Info from CBC April 2017 Newsletter Amazing Grace A TIME TO RISE

During this Easter season I keep hearing a song in my head by the late Keith Green called, "Asleep in the Light." Part of the song is so convicting that it pierced my soul, and it goes like this:

Do you see do you see all the people sinking down? Don't you care, don't you care are you going to let them drown,

How can you be so numb not to care if they come? Don't close your eyes and pretend the job's done.

Bless me Lord, Bless me Lord you know it's all I ever hear, No one aches; no one hurts, or even sheds one tear, But He cries, He weeps, He bleeds, and He cares for our needs.

And you just lay back and keep soaking it in.

Wow!!!!(I will not close my eyes and pretend the job's done) The Lord has given us at Clarendon Baptist a deep call to reach the lost. I am glad the baptism waters are stirring again and that God is bringing people to our doors. I am so thankful to have a living church. However, we cannot be complacent. I am going to continue to challenge you to do several things. First, we need to be more intentional about personal evangelism, and we are going to be training you in the near future. Second, we need to continue our local missions efforts (I would like to see more of you involved) like feeding the poor through Harvest Hope that came to our church, and we fed so many families and got to share Christ with so many. We also have an opportunity this month at the Striped Bass Festival to give out water in Jesus' name. We also give out gospel tracts and share with some, one on one. We also have an opportunity through disaster relief (more of our men need to take this opportunity) to help those in crisis and give them the gospel. Plus, we have many other local ministries happening through the year. Third, I want to expand our mission influence and footprint to North America. I am planning a vision trip to Cleveland in May at the invitation of our Director of Missions to compile the needs of those suffering in the inner cities. I can't just watch the news and say, "What a shame!" I am going to challenge our church to become committed to this task. Fourth, we are committed to foreign missions through the Cooperative Program, Faith Promise, and our Moldova mission. I am praying about a mission trip to Mexico (details later) to reach out to our hemisphere.

As you can see, we are committed to reaching the lost. However, these opportunities will be lost without you. I am calling upon every member of CBC to be involved with evangelism and missions this year. Missions are not negotiable. You are either going or sending. I will continue

to follow the Lord in finding opportunities for you to obey the Great Commission.

I know some of you are not quite ready for these mission endeavors (though some of you will have to slay your fears). However, we have a great vision through our M2M discipleship groups. These groups will help you grow in your relationship with Christ and build relationships with other believers. I am challenging you to partake in these groups. They will help you prepare to be involved in the Great Commission and growing the Kingdom of God.

As your pastor, I have laid out a bold agenda that is not just pulled out of the sky but is straight out of scripture and fairly simple. We must go, and I have given you a vision and framework to fulfill your calling in Christ. Frankly, it is overwhelming; that is why I am writing this to you. I need you, the lost world needs you, and our community needs you to answer the call.

He is Risen! Pastor Mike

Calendar of Events

- 1 Elderberry/Youth Spring Adventure
- 2 Deadline to Sign up/Pay for Middle School Retreat

Easter Egg Hunt

(Details under Activities)

- 9-11 Camp Longridge Service Project
- 11 Deacons Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m.
- 12 NO AWANA/SPRING BREAK
- 16 EASTER/ Baptisms at 9 a.m. service
- 22 Striped Bass Festival
- 28-30 Middle School Retreat
- 30 5th Sunday/Combined morning worship/Covered dish dinner to follow/Evening worship and Activities

Looking Forward

(9) Deacons Meeting (14) Mother'sDay/Baby Dedication (17) AWANA AwardsCeremony (21) Graduation Service

Workers for April

Audiovisual:

4.2 E. Terry Gaff, Grayson Harrelson

L. Mark Evans, Scott Tanner

4.9 E. Cory McWhite, Mack Mutchler

L. Chuck Goff, Grayson Harrelson

4.16 Rob Hussey, Will Thomas

4.23 E. Terry Gaff, Grayson Harrelson

L. Mark Evans, Scott Tanner

4.30 Chuck Goff, Cory McWhite

Nursery:

4.2 E. Tabitha Gardner, Jordan Price

L. Beth Lyles, Linda Pierce

4.9 E. Adrienne McCabe, Vassar Turner

L. Christi, Julia, & Morgan Morris

4.16 Betsy Jordan, Heather & Lundee Olsen

4.23 E. Kim, Lauren, & Jordan Gardner

L. Beth Lyles, Daphne Powell

4.30 Adrienne Jones, Crystal Thompson

Toddler's Church (ages 2 thru 4):

4.2 Effie Russell

4.9 Adriene Jones

4.16 EASTER

4.23 Kim Gardner

4.30 Heather Olsen

Children's Church (K5 - 8-yrs. old):

