

To Know Him & Make Him Known

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TIME CHANGES

Daylight Saving Time begins
Sunday, March 9th at 2:00 AM.
Remember to turn you clocks
forward by 1 hour on that
Saturday evening before going
to bed.

Would you like to receive "The Wakeminstry" by email?

If you would like to receive
The Wakeminstry by email,
please visit our website and
choose to join our mailing list.
We have a general mailing list
as well as a Youth-oriented
mailing list.

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RESURRECTION EASTER SERVICES:

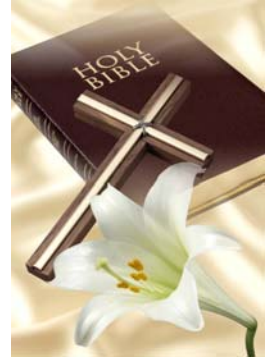
"You seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: He is risen; He is not here: behold the place where they laid Him." - Mark 16:6

Resurrection Day/Easter this year is on Sunday, March 23rd.

We will be changing our Sunday worship service schedule this year during celebration of Resurrection Easter Sunday with a Sunrise Easter Service starting at 7:00 AM and ending all of our services by 11:00 AM.

- 7:00–7:45 Sunrise Easter Service
- 8:00–8:45 Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:00–10:00 Sunday School / Morning Bible Study
- 10:00–11:00 Sunday Morning Worship Service

Our normal 11:00 Service will be held one (1) hour earlier from 10:00 – 11:00. There will be no afternoon services or programs.



COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT:



Our community Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at 10:00 AM.

As part of this Easter Egg Hunt, we will have a reading of the Resurrection Story, snacks, games and crafts. See the web site for more details.

MEN'S SUPERBOWL OUTING:

Men, are you tired of the same old thing on Superbowl Sunday? Well, come and join our men's group for the annual Superbowl Party hosted at Raleighwood Cinema and Grill.

Superbowl Party Tickets are \$22.95. Enjoy the big game on the largest TV screen in NC with your friends and feast on the unlimited, all you can eat hot and cold buffet throughout the pregame show and the entire game. The 35 foot long buffet features award winning wings, pizza, hot dogs, meatball subs, gourmet sandwich platters, ultimate nachos, chili and cheese stations, numerous salads and much, much more.

Superbowl Date: Sunday, Feb. 3rd. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Kick-off is 6:30 PM.

If you would like to join our group going to this Superbowl Party, please contact Dale Austin (dale@wakeminster.org) to reserve your ticket. All seating is by assigned seats and we will need to order all of our tickets at the same time in order to be grouped together for the game. Please contact Dale by Jan. 3rd if you are interested in joining our group.

WOMEN OF JOY – WOMEN'S WEEKEND CONFERENCE:

Gatlinburg, Tennessee at the Gatlinburg Convention Center on April 11 - 13, 2008.

Women of Joy in Gatlinburg, an experience that thousands of Christian women enjoy every year. The atmosphere among the large crowd at the Gatlinburg Convention center is energetic and spirited; the messages are biblically based and are delivered by some of the hottest names in the Christian arena. Outside, the sweeping vistas of the Great Smoky Mountains create a beautiful backdrop as you spend your afternoon free time exploring the local sights and attractions - or perhaps you like to bargain shop at the many outlet stores and specialty shops.



Early Bird registration deadline is January 16th and the final balances and room lists are due by February 27th.

For more information on registration, prices and conference details please see the Church's web site.

