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Building Faith and Family Through Love

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**God is still
in control!**

The Love of God's People

It has been over three weeks since we received the news that our oldest daughter has been diagnosed with cancer. I have spent five decades providing pastoral care for folks in similar circumstances. Admittedly, I did not fully understand the impact of such a moment. Now I do. It has buckled my knees. There have been times when it seemed hard to breathe. And yet, in the midst of it all, God has made Himself known in ways that have clearly revealed His love for us. I look forward to sharing those with you in the days ahead.

One of the most meaningful ways God has spoken in these past few weeks is through the love of God's people. Julie and I cannot find the words to express how meaningful and uplifting your prayers, thoughts, and kind expressions of support have meant to us. You have held us up when we desperately needed what you have given us.

If I know my heart as a father, and if it were humanly possible, I would gladly trade places with Brooks...gladly. And yet, as I write this, it comes to me that this is what Jesus did for us. He willingly took our insidious cancer of sin upon Himself and took it to the cross. He traded places with us and went to the cross in our place. ***"He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."*** 2 Corinthians 5:21.

I know there are those in our church family who have passed through these troubling waters in the past. Your story is important to us. Don't hesitate to share your perspectives and insights with us. And keep praying. Brooks will begin 16 weeks of chemotherapy on Wednesday, April 27th. Julie and I will be with her for a few days this week but look forward to studying God's Word with you this coming Sunday. ***"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."*** Galatians 6:2

With a grateful heart,
Pastor Gary

Please Note...

If you wish to send Brooks Sharp (Rev. & Mrs. Ward's daughter) a card or a note, her address is 3030 Gray Hendrix Road, Knoxville TN 37931. Please keep Brooks and her family in your prayers during this difficult journey.

Thank You Notes

Dear Tabernacle,
My family and I thank you for the memorial you gave to the General Fund of Tabernacle in memory of my wife Rachel. Rachel had and I have a deep love for Tabernacle.

It is my prayer that Tabernacle will be a refuge to a lot of people in Union County.

Much love,
Tommy (McManus)

Sunday morning, April 10th, our children's choir presented a special time of worship with their Easter musical "The Cross of Christ". Sharing the story of Christ from the crucifixion to the resurrection, the story became real through their music and scripture-based narration. To our children's choir members and their leaders, we thank you for your hard work and dedication. What a joyful time of worshipping in the Lord!

Thank you for your generosity in placing Easter lilies in honor and/or in memory of a loved one or a friend in our church sanctuary. The Easter lilies added so much to the beauty of our sanctuary as we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. John 11:25: *"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."*

Read the Bible Through

1 Samuel 26-27 Luke 10:1-24

Father, may I walk in the hope of the coming new and resurrected body. Until then, let me praise You in this earthly tabernacle.



Please pray
for the
people of Ukraine.



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Thank you for your sacrificial and generous giving to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Because of your support we have exceeded our goal!

Our Goal: \$5,000
Received to Date: \$5,372.06

Upcoming EVENTS

Sunday School (Bible Study)

Sunday School (Bible Study) meets from 9:30 am to 10:15 am for all ages.

Worship Service in the Sanctuary Sunday - 10:30 am

Rev. Gary Ward will be speaking. The Praise Team will be leading the music.

Children's Choir

Children's Choir will not meet again until the fall.

"252" Clubhouse

"252" Clubhouse meets on Sunday from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm upstairs in the FLC (old youth room). For ages 3 (as of September 1, 2021) through sixth grade. Parents/guardians come in and register your child at 5:45 pm and pick up your child at 7:00 pm.

Youth

The Youth meet on Sunday at 6:00 pm and Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Youth Room.

GA's

The GA's meet on Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center Canteen.

RA's & Mission Friends

The RA's & Mission Friends meet on Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center.

Sunday Evening Study "The Truth Project"

Join us for our Sunday evening study "The Truth Project" from 6 pm to 7 pm in the sanctuary. The Truth Project will take you through the Bible from a Christian world view.

