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SLBC Deacons *Deacons for the month of May

Brian Bishop	414-9831	Ron Matthews	312-3036
*Joe McKay	603-8792	*John Meador	960-8395
Toby Spires	260-1404	Marion Steele	609-6115



Monthly Re-Cap For The Record...

Mar. 30th - Attendance	Apr. 6th - Attendance
Sunday School 100	Sunday School 101
Worship 150	Worship 152
Apr. 13th - Attendance	Apr. 20th - Attendance
Sunday School 101	Sunday School 103
Worship 154	Worship 253
Apr. 27th - Attendance	Sunday School 95
	Worship 144

General Fund Offering (Weekly Budget Requirement \$7,079.80)

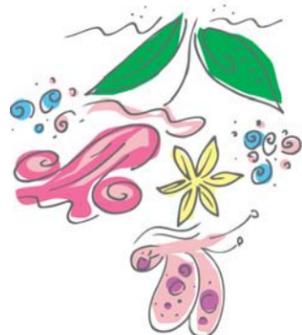
Mar. 30 Offering	\$ 5,632.00
Apr. 6 Offering	\$ 10,145.00
Apr. 13 Offering	\$ 4,736.96
Apr. 20 Offering	\$ 7,073.00
Apr. 27 Offering	\$ 2,980.00
Budget Requirement YTD (17 Weeks)	\$ 120,356.60
Offerings Received YTD	\$ 112,384.12
Expenses (Actual) YTD	\$ 108,547.88
Designated Receipts (YTD)	\$ 15,168.18
Love Offerings (YTD)	\$ 276.00



A Mother's Prayer...Thank you, Lord, for bringing my children into my life. Help me guide them and teach them through example to lead lives of wisdom and strong, loving faith. Please let them learn to serve You always in thought and deed. And remind me, Lord, to always be there for my Family as You are always there for me. Amen.

Motivator Optimist Teacher Helper Empathizer Role Model in Christ. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at Heaven's gates. Mothers plant the seeds of love. Women of Faith serve with Grace.

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Our Mission

South Lexington Baptist Church exists for the sole purpose of glorifying God. Our mission consists of reaching people for Christ, worshiping in Spirit and in Truth, teaching people the Bible, training people (discipleship), ministering to people's needs, and fellowshiping with people in Christ's name. Let His Light shine through You!

All Welcome!

Sunday Worship

10:30 AM

Sunday School

(All Ages)

9:30 AM

Evening Worship

6:30 PM

Wednesday Bible

Study and Prayer

7:00 PM



May 11th



"Blessed is the Mother who walks with the Lord"

A special gift of recognition will be given to all Mothers during our morning worship service. There will be no evening worship service, or activities. Mothers Plant the Seeds of Love;

Women of Faith Serve with Grace. Honor Your Mother!



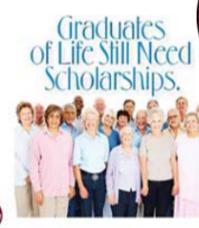
Sr. Adult Day is on Sunday, May 4th. A special program will be presented by our Sr. Adults and a fellowship meal will be provided and served by our Youth for all Seniors 55+ who have signed up. Come out and support our Sr. Adults and let them know what their faith and leadership brings to SLBC. We are blessed to have them and proud to call them our Parents, Grandparents, Great Grandparents, Friends, but mostly, our loved ones! Sr. Adults, know that **you** are most appreciated. Please pray for our Seniors as they are continually "on the go" at SLBC.



Tea Time

Ladies 2nd annual "Tea" hosted at SLBC by Ladies WMU will be on Saturday, May 3rd from 2-4 PM. Call the Church office to add your name if you didn't RSVP.

Please give to the Mother's Day Offering



A love offering will be received on Mother's Day, May 11th for the Martha Franks and Bethea retirement homes. Please give as God directs and thank you for your faithfulness to retired pastors and seniors...to those who have and continue to faithfully serve the Lord.

May 26th



We offer special thanks to our military and their families.

Freedom isn't free a price was paid.

REMEMBER ... PRAY AND GIVE THANKS!!

ALL GAVE SOME ... SOME GAVE ALL.

A Mother is the only one who can divide her love among 10 children and each child still have all her love.



