

# The Gran's Creek Baptist Messenger

Preaching Christ and Building His Church

Where There's A Place For You!

JULY 2016

Praise The Lord!

## The Pastor's Pen



Beloved Ones in Christ,

Blessings to you today in Jesus' wonderful Name. Today I'd just like to spend some time saying "thanks". The psalmist says, "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High" (Psalm 92:1). "Thank you Lord, for our life and breath, which you hold in Your hands. If you were to let go we would perish in a split second. Thank you, Lord, for Jesus, our Savior and our Lord. Because of His presence in our lives we have peace in things we cannot control and power over things we can. Thank you for Your church. Without God's people to encourage us and serve You with us, we would utterly fail in our Christian life. And thank you for the certain hope of Heaven! What a sacrifice you made to give it to us! Your only Son! Help us to live out our thankfulness every day".

Well, I could fill up page after page of more reasons for thanksgiving, but let me encourage all of you today, never let the sun go down without giving thanks! How it pleases our Father!

July 17<sup>th</sup> will be a big day for us at Grant's Creek. It will be the last day of our series of messages based on the book, I Am a Church Member. It will be a day of inspiration and a day of challenge. We are having a church-wide fellowship meal following the service. Plan now to attend!! You will be blessed, and just as importantly, you will be a blessing to others! Dearest ones, that's why we do church. First of all, to bless our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. Then to bless others, and lastly, to receive a blessing ourselves. And I promise you, if you come to church seeking to do the first two, you can be sure that God will provide for you the third!

Oh, yes. I'm thankful for one more thing. And that's my job. But it is not really a job. It is a precious privilege that our wonderful Father has given me, allowing me to serve Him with you.

Because of Jesus,  
Bro. Mike

## Musical Notes



### HOLY HUMOR

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

People want the front of the bus, the back of the church, and the center of attention.

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country.

"Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk.

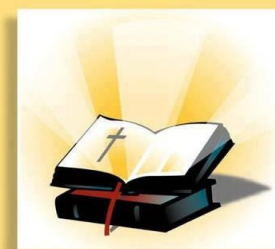
"Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady!

Smile. God loves YOU!

Bro. Jerry

### BIBLE

Basic  
Information  
Before  
Leaving  
Earth



Make sure that you are getting into the Word  
and that the Word is getting into you.

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## Service Opportunities

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**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

**TUESDAY ~**  
Men's Prayer Meeting —9:00 am  
**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

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## For the Record

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June 01 - June 30

Weekly Budget Requirement— \$ 6,185.01  
Average weekly offering — \$ 7,198.53  
Year-to-Date receipts — \$ 157,875.11  
Avg. Sunday School Attendance — 106

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## Website

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Audio files from the Sunday morning sermons are now available online.  
[www.grantscreekbaptist.org](http://www.grantscreekbaptist.org)

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## Activities and Events Calendar

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**July 03** Independence Celebration—Braughton Park  
**July 04** Office Closed  
**July 17** Church Wide Fellowship Dinner  
**July 17** BALL - Bake Sale  
**July-Aug 31-03** Kidz Kamp - Camp Tuscoaba

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## Up Coming Events / Announcements

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## Children's Activities Schedule

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### **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