



NEWS and CALENDAR EVENTS

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“...If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life...”

Revelation 22:18-19

Interpreting the Bible

Just as not understanding the meanings of Spanish words will render me unable to communicate in Spanish, not understanding the spiritual language of the Bible will render me unable to interpret God’s Word; therefore, one must first have an understanding of the words so that one can then find the spiritual understanding of what the Holy Spirit is communicating through the Bible. Knowing that we, as modern readers of the Bible, were not the original audience it was written for means that we need to understand the context from which it was written. In this modern society, we have our own sayings that are "in" and certain ways of saying things that an ancient audience from the Bible days would not understand; hence the need to study and learn about the background and context from which the Bible was written. As modern readers, we cannot know or understand the different contexts that existed in ancient times without studying the background. When we merely read Scripture and do not make an effort to learn about the context that surrounds the writing of the Bible, we miss out on something important: a knowledgeable and therefore enhanced reading of the Bible. It is dangerous to attempt to interpret and use the Bible without understanding the context behind it. The world tries to do this with “Judge not, that ye be not judged” (Matthew 7:1) when trying to excuse sin such as homosexuality and abortion. After all, Revelation 22:18 warns against adding to and taking away from that book; thus, we can infer that this can apply to the rest of the Bible as well. As God’s holy inspired word, Christians should be cautious about assigning meanings to the Bible because those meanings may go against what the Bible actually says. Even while examining the context, history, and culture of the Bible, one still has to look to the Holy Spirit for the ultimate interpretation. One cannot interpret the Bible without the Holy Spirit; He guides us to the meaning of a word or passage and allows us to understand it. Everything will not be made clear to us on this earth; there will be some things we have to wait until heaven to know. However, using historical and cultural contexts as well as the spiritual guidance of the Holy Spirit are essential when interpreting the Bible.

-Kalyn Lewis

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <u>4PM</u> Visitation #10 6PM 6:23 Class #11 DU Classes <u>7PM</u> Deacon Meeting	2 <u>10AM</u> Quilting 6PM Honduras Mtg. Prison Ministry	3	4
5 <u>4PM</u> 6:23 Visitation #10 5:30P-7PM BYBC NO EVENING SERVICE	6 5:30PM-7PM BYBC Prison Ministry	7 <u>9AM</u> Prayer Group 5:30PM-7PM BYBC	8 <u>6PM</u> 6:23Class TEST DU Classes Nursery/Toddler room training. <u>7PM</u> Council Meeting	9 <u>11:30AM</u> SAM’s Luncheon <u>7PM</u> Bread of Life Prison Ministry	10	11 <u>12:30PM</u> Corey & Annalise Bridal shower.
12 <u>2PM</u> Nursing Home Ministry 6PM Graduating SR Recognition <u>7PM</u> Choir Practice Mother's Day	13 Prison Ministry	14 <u>9AM</u> Prayer Group	15 <u>6PM</u> DU Classes	16 Prison Ministry	17	18 <u>8AM</u> Men/Youth Boys Breakfast
 CHURCH HOMECOMING NO Sunday School NO Evening Service.	20 Prison Ministry	21 <u>9AM</u> Prayer Group	22 <u>6PM</u> DU Classes <u>7PM</u> Stewardship Mtg.	23 Prison Ministry	24	25
26 <u>7PM</u> Business Meeting Communion	 Memorial Day Office Closed Prison Ministry	28 <u>9AM</u> Prayer Group	29 <u>6PM</u> DU Classes	30	31	

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

In December of 2013, I retired after working at Bledsoe Regional Correctional Facility. Soon after, I began my ministry working with our Senior Adult Ministry. One of the activities in place at that time was the monthly SAM's luncheon held the second Thursday of each month. Phyllis Franks, along with husband Dan, were in charge of the luncheon. Doing a great job I asked them if they would continue to take charge of the luncheon activity and they graciously agreed to do so. It has been almost six years since that time and them doing a fine job. I commend them and appreciate all they have done. At the last luncheon, Phyllis announced that it would be their last and they were stepping down. I want to take this opportunity to say a great BIG thank you for all they have done for the SAM's group ministry.

In Psalm 37:25 it says, "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread." How I appreciate how much the senior adults do here at LRBC. From various ministries, to building, repairing, cooking, they are faithful in honoring the Lord even as they grow older.

I am so honored to have the opportunity to labor with them for God's Kingdom. I'm thankful for the "gray heads" that continue to serve so faithfully. I think of the old saying, "only one life will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last." I know that one day these workers of Jesus will hear "well done ye faithful laborers..."

Thank God that He chooses to use feeble man to build His Kingdom. May we each be faithful tools in His hands til the day He returns for His own. To God be the Glory.

-Bro. Gary Linebaugh



SAM's GROUP LUNCH PICNIC

Come enjoy the outdoors! Join us for a picnic at Fall Creek Falls on May 17th. Bring your lunch and whatever you might want to share.

We will be leaving the church at 10:30AM



"HOME TEAM ADVANTAGE"-

HOMEcoming SUNDAY

Join us May 19th immediately following AM Service for Homecoming Sunday. LRBC is 36 years young! Come enjoy the day with "stadium" food, team building games, and fellowship! There will be water games for the young-ones and strawberry shortcake to finish off the day. Please bring a dessert to share. NO Sunday School or Evening Service.

#CREW Corner

"Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all."

2 Thessalonians 3:16

The month of May is exciting, and sad, and happy, and confusing, and joyful all at the same time. This year's graduating class is the first group that I had the blessing of welcoming into the #CREW student ministry in 7th grade and have watched you as y'all have grown into young men and women of God! I could not be any more proud and honored to have been a part of your lives and I know God has great things in store for you in your futures. Let's make this summer the best #CREW summer ever as we serve out our last few months together and welcome the next generation of #CREW.

Love You guys and #DBD

Bro. Adam

This year's Graduating CREW seniors are:

Andrew Bryant

Alex Colton

Dyllan Janeway

Brandon Meeks

Jordyn Meeks

I hope that our church family will join us in celebrating this milestone in the lives of these seniors on May 12th at 6pm with a reception to follow in the fellowship hall. Please come and cheer on these young people as they launch out into the next phase of their lives.

Crew Summer Schedule:

June 3-7: Summer Mission Trip to Johnson City, TN

June 16 - 20: Vacation Bible School

July 1-5: IMPACT Camp in Linden Valley



GA MISSION PROJECT

SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

June 1st from 11AM-2PM at LRBC for the community of Cumberland County. This will be a free event.

WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS! People to help with carnival games, crowd control, witnessing, and handing out food and supplies.

If you are able to help, sign up in the foyer.

NEIGHBORHOOD JAM-BACKYARD BIBLE CLUB

We are hosting Backyard Bible Clubs on May 5th-7th from 5:30PM-7PM throughout our community.

Please keep our teams in your Prayers.