4.2 Vassar Turner

4.9 Kim Gardner

4.16 EASTER

4.23 Stacy Acord

4.30 Allyson Goff

Building Attendant: John Horton

Flowers: 4.2, 4.23, 4.30 OPEN

4.9 - Ed Hinson

4.16 - Cross of FLowers

Ushers: Gary Lee, Tommy Lee, William Locklair, Dan McInnis, Stacey McInnis, Reese McInnis, Cory McWhite, Rob Morris

Prayer Ministry

Joey Godwin
Nell Langston
David McCabe
Gail Richardson
Munita Hunter
Mary Frances Lee
Margie Mutchler
Shaun Richburg

David & Melva Young

February Monthly Records

Avg. Sunday School Attendance: 145

Avg. Worship Attendance: (8:45) - 82 (11:00) - 103

Monthly Offering Total: \$28,388.14 Building Fund: \$118,194.30

Encouragement Opportunities

Faith Promise Missionary:

Wayne & Karen Powell Teen Challenge of SC

PO Box 1437 Georgetown, SC 29442

843.520.4888 (Office phone)

teenchallengesc@hotmail.com

Student of the Month:

Kristen Hubbard 2037 Telfair Way Charleston, SC 29412

Shut-in of the Month:

Jessie McCabe 2031 Tearcoat Road Alcolu, SC 29001 803.473.2426

Happy Birthday

5 Yvonne Hodge Analisa Smith

7 Brenda Harrelson

10 Rosemary Herring

11 Carl Floyd

12 Lauren Richburg

13 Bryce Acord David Woodbury

14 Evan Burgess

15 Allyson Goff Broughton Lester

18 Cody Morris

20 Brett Belt

21 Barbara Hussey

22 Aidan Briley Wayne Burke

23 Shawn Geddings

26 Teresa Dunlap Eva Eaddy

28 Lenn Gardner Tommy Lee

29 Nancy McInnis Hunter Taylor

If we have missed your birthday, please call the church office so that we can add your name to our birthday list.

Wednesday Night Menus & Kitchen Teams

4.5 Menu: Chicken nuggets, Mac-n-cheese, Veggie, Dessert

KT: Chuck & Allyson Goff, Jamie & Erica Hodge

4.12 No AWANA/Spring Break

4.19 Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Veggie, Garlic bread, Dessert

KT: Jay & Kim Gardner, Lenn & Tabitha Gardner, Maybin Gardner

4.26 Menu: Tacos, Refried beans, Spanish rice, Dessert

KT: Jonathan & Denise Jones, Justin & Nicki Woodard

Senior Adult News

Elderberry/Youth Spring Adventure

Saturday, April 1st ~ Conway, SC Meet at CBC at 8:45 a.m.
Departure at 9:00 a.m.
Return to CBC 4:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Transportation by church bus.
Please take any questions to
Pastor Jon 803.825.9052
Doris Daniel 803.478.3372

Easter Egg Hunt

Sun., April $2^{nd} \sim 4:30$ p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Home of Wayne & Deborah Ward 5^{th} grade and under Take any questions to Adrienne McCabe 803.473.3275

Easter Worship Schedule

April 16, 2017

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service

7:30 a.m. Breakfast 8:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. Easter Service

No evening worship nor activities.

Bring cut flowers Easter morning (9:00 a.m. service) to transform the cross where Jesus was crucified into a "Cross of Flowers" to signify life, using live flowers that He has created.

Middle Schooler Retreat

April 28-30 ~ North Carolina Cost: \$50 ~ Whitewater rafting included. Deadline for sign up/payment is April 12th. **Space is very limited.**

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you for your continued support to give children around the world a gift for Christmas! The greatest gift you are giving is the opportunity for these children to learn that "Jesus Loves You"!! During the month of April, we will be collecting Spring Items ... tennis balls, balls of any type (we can deflate and send a pump for them to inflate once they get their box), jump ropes; check out all the after Easter sales (there are toys, stuffed animals and all types of goodies in all stores)! No candy or containers of bubbles can be sent. Remember you can write a check to our church and on memo line write OCC and items will be purchased for you! Thank you again for your help Mission Project CBC! Love in Christ! Mary Jo

Ongoing Ministries Harvest Seeds

Collecting Sunday school literature, devotionals, and other religious material to send to brothers and sisters who faithfully labor in the vineyard with limited resources.

Periodically, volunteers are needed to sort, pack, and deliver materials to the associational office. If interested, please speak with Karen DeCosta.

Donations for Ukraine

Collecting warm, gently used children's clothes to send to Dr. & Mrs. Crane to be used in their ministry with Ukrainian orphans.

Point person: Harriet Locklair