

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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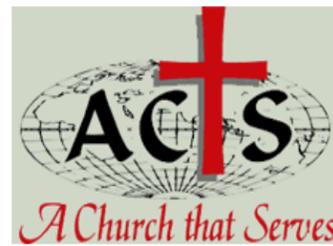


For The Record...

Sep. 29th - Attendance	Oct. 6th - Attendance
Sunday School 96	Sunday School 83
Worship 163	Worship 148
Oct. 13th - Attendance	Oct. 20th - Attendance
Sunday School 100	Sunday School 92
Worship 147	Worship 140
Oct. 27th -Attendance	Sunday School-100 Worship 166
General Fund Offering (Weekly Budget Requirement \$8,489.31)	
Sep 29 Offering	\$ 7,098.00
Oct 6 Offering	\$ 7,582.25
Oct 13 Offering	\$ 5,273.25
Oct 20 Offering	\$ 7,482.55
Oct 27 Offering	\$ 4,186.00
Budget Requirement YTD (43 Weeks)	\$ 365,040.33
Offerings Received YTD	\$ 283,043.10
Expenses (Actual) YTD	\$ 291,419.93
Designated Receipts YTD	\$ 23,452.51
Love Offerings (YTD)	\$ 3,260.14



Gentle Thoughts for Today -A penny saved is a government oversight. The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends. The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement. He who hesitates is probably right. **Did you ever notice:** the Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL; or that when you put the 2 words 'The' and 'IRS' together it spells 'Theirs! If you can smile when things go wrong, you have some other person to blame. The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble. **Aging:** Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it. Some people try to turn back their odometers, not me, I want people to know why I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved. When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to your youth, think of Detention. You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks. One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young. Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable. ...Lord, please keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.....AMEN!



South Lexington Baptist Church
"People Sharing Jesus"

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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



Come Join Us Sunday, November 10th @ 6:00PM

(light refreshments following) for this much anticipated video presentation. Dr. Graham's powerful new program, **The Cross**, presents our Nation with the timeless message of hope and redemption through Jesus Christ. Dr. Graham speaks directly and clearly about God's love for us and our need for redemption; he shares, "With all my heart, I want to leave you with truth." Woven within his message are the faith stories of popular musicians, rapper Lecrae Moore and former Flyleaf lead singer Lacey Sturm. You will be blessed by their testimonies and the original music that serves as the background to a simple and relevant explanation by Rev. Graham of the saving power of the Cross. Invite your friends and family! Televised broadcasts November 7th 10 PM (Fox) and November 8th 7:30 PM (NBC).



THANKSGIVING MEAL

Family Thanksgiving Meal November 24th at 6:30 PM.

Church provides meat, but please bring accompanying side dishes and delicious desserts. **Note:** A business meeting to *discuss* our 2014 Budget follows meal. A ballot vote will be taken the next Sunday, December 1st with **NO** discussion. Remember, **NO** Wednesday services or activities on November 27th. Happy Thanksgiving!



Veteran's Day Monday, November 11th-Please take time

to remember and pray for the men & women who sacrifice their lives daily for our freedom and give thanks for the ones who gave the ultimate in protecting our rights. Freedom Isn't Free, They gave their today so we could have tomorrow-with our heartfelt thanks!



Happy Thanksgiving

Let us come before him with thanksgiving.
Psalm 95:2, NIV



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3rd. Set your clocks back 1 hour Saturday evening before you go to bed!

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No Wednesday evening service or activities November 27th-Happy Thanksgiving!



A Word From Pastor Ron...

Thanksgiving is a wonderful day to be thankful. Christians are known for their thankfulness and yet on this day our hearts seem to be more thankful. If we have been unthankful it is a great time to correct this with the Lord's forgiveness and become thankful again in our hearts. I desire our hearts to reveal Psalm 100:4 "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name." I desire this truth to be ours in word, thought and deed not only today but every day. Let us covenant together to be more thankful this coming year.

