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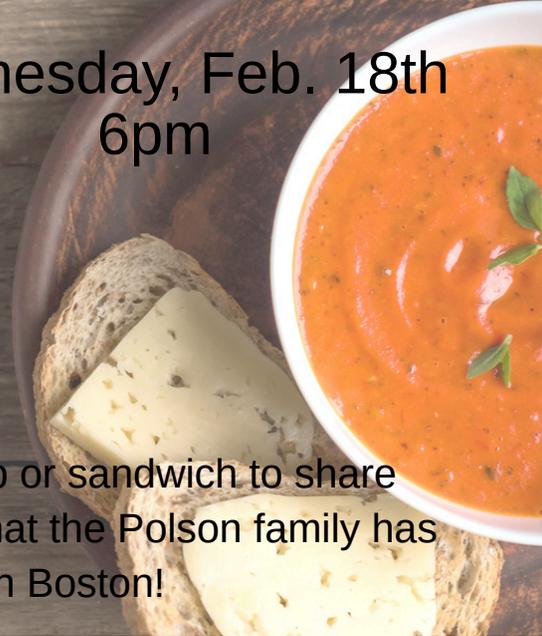
**February 4th
6pm**



SOUP & SANDWICH SOCIAL WITH THE POLSON FAMILY

Wednesday, Feb. 18th
6pm

Bring a soup or sandwich to share
and hear what the Polson family has
been up to in Boston!



SAVE THE DATE

April 26-May 3

 *Revival*
LIFE ACTION

Meet the Revivalist

Shane & Leigh Black



Shane grew up in Dothan, Alabama. He went to Life University and graduated as a chiropractic physician in 1995. He was a practicing chiropractor for 19 years and also served as a pulpit supply preacher since 2004.

In 2010 God called him and his family into full-time vocational ministry. Shane began serving with Life Action as a part-time speaker until accepting an invitation to serve full-time as a revivalist on a road team. Shane's wife, Leigh, lovingly serves alongside her husband as God creates ministry opportunities. They have a passion to see God interrupt the lives of His people and do a deep, transformational work in their hearts.

Shane and Leigh have ten children, four in heaven and six here on earth.

From the Pastor's Desk

Pastor Rod

“Let no evil talk come out of our mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear” (Ephesians 4:29).

One hot August day in the Black Hills of South Dakota, a middle-aged woman stopped by the side of the road to light a cigarette. Tossing the still-burning match onto the ground, she saw it catch fire in the nearby underbrush . . . and sped away. By the time the resulting blaze was contained – now known by area residents as the Jasper Fire – it had burned 83,000 acres of woodland, destroying timber valued at more than 40 million dollars. She was eventually convicted on both state and federal charges and sentenced to more than thirty years in prison.

It's easy to hear this story and think, “How dare someone leave a burning match in a dry forest?” Yet how often do we throw out our spoken words with similar carelessness? Like this irresponsible smoker, we may just walk away after saying things that deeply wound others, not caring to look back at the enormous damage we have caused.

Too often I talk without thinking, especially when I'm under stress or pressure or perhaps being unguarded with family and close friends. I fail to consider how my words are going to be received, even when I have no intention of hurting others. I can speak thoughtless, impatient words that wound rather than heal, words that tear down rather than build up. Perhaps you can identify.

Yet while our words are able to inflict great damage, leaving behind a charred forest to be restored, Scripture tells us that “a gentle tongue is a tree of life” (Proverbs 15:4), the beginning of something strong and enduring.

As we move into February, a month associated with love, what would it look like if you chose to love others by guarding your speech? Studies show the average adult uses about 7,000 words a day. What would it look like if our words build up rather than tear down? One thing I have learned through the years is that words you share perhaps in private that tear down, will always at some point come back to the surface.

When Paul wrote to Christians in Ephesus, he gives them a list of character traits that reveal authentic Christianity. One of them is a deliberate decision to use words that build up rather than tear down. Words and speech that Paul is talking about are using words that edify. Edifying words are affirming words that validate who a person is and what he or she does. They can be as simple as an appropriate compliment. Edifying words are also appreciative words. Most people lack appreciation. It's almost impossible to be too appreciative. So as we strive to live authentic Christian lives, let's use our words and speech to build up rather than tear down. Let's ask God to guard our heart and tongue and to make us conscious of the impact of our words. In doing so, you're choosing love.

Much love,

Pastor Rod



Life Action Revival Need: We will need housing for 8 guys and 8 girls.

CHERAW KIDS



And I think to myself, what a wonderful world... but those trees of green and red roses too now competes with speed, screen time, and digital identity. Generation Alpha is growing up in a broken world just like you and I did, but now, it is a radically different one.

