



The Power of the Bended Knee

Birds go to sleep on their perches, but they never fall off. This is because of the tendons in the bird's legs. They are so constructed that when the leg is bent at the knee, the claws contract and grip like a steel trap. The claws refuse to let go until the knees are unbent again. The bended knee gives the bird the ability to hold on to his perch so tightly.

Isn't this also the secret of the holding power of the Christian? Daniel found this to be true. Surrounded by a pagan environment, tempted to compromise with evil, urged to weaken his grip on God, he refused to let go. He held firm when others faltered because he was a man of prayer. He knew the power of the bended knee.

From sleeping birds we can learn the secret of holding things which are most precious to us - honesty, purity, thoughtfulness, honor, character. That secret is the knee bent in prayer, seeking to get a firmer grip on those values which make life worth living. When we hold firmly to God in prayer, we can rest assured He will hold tightly to us.

- Rollin S. Burhans

As Information to the Church

The church voted in a special called business meeting Sunday, August 17, 2014, to pursue a part-time Minister of Music at a salary range of \$15,000-\$20,000 per year. The church also voted at this same meeting to pursue a full-time Minister of Children at a salary range of \$33,000-\$39,000 per year. In addition, the church will provide maximum insurance benefits up to 15% of the agreed upon annual salary. Both compensation packages will not require changes to the 2014 approved budget. The proposal which was approved only requires reallocation of budgeted funds in the Minister of Music and Part-Time Children's Ministry positions.



2014 associational missions emphasis

Pearl Johnson Offering for Associational Missions

Associational Emphasis
July & August

Associational Goal \$6,000.00

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Deacon of the Month (August)

Jason Spencer

Inside Greeters August 24, 2014

Dot Stewart
Mary Jane Long

Parking Lot Greeters August 24, 2014

Wayne Burgess
Elease Osborne

Extended Session August 24, 2014

Babies: Benjie & Becky Reynolds
Toddlers: Lynn & Debbie Eaves
Sun. Night: Church Wide Fellowship & Meal at the Wilburn's
Wed. Night: Ricky & Amy Smith

Deacon of the Month (August)

Jason Spencer

Inside Greeters August 31, 2014

William Smith
Graham Williams
Gene Gregory

Parking Lot Greeters August 31, 2014

Lynn McMillian
Mary Jane Long

As Information

Please pick up your August church calendar and your August ECHO (UCBA newsletter) at the Welcome Center.

Extended Session August 31, 2014

Babies: Nan Gregory, Lucille Hooper, Marla Austin
Toddlers: Ronda Palmer, Haley Palmer
Sun. Night: William & Jo Carol Smith
Wed. Night: Roger & Sara Wade

Who Was Janie Chapman?

In 1902, Janie Weston Chapman was elected the first president of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to South Carolina Baptist Convention. She was the wife of a prominent upstate pastor, J.D. Chapman. In 1937, WMU's state missions offering was named "The Mrs. J.D. Chapman Offering for State Interests" to honor Mrs. Chapman's strong missions leadership. In 1985, the name was changed to the "Janie Chapman Offering." The Season of Prayer for State Missions offers us an opportunity to pray, give, and go beyond the week of prayer to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and make disciples in His name. 2 Corinthians 9:7 states "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." This verse emphasizes the responsibility we have in meeting the needs of the Lord's people. Our generous God gives to us so we can be generous to others. This service we do not only helps meet the bare needs of the poor, but produces abundant thanksgiving to God. "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (2 Corinthians 9:15)

Janie Chapman State Mission Offering

September 14-21, 2014

Theme: PRICELESS

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:15

Our Goal: \$2,500.00

Received to Date: \$5.00



Upcoming Events

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study
Walk the shores of Thessalonica with this verse-by-verse Bible study of 1 & 2 Thessalonians by Beth Moore. Learn how to let go of past mistakes and discover that your circumstances are not coincidental. God's timing is impeccable! Whatever you are facing, you will come away encouraged that even though it may not feel that way, you are exactly where Christ wants you to be! Join us for this nine week Bible study each Wednesday through October 15th from 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall led by Carol Smith. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

The Recycled Teens will meet Thursday, August 21, 2014, at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Hot dogs & the trimmings will be provided. Ladies, please bring your favorite dessert. Hostesses are Mrs. Deane Rector, Ms. Mary Jo Gregory and Mrs. Frances Edwards. We will have a guest speaker at our meeting.

