

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday, April 14th

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service  
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service

### Monday, April 15th

8:00 a.m. Moms in Prayer, Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, April 17th

5:30 p.m. Family Night Supper  
6:00 p.m. AWANA  
6:00 p.m. InsideOut Youth  
6:30 p.m. Midweek Bible Study

### Sunday, April 21st

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service  
5:00 p.m. Choir Practice  
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service

### Thursday, April 25th

Spring Training—Morningside Baptist, Douglas  
5:00 p.m. Grab-and-go dinner  
6:00 p.m. Sessions

Visit [sbachurch.org/newsletter](http://sbachurch.org/newsletter) for details

### Sunday, April 28th

6:30p.m. Kids' Spring Musical

*Please remember to call the church office to reserve church buildings before planning any event or activity. Thank you!*

*Thanks for joining us this Sunday for worship! We'd love to get to come alongside you in your Christian walk. You can connect with us through our website, social media, email, or just give us a call. We look forward to growing with you!*

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## Because He lives we have hope!

### 1 Peter 1:1–9 (NASB95)

<sup>1</sup> Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who are chosen <sup>2</sup> according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood: May grace and peace be yours in the fullest measure. <sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

<sup>6</sup> In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ; <sup>8</sup> and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, <sup>9</sup> obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

#### I. We have hope because we have been \_\_\_\_\_—vs. 1-3.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

- a. We are born again because of God's \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. We are born again to a \_\_\_\_\_ hope!
- c. We are born again through the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.  
1 Peter 1:23–25; Rom. 10:17 (NASB95)
- d. We are able to be born again because of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
- e. The result of being born again is an eternal \_\_\_\_\_—vs. 4.
- f. Because we are born again we are eternally \_\_\_\_\_.

#### II. Being born again doesn't exempt us from \_\_\_\_\_—vs. 1-2, 6.

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#### FirstKids

Sunday School: 10:00am.  
Nursery (Infant–4 years–old): 11:00am.  
Kid's Church (PreK–5th Grade): Today  
Awana: Wednesday, 6:00p.m.

#### Volunteer for Childrens' Church!

There are new openings for volunteers in Childrens' Church! Contact Tracy Manges at the Church Office to ask how you can serve!

#### InsideOut Youth

Sunday School: 10:00am.  
Sunday Night Bible Study: 6:00p.m.  
Wednesday Night Growth Groups: 6:00p.m.

#### Women's Ministry Garden Party Brunch

All ladies, youth and up, are invited to attend our first Garden Party Brunch! It will take place on Saturday, April 20th, at 10:00am. Our guest speaker is Pam Williams; and Alyssa Manges will be leading us in worship. Stay tuned for more details. Please see signup sheet in the foyer to RSVP.

#### Young at Heart

Join us Wednesday, May 8th at 11:00am; in the Fellowship Hall.

#### Black Light Ministry

Please pray for the Black Light Team as they will be traveling to present the Gospel Message at Dellwood Baptist in Swainsboro today. They will be performing at 6:00p.m.

#### Planning for VBS is underway!

VBS is scheduled for Sunday, June 23rd–Wednesday, June 27th. Volunteers are needed for registration, kitchen, crafts and crew leaders. See the signup sheet in the foyer or contact Jessica Alderman to help!

#### Smyrna Association Spring Fling

FBC Alma will be hosting this year's Annual Spring Fling held by our local Southern Baptist Association. The event will be held here in our Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, May 21st at 11:30am. Rhon Carter will be leading us in a hymn-sing following the meal.

#### *A note from Dale Wood and family...*

Myself and Paige would like to thank the church family for the visits, food, gifts, and most importantly the prayers during my recent motorcycle accident. You don't realize how much people care until you are in a situation like this. FBC Alma really stepped up and was awesome. Again thanks for everything and we are glad to be back.

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#### Graduation Sunday

**Graduation Sunday is May 5th!** Although the service will have a special focus on High School graduates, we would also like to acknowledge graduates at every level going forward. All high school and college graduates who want to be honored during the service must contact Pastor Brannon by Thursday, April 18th to receive information in a timely manner. Keep an eye out in the coming weeks for an updated list of graduates. Highschool Graduates: Rachel Sweatt and Lance Wood. College Graduates: Blake Cason; Jake Elrod; Lawrence Lee; Hannah Sweatt.

#### Family Night Supper

**Family Night Supper has been rescheduled for April 17th!** All are invited! It's free, but donations to the Brotherhood Fund are appreciated to help cover costs.

