

# LITTLETON BAPTIST NEWS

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

*“Our mission is to make Christ known, by providing spiritual nourishment, ministering to physical needs, and sharing the Gospel.”*

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## REFLECTIONS ...

### PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

As the pastor-search process for our church gets underway, one question before us all is “What type of leadership does our church need?” This is the right question to be thinking about. We are committed to calling the person God will choose for our church. Our Pastor-Search Committee has been trained for our work, and we have committed to prayer each day for the work before us. We covet your prayers as well. This committee will do an excellent job. We will seek to do everything the right way!

Special leadership is needed for this new day for all churches. Dr. Terry Hamrick, a national Baptist leader, has identified key characteristics of effective church leaders for the future. I think he is right on target.

According to Dr. Hamrick, church leaders for the future should possess:

1. Resurrection Confidence
2. A Robust Spirituality
3. A Deep Love for Missions
4. A Global Perspective of God’s work in the world.
5. A Deep and Abiding love for the Church.

As a congregation, we want our new pastor to cast a great vision for the church and its ministry. I believe this is the type of minister who will be called to this church. The same qualities noted above should be present in all members and lay leaders of a congregation.

Continue to pray for the Pastor-Search Committee and to think about the issue of leadership for Littleton Baptist Church. I believe the energy, desire, and hope are present within this church for a great new day to happen. I am confident it will.

Clyde Johnston, Chairman  
Pastor-Search Committee



# March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1</i> 8:30 Exercise  6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>4</i>
<i>5</i> 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship  7:00 Deacons Mtg	<i>6</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> 8:30 Exercise  6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>11</i>
<i>12</i> 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship  5:30 Youth	<i>13</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> 8:30 Exercise  6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>16</i> 9:00 Ramp Re- moval  7:00 Mission Committee Mtg.	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i> 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship	<i>20</i> 8:30 Exercise Spring	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 8:30 Exercise  6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> 8:30 Exercise 9:30 LACTS	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i> 9:45 S. School 11:00 Worship  5:30 Youth	<i>27</i> 8:30 Exercise	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> 8:30 Exercise  6:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Prayer & Bible Study	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> Disaster Relief Training	



Our Christian sympathy is extended to

Charles & Priscilla Parks in the death of his sister-in-law, Aldean Parks  
Betty Anne Shearin & family in the death of her mother, Ellen Page Mincey



I'm always frustrated when I read articles about how many church choirs are fading away. It's like the art of a church choir is disappearing! They seem to forget that there are church choirs that are still growing and flourishing...like ours! I want to welcome Connie Turner to our choir! It's always nice to be able to welcome a new choir member!

Working with so many who have committed their gift and time to serve through our music ministry is a privilege. No team work is more important than that which can come together around music and worship.

In the patchwork of our lives MUSIC is the thread that ties our hearts together.

*Laura*



### THE LORD'S SUPPER

On Sunday, **March 5**, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper during worship. Be present for this special time as we remember once again the sacrifice of our Lord for you and me. Remember as you depart you will be given opportunity to contribute to the Fellowship Fund for local benevolence.

### DISASTER RELIEF



### TRAINING

Please consider sharing Christ's love to folks in need after a catastrophe. There will be a NC Baptists on Mission disaster relief training session in Robeson County **March 31 & April 1**. There are so many jobs that need to be done during a crises that your talent can be used! For more information see Sid or Betty Anne Shearin or website [www.baptistsonmission.org](http://www.baptistsonmission.org).



### Mission Committee

The Mission Committee will meet on Thursday, **March 16**, at 7:00 P.M. in the church annex.

### DEACONS MEETING



Our Deacons will meet at 7:00 P.M. on Sunday evening, **March 5**, in the Annex.

**REMEMBER?**



Set Your Clocks Ahead!



**Don't forget to set your clock forward one hour on Sunday, March 12, so as not to be late for Sunday School!**



## FOOD PANTRY

*Volunteers*

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



Spring is in the air. Mission opportunities are blooming. We need you!! Our church will host the Food Pantry on Friday, **March 24** at the Littleton United Methodist Church. Come join us at 9:30 that morning for a rewarding time helping others in our community. There is always a need for no/low salt items and diabetic food items.

Please put **May 6** in your prayers and on your calendar for the Children's Carnival at the John 3:16 Center. Plans are being made for a Christ filled fun day for children and their families. We will need your help with games, serving food, welcoming children, parking cars, manning a variety of activities and setting up/cleaning up. New and gently used books are being collected to give to the children. Check your bookshelves, yard sales and book stores for books to donate for the carnival. Your help is also needed by giving two liter drinks to serve during that day. All kinds are needed-fruit, diet, cola and clear types.

As spring warms our days, may all the opportunities to serve our Lord and Savior warm your heart. Thank you for being a loving, caring church family.



### Order Easter Lilies

The following is the flower schedule for the month of March.

- March 5 Lord's Supper
- March 12 Available for Scheduling
- March 19 Available for Scheduling
- March 26 Available for Scheduling

Flowers are needed for **March 12, 19 & 26**. If you would like to place flowers on one of these dates, please contact a member of the Flower Committee. When you place flowers in the sanctuary please contact our church office by email or written note to show how you want it to be placed in the bulletin.

Easter Lilies will once again grace our sanctuary for the celebration of our Savior's resurrection. The deadline for ordering the lilies is **March 30**. The cost is \$18.00. Make your check payable to Littleton Baptist Church and label it - Easter Lily. The pots will be covered/no bow. Please bring your order & check to a member of the flower committee, church office or mail it to P.O. Box 216, Littleton, N.C. 27850 with in honor of or in memory of information so orders can be placed.

Thank you for adding to our LBC worship experience!

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# Bible Wordsearch

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MATT. 12:1-12

## Jesus the Healer 6

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FALLS	DISCIPLES
GOD	ENTERED
GRAIN	GREATER
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HEAL	INNOCENT
HOUSE	KNOWN
JESUS	LAWFUL
LORD	LOOKING
MEAN	PHARISEES
MERCY	PRIESTS
PICK	REASON
SHEEP	SABBATH
PLACE	SACRIFICE
TEMPLE	SHRIVELED
	COMPANIONS

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### RAMP REMOVAL CELEBRATION

On **March 16**, beginning at 9:00 A.M., we will be removing the access ramp into the Tremper's home. That means Tom has recovered enough that he does not need the ramp anymore!

Volunteers are asked to bring their drills/drivers, brooms and work gloves. The ramp building organization "Helping Hands" supplied much of the lumber for constructing the ramp so we will be giving the lumber back to them to be used to build more ramps. If you can help us with the celebration, please contact Sid Shearin.

Thank you!!!

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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>	<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>
2 Carol West 5 Lowell Lee 9 Connor Pitchford (5 yrs) 11 Margaret Cumberland 15 Sara Council 19 Emily Kearney 20 Ray Holloman 22 Paula Burton 25 John Skinner 25 Brandon Stansbury 26 Jay Koef 27 Destiny Hilton (4 yrs) 28 Beth King 31 Stephanie Iles	19 Jack & Ann Mathieson (58 yrs) 26 Kent & Carol West (23 yrs)	5 Brenda Hudson/Mary Spivey 12 Carol West/Carly West 19 Sandra Lynch/Jan Miller 26 Brenda Hudson/Louise Gibson
	<u>YOUTH MEALS</u>	<u>TRASH DETAIL</u>
	5 No Meeting 12 Youth (Carol West) 19 No Meeting 26 Youth (Nora Labrecque)	Earl Spivey