

Paxville Baptist Church Newsletter

MARCH 2017

The Family Matters

Let me begin by saying, "Thank you!" Keleigh and I appreciate and thank the church so much for sending us to the Restore Conference in Hilton Head. We had a tremendous experience with other Pastors and their wives.

As we prepare for our Family Day Service on April 2nd, I wanted to share some things concerning the Family that I believe are important. The Bible mentions many scriptures concerning the family and structure of family. In Ephesians 5:8-10 Paul says, "Live as children of light" and "Find out what pleases the Lord."

Well, one thing that pleases the Lord is when His people love one another and honor one another. People who belong to the family of God (those who have committed their lives to Jesus), are expressing their love for Jesus by the way they express their love to the Church. So we can look at these verses and watch Paul work his way through some family matters. These family matters start with our relationship with Christ and branch out to our whole church family, our spouse, our parents, and our children.

God created the family as a way to show His love and care. The family unit is God's idea. The way a Christian family lives is a reflection of the God who lives in them. Family matters are about showing the love and grace of God to those closest to us. The apostle John asked, "How can you say you love God whom you have not seen, if you do not love your brother (your family member) whom you have seen? So we want to find out what pleases the Lord as we love Jesus, as we love one another, and as we love our spouse - if we are married. If you're not married, please don't tune out. The more the church knows how to please the Lord in all our relationships, the better we will be able to help one another (and others) grow closer to God.

To please the Lord, it all begins with a relationship, the relationship we have Jesus. We have to make this relationship right first. Second comes the relationship with one another. We must forgive those that have wronged us in any kind of way. We must love one another. Third, is

the relationship that we have with our spouse! We must honor and cherish them. Last is the relationship the parent has with their children and the children with their parent. The Bible says the children are to obey and honor their parents.

Family is all about relationships- with Christ, with His body (God's family), and with our immediate family, specifically our spouse. How's it going? How's your family life? Are you honoring the head of the family - Jesus? Do you know Jesus as your forgiver and Leader? Are you submitting to and cooperating with the members of God's family in your life? Husbands, are you loving your wives, helping them grow and cherishing them? Wives, are you showing respect and support to your husbands? Husbands and wives, are you submitting to each other out of reverence and respect for Christ? Children, are you respecting, obeying and honoring your parents?

Family is important and how you treat your family says a lot about your relationship with Jesus. Family matters!

Onward and upward,

Pastor Jim



WMU meet on Feb, 4th in the Fellowship Hall for a brunch to kick off "Focus Week". Focus Week is designed to invited and encourage the ladies young and older to join WMU. We had 9 regular members and was so thankful for our guest, Pam Hutson. It was a great morning of fellowship.

You may ask what's WMU? It's Women's Missionary Union. We meet the first Monday of every month at 7 pm in the fellowship hall. We learn about missionaries and their work all around the

world and the USA. We also plan mission projects for our church to participate in for the betterment of our community and county as well as supporting foreign missions.

We are sponsoring Operation Christmas Child all year long. Every month we will be collecting different items to help Susan Nesbitt and the children gather articles for the shoeboxes they will be packing in late October, early November.

The month of March - Bounce into March with small balls, deflated soccer balls with pumps, tennis balls or baseballs.

March 5 is the kick off day for the North American Missions and the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Please prayer daily for the missionaries featured in the brochures that have been passed out. Our church goal is \$1,000. Your donation will go 100 % to support the North American missions.

In April we will be collecting/making health kits for the Association Office to give out this summer.

We hope to see you at our next meeting.



We are looking forward to Family Day here at Paxville Baptist Church on April 2, 2017.

Guest Speaker Mr. Bobby Richardson

Music by: "His Calling"

Service to begin at 10:30am with Dinner to be served following the service in the Fellowship Hall. We will not have Sunday School in order to start our Worship Service at 10:30 am.

Donnie and Lois Brown will furnish Bar-B-Q and hash. Everyone else is

asked to bring covered dishes of meats, veggies, desserts, etc. to share.

Senior Adult Retreat

Several of our seniors attended the Annual Santee Baptist Association Retreat at Springmaid Beach. We had a great time of worship, fun, and fellowship (and food!). Many Churches in our association were represented. If you have not attended before, you don't know what you are missing.



The Church Youth went to Alice Drive Baptist Church on Feb. 18 to the "Over the Top" Youth event. Ten people went from our Church. We heard music from the awesome Christian group, Rend Collective, all the way from Ireland! The special speaker was Mr. Jack Easterby, Chaplain with the 2017 Superbowl Champions, the New England Patriots. He presented a message entitled, "Do you know the Champion?" We are looking forward to our next youth event.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



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CALENDAR

- 6 *WMU Meeting 7 PM*
- 11 *Choir -*
- 13 *Brotherhood 7 pm*
- 19 *Quarterly Business Meeting*
- 27 *Deacon's Meeting 7 pm*
- 29 *5th Wednesday Supper*

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BIRTHDAYS AND
ANNIVERSARIES**



- 5 Tracy and Ronnie Way-
anniversary
- 7 Sheryl Tisdale
- 9 Al Harris
- 15 Jennifer McLeod
- 19 Tamie Bryan
- 22 Diane Corbett
- 22 Brandi Williams
- 23 Linda Nichols
- 25 Eddie Anderson
- 26 Wade Brown
- 27 Carrie Lee Ardis

Please let Libby know if we miss your birthday so I can add it to the list.

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Thanks for your submissions!**

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