Anniversaries

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| Chuck & Terry Marsh | Jan 27 |
| Ace & Tita Robbins | Feb 20 |
| Randall & Nancy Tidwell | Mar 7 |
| Merle & Jennifer Martin | Mar 7 |
| Morris & Dena Whited | Mar 15 |

Birthdays

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| Betty Farrell | Jan 3 |
| Terry Ray | Jan 8 |
| Carter Barham | Jan 10 |
| Larry Estes | Jan 11 |
| Merle Martin | Jan 14 |
| Krista Foland | Jan 20 |
| Jim Farrell | Jan 30 |
| Lee Ann Kelley | Jan 30 |
| David Martin | Feb 3 |
| Minnie Ross | Feb 5 |
| Ainslee Belle Hayden | Feb 5 |
| Mary Candace Grainger | Feb 7 |
| Kelly Singleton | Feb 9 |
| Chris Gray | Feb 11 |
| Dorothy Conrad | Feb 14 |
| Corey Marsh | Feb 16 |
| Ellen Berry | Feb 17 |
| Charlie Ray | Feb 21 |
| Sarah Woolard | Feb 23 |
| Ed Barham | Feb 26 |
| Mary Grainger | Feb 27 |
| Megan Kelley | Mar 1 |
| Morris Whited | Mar 2 |
| Jay Woolard | Mar 6 |
| Amanda Ray | Mar 8 |
| Carol Keith | Mar 9 |
| Charlotte Peedin | Mar 17 |
| Hunter Ray | Mar 21 |
| Brooke Hayden | Mar 23 |
| Matthew Knight | Mar 27 |
| Donald Keith | Mar 28 |
| Becky Shue | Mar 29 |
| Jim Peedin | Mar 29 |

Websites to Check Out:

For movie reviews from a Christian perspective, go to: www.pluggedinonline.com.

For good advice on a variety of topics that affect family life, go to: www.family.org (Focus on the Family) or www.familylife.com (Family Life Today).

Keep Up To Date

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TREASURER'S REPORT – 1ST QTR 2007 / 2008:

"A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD." (God speaking to Moses) Leviticus 27:29 (NIV)

As reported during the November 14, business meeting. All information as of October 13, 2007.

YTD Summary

Undesignated offering receipts were greater than actual expenses by \$2,130.05 for the first two months of the 2007/2008 Church year.

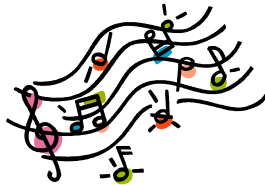
Bank Account Balances

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| Building Loan: | \$336,583.19 |
| Building Fund: | \$ 37,911.07 |
| General Fund: | \$ 23,982.38 |

All mortgage payments paid from the Building Fund. YTD we have received \$3,429.54 less in Building Fund offerings (\$3,115.00 received) than has been paid (\$6,544.54 in mortgage payments). An additional principal payment of \$2,394.82 has been made.

MUSIC NOTES:

"Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim His salvation." I Chronicles 16:23 (NIV)



"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" is ascribed to Bernard of Clairvaux based on a Latin poem. Bernard was born in to a life of aristocracy, but he felt the call to the monastic life. He was an extremely intelligent monk and was said to have given advice to both kings and popes. His faith depended on both the sword and the Spirit – a belief that brought him a certain amount of notoriety.

The tune to which this hymn is sung sounds very chant-like, therefore, it makes sense that the words were written by a monk. The following verses are not as widely known, so I thought I would include them.

*Now from Thy cheeks has vanished their color once so fair;
From Thy red lips is banished the splendor that was there.
Grim death, with cruel rigor, hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength in this sad strife.*

*My burden in Thy Passion, Lord, Thou has borne for me,
For it was my transgression which brought this woe on Thee.
I cast me down before Thee, wrath were my rightful lot;
Have mercy, I implore Thee; Redeemer, spurn me not!*

Morgan, Robert J. , [Then Sings My Soul Book 2](#)

Calendar Of Events (January, February & March):

JANUARY:

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| Wednesday 3rd | - Deadline for Raleighwood Superbowl Tickets |
| Tuesday 8th [2:00 PM] | - WMU Meeting |
| Wednesday 16th [6:00 PM] | - Fellowship Supper & Business Meeting |
| Wednesday 16th | - Deadline for Early Bird Registration – Women of Joy |

FEBRUARY:

