

Blessings

March 2018

A publication of Byromville Baptist Church



In this issue

Just pray	p. 2
Transferred to Church Triumphant . . .	p. 2
Daylight saving time ends	p. 3
Paint party	p. 3
Seasoned Saints	p. 3
Conference & church council	p. 3
Holy Week events	p. 3
Pics from February	p. 4
Easter egg hunt	p. 5
Town hall meeting	p. 5
Associational news	p. 5
GA Baptist events	p. 5
Calendar	p. 6
Monthly info	p. 7
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering . .	p. 8

On the cover

Kaitlin Willingham

Pastor's column

Just pray



Jacob Brimm

Just pray. Think about those words. Just pray. Maybe it will help if I place an emphasis: *just* pray. So often I hear people say something to the effect of: I don't know what I can do to help, so I will *just* pray; or sometimes when on the phone asking if there is anything I can do, the response is *just* pray. Interesting use of words.

Perhaps the words *just* pray really mean: I could really use your prayers. But I fear that what it really means is something far less than understanding of the reality of the word PRAY. We often treat prayer as an after thought, or as a last resort. This is a backwards way of thinking.

You see when we pray we are speaking with the One who created the universe and everything in it. Does that add some weight to the word pray? How about this: when you pray, Jesus is interceding for you to the Father. What does that mean? It means that when you pray, Jesus prays. You see the Bible says that whatever you ask, in the name of Jesus, it shall be done.

So let's put an image to this that may be able to help you realize the magnitude of prayer. In a recent sermon I spoke about how prayer was taking a wrecking ball to the wall of troubles instead of using a ball point hammer, which I equated to all our own endeavors. This is a fantastic illustration. For all those in farming, think of it this way: your efforts are a shovel, your prayers are a plow. Now I know I don't know all that much about farming, but I know that trying to prepare one of your massive fields with a shovel, or even a hand tiller, sounds like a nightmare; while using a tractor to pull a plow sounds like a much more efficient method. But even these illustrations are not perfect. They simply display the magnitude of the power of prayer.

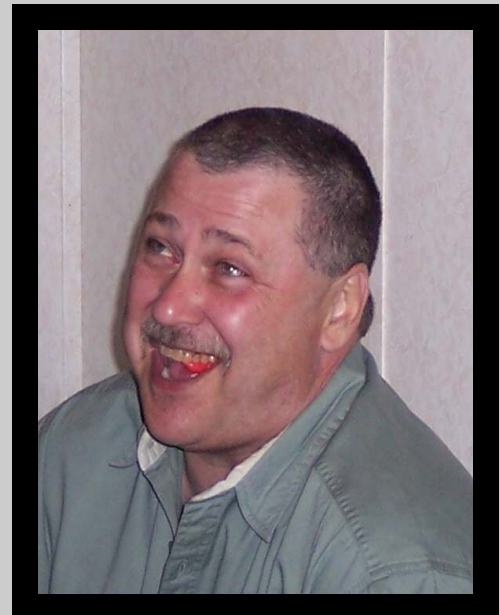
When we go before the Lord in prayer, we are approaching God in the same manner Abraham, Isaac,

Jacob, Moses, Noah, and Zachariah did. We are approaching the God of this universe and all of creation. We are approaching the great I AM! The one who set the Israelites free from Egypt, who called down plagues from heaven, who parted the waters at the Red Sea, who met every need of His chosen people for 40 years, and who loves you more than you can imagine! He will, He wants, He is waiting for you to approach Him so He can reach your needs!

I pray this month, March, will be a month where you MARCH to the Lord in prayer!

In Christ,
Jacob

Transferred to the Church Triumphant



David Hendrix
February 13, 2018

The future lies all before. Shall it only be a slight advance upon what we usually do? Ought it not to be a bound, a leap forward, to altitudes of endeavor and success undreamed of before?

—Annie E. Armstrong

Daylight saving time begins March 11



**DON'T FORGET TO
SPRING FORWARD**

**Remember
to set your clocks
AHEAD 1 HOUR
Saturday night.**

Paint Party
MARCH 9 @ 6:30PM

Truth Be Told Art's mission is teaching people who know nothing about paint, how to create a beautiful masterpiece with God's own words on it, meant to boldly proclaim to all who enter your home WHOM you serve. Cost is \$40 per person which includes all of your supplies and art instruction. To sign up and for more information, contact Laura or Vicki Lamberth. Visit www.TruthBeToldArt.com for list of designs and more about TBTA Ministry parties.



The fun way to mark your walls with His truth!

Seasoned Saints to enjoy home cooking in Columbus

The Seasoned Saints are leaving at 9:30 a.m. on March 9 for Minnie's Uptown Restaurant, 104 8th Street, Columbus. Minnie's has been a Columbus tradition for over 24 years. Delicious authentic southern cuisine, made from scratch, from the hoe cakes to the sweet tea, and at affordable prices! Let Elaine Phelps know by March 5 if you plan to go.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES



Palm Sunday, March 25

The Lord's Supper will be observed in the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Good Friday, March 30

At 7:00 p.m. we will have a special Good Friday Service.