A cartoon of Charlie's Brown's dog "Snoopy" puts into perspective our need to be thankful. It's Thanksgiving Day and the aroma of roast turkey fills Charlie Brown's house. Snoopy is outside, lying on top of his doghouse, smells that aroma and he is thinking, "It's Thanksgiving Day. Everybody eats turkey on Thanksgiving Day." So he lies there, watching the back door, eagerly awaiting his Thanksgiving dinner. Finally, the door opens and here comes Charlie Brown with a bowl of dog food, and he puts it on the ground. Snoopy climbs down off his dog house and stares at the dog food with a forlorn look on his face, and he thinks, "Just because I'm a dog, I have to eat dog food on Thanksgiving Day." Then the next square shows him looking at the dog food more intently, and he is thinking, "It could be worse. I could be the turkey."

Most of us have more than enough to be thankful. Yet, some today may be thinking sure everybody else has something but me "I'm all alone, I have no one, and I have nothing." What could I be thankful for? First, be thankful you can read this, many cannot for several reasons. They cannot see, they cannot read, they are not alive! Be thankful you are alive and God loves you. The promise of Colossians 3:15 can be yours today. Listen to this verse, "And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful." Today you can let the peace of God into your hearts by accepting Jesus, His Son, and truly have reason to be thankful. See you Sunday, Pastor Ron John 14:6

DOLLAR\$ & CENTS

The Best Way To Deal With Money. Proverbs 28:27 *He who gives to the poor will not lack, but he who hides his eyes will have many curses.* You've probably heard the best

way to deal with money is to give it away-we need to keep on giving, especially during challenging financial times. This is a key factor in helping us to maintain a biblical focus on our finances. It's always possible to live by God's financial principles, even in difficult times. You might find yourself in what seems like an impossible financial situation and feel like you're not in a position to give, but don't let that stop you. God will help you when you simply work with what you have.

Luke 19-17 tells us that God is pleased when we are faithful & trustworthy in very little things. When we are, it says He will give us authority over bigger things. **Proverbs 28:27** says, "He who gives to the poor will not want". If we obey God with our finances, even when we don't have much, and give to help other people, the more God will have other people do for us. **It's just that simple.** Choose to be a giver today. **Prayer:** God, I choose today to give my finances to You. Even in hard times, I know that Your financial principles still apply and that You will take care of me.

You are my source. Excerpted: Joyce Meyer Daily Devotion

Jerry Frick, Finance



Seasoned to Serve

No meeting in November due to Senior Adult Fall Festival November 14th (see below). Our December lunch/meeting will be held at Ryan's on Thursday, December 5th-11:30 AM.



PRISON MINISTRY We're almost there!. For November we need to add five #10 embossed/stamped envelopes to our Prison Packets. If you would like to contribute to this, please give your donation to Beryl, BJ, or any Women on Mission member or put in an envelope marked prison packets. Any money left over will be used to complete filling some of the packets that still need a few items. Thank you so much for helping us with this project. Deadline: Nov. 24th. Beryl and Women on Mission.



If you would like to receive the Baptist Courier for a year, please submit \$13.50 payable to SLBC. Renewal Deadline is December 1st.



Collection deadline November 17th. Monetary shipping donations (\$7/per box payable to SLBC) also appreciated.

Christmas in West Virginia-December 6-8th. Contact Marion Steele if you would like to go on trip or provide a gift for a child (\$25/per child).



Sr. Adult Fall Festival

All Adults Invited

DATE: Thursday, November 14

TIME: 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

LOCATION: Willow Ridge

Cost: \$10 (Shealy's BBQ)

Please give your ticket \$ to BJ by Sunday, November 10th.

Speaker: Keith Kirchner (Chief Deputy, Assistant Sheriff, Lex. County Sheriff's Depart.)

Topic: "The Greatest Generation: God's Not Finished With You Yet!"

Music: 4 Heaven's Sake (Southern Gospel Quartet)

Kindness: A language which the dumb can speak and the deaf can understand.

Thanks...

Dear Church Family, Karen and I thank you so very much for your most generous gifts and loving words of appreciation. We also appreciate each of you and thank the Lord for being able to labor together here at SLBC. *Pastor Ron & Karen*

A humble thank you for all your kind words of sympathy in the passing of my Mom, Christine Taylor in West Va. For all your prayers, cards, to Marion & Gloria for coming to W. Va. and the gift card from the church. All of you are a blessing to John and me. *With Love, Sharon (Meador)*

I wanted to thank everyone for all the prayers and support and for the cards, food provided and all the kindness shown during this tragic time in the loss of my step grandson, Krys. I also wanted to express a special thank you to Pastor Ron for officiating and being there for the entire family. Thanks from the bottom of my heart, *Pat Otto.*