A baptismal service will be held Sunday, August 24, 2014, during the Morning Worship Service. Rob Williams, who is a student at North Greenville University, will be speaking during the Morning Worship Service on Sunday, August 24, 2014.

The Church Wide Fellowship & Meal will be Sunday, August 24, 2014, at 6:00 pm at Randy & Kay Wilburn's home (131 Bishop Road in Union). The church will provide BBQ pork, hot dogs, hot dog & hamburger buns, plates, cups & utensils. Members are asked to bring chips, coleslaw, baked beans, drinks, desserts or any other food item. Both buses reserved. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you wish to ride the bus.

The Staff will meet Tuesday, August 26, 2014, at 9:00 am in the Library.

Upcoming Events

The Keenagers trip to Blue Ocean Seafood Restaurant in Clinton, South Carolina, will be Thursday, August 28, 2014. Leave the church at 5:00 pm. Both buses are reserved.

The church office will be closed Monday, September 1, 2014, in observance of Labor Day.

The Keenagers will meet Tuesday, September 2, 2014, at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Ms. Delores J. Morgan will be in charge of the program. Please bring a covered dish.

The Property Committee will meet Thursday, September 4, 2014, at 6:00 pm in the Library.

The Deacon and Nominating Committee nomination results will be published in the next **LINK** and/or bulletin when finalized.

The Deacon and Nominating Committee Elections will be Sunday, September 14, 2014, during the Morning Worship Service.

The Union County Baptist Association Camp Meeting will be Sunday, September 14, 2014, at 7:00 pm at the Union County Fairgrounds. Rev. Don Wilton, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina will be preaching. This event will take the place of our Evening Worship Service.

The WMU Fall Meeting will be Monday, September 15, 2014, at 6:30 pm at Buffalo Baptist Church. Guest speakers and mission displays. Meal tickets are \$8.00. Deadline to purchase a meal ticket is September 11th. Please see Rita Hines to purchase a meal ticket.

As Information

The Agape Women's Group is collecting diapers (all sizes) and pull ups for the Union County Foster Parent Association. A box is at the Welcome Center for your donations of diapers & pull ups. Thank you for your help!

Thank You Notes

Dear Tabernacle Baptist Church,
Thank you so much for your graduation gift and for all your support over the years. It will be very helpful as I go to college. Thank you for everything. Continue to pray for me.

Sincerely,
Matthew Barnett

Thank you so much for the deli-tray and "fixing's" that you provided for our family. We appreciate your kindness as well as your prayers.

Nanci, Shane,
Chris & Family
(The family of
Mrs. Helen Garner)

Dear Church Family,
I would like to thank you for your prayers, thoughts, cards, visits, telephone calls, and acts of kindness shown to Hazel and me during my hospital stays and while I was recovering at home. Continue to pray for us. Thank you and may God bless you.

Dudley & Hazel Adams



If anyone would be willing to help in AWANA in anyway this year, please see Carrie Smith.

Read the Bible Through This Year

*Psalm 120-129
Romans 10*

For Your Information

The Deacon of the Month for September is Ricky Smith.

C.L.I.C.K Workers (Children's Church)

September C.L.I.C.K workers are Ricky & Amy Smith.

For Your Information Sunday School Attendance

August 10 - 131
August 17 - 173

Sunday Morning Worship Attendance

August 10 - 171
August 17 - 201

Our Hospital List

**SRMC, 101 E. Wood Street,
Spartanburg SC 29303**
Arthur Alexander – Room 718

**Spartanburg Rehabilitation Institute,
160 Harold Fleming Court,
Spartanburg, SC 29303
(at North Grove)**
(Elizabeth) Lib Smith – Room 402

Financial Giving Report August 10, 2014

Total	\$5,945.23
Regular Offering	4,914.23
Building Fund	989.00
Envelopes	1.00
Debt Reduction Offering.....	16.00
Pioneers.....	25.00
(From the Keenagers for Ric & Amy Kosonavic)	

Financial Giving Report August 17, 2014

Total	\$7,293.07
Regular Offering	6,005.07
Building Fund	1,097.00
Food Pantry	20.00
Debt Reduction Offering.....	171.00