Easter, April 1

Sunrise Service will be on the front lawn around the cross at 7:00 p.m. Breakfast in Saliba Hall will immediately follow. Sunday School will be at 10:00 a.m. and worship at 11:00 a.m. There will be no evening service.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

100% of your gifts go toward supporting missionaries who serve in compassion ministries and church planting.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

\$10 – a missionary can purchase gospel tracts to engage his community in Toronto.

\$50 – a Send City missionary has bus fare for a month to travel in an unreached area of his city.

\$150 – a church plant's community group is resourced with Bibles, books & other discipleship materials in Oregon.

\$400 – a GenSend student missionary is able to spend time mentoring underprivileged children in the inner city.

\$1,200 – a North American missionary can pay half a month's rent for a New York apartment.

Conference March 11 @ 6pm
Church Council @ 5pm



Lori Roberts, Jeanie Brimm, Bekah Bowen, Tim Hawkins, Jacob Brimm, Clayton Brimm, Eric Roberts, and Gary Weeks at the Tim Hawkins event in Americus on February 24.



A really good crowd attended the Valentine Banquet on February 9. Thanks to our social committee for planning this scrumptious event.



Associational news

Men's Fish Fry March 26

Pleasant Grove Church will host this year's Men's Ministries Fish Fry March 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed

Looking for a way to serve in God's Kingdom? In an effort to decrease associational grounds maintenance expense, Houston Baptist Association is seeking people who will provide lawn maintenance for both Houston Baptist Center and Camp Houston (for free of course). If you are interested, please contact Associational Missionary Gary Leutzinger at 229-273-4127 soon.

Discovering an amazing God

Kenny Peters will be teaching *The Doctrine Of God* classes at Houston Baptist Center on Tuesdays, 6-9pm, April 3–May 22. The registration fee is \$65 which covers the cost of the textbook. Completion of the course will earn three credits toward a diploma/certificate through the continuing education ministry of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board. This eight-week course is presented by the Regional Institutes Program of the GBMB.

Please contact HBA at 229-273-4127 by March 20 if you are interested in attending this course.

Pittsburgh Mission Trip meeting

There will be an information meeting at HBC March 22 at 7:00 p.m. about this year's mission trip to Pittsburgh.

Town Hall Meeting March 6

The mayor and town council invite everyone to a Town Hall Meeting at the Byromville Municipal Complex, corner of Main Street and Central Avenue, March 6 at 5:30pm. This is an opportunity for citizens to ask town leaders questions and learn about upcoming events in the community. Refreshments will be served.

Georgia Baptist events

MinistrySafe Church Safety Training March 20

MinistrySafe Church Safety Training equips church staff members with awareness, tools and strategies to help protect children from sexual abuse in ministry contexts. This training is vital for full-time and bi-vocational pastors, executive pastors, student ministers, children's ministers and lay leaders.

MinistrySafe was created by attorneys who are sexual abuse experts. After decades of litigating sexual abuse cases, Gregory Love and Kimberlee Norris founded MinistrySafe to help ministries meet legal standards of care and reduce the risk of child sexual abuse. MinistrySafe provides preventative tools tailored to fit the needs of churches, camps, schools, youth sports, daycares and other children's programs.

This event will be held at First Baptist Church, 221 South Lee Street, Americus from 9:30am–3:30pm. To register and for more information visit <https://gabaptist.org/event/ministry-safe-amicus/>.

Georgia Baptist Women's



April 13-14

Stone Mountain, Georgia

For more information or to register go to <https://gabaptistwomenspringevent.com/> or see Brenda Lockerman.

SUN

MON

TUES

WED

THU

FRI

SAT

March 2018

4

5

7:00pm
Deacons Meeting

6

5:30pm Town Hall
Meeting, B'ville
Municipal Complex

7

8

9

9:30am
Seasoned Saints
leave for Minnie's
in Columbus

10

11

Daylight Saving
time begins
5:00pm
Church Council
6:00pm
Conference

12

13

14

15

16

17

St. Patrick's Day

18

19

6:30pm GEMS

20

Spring begins
10:00am Women
On Mission

21

22

National
Goof Off Day
7:00pm
Pittsburgh
Mission Trip Mtg.,
Houston Baptist
Center

23

24

10:00am Easter
Egg Hunt

25

Palm Sunday
11:00am Lord's
Supper observed

26

6:30pm Assn'l
Men's Fish Fry,
Pleasant Grove
Church

27

28

29

Maundy
Thursday

30

7:00pm Good
Friday Service

31

Birthdays

3-1 Rebekah Bowen
3-2 Jurelle Godfrey
3-3 Cami Neisler
Mike Raper
3-4 Kohl Cavanah
Teresa Neisler
Mary Beth Reed-Rogers
3-5 Jared Averill
3-7 Brenda Dorsett
3-8 Lea Averill
Clete Roberts
Wendy Williams
3-9 Kristen Peavy
3-10 Blake Thompson
3-11 Lawson Humphries
Floyd Tucker