A favorite passage of mine is Proverbs 3:5-6 *“Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.”* When we look at this we see that God is giving to us the way in which we can seek, find and follow after *all* His ways. The Lord does direct the “paths” of His people and in this Proverb we see how. Our problem is we have at one time misplaced our trust in something or someone and it did not turn out so good. Misplaced trust is not surprising or rare; in fact, most of us have put our trust in the wrong thing at least once. The solution to our problem of misplaced trust is our trust must always be in the Lord. The old hymn “Trust and Obey” encourages us to “trust and obey for there is no better way to be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey”. This proverb provides six wonderful truths assisting us to place our trust in the Lord. First, to trust and obey is to trust in the Lord. We are to trust in, feel safe, be confident, in the Lord. The word expresses that sense of well-being and security which results from having something or someone in whom to place confidence. That Someone is the Lord. Second, to trust and obey is to trust with all your heart. The term heart is the richest biblical term for the totality of man’s inner nature. The heart is who we are. The real us, the part of us that God wants. If we do not trust with the heart we do not trust. Third, to trust and obey is to trust not your understanding. Understanding is knowledge which is superior to the mere gathering of data. It is knowledge with the correct use of that same knowledge. We are not to lean on our gathered information and practical understanding when it prohibits trusting in the Lord. We are not to trust, lean or rely upon ourselves but upon the Lord. A simple example is tithing. We understand no one can do better with less. 100% is more than 90%. People can do more with 100% than 90%. Except when the Lord commands and requires us to give Him 10% and live on 90% with Him. If you lean on your understanding you will not give God 10%. Fourth, trust and obey is to trust in all your ways. The word “way” is our course of life and our actions each day. We are to trust the Lord as we live and move through each day. In everything we do we are to trust the Lord and follow His ways. Nothing we do is to exclude the Lord. Fifth, trust and obey is acknowledging Him. The word “acknowledge” means in all our ways we are to know, distinguish and be acquainted with God. Matthew Henry tells us in the good and bad we are to acknowledge the Lord. “In all our ways that prove pleasant, in which we gain our point, we must acknowledge God with thankfulness. In all our ways that prove uncomfortable, and that are hedged up with thorns, we must acknowledge him with submission.” Sixth, trust and obey means trust in the direction of the Lord. The directing of the Lord will be ours when we are seeking and trusting. God will direct as we look to, trust in and obey the Lord. This is what Proverbs 16:9 says, “A man’s heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps”. This means when we trust and obey He makes plain and clear our way. This Proverb is the Old Testament equivalent of Romans 8:28 *“And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”* Let us “trust and obey” and follow the Lord’s direction throughout our lives for His glory. See you Sunday, Pastor Ron John 14:6



Our Pastor Search Team asks that you continue to keep them in your daily prayers for Godly wisdom and discernment as they diligently seek the Lord’s will for SLBC. They have established a post office box for Senior Pastor resumes-SLBC, PO Box 84245, Lexington SC 29073. **PST:** Brian Bishop (Chair); Crystal Bouknight; Donna Gooding; John Meador; and Toby Spires. Your encouragement and prayers are most appreciated!



Bro. Robert Jumper received his new heart on April 15th. Please keep him & family in your prayers (also, for the donor’s family). If you would like to send a card of encouragement, his address at Duke is as follows: Duke University Hospital, 2301 Erwin Road, Robert Jumper, Room 3309, Durham NC 27705

Seniors Serving Jesus-Sr. Adult Ministry of SLBC
Our regular monthly meeting will be Thursday, May 29th at 11:30 AM. Bring enough food for sharing for their “potluck” lunch. Details of our trip to the SC Railroad Museum on June 26th will be discussed. (Bus Driver with a CDL license is needed). Come, take part--we have a great time of fellowship! Everyone 55+ WELCOME!



West Virginia Mission trip is scheduled for July 12-19. There will be a meeting on Sunday, June 1st at 4:30 PM for anyone who is interested in going or if you just want to find out more about trip. See Marion Steele if you have any questions about any missions related project at SLBC. Your interest and support are greatly appreciated!



Welcome New Members Of Our Church Family
Sharon Bailey; Selena Chavis; and Sherry Nicewonger

Visitors, let us know...if you would like to be removed from our newsletter mailing list. Please fill out this form and mail to SLBC, leave a phone message (803) 957-8285, or E-mail us at slbchurch@windstream.net. Thanks!

Family Name: _____

Address: _____



Reminder: Deacons meet the 2nd Monday of each month. This month’s meeting will be on Monday, May 12th at 7:30 PM.

Never look down on someone unless you’re helping them up!



Christian Sympathy to the families and friends of: Olin Byrd; James Marsh; James Norris; Rev. Larry Patterson; April Plyler; Richard Pound; Rodney Ricard; Art Rish and Paige Widmer. Weep but briefly for your loved ones as they enter into the Kingdom of God; for they shall possess a joy and peace that is unattainable on God’s earthly realm. Rather, rejoice in their everlasting and total happiness, for their eyes have seen God and are being led throughout Heaven by Jesus!