Wed. Morning Women's Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Women's Bible study meets at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. The six-week study "Determined" by Heather Dixon will follow the life & ministry of Jesus and consider the choices He made on His way to the cross.

Baby and Child Dedication

Baby and Child dedication will be Sunday, May 8, 2022 (Mother's Day). If you wish to have your baby or child dedicated, please call the church office (427-9847).

Mother's Day May 8, 2022

Join us for Morning Worship Service at 10:30 am. Sunday School meets from 9:30 am to 10:15 am. There will be no other activities on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8, 2022.

Baptismal Service

A Baptismal Service will be held on Sunday morning, May 15, 2022.

Ladies Are Invited...

The ladies of the church are invited to the Agape Women's Group meeting Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mrs. Stephanie Goodale will be speaking on C4 Ministries. Refreshments will be provided.

Deacon of the Month (April)

Billy McKinney

Deacon of the Month (May)

Wilbur Smith

May Security Team Schedule

May 1 - Frank Alexander, Chuck Malone, Alton & Kayla Bishop

May 8 - Frank Alexander, Randy Wilburn, Hazel & Dudley Adams

May 15 - Frank Alexander, Garrison Smith, Marilyn Bright, Jeff Craft

May 22 - Frank Alexander, George Faucett, Billy & Hazel McKinney

May 29 - Frank Alexander, Ronda Palmer, Jason Spencer, Mark Foster

Extended Sessions

Sunday Morning - May 1, 2022

Babies & Toddlers - Donna Austin
Marla Austin

Sunday Evening - May 1, 2022

Debbie Eaves
Cynthia Coffey

Sunday Morning - May 8, 2022

Babies & Toddlers - John & Brittnee
Gregory

Sunday Evening - May 8, 2022

Babies & Toddlers - No Sunday evening
nursery (Mother's Day)



Sunday School Attendance
April 17 - 100 (Easter Sunday)
April 24 - 93



Worship Service Attendance

April 17 - 194 (Easter Sunday)
April 24 - 130

Financial Giving Report April 17, 2022

Total \$9,555.00
Regular Offering 5,452.00
Building Fund 485.00
Easter Lilies 176.00
Music Committee 2,500.00
(Donation)
A Armstrong Offering 150.00
A Armstrong Offering 27.00
(Fellowship Sunday School Class)
A Armstrong Memorials 465.00
Mr. Don Cody
Mrs. Rachel McManus
Mr. Eddie Hines, Mr. Tom Coffey
Mrs. Frances Edwards
General Fund Memorials 225.00
Mr. David Vaughan
Mrs. Rachel McManus
Mrs. Frances Edwards
Building Fund Memorials 75.00
Mrs. Rachel McManus
Mr. David Vaughan

Financial Giving Report April 24, 2022

Total \$11,230.00
Regular Offering 9,094.00
Building Fund 1,000.00
Envelopes 4.00
Easter Lilies 40.00
A Armstrong Offering 211.00
A Armstrong Memorials 461.00
Mrs. Rachel McManus
Mrs. Margie B. Goins
Mr. Bill Wingo
Mrs. Laura Allen
Mr. David Vaughan
Mrs. Kakie N. White
General Fund Memorials 420.00
Mrs. Frances Edwards
Mr. Larry O'Shields
Mrs. Rachel McManus
Mrs. Cora Franklin
Mr. David Vaughan

Our Hospital List

Spartanburg Restorative Care,
389 Serpentine Drive
Spartanburg SC 29303
*Ronnie Garner - ICU Bed 1
(Hazel & Dudley Adams'
son-in-law)

SRMC

101 E. Wood Street
Spartanburg SC 29301
Rusty Smith - Pavilion Room 506
(in serious car accident)
(Beth S. Justice's nephew)
(Marilyn Bright, Sara Wade &
Penny Smith's great nephew)

Our Sunday Evening Study...

