

**ATTENTION YOUTH** Sundays  
*Make a Connection with* at Six &  
**JESUS** Wednesdays  
*Get Plugged in* at Seven

**SUNDAY NIGHT**  
**KIDS CLUB** 6:00 pm

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**Deacon's Meeting**  
 Tuesday, April 6th 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, April 11th**  
 Church Council 5:00 p.m.  
 Church Conference  
 after the 6:00 p.m. Service

Where *Faith, Family Flourish*  
*and Friends*



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*But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;  
 And you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem,  
 and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*  
 Acts 1:8

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**APRIL 2021**

Springtime is upon us!! May we enjoy the beauty of our city and of God's nature. May we not look ahead to the things that come after springtime...the heat, the humidity, the gnats, etc. May we enjoy every season that God gives us. For God is good and His mercies are new every morning! Are You thankful for God's mercies? One of the most blessed mercies we need to be thankful for is the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Springtime brings Easter...Easter brings the Resurrection!



Parents and children...Saturday, April 3 from 11-1, we will be holding our Resurrection Celebration and Egg Hunt. Get the word out, let our community know so we can invest in our children's lives the importance of Jesus and the truth of Easter. We will have pre-packaged food and we encourage masks to be worn. Everyone...we will be hosting an Easter Sunrise service at 7am outside the doors to the fellowship hall. Invite your friends, invite your neighbors, invite your co-workers as we celebrate the beauty of the Resurrection!! We will then go into the fellowship hall for breakfast. Our men have graciously offered to move their Brotherhood breakfast from the 2nd Sunday of the month to the 1st Sunday, so we can enjoy breakfast together after our Sunrise service. You are then invited to remain for Sunday School and then our morning worship service. We will not be having Sunday night activities at the church.

This month is our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering season. During this month, we will collect monies for our North American Missionaries as they share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our church goal this year is 10,000. In the Sanctuary, there will be an empty map of the United States. As we give toward our goal, states will appear on the map until all the states have been placed on the map. Each state is \$205. So, you can buy a state, buy multiple states, go in with someone to buy a state, or just give toward our goal of \$10,000. Our monthly family night will be Wednesday, April 14 at 7pm. The theme will be Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Vera's is catering our meal of baked spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and peach cobbler. A donation basket will be on the table if you wish to donate toward the meal. Please RSVP by Thursday, April 8 if you plan to attend. After our dinner, we will have a baked good auction. Cakes, cookies, desserts of all kinds will be auctioned off to raise money for our Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Our auctioneer will be our very own host of the "country bunker."

We have a new ministry at our church. It is called the Card Ministry. Each month all who wish to gather in the fellowship hall will write birthday cards, anniversary cards, thinking of you cards, praying for you cards, get-well cards and whatever else kind of card we need to write to love on and encourage one another. We have a place for everyone...some can write, some can put stamps and seal envelopes, kids can color pages to be included, but all can pray. This ministry will be the first Monday of the month from 6 to 7 in the fellowship hall. This month's meeting will be Monday, April 5. Chris Williamson and Barb Ramsey are leading this ministry.

*God bless,*  
*Pastor Richard*



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 9 Chester Holt	April 18 Kierce Lavender
April 9 Logan Conner	April 20 Bland Brooks
April 9 Melinda McDuffie	April 22 James G Rhodes
April 10 Shawn Keene	April 23 Stevie Harden
April 10 Norma Jean Howell	April 24 Eli Harris
April 10 Anna Lavender	April 24 Owen Harris
April 12 Glenda Brown	April 24 Carolyn Stubbs
April 12 Heather Harden	April 25 Melanie Baker
April 14 Clark Hollingsworth	April 25 Jordan Dennard
April 14 Ashley Clack Eason	April 26 Lindsey Compton
April 15 Todd Tripp	April 27 James H Graham
April 17 Nancy Dennard	April 28 Dennis Moore
April 17 Ruth Clark	April 28 Nelson McWhorter
April 18 Randall Stubbs	April 29 Evan Baker
April 18 Max McDonald	April 30 Mike Sutton

# Happy Anniversary

April 12 Stevie & Lisa Harden
April 15 Raymond & Audrey Cason
April 22 Bobby & Susan Bragg
April 23 James H & Gail Graham
April 24 Tommy & Jena Rossman
April 25 Don & Barb Ramsey

# Flowers

April 4 EASTER	Myra & Bobby McGuinty
April 11 Jan & Dennis Moore	
April 18 Aimee & Chad Hughes	
April 25 Jimmie Lyn & Mark Harden	