There really has never been a more confusing time. Not only has technology continued to develop at an unbelievably fast pace, the staggering moral and social revolutions we are facing have thrown our children into a world of confusion that we ourselves have not had to face. Topics that had been settled years ago as facts (like marriage, gender, and absolute truth), never questioned by past generations, are now up for public debate and re-definition for our Generation Alpha children, who are too young to know how to critically assess these issues or deal with the fallout. Kids today are exposed to the constant media coverage of every shocking or immoral event. The world is going mad, and our kids have access and exposure to it all on the devices in their back pockets.

With all of these things going on in our culture, there is a very real race for the souls of our children. False religion, atheism, pantheism, secular humanism, and a handful of other “isms” are racing to reach them. We must be the first ones there.

We cannot live in a bubble of niceties, smiling and shaking hands hiding behind our hurt and trauma while focusing on programs and protocols and telling sweet little Bible stories. We must answer the accusations that are being made against the church. We must give our children the truth of the gospel trusting the Lord to reveal His call to their hearts. We must give our children the space to encounter Jesus for themselves.

We cannot allow the distractions of our world and differences of our generations to steal the future of our children. Our entire culture is aggressively indoctrinating our children with a secular worldview. They are being shaped daily by the voices they hear the most. We must be intentional, present, and engaged.

As the world grows darker, friends, we must draw them closer to the light we've been entrusted to carry. The darkness is real, but so is Jesus, and He is more than enough.

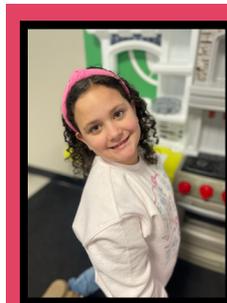
Love you guys, Aleisha



Soccer season is going great so far. Be on the lookout in the March newsletter for an end of season update!



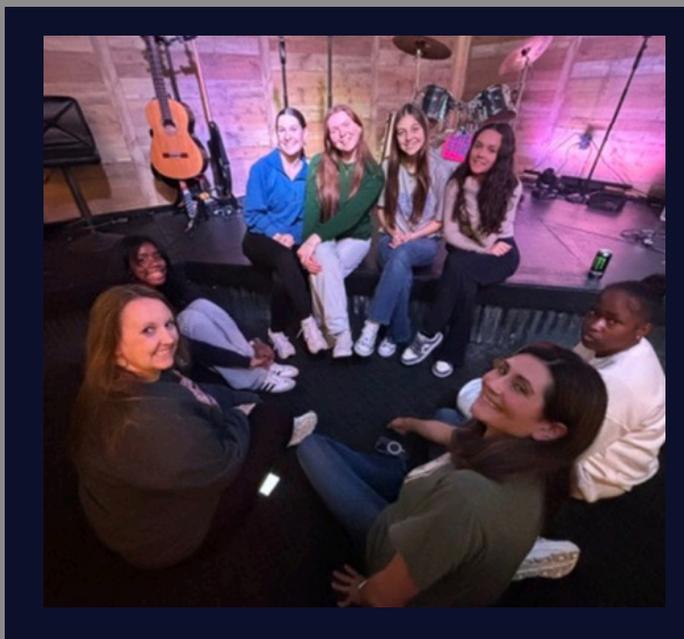
Children who have completed 3rd to 5th grade are welcome to join us for an amazing week at KidSalt from July 6th to July 9th, 2026 at Charleston Southern University. Scan the QR Code to save your child a spot.





NEXT GEN NEWS

An update from Cheraw Students and Young Adults



Coming up:

Impact: February 19th

Disciple Now March 13th - 14th

Senior Trip: April 10th - 12th

SummerSalt: June 29th-July 3rd

Scan the QR to sign up for DNOW! Sign up by Feb. 15th to get a t-shirt.



Disciple Now: Revival Not Survival

This year, our youth ministry is taking a new and intentional step forward. Instead of hosting a single One Night event like we did last year, we felt led to shift gears toward something that more fully reflects our heart for discipleship, mission, and community engagement. That vision has shaped what we're excited to introduce as Disciple Now Weekend.

Disciple Now Weekend is designed to be a set-apart time where our students worship together, serve together, and live out their faith beyond the church walls. Throughout the weekend, students will participate in worship gatherings, intentional community building, and hands-on evangelism and service projects. These include door-to-door outreach, town clean-up projects, a ministry-focused free car wash, prayer groups in downtown areas, and other opportunities to serve our neighbors with the love of Christ.