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| Saturday 2nd [10:00 AM] | - Children's Outing – Jellybeans Skating |
| Sunday 3rd [5:00 PM] | - Men's Superbowl Outing / Raleighwood Cinemas |
| Tuesday 12th [2:00 PM] | - WMU Meeting |
| Wednesday 13th [6:30PM] | - Fellowship Supper |
| Thursday 14th | - Valentines Day |
| Wednesday 27th | - Final Balance & Room List Due – Women of Joy |

MARCH:

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| Sunday 9th [2:00 AM] | - Daylight Saving Time Ends |
| Tuesday 11th [2:00 PM] | - WMU Meeting |
| Wednesday 12th [6:30PM] | - Fellowship Supper & Business Meeting |
| Saturday 22 [10:00 AM] | - Community Easter Egg Hunt |
| Sunday 23rd [7:00 AM] | - EASTER Early Morning Service*** |

Weekly Services:

Sunday:

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| 9:45 AM | Morning Bible Study |
| 11:00 AM | Worship Service |
| 4:00 PM | Youth Fellowship |

Wednesday:

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| 6:00-6:30 PM | Snack Supper* |
| 6:30 PM | Youth Bible Study |
| 6:30 – 7:15 PM | TeamKID for Children |
| 6:30 – 7:15 PM | Adult Prayer & Worship |
| 7:15 PM | Adult Choir Rehearsal |

* Monthly Wednesday Family Fellowship Meals/Business Conferences will begin at 6:30.

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Next Newsletter:

Events and information for the next newsletter (2nd QTR 2008) should be sent to Dale Austin by March 19th.

BIBLE TRIVIA:

1. Jesus told a story about a man who had dogs licking his sores.
TRUE or FALSE
2. Moses built the ark for his family and the animals out of gopher wood.
TRUE or FALSE
3. When some angels appeared to Abraham, he offered them curds to eat.
TRUE or FALSE
4. The book of Zaccheus is the shortest book in the Old Testament.
TRUE or FALSE
5. People in Israel sometimes tore their clothes and put dust on their heads when they were really upset.
TRUE or FALSE

1. TRUE (Luke 16:19-21)
2. FALSE (Noah built the ark)
3. TRUE (Genesis 18:8)
4. FALSE (no such OT book)
5. TRUE (II Samuel 15:32)

For more interesting Bible facts that can change your life, join one of our Sunday morning Bible study classes. These classes meet each Sunday morning at 9:45 – 10:45.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:

"Pure and undefiled religion before our God and Father is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world." James 1:27 (HCSB)

Youth Mission Trip (Belize):

Wakeminsters Youth will be going on an international mission trip next year to Belize in Central America. The dates are July 25-August 2, 2008. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome. The cost will be approximately \$1,700 per person which includes air-fare, accommodations and most food. More information is to follow including an organizational meeting to sign up volunteers and give out information. For additional information on this mission trip, please contact Tony Hayden (tony@wakeminsters.org).

DR Plunge (Jeffrey Pollard's Mission Trip – Dominican Republic):

Jeffrey Pollard will be participating in the DR Plunge mission trip with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on March 1st – 8th. During these dates, he will be working in the Dominican Republic as part of an inter-denominational ministry project among college students. As part of Jeffrey's mission trip, he will need to raise \$1,100 by February 20th. If you wish to help sponsor Jeffrey, you may make a donation to Wakeminsters Baptist Church with a notation that the donation is for Jeffrey Pollard's mission project. For additional detailed information on this mission trip, please visit the church's web site.

Annie Armstrong Easter Mission Offering:

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is much more than an offering envelope and an annual missions-giving emphasis made during the Easter season. When people give to this offering, 100 percent of their gift will be transformed into missionary salaries and ministry supplies for the North American Mission Board ("Home Missions"). Those missionaries and supplies will help others hear the message of Christ and respond in faith to His offer of salvation. Time and again our missionaries relate how this offering is their lifeblood. They know that behind each penny given, there is a Southern Baptist who believes in what they do and are affirming the need to equip them to share the gospel with those who need a Savior. For more information about this offering or about the person of Annie Armstrong, see the North American Mission Board's web site about Annie Armstrong (www.anniearmstrong.com).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:

"And He said: 'I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 18:3 (NIV)

TeamKID

Each Wednesday evening (except for the Family Fellowship evenings) we have TeamKID (Kids In Discipleship) for children ages 4 to 11. We have recently begun our new study called "Jesus' IM's: Instant Messages from Jesus". We invite you to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:15.