The Mosaic Magazine tells us something that I think we would all agree with and that is being a missionary is not an easy calling and North American missionaries encounter many challenges: perhaps the community they are serving is hardened toward the gospel, sometimes local authorities make finding a meeting place for worship difficult, often they experience feelings of loneliness when moving away from friends and family to name a few. Then the historic 2020 pandemic added more challenges when most of the world was shut down for months creating economic hardship and anxiety about public gatherings. But our God opened new doors and provided the grace and power for our North American missionaries to move the mission forward and they did not back down when the pandemic restrictions went into place. They cared for survivors of human trafficking, fed the homeless, helped refugees put together the pieces of their destroyed lives, collected and distributed supplies like masks and hand sanitizer to keep vulnerable neighbors safe and healthy and used every opportunity to help for sharing the good news of the gospel and to disciple believers. Our missionaries displayed great courage and vision to persist and thrive amid many great challenges. NAMB President, Kevin Ezell, says we, Southern Baptists, were and continue to be a significant part of that through our giving and prayer support. He further states the needs in North America have become even more apparent in recent months. People are searching for peace and security that comes only through salvation in Jesus Christ, and, together, we can reach them as we move the mission forward through proclaiming the gospel.

Paul proclaimed wonderful news in Romans 10:13, "For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved". So, let us never lose the wonder of the gospel message. Stretched on a splintered cross and pierced with protruding nails, Jesus died to pay for our sins and reconciliation with God providing for us the opportunity for peace and security. He "breathed his last" (Mark 15:37) on Friday but breathed anew on Sunday. Hallelujah, what a Savior! Because He lives we can too. And so can anyone who calls on the name of the Lord! Thank God for the example He gave to us when He freely and sacrificially gave His Son. To be sacrificial, giving must cost us something, yet the rewards can be gratifying. Jesus gave sacrificially out of His great love for mankind and may we desire to also give sacrificially out of our return love for our great and mighty God. Praying purposefully, will you ask God to reveal ways to give sacrificially of your finances to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) for North American Missions? It may mean something as small as forgoing a favorite coffee at a shop you love or as big as relinquishing cherished vacation time to serve on a mission trip. Giving sacrificially and living generously as the example of our LORD begins on our knees, moves to our heart and progresses to our hands. Please bathe our missionaries you will hearing about each Sunday through April in prayer and be obedient to our LORD for how you are to sacrificially give of your finances to AAEO. Every corner of our nation desperately needs to have a gospel presence where people are called to respond to the lifesaving hope of Christ. People need the LORD!

In Christ's Service,

Sibbie

# Men's Ministry

There were 12 men at the March meeting. The next meeting will be on Easter morning, April 4th. Everyone is invited.

## Each Step

**He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name. Psalm 23:3**

The light on the path before you may be limited, but this is for a purpose. The Lord will lead you step by step. His desire is for you to depend on Him inch by inch and centimeter by centimeter as you progress in His purpose.

This may feel disheartening because others expect you to have answers, and the pressure to have the path charted clearly continues to mount. But do not be fearful or dismayed. It is the Lord Himself who has engineered these circumstances for your success and His glory—"so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God." (1 Corinthians 2:5).

So depend on Him. Surrender to Him fully. And obey immediately when He reveals the next step. He will give you strength for every move you must make and bring you to a better destination than you could have hoped for or imagined (Ephesians 3:20).

**In His presence...submit to His leadership.**

*Donnie Clack*



## Resurrection Celebration & Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 3  
11am - 1 pm

Ages Through  
6th Grade

## He is Risen!



## SUNRISE SERVICE

7:00 am April 4th

Light Breakfast to Follow

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

Come Celebrate Our Risen Lord



## Please join us for a Dessert Party honoring Zach and Summer

Sunday, April 11, 2021  
2 - 3:30 pm  
First Baptist Church  
Rochelle, Georgia

Registered at  
Three's Company, Flint River Pottery,  
Amazon, and Walmart

Monday, April 5th

6:00 p.m.

Social Hall

## Card Ministry



## Family Night Wednesday, April 14th 7:00 p.m.

Theme: Annie Armstrong

See the front of Newsletter for details  
& please RSVP to Barb by Thursday, April 8th

## Don't Forget To Tithe



There are several ways to do this:

- Mail P.O. Box 566
- Drop by church or go to • TITHE.LY or on our church website scroll down to "GIVE NOW"