Alongside these mission efforts, students will also enjoy games, friendly competition, and shared meals—creating space for fun, connection, and meaningful relationships. Every detail of the weekend is designed to point students toward a deeper walk with Jesus and a clearer understanding of what it means to live on mission. Our theme for the weekend is “Revival, Not Survival.” We believe God is calling this generation not merely to get by spiritually, but to be awakened, renewed, and sent out in bold faith.

We are also excited to welcome our guest preacher, Rev. JB Bowen, who will be joining us from Florence, South Carolina, to bring God's Word throughout the weekend.

Please be praying for our students, leaders, and community as we prepare for what we believe will be a powerful time of revival and growth.

equip⁺ CLASSES

Wednesday Night Equip Classes

We will be refocusing our Wednesday nights this year on the subject of providing classes that address biblical topics that apply to daily life. These will be one hour per week classes that will take place in various classrooms on our campus beginning at 6pm. If you are interested in leading a class, please see pastor Rod.



We will host our first Gateway of 2026 on February 15th & 22nd following the worship service. If you are newer to CFBC and have not attended Gateway, please see one of our staff to get signed up! Lunch will be provided.

BAPTISM SUNDAY

February 22nd

Please see Pastor Rod for more information.



PURPLE CRUSADERS WORKING TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Did you know that almost seven million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease? Purple Crusaders is a local organization that not only aims to find a cure, but also to educate people about the disease. They host an annual walk at Arrowhead to help raise funds for the organization. For more information on how you can get involved, there are flyers in the lobby or check them out on facebook.

Guys, join us for a special time of testimony from Hall-of-Fame baseball player Darryl Strawberry and message from Jase Robertson from Duck Dynasty! We have 15 tickets. The cost is \$20. Scan the QR to sign up.



SCAN HERE



Life Action

Do you know someone who is curious about camp ministry and eager to serve others? We'd love to invite them to be part of CREW at Life Action Camp in 2026. CREW is a volunteer opportunity for anyone ages 14 and up—and it doesn't end after high school. CREW members serve guests behind the scenes (meals, setup, activities, hospitality, and more) and help make camp possible throughout the year.

Opportunities are available during:

Family Camp 2026

Fall events in 2026

As they serve, CREW members build meaningful community, grow in their relationship with God, and learn how to live out their faith in practical ways. Whether someone can serve for a weekend, a week, or a full season, there's a place for them on the team.

<https://www.lifeactioncamp.com/crew>

7 WORDS THAT WILL CHANGE THE WAY YOU WORSHIP

HOLY ROAR

The worship team is working through the 7 Words that Will Change the Way You Worship. Take a look at the first four.



#1 - YADAH

Scripture: Psalm 67:3 – “May the peoples praise (Yadah) You, O God.”

Devotional Thought:

Lifting hands is more than a gesture—it's surrender and gratitude. Worship begins with recognizing God's goodness and responding physically and spiritually.

Reflect:

- What does it mean for you to worship with your whole body?
- Is it hard for you to raise your hands? Why or why not?

Prayer:

Lord, help us freely express our love for You. Let our hands reflect hearts surrendered in gratitude.

#2 - HALAL

Scripture: Psalm 149:3 – “Let them praise (Halal) His name with dancing...”

Devotional Thought:

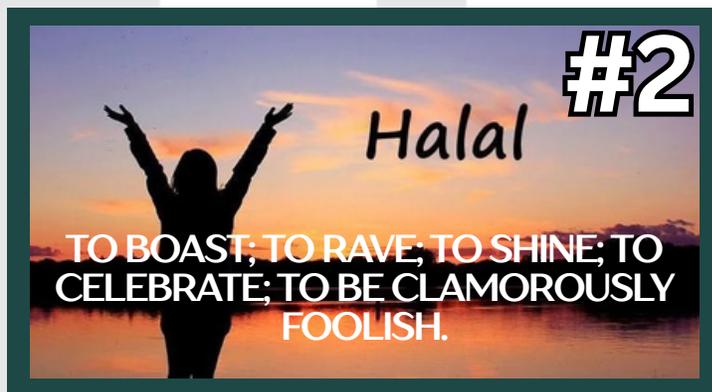
This word reflects unashamed celebration—like David dancing before the Lord. Worship isn't always neat or quiet—it can be loud, joyful, and uninhibited.

Reflect:

- Do you ever hold back in worship because of fear or judgment?
- How can you model joy and freedom during worship?

Prayer:

God, fill us with such joy that we can't help but praise You with enthusiasm and abandon.