Thank You SLBC for the 28 health kits you provided. Beryl Bledsoe, WOM/WMU Director

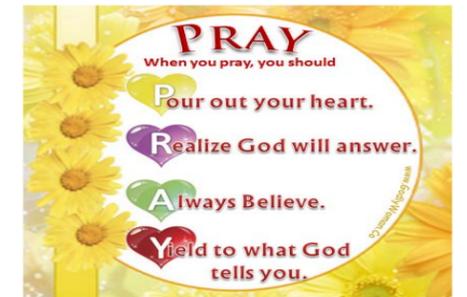


Agape Stitchers

The Agape Stitchers will celebrate 14 years of sewing service to Tri-County Hospice on May 10th. Sewing pillows, lap throws, blankets, etc., they have logged in over 8,000 volunteer hours. They now have 18 members (mostly SLBC members). They meet monthly under the tutelage of Margie Barr. Kudos to all you Ladies! Great job and accomplishment--we are very proud of you. Material donations are always welcomed! Contact Mrs. Margie Barr @ 755-2602 if you have material you can donate. Thank you!



We possess the most powerful weapon within ourselves, the Power of Prayer--to approach God’s Mercy Seat at any time of day--what a privilege we have. This day is set aside to pray for our Country and its Leaders, for our Churches, its Leaders and needs and for one another. Please take time to pray and offer thanks not only on this day but every day. Give God thanks for this awesome privilege. GOD IS EVERYWHERE- PRAY ANYWHERE!



Recruiting agents for **Agency D3!** Cadets will be trained to answer the question ...**WHO IS JESUS?...**and will report to **Headquarters** for daily worship briefing, be cleared to search the **Evidence Vault** for clues, visit the **Map Room** for maps and secret missions, the **Training Grounds** for drill, pick up some gadgets at **The Lab**, gain information in the **Communication Hub**, and finally the **Break Room** for lots of yummy treats! Each day agents will use Evidence Kits to study I Peter 3:15 to discover who Jesus really is! Join us Monday, June 16th - Friday June 20th (6-9 PM). Let Co-Directors Susan Bishop or Susan Battles know where you can help! Training for volunteers will be held immediately following church services on Sunday, May 18th, with lunch provided. Come, join us for a great time as we get familiar with our theme. Details later!!



Our need for childcare volunteers continues to be great, especially for Older Children’s Church. If you can help out for even once a month, please call Terri McCurdy (730-6311), Marion Steele (609-6115), or church office (957-8285) to volunteer your time for these precious children. God Bless You & Thank you!! Background checks are a pre-requisite for working with our Children and Youth, per insurance carrier requirement every 3 years. Thanks so much!!



We will have an infant dedication during our Mother’s Day service, May 11th. Please contact the Church Office (957-8285) if you wish to participate in order for a Certificate to be prepared. Thank you!



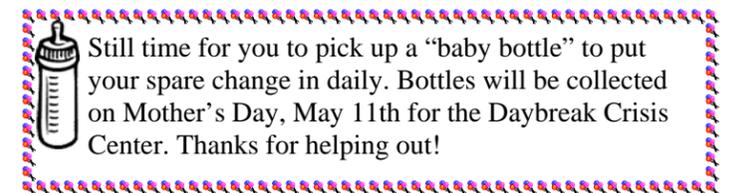
Congratulations to Sherry Nicewonger baptized on April 27th.



God Bless You Graduates

Graduate Recognition Service May 18th
If you or someone you know is graduating from high school or college, please use sign up sheet or call the church office so we may Give special recognition during the morning worship service on Sunday, May 18th.
Kiersten Addy; Olivia Ducker; Hunter Jones; Mac McCurdy

Congratulations to you & all Graduates...God’s Blessings upon your future endeavors! Jeremiah 29:11 (*Below)



Providing flowers for a Sunday worship is a beautiful way to honor or remember a loved one, commemorate a special birthday or anniversary, or just to honor our Lord. Please reserve your Sunday by signing up on flower calendar located in vestibule or call Diane Conyers (359-0365), Ministry Leader. Thank you.