Join us for our Sunday evening study “**The Truth Project**” from 6 pm to 7 pm in the sanctuary. The Truth Project will take you through the Bible from a Christian world view. These lessons teach how important it is to have a Christian worldview in your daily life. This series is taught by Dr. Del Tackett, the former President of the Focus on the Family Institute.



BLESSING BOX

Please bring your items for the **Blessing Box** and leave them in the blue bin across from the Welcome Center:

The items we currently need for our Blessing Box are listed below:

- Canned vegetables (with pull-tops)
- Canned meat (with pull-tops)
- Canned fruit (with pull-tops)
- Peanut butter
- Bottled water
- You may also make a monetary donation toward the Blessing Box.
- **Volunteers are needed to fill the Blessing Box ONE DAY a week. The food for the Blessing Box is already at the church. If you wish to volunteer, please call the church office (427-9847).**

If you have any questions, please see Debbie Eaves.



Featuring our
College Students,
Youth & Children

(From the Union County News, Facebook, etc.)

- From the Union County News: On February 27th at York High School the Tiny Team Twister baby Dolls won first place in the tiny Level 1 division. They also won overall for the tiny Level 1 division. A member of the Tiny Team at Twist and Shout Cheer and Dance Center is Chloe Medlock. Congratulations to Chloe and the team!
- From the Union County News: The Union County High School tennis team defeated Woodruff 5-1 on March 17th. Junior Bryson Weaver won 6-4, 7-5, and Junior Bryce Barnett won 6-2, 4-6, 10-6. Way to go Bryson and Bryce!
- From the March 22, 2022 Union County News: During the UCHS Yellow Jackets loss to Clinton Tanner Hardin waits for a fly ball as the Clinton runner reverses direction. Great play Tanner!
- In the Union County News: The UCHS tennis team defeated Chapman, 4-2, on March 24th. Bryson Weaver won 6-1, 6-2. Bryce Barnett won 6-3, 6-4. Awesome wins for Bryson and Bryce!
- In the Union County News for March 29, 2022: UCHS tennis team defeated Broome, 5-1, on March 21st. Bryson Weaver won 7-5, 6-1, and Bryce Barnett won 7-5, 6-1. Great wins for Bryson and Bryce!
- From the Union County News: Caroline Davis got her first varsity home run during Union County High School's game against Woodruff on March 22nd. Congratulations to Caroline!
- From Facebook: On April 13th during his baseball game, Thomas Gregory made some great plays, had some good hits, and received the game ball. Great job Thomas!

MAY 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 am-10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service 6 pm-7 pm "252 Clubhouse"-FLC (upstairs) 6 pm-7 pm Youth (youth room) 6 pm-7 pm Sunday Evening study-Sanctuary	2	3	4 6 pm -7 pm GA's- FLC Canteen 6 pm-7 pm RA's & Mission Friends -FLC 6:30 pm Youth (youth room)	5	6	7
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> <i>Baby & Child Dedication</i> 9:30 am-10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service <u>No other activities today.</u>	9 5:30 pm-8 pm FLC Canteen (reserved by Josie K. White) (Junior Charity League Board Meeting)	10	11 6 pm -7 pm GA's- FLC Canteen 6 pm-7 pm RA's & Mission Friends -FLC 6:30 pm Youth (youth room)	12	13	14
15 9:30 am-10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service & Baptismal Service 6 pm-7 pm "252 Clubhouse"-FLC (upstairs) 6 pm-7 pm Youth (youth room) 6 pm-7 pm Sunday Evening study-Sanctuary	16	17 6 pm Agape Women's Group- FSH (Stephanie Goodale speaking on C4 Ministries) (Ladies of the church are invited to attend the meeting.) (Refreshments provided)	18 6 pm -7 pm GA's- FLC Canteen 6 pm-7 pm RA's & Mission Friends -FLC 6:30 pm Youth (youth room)	19	20	21
22 9:30 am-10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service 6 pm-7 pm "252 Clubhouse"-FLC (upstairs) 6 pm-7 pm Youth (youth room) 6 pm-7 pm Sunday Evening study-Sanctuary	23	24 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting- Senior Adult Assembly Room	25 9 am-1 pm FLC (reserved by Chris Woodson/ WBCU Radio Station) (to set up for WBCU Radio Station Senior Adult Expo Thursday, May 26th) 6 pm -7 pm GA's- FLC Canteen 6 pm-7 pm RA's & Mission Friends-FLC 6 pm-7 pm Youth (youth room)	26 8 am-1 pm WBCU Radio Station Senior Expo- FLC Family Life Center (free lunch at Noon) *Free to all Seniors*	27	28
29 9:30 am-10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service <u>No other activities today.</u>	30 The church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.	31	Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who died while in the military service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. In other words, the purpose of Memorial Day is to memorialize the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We spend time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home, reflecting on their service and why we have the luxury and freedom that we enjoy today.			