#3 - ZAMAR

Scripture: Psalm 144:9 – “I will sing a new song... with a ten-stringed harp I will play to you.”

Devotional Thought:

Our instruments are not just tools—they're vessels for praise. Every note, chord, and beat can glorify God when played with the right heart.

Reflect:

- How do you prepare spiritually before playing?
- Are you using your gift with excellence and humility?

Prayer:

Lord, may every note we play be an offering of praise to You. Use our instruments to move hearts closer to You.



#4 - TOWDAH

Scripture: Psalm 56:11-12 – “In God I Trust; I shall not be afraid... I render thank offerings to You.”

Devotional Thought:

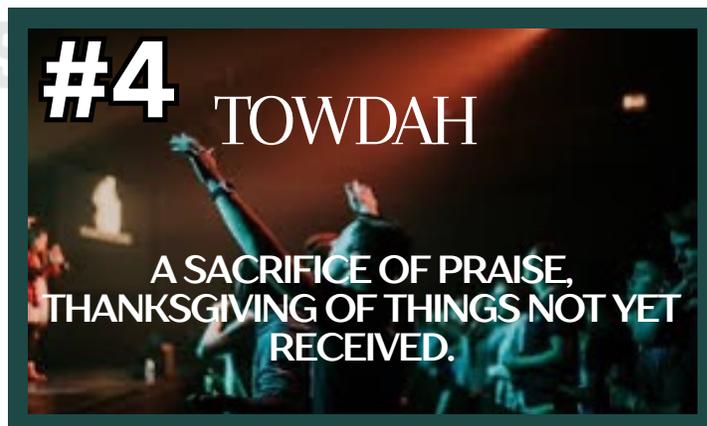
This is praise in the middle of the storm—before the healing, before the answer. It's faith in action.

Reflect:

- Are you in a season where you need to praise before the breakthrough?
- How can we support each other in praising through the hard times?

Prayer:

God, help us to worship even when we don't feel like it. We trust You in the waiting.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Each month, we will "spotlight" one of our homebound members. Feel free to send words of encouragement or even visit this member
(with their permission, of course).

Spotlight of the Month

February

Eunice Hinson

PO Box 967

Cheraw, SC 29520

Birthday: February 1

GIVING

through
January 25

You can give online at
cherawfbc.com/give, through the Realm app

Text to give! Text **CFBC** to **73256**, followed by your gift amount (ex. \$50)

BUDGET
TO DATE: **68,106.44**

GIVING: **46,17229**

SAFETY TEAM

Sunday, February 1

Brad Redfearn, Frankie Joyner, Jodie Goodwin, Jack Rhonemus
Evening: Bobby Roberts & Jack Rhonemus

Sunday, February 8

David Paschall, David Caulder, Randy Caulder, Darrell Burch, Jerry Dixon
Evening: No Evening Activities

Sunday, February 15

Tom Boan, Melinda Boan, Chris Sellers, Ron Watson, Kenny Robertson
Evening: Jim Kennedy & Bob Whiteman

Sunday, February 22

Bobby Roberts, Jim Kennedy, Jay Hinson, Eric Jones, Keith Thomas
Evening: Todd Garris & Tom Boan



Save the Date
May 31-June 4
Completed 4K to 5th Grade

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



February 1

Eunice Hinson
Mia Wright

February 3

Daniel Davis

February 4

Easton Jordan
Mary Kait Parker

February 8

Nancy Chestnut
Jo Linda Creech

February 9

Hattie Driggers

February 10

Treacy Redfearn

February 11

Joan Chorba

February 12

Diane Hutson

February 15

Brad Redfearn
Marc Goldberg
Peyton Haile

February 16

Carson Woodham

February 17

Michael Kennedy

February 21

Tom Boan
Mary Hinson
Austin McIntosh

February 22

Jim Kennedy

February 24

Jim Murray

February 25

Kathryn Sides
Ron Watson

February 26

Jim Chestnut

February 28

Tyler Byrd
Paul Stewart

February 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Cheraw Kids/Students 5pm Adult Small Groups	2	3	4 Chill Cook-off 6pm	5	6	7 Soccer	
8 Personnel Meeting	9	10	11 No Mid-Week	12 VIP Luncheon 12pm	13	14	
No Evening Activities	15 Cheraw Kids/Students 5pm Adult Small Groups	16	17	18 Soup & Sandwich Social w/ the Polson Family	19 SC Baptist Impact Conference	20	21 Soccer
22 Baptism Sunday 4pm Deacons Meeting 5pm Cheraw Kids/Students Adult Small Groups	23	24	25 Adult Mid-Week 6pm	26	27	28	