had promised. Jesus' ascension reminds Christians that although His body couldn't remain present everywhere, we can universally experience His spiritual presence. In fact, Jesus' final words to His disciples, and to us, contain this key promise: "I am with you always, even to the end of the age"-Matt:28-20.