Thank you for your prayers, cards, calls and all loving expressions of sympathy shown to us after the sudden passing of our brother, brother-in-law, Charles Crumpton. It is so wonderful to be a part of such a great Church Family. *Love in Christ, Gene & Ruth (Crumpton)*

I would like to thank my Church Family for your prayers, visits and cards during my recent hospital stay. God is good. *George McCain*

Special thanks to all the workers at the SAFE/POWER workshop on Saturday, Oct. 26th and to attendees. Toby Spires



Praying the Lord will comfort you with His Peace-Surround you in His Love-and encourage you with His Presence-Isaiah 51:3-"For the Lord shall comfort..." With our deepest sympathy and Christian love to friends and families of these departed loved ones: J.D. Byrd; Linnie Branch; Charlie Crumpton; Donald & Joyce Elliott; Linda Geiger; Danny Haygood; Harry Hedgepath; Mary Mills; Krys Otto and Rev. Edward Taylor.



Will & Tammy Lucas
Hal & Ann Inabinet and Laken

Choir Notice: I encourage all choir members to make every effort to attend upcoming choir practices for the Christmas musical. If we do not see an increase in Wednesday night attendance, we will have to cancel this musical due to lack of participation. If you have any ideas in making choir practice at another time, please let me know. Serving our Lord through music. *Dean Campbell*



The 2014 Flower Calendar is now available in foyer of new worship area. Placing flowers is a wonderful way to honor a special occasion or in remembrance of a loved one. Please mark your "Sunday" to place flowers. Diane Conyers, Ministry Leader



DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

Count your Blessings, not your crosses;
Count your gains instead of your losses;
Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of your foes;
Count your smiles instead of your tears;
Count your courage instead of your fears;
Count your full years instead of your lean;
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean;
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself.



Order Your Poinsettias Please help us decorate SLBC in the traditional red/green Christmas colors with beautiful poinsettias. If you would like to give special recognition this Christmas in Memory or in Honor of someone special or to just commemorate a special occasion, birthday, anniversary, complete this order form and return to church office or give to Diane Conyers by **Wednesday November 13th**. The cost of each plant is **\$11.50** and your check, made payable to **SLBC** should be turned in with this order form. They will be placed in our worship area on **December 15th** and can be picked up after Candle light Service Sunday evening, **December 22nd. A Memorial/Honorarium list will be placed in the bulletin for these two weeks. Thank You.**

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In Honor of In Memory of

2013 Annual Meeting SC Baptist Convention

Tuesday & Wednesday, Nov. 12-13 -"Better Together"
Shandon Baptist Church, 5250 Forest Drive, Columbia SC
Please pray for Convention leaders, and for wisdom as decisions are made concerning the future of our State Convention with better understanding and challenges of cooperation, understanding and respect.

A Person's ears weren't made to shut - but their mouths were!

November 2013



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 (Resumes in Jan.)
 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	2 Dean Campbell 
3 Eric Mills 	4 Pam Shumpert Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer	5 Todd Cook Annette Deal	6 Elizabeth Larned Kira Tolbert Brett Vaughn Ernie Wooten	7	8	9 Nevelyn Glenn Robin Glover
10 Michelle Mitchell 	11 	12 Gabby Esterline SCBC Annual Meeting-Shandon Baptist	13 Lisa Bustle Krystal McGraw Lettie Smith Laura Wooten	14 Drew Richburg Sr. Adult Fall Festival Willow Ridge-10:30	15 Renee Altman Ricky Kitchings, Jr. Daryl Woodmansee	16 Austin Ross Sandy Simmons Tiffany Sipes
17 Randy Smith Anita Wood Shoeboxes Due 	18 Patti Shumpert	19 Carl Bishop Trey Edwards Bo Miles Charles Oakes Tammy Tolbert	20 Kristi Hunter Alex Kercher	21 Michele Tynes	22 Ron Daves	23 Caleb Brumfield Alide Matthews
24 Kristen Ard Anthony R  6:30 PM Meal & Business Meeting to Discuss Budget	25	26	27 Jenna Hall NO PM Worship or Activities	28 Tiffany Davis David McCune  Office Closed	29 Sam Altman, Jr. Shelley Jessup Terri McCurdy  I CHRONICLES 29:13, NIV	30 C J Brawley Mikayla Franklin Donna Gooding

