



# PLYMOUTH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

MARCH 2022

## Pastor's Letter: *Now is the time.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I sit to write this letter to you the newscasts are filled with what is nearly unthinkable— the potential for another world war. We are all praying that this will be averted and that relative peace can return. However, Russia is on the move and it appears that China may soon move against little Taiwan.

There is no need for me to list the numerous problems our society is facing within our borders— the foundations of our nation and the nations of the world are being shaken. Remember and take heart! As followers of Jesus Christ, this world is not our home— and though we are citizens of the United States, and are called to be good citizens here, the Bible assures us that our eternal citizenship is in heaven— (see Philippians 3:20), and the kingdom we are inheriting cannot be shaken or destroyed. The book of Hebrews speaks of this kingdom, and even gives us a glimpse of God's future plan, the beginnings of which we may be on the very edge.

*"Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire." Heb.12:26b-29*

Since we are receiving an unshakeable kingdom we are to continue to be thankful and worship God with reverence and awe. Remembering that our God, though loving and gracious and kind, is also a consuming fire— He is a holy and righteous God who demands His people to be Holy! (See Deut. 4:23-27; Hebrews 10:26-27)



My dear brother and sister, if ever there was a time to get right with God— either initially receiving Jesus as Lord and Savior or getting right with God because you have been backsliding, the time is now. If you have strayed, the time is now to get back into church. The time is now to get your children and grandchildren under the sound teaching of God's word in Sunday School. The time is now to get back into Bible Study. Its time to get serious about your walk with God and serving in the church and community. Jesus said to His disciples that in the last days, the difficulties will grow more and more difficult and frequent, like the birth pains of a pregnant woman— because His kingdom, the kingdom of God is going to be birthed. (See Matthew 24:6-8). Did you know, that when you are walking with the Lord and abiding in His presence He provides a peace that passes all understanding in the face of such days? God will be faithful to His people. Jesus will come back for us— our call from Him is to stay faithful to Him in word and deed.

*"Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like servants waiting for their master to return ...be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him." Lk 12:35-40*

Pastor Paul

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY: *Ruth: Loyalty and Love*

We will have a March Bible study on the book of Ruth on Mondays at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall. Ladies, there is no book to purchase. Just bring your Bible. We will cover one chapter each Monday, March 7-28. Looking forward to studying this incredible story of redemption, loyalty, and love.



### **The Senior Banquet**

honoring this year's high school graduates will be held Sunday, April 24 at 6:00 pm. The menu is

Mexican food with coffee, tea and dessert. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the board outside the church office no later than Sunday, April 10.

**We praise the Lord** for providing a new roof over the fellowship hall! God has been so good to FBC—we have been able to replace 4 roofs in the last several months while not incurring a single penny of debt! Praise God for moving on HIS people to give!



## P R A Y E R   L I S T

### **Church family:**

Paul Lilly  
Tim Peyton  
Barbara Peyton  
Lynn West  
Bill Sexton  
BJ Lyle  
Tracie Wildman  
Hulan Williams  
Robert & Phyllis Dickerson  
Oliver & Frances Lucas  
Family of Herman Spivey



### **NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

Christine McMurtrie #209  
—Three Rivers,  
Pauline Humphreys #418—River  
Trace Nursing & Rehab Center  
Tim Elks—Carrolton,  
Rae Owens—Chowan

### **OTHER CONCERNS:**

Trevor Cannan (Nephew of Susan Rea)  
Virginia Roberson  
June Basnight  
Greg Spruill (Brother of Cecilia Spruill & Micki Dail)  
Guy Davenport (Friend of Nevis Leary)  