*For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord...plans to give you hope and a future. Jer. 29:11



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Sunday Schedule

Sunday School
 9:30 AM
 Morning Worship
 10:30 AM
 Evening Worship
 6:30 PM
 AWANA Sept.-May

Wednesday Schedule

7:00 - 8:00 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
 7:00 - 8:00 PM Team Kids
 7:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Meeting
 7:30 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday Schedule

10:00 AM Discipleship Bible Study
 10:00 AM WOM-Last Tuesday

On-Going Activities

11:30 AM Sr. Adults-Seasoned to Serve - Last Thursday

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Emma Clappitt <i>National Day of Prayer</i>	2 Joe Larned Benjamin Mabe	3 Donnie Griffin Bill Widener <i>Mother-Daughter Tea</i> 2-4 PM
4 Doris Cryer Gary Elliott Faye Hunter Kelsey Willis <i>Senior ADULT DAY</i>	5 Nathan Davis Jacob Tedder Testing-WKHS 7:30 AM-12:30 PM	6 Dakota Bishop Landyn Oakley	7 Amber Parker	8 Savannah Bustle Renee Goff	9 Treina Risher Testing-WKHS 7:30 AM-12:30 PM	10 Pat Otto Brittany Penninger
11 Sharon Bailey Brooklyn Bishop Dawn Humphries <i>Happy Mother's Day</i> No PM Service	12 Anna Richburg Testing-WKHS 7:30 AM-12:30 PM Deacon Meeting 7:30 PM	13 Brian Bishop Marion Steele	14 Stephanie Dawkins	15 Diane Conyers Lendsey Jeffers Nunnie Zeigler	16 Dawnte Robinson	17 Graduate Meal 5 PM
18 Graduate Recognition Service VBS Training with lunch following AM Worship	19	20	21 Madison Schumacher	22	23 Narda Kenamer Youth Camping Trip-James Island	24 Linda Ebron Christine Golda
25 Carol Martin Rev. Johnny Rumbough, Guest Speaker	26 Chester Keisler Ryan Rentz Pause . . . and Remember <i>Memorial Day Remember Those Who Gave Their Lives</i>	27 10:00 AM Ladies WMU	28	29 Sr. Adults 11:30 <i>Senior Adult Fellowship</i>	30 Elizabeth Boykin Jamey Harlin Veronica Mabe Youth James Island Retreat	31 Charles McCurdy Doug Wooten



YOUTH

- May 4 Serve the Sr. Adult Meal
- May 14 Feed the Homeless
- May 17 Graduate Meal
- May 18 Graduate Recognition
- May 30-June 1 Camping Trip-James Island



Blooming Button Flowers

For Mother's Day, add a special touch to any houseplant with this easy craft.

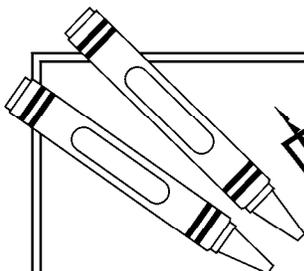


What you need:

- A small houseplant with leaves
- Colorful buttons of various sizes
- Green 26-gauge floral wire
- Wire cutters

What you do:

1. Stack three buttons from largest to smallest, with the smallest on top. Align the button holes.
2. Cut 8 inches of wire. Thread it up through one hole of the stacked buttons and back down through another hole.
3. Twist the wire just below the bottom side of the button stack to secure it.
4. Insert the "flower" in the plant's soil and repeat the process.
5. Present this to Mom and wish her a happy Mother's Day!



PUZZLE

Mothers in the Bible

Children have always had a special place in their mother's heart.

Directions: First, cover up the second column and see if you can name some of the mothers' children from the Bible. Then write the circled letters on the correct lines below to complete Proverbs 23:25, NIV.

MOTHERS

Eve³¹ bore
 Sarah²³ bore
 Rebekah⁷ bore
 Rachel¹³ bore
 Leah¹² bore
 Zilpah⁴⁴ bore
 Bilhah³⁴ bore
 Jochebed¹⁹ bore
 Naomi² bore
 Ruth¹⁴ bore
 Hannah²⁶ bore
 Bathsheba⁴² bore
 Elizabeth¹⁰ bore
 Mary³ bore
 Eunice⁶ bore

CHILDREN

Cain, Abel²⁵ and Seth¹¹
 Isaac¹⁸
 Jacob⁷ and Esau¹⁵
 Benjamin²⁰ and Joseph⁴¹
 Reuben⁴³, Simeon¹⁷, Levi³⁰, Judah³³,
 Issachar³⁵, Zebulun³⁹ and Dinah²⁴
 Gad²⁸ and Asher³⁶
 Dan³⁴ and Naphtali³⁸
 Moses²⁹
 Mahlon⁸ and Kilion³²
 Obed⁵
 Samuel²¹
 Solomon⁴²
 John the Baptist⁹
 Jesus¹⁶
 Timothy⁴



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PROVERBS 23:25, NIV

Answer: "May your ... mother rejoice; may she who gave you birth be joyful!" Proverbs 23:25, NIV