

Pastor's column

Do we celebrate Jesus enough?



Pastor Jacob Brimm

At the end of this month we will be having our second Celebrate Jesus Revival. I want to take a moment and address the name: Celebrate Jesus Revival. The word *celebrate* is defined: publicly acknowledge (a significant or happy day or event) with a social gathering or enjoyable activity. The word *revival* is defined: an instance of something becoming popular, active, or important again;

and also an improvement in the condition or strength of something. Now take Jesus into consideration with the definitions.

Do we have a reason to *celebrate* Jesus? Of course! We celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, when our Savior humbled Himself to the position of a servant and came to tabernacle among us. We celebrate the life of the Savior as He exemplified the life of a servant and placed us, we lowly broken sinners, before Himself! We celebrate our Savior as He willingly walked the path to Gethsemane and surrender His life as the perfect sacrifice, once and for all! And we most assuredly celebrate that the tomb is empty, that our Savior lives, that our Savior reigns, and that our Savior will be returning one glorious day! Oh yes brothers and sisters we have plenty of reason to celebrate!

DO we have a reason to desire a *revival*? A brief look around our town, and especially around our country, will answer that question. We desperately need to desire a revival. Jesus needs to again become "popular, active, and important again" in our lives; and we desperately need "an improvement in the condition and strength" of our relationship and passion for Jesus.

So what we have is a very interesting name. We will be celebrating Jesus in hopes of Him becoming important in our community, in our lives, and to share this celebration with others so that we can strengthen our resolve to serve Him courageously. I am excited about what God WILL DO during this event.

I recall 2 Samuel 6, where David brings the Ark into Jerusalem. David and his men "celebrated with all their might before the Lord", and David "was dancing before the Lord with all his might while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the Lord with shouts and the sounds of trumpets". The Ark represented the presence of the Lord, something worth celebrating; and they did celebrate 'with all their might'. How much more so do we have reason to celebrate when we have Jesus with us at all times, as His spirit stays within us, as we can enjoy our relationship with Jesus at any time! Do we celebrate enough? NO! If David could dance with all his might, and the people could celebrate with all their might, and they only had the Ark; then we should not be ashamed, we should dance with all our might, and we should celebrate with all our might!

Brothers and Sisters, this Celebrate Jesus Revival, let us dance with all our might! Let us CELEBRATE JESUS!

BBC welcomes new member

Kaye Green has joined our church. Kay enjoys reading and collects roosters. She lives on north Central Avenue in Byromville.



Better than biscuits

One Sunday morning at a small southern church, the new pastor called on one of his older deacons to lead in the opening prayer. The deacon stood up, bowed his head and said, "Lord, I hate buttermilk." The pastor opened one eye and wondered where this was going. The deacon continued, "Lord, I hate lard." Now the pastor was totally perplexed. The deacon continued, "Lord, I ain't too crazy about plain flour. But after you mix'em all together and bake'em in a hot oven, I just love biscuits. Lord help us to realize when life gets hard, when things come up that we don't like, whenever we don't understand what You are doing, that we need to wait and see what You are making. After you get through mixing and baking, it'll probably be something even better than biscuits. Amen.



Supper at 5:30pm. Worship under the tent at 6:30pm.

Guest Preachers

Wednesday



To be announced

Thursday



Danny Singleton

Friday



Randy Mullinax

Saturday



Riley Israel

Brian Rainwater

Worship leaders will be Thrive Worship Team, Brent Barbor and Darrel Ritchie.



Birthdays

7-1	Kyle	Jones
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- 7-3 Angela Jimes
- 7-4 Dean Woodruff
- 7-6 William Preston Kelly West Kyle West
- 7-7 Suzy Grantham
- 7-9 Gennette Edwards
- 7-10 Judy Brinson Andy Thompson
- 7-13 Tracey Gregory
- 7-16 Sally Averill Ron Everidge Sean Payne

- 7-17 Patricia Rigdon
- 7-19 Ayden Godfrey
 Ambrose Lockerman
- 7-20 Jeanne Musselwhite
- 7-21 Era Mae Youngblood
- 7-24 Tori Lamberth Beau West
- 7-25 April Trimback
- 7-26 Autunm Trimback
- 7-28 Massey Evans
- 7-29 John Joles Cheri Overton
- 7-30 Jimmy Edwards
- 8-1 Keagan Cavanah

- 8-1 Brooke Thompson
- 8-2 Sue Thompson
- 8-3 Julie Humphries Kim Knaggs Golden Jesse Raper
- 8-4 Alex Blankenship
 Marley Collier
 Larry Crutchfield
 Gage Roney
 Sharon Thompson

Pray for these folks on their birthday.

Jeffrey Witmer

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY

Sunday School. . 10:00AM Worship. 11:00AM Worship. 6:00PM

WEDNESDAY

Youth. 6:00PM

Nursery for all services. Children's Church for Sunday 11AM Worship.

Schedule of Volunteers for July					
Please remember it is up to you to arrange coverage if you are unable to serve on your scheduled day.					
Date	Nursery AM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers	
July 3	Alison/Taylor Willingham	Sarah-Averill Brannen Jeanie Brimm	Floyd Tucker	Mark Peavy Kyle West	
July 10	Tricia Kent Brenda Lockerman	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Joe Kent	Arthur Roney Roger Roney	
July 17	Sue Thompson Rhonda Youngblood	Vicki Lamberth Robin Peavy	Jimmy Lockerman	Mark Smith Quint Smith	
July 24	Youth Class	Jenn/John-John Averill	Arthur Roney	William Smith Bobby White	
July 31	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Ansley/Cal Scarborough	Floyd Tucker	Denny Rogers Buck Thompson	

June Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults6
FBIC
CIA3
VOC4
Young Adults4
Early Adults2
Youth0
Older Children
Younger Children
Older Preschoolers5
Younger Preschoolers 6
Nursery
General Officers/Musicians4
TOTAL55
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Men's Conference August 12-13

Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter in Perry, GA
Cost; \$30 (Includes 2-day event, Chick-fil-A lunch, 8-week study guide, t-shirt)

featuring 8 speakers, 3 breakout sessions, and 2 days of the tools and discipleship you need to awaken and take your stand for truth Praise and worship music by Drawing from Heaven

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Our Seasoned Saints love seafood. They enjoyed a trip to Brown's Seafood Restaurant in Ashburn last month. They leave July 23 at 3:00 p.m. to eat at The Catfish House in Ocilla. Call Elaine if you plan to go.

Financial \$ummary

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May receipts	
General offerings	\$ 7,778.00
Interest on CD	4.10
Special–Bus Fund	50.00
Special–Ramp Fund	50.00
GA Baptist Children's Homes	100.00
Love offering for Jeff Cleghorn	200.00
Special–Floor Fund	50.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	8,232.10
May disbursements	
General expenses	7,309.04
Jeff Cleghorn	200.00
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	150.00
Local missions/evangelism	346.67
Houston Baptist Association	477.10
Cooperative Program	1,240.46
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$10,023.27



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