

The Grant's Creek Baptist Messenger

Preaching Christ and Building His Church

Where There's A Place For You!

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God Is Love!

The Pastor's Pen



Dearest Ones in Christ,

How good it is to write you today in Jesus' wonderful Name. As we look to the days ahead we are trusting our great God to do great things in the lives of His people and many who do not yet know Him. Let me share with you some things we are looking forward to. Our First Love Banquet is Sunday night, February 15th. I pray that you will plan to be here and invite someone as your guest. You'll be blessed by the food, fellowship, music, and an inspirational message from Rich Wingo. Also, we are excited about our second Stand in the Gap outreach that will be April 22-25. What a wonderful opportunity for the church to be the church! I pray that you will participate if you possibly can - for a day, two days, or three. Our Lord will be glorified!

On February 8th Grant's Creek will have the privilege of licensing one of our own to the gospel ministry. Many of you remember that a few months ago Jeff Chandler made public God's call upon his life to preach. We are excited for Jeff and humbled that our Lord would call him out from among us. And on that Sunday evening we are going to affirm Jeff in his call with a special commissioning service. I pray that you will be here to encourage him and Elizabeth.

Beloved, I do not have to tell you that these are perilous times. The Lord Jesus, the Word of God, and the people of God and our values are under attack as never before in our lifetimes. If there was ever a time for the church to rise up and fight the good fight of faith, it is now (1 Tim. 6:12)! And praise God, as I have been preaching in the last two weeks, we fight from victory, not for victory. Are you in the fight? Is your life making an impact in a world of darkness? Do little things cause you to retreat from the battle, or do you keep fighting, wounded but not defeated? "Oh, Lord, find us faithful! Faithful to pray, faithful to be present when your people gather, faithful to give, faithful to witness. Show us the importance of these things. And let us ever press toward the mark of Your high calling until you call us home" (Phil. 3:14).

In the Name of Jesus our Captain, Who is worthy,

Bro. Mike

Musical Notes



In Matthew in Chapter 25, the parable of the talents, a section of that passage stood out as I read. The master gave to each of his servants "each according to his ability." God gives spiritual gifts to each of us when we are saved according to our unique abilities. It may be teaching, preaching, singing or many others. They are given to us to advance His Kingdom. As we reach out to others to advance God's Kingdom, let's all be sure we are using the things that God has given us to glorify Him.

Thank you to everyone involved in the Music Ministry at GCBC for maximizing your gift to glorify our Lord. Matthew 25:23 "His Master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! ...Come and share your Master's happiness!"

Jerry Keel



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Service Opportunities

SUNDAY ~
Sunday School—9:45 am
Worship—11:00 am
Children's Classes — 6:30 pm
Evening Worship—5:30 pm
Discipleship Training—6:30 pm

1st & 3rd TUESDAY ~
Men's Prayer Meeting—9:30 am at the home of Tommy Wood

2nd, 4th & 5th TUESDAY ~
Men's Prayer Meeting—9:00 am CLC

WEDNESDAY ~
Prayer Meeting—6:30 pm
Youth/Children's Activities—6:30 pm
Adult Choir Practice—7:30 pm

Wacky Wednesday - 6:15-7:15 pm

For the Record

Jan. 1 - Jan.. 31
Weekly Budget Requirement— \$ 5,536.33
Average weekly offering — \$ 5,118.37
Year-to-Date receipts — \$ 20,473.47
Avg. Sunday School Attendance — 136
Discipleship Training Att. — 50

Website



Audio files from the Sunday morning sermons are now available online.

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Activities and Events Calendar

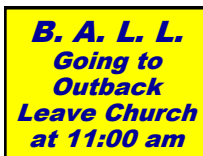
Feb. 01-28 Back 2Basics each Saturday from Feb. 01 - March 08
Feb. 10 B.A.L.L. - Outback Steakhouse
Feb. 15 First Love Banquet - Speaker: Rich Wiingo
Apr. 22-25 Stand In The Gap

Up Coming Events / Announcements



Back2Basics

February 1 - February 28, 2015



B.A.L.L.

Will meet for lunch February 10th at Outback Steakhouse. Reservations are for 11:30 and the bus/van will leave the church at 11:00 a.m. Hope you will join us for fun, food and fellowship.

Cecil Ann Sayles



First Love Banquet

February 15th at 6:00 p.m.
Tickets will be \$5.00 per ticket or \$15.00 per family.
Rich Wingo , speaker

NO COMP.
RETREAT
IS COMING!
Don't Miss Out!



Young people, our No Comp Retreat this year is March 16-18 at Shocco Springs in Talladega.
Cost is \$150.00, and a \$50.00
Deposit is due by February 22nd.

Children's Activities Schedule

Wacky Wednesday Nights

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. — Children's and Preschool classes

Sunday Nights

1st - 6th grade

5:30 - 6:15 p.m. — Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills in Bruce's large room Church Basement

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. — Music Makers in the youth room

Preschool

5:30 - 6:15 p.m. — Music in choir room

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. — Class