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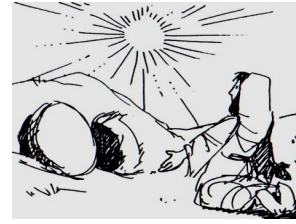
Have A Blessed
Easter



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THE VISION

April 2017

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...”
Amen. Matthew 28:19-20

“Mary Magdalene came, announcing to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord,’ and that He had said these things to her.” (John 20:18).

A family was watching *The Greatest Story Ever Told*, a film on the life of Christ. One of the children in the family was deeply moved. As Jesus journeyed to Calvary, tears rolled down her cheeks. She sat absolutely silent until Jesus had been taken down from the cross and put into the tomb. Then she suddenly grinned and shouted excitedly, “Now comes the good part!”

Now comes the *good part!* The resurrection of our Lord is the basis of our faith! Without it, we would be lost! Without the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

The Gospel would be Meaningless...

“If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved,” (Romans 10:9).

Forgiveness of Sins would be Hopeless...

“And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins,” (I Corinthians 15:17).

Present Life would be Joyless...

“Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied,” (I Corinthians 15:18-19).

Godly Living would be Fruitless...

“Truly, truly I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go to the Father,” (John 14:12).

Future Life would be Worthless...

“Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. I go to prepare a place for you,” (John 14:1-2).

Do we understand what is at stake? If there is no resurrection, there is no Gospel; if there is no Gospel, there is no forgiveness of sin; if there is no forgiveness of sin, there is no present joy; if there is no present joy, there is no future hope.

REMEMBER THIS: because of Easter, Christ is preparing a place for us in His Father’s house...and then comes the *good part!*

Glorious Easter Blessings,
Pastor Bud Goude



Deacon's Devotional

Upholding Our Pastor—Ephesians 6:18

As members of the church and worshipers of God, we are all called to support each other with our prayers and actions. Our pastor should be at the center of this support. His leadership is extremely important in the life of a thriving church.

As he prepares sermons, visits the sick, participates in weddings and funerals, counsels prospective members (just to name a few of his duties), he needs to know that the church is with him. Pray for him daily and let him know that you support him. He needs encouragement just like we all do.

Great things will be accomplished when God is the center of our plans.

—Jimmy Diggs

Deacon of the Week

- 4/2—Sonya Anthony
- 4/9—Gary Mangrum
- 4/16—Al West
- 4/23—David Crummett
- 4/30—Leslie Belvin

Nursery Workers

- 4/2—Beverly West
- 4/9—Pauline Littell
- 4/16—Tracy Williams
- 4/23—Devon Willard
- 4/30—OPEN

April Ushers

- Jimmy Diggs
- Gus Saunders
- Dale Jacobson
- Amy Jacobson

April Tellers

- Amy Jacobson
- Tommy Ashe



CHURCH WORKERS

Sun. Sch. Nursery
Sharon/Howard Warren

Older Children's Church

- 4/2—Sarah Saunders
- 4/9—Jennifer/Derick Hall
- 4/16—Madison/Seth Gandee
- 4/23—Charlene/John West
- 4/30—Seth Gandee

Younger Children's Church

- 4/2—Tracy Williams
- 4/9—Sonya Anthony
- 4/16—Denise Gandee/Mallory Wagner
- 4/23—Laraine Sentz/Rachel Wells
- 4/30—Tammy Greggs

EASTER CROSSES

Would you like to place a cross on the cross in memory or in honor of a loved one?

Donations for crosses will support benevolence. A cross can be placed for a minimum of a \$5.00 donation but more will gladly be accepted.

Deadline is Thursday, 4/13 and crosses will be placed on the cross as donations are received.

The cross contributors list will be included in the Easter bulletin. Place your form and payment in the labeled box in the Narthex.

Contact Paulette Ashe at 642-3251 with any questions.

Thanks for your generosity!

April Family Night Supper

The April Family Night Supper will be held on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00pm followed by the prayer meeting.

Come join us and bring your family & friends!



Sunday Morning Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday Morning Service, please sign-up for a specific Sunday on the flower sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you are placing the flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, contact Michelle to provide the information so it can be included in the bulletin. What a great way to recognize a birthday, anniversary, etc. and help to decorate the sanctuary.

“Jesus did not come so we could celebrate Christmas, but so we could EXPERIENCE EASTER”.

—Submitted by Linda Breaks



Mark your Calendars:

May 21st
Annual Church Picnic at the church

Activities start at 4:30pm with dinner at 6:00pm

Church Website

Have you visited our church’s website recently?

If not, check it out at

<http://www.gloptbaptist.org/>

for the latest information on ministries, outreach and upcoming events!