3-12 Jordan Peavy
3-13 Andrew Langston
3-14 Monica Payne
3-17 Linda Bodrey
Abigail Willingham
3-18 Christine Thompson
3-20 Brett Walls
3-21 Tiffany Arnett
Brenda Lockerman
3-22 Clara Sandefur
3-23 Sonya Witmer
3-24 Gladys Johnson
Arthur Murray
Marshall Welch
Brock Thompson
3-25 Jean Thompson

3-25 Tonya Thompson
3-26 Carson Godfrey
Johnny Jones
3-28 Robin Nelson
3-29 Jill Brannen
3-30 Landree Averill
3-31 Jacob Averill
Winston Overton
Debbie Thompson
4-2 Jeanna Everidge
Penny Langston
4-3 Kris Braddock

Please pray for these folks
on their birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY

Sunday School 10AM
Worship 11AM
Worship 6PM

TUESDAY

Children/Youth 7PM

WEDNESDAY

Prayer Meeting 7PM

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

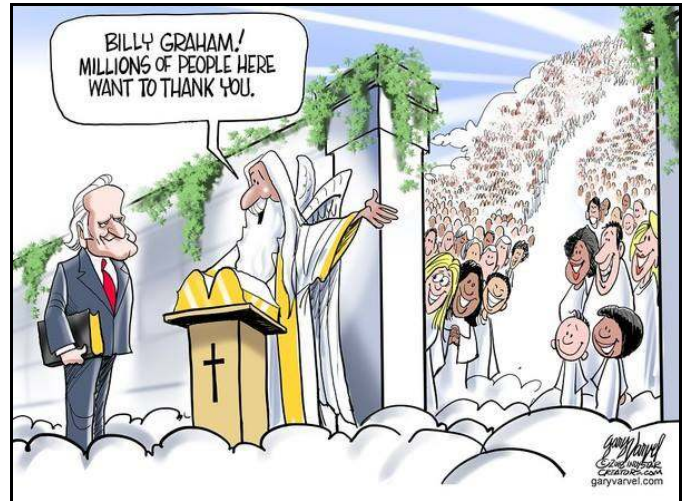
Schedule of Volunteers for March

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
Mar. 4	Rebekah Bowen Briana/Tricia Kent	Jenn/John John Averill	Floyd Tucker	Joseph Lamberth Keith Lamberth
Mar. 11	Jeanie Brimm Kay Green	Vicki Lamberth Robin Peavy	Joe Kent	Steven Lamberth George Massey
Mar. 18	Mandy/Paula Smith	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Jimmy Lockerman	Arthur Roney Roger Roney
Mar. 25	Robin/Mark Peavy	Alison/Taylor Willingham	Arthur Roney	Mark Smith Quint Smith

February Sunday School Stats

Senior Adults	5
FBIC	15
CIA	3
Young Adults	8
Youth	1
Older Children	1
Younger Children	2
Older Preschoolers	7
Younger Preschoolers	6
Nursery	2
General Officers/Musicians	3
TOTAL	52



Financial Summary

<u>January receipts</u>	
General offerings	\$ 7,410.25
Special-Bus Fund	500.00
Special-Mailbox Club/Pregnancy Care Ctr	51.98
Interest on CD	4.38
TOTAL RECEIPTS	7,966.61

<u>January disbursements</u>	
General expenses	8,326.07
Tech equipment	92.34
New floor	15,152.00
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering	2,820.00
Houston Baptist Association	563.94
Cooperative Program	1,466.23
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$28,420.58

YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Receipts	10,104.66	7,410.25	-2,694.41
Expenses	10,104.66	10,356.24	+251.58



Check the church calendar posted on our website and on the bulletin boards at the church house before planning church events.



The world offers TEMPORARY.
JESUS offers ETERNITY.

100% of your gifts support
North American missionaries

ON MISSION

HERE &
NOW

**ANNIE
ARMSTRONG**
EASTER OFFERING®
anniearmstrong.com

Our Goal: \$2,000

Blessings is published monthly by Byromville Baptist Church. Send news items and/or comments to Editor Brenda Lockerman at POB 217, Byromville, GA 31007, email to brendalockerman@windstream.net or call 478-433-2791.

Byromville Baptist Church

713 Patterson Street † POB 126

Byromville, GA 31007

www.byromvillebaptistchurch.com

478-433-2505

Pastor: Jacob Brimm

NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION
POSTAGE PAID
PERMIT NO. 2
BYROMVILLE GA
31007