Skating at Jellybeans

Saturday, Feb. 2nd from 10:00AM – 12:00. You will need to contact Dale Austin (dale@wakeminsters.org) if you are interested in joining us for skating in order for us to include you in our group registration.

Easter Egg Hunt

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Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Planning for this summer's VBS is currently underway. All VBS teachers and assistant teachers please note that the 2008 VBS Curriculum Overview date is February 19th from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Raleigh Baptist Association Resource Center. At this time, we will be able to view the 2008 VBS offerings by LifeWay, Gospel Light and Group Curriculum. Please contact Stephanie Hayden if you would like to attend or if you are interested in teaching or assisting during this summer's VBS.

A SPECIAL THANKS:

We as a church family would like to thank Mike and Sheila Boyce for allowing us to use Boyce Farms for our community Fall Festival. We had a great turnout and greatly appreciate their support and contributions.

Dale, Terri & Hannah Austin would like to thank everyone for their generous Christmas gifts. We appreciate your thoughtfulness to our family.

(The History of Wakeminsters Baptist Church Continued)

The last of November the members of the Woman's Missionary Society studied "Into a New World" after which they observed the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and contributed to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

A very impressive Christmas pageant was presented Sunday night, December 21, 1958.

In the spring of 1959 members of WMS studied "Ways of Witnessing" in connection with the observance of Home Mission Week and the Annie Armstrong offering.

Raymond Britton who had been very well received in the fall of 1958 was called to conduct the spring revival in cooperation with the Simultaneous Crusade.

Harold Pickett who had been pastor for two years resigned April 26 effective July 12.

At this time we had funds for pews to replace the homemade ones.

Mr. R. L. Costner, Executive Secretary of Raleigh Baptist Association, preached at the morning service on Homecoming Day in 1959. There was no afternoon service.

Vacation Bible School started the next morning and continued one week with an enrollment of 50 and an average daily attendance of 46. There were 8 professions of faith.

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society observed the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions the first week in December, which was preceded by the study of "By All Means."

At Christmas time some needy families in the community were helped, and we had a Christmas program and an hour of fellowship following.

Carlisle Franks, a student at Southeastern, served as our interim pastor.

On November 15, 1959, Ray Hamilton, a student at Southeastern, was called to be our pastor. He preached during our fall revival and Donald Bratton was in charge of the music.

In December 1959 Ray Hamilton was examined by the Ordination Committee of Raleigh Baptist Association. On Sunday afternoon, January 17, 1960, he was ordained at Wakeminsters. Dr. Ben Lynes, Pastor of Wake Forest Baptist Church, preached the sermon. Robert L. Costner, Executive Secretary of Raleigh Association, gave the charge. Richard Moyers, a fellow student at Southeastern and Minister of Music at Yates Baptist Church, Durham, sang a solo. The prayer of Dedication was led by James Lewis, pastor, Pleasant Grove Church, Creedmoor.

During the week of March 13 we had a school of missions. A mission book was taught each night for each age group in the church followed by missionaries from the Home, State, and Foreign Fields speaking and showing slides of their work.

Due to the snow the first week of March, the women were not able to observe the Week of Prayer for Home Missions until the last week of April.

We celebrated our Ninth Anniversary June 12, 1960 with Robert L. Costner bringing the morning message. After lunch was served in the basement, the afternoon program featured singers from Holloway Street Baptist Church, Durham, and Stony Hill Baptist Church.

Vacation Bible School started Monday morning, June 13, with an average attendance of 67.

Revival services began June 20 with Richard Moyers bringing the messages and leading the singing with his trombone.

Ruth Ray, Church
Historian
1951 - 2003