Each month we will be celebrating birthdays (month and day only). The list is not limited to members. If you are attending our services and would like your birthday listed, please call the church office (427-9847) or email the church office (tabernacle@tbcunion.com). Also if your name is not listed under your birthday month, we do not have your birthday information. Please call the church office or email the church office to have it added. Due to the coronavirus, sending a birthday card is a good way for you to minister to those having birthdays.

May Birthdays:

- May 2** - Mrs. Doris Petty, ProMedica, 709 Rice Ave, Assisted Living Room 83, Union SC 29379
- May 4** - Mrs. Deannie Brown, 206 Canterbury Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-1840)
- May 4** - Miss Emma Vinson, 2687 Lockhart Hwy, Union SC 29379
- May 8** - Mrs. Lindzey Weaver, 305 River Hills Road, Union SC 29379
- May 10** - Mrs. Jeanie Malone, 405 Bermuda Drive, Union SC 29379 (cell no. 426-1761)
- May 11** - Mr. Patrick Queen, 202 Canterbury Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-0953)
- May 11** - Miss Josie K. White, 201 Wimbleton Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-1588)
- May 13** - Mrs. Carla Queen, 202 Canterbury Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-0953)
- May 13** - Mr. Jud Craft, 841 Jupiter Drive, Apt 202, Madison WI 53718
- May 13** - Miss Sydney McKeown, 204 Pineland Road, Union SC 29379
- May 17** - Miss Kayce Vinson, 2687 Lockhart Hwy, Union SC 29379
- May 20** - Mrs. Ronda Palmer, 306 Mt. Vernon Road, Union SC 29379
- May 22** - Gray Ransom, c/o Mr. & Mrs. Rick Renna, 2083 Jonesville Hwy, Union SC 29379
- May 24** - Mr. Scott Price, 700 Toney Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-5198)
- May 25** - Mrs. Carol Smith, 2954 Santuc Carlisle Hwy, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-8320)
- May 26** - Dr. Joseph Craft, 2816 Montevallo Park Drive, Irondale AL 35210
- May 27** - Mrs. Denise S. Eubanks, 112 Kathy Lane, Union SC 29379
- May 28** - Mr. Ricky Murphy, 1146 Meansville Road, Union SC 29379 (tel. no. 427-4816)
- May 29** - Mr. Frank Alexander, 100 Grace Street, Union SC 29379 (cell no. 542-3006)
- May 30** - Mr. Mike Cohen, 2164 Buffalo West Springs Hwy, Buffalo SC 29321 (tel. no. 427-0987)
- May 31** - Mrs. Melanie Barnett, 3060 Buffalo West Springs Hwy, Buffalo SC 29321 (tel. no. 429-4099)

If a name has been overlooked or any updates are needed, please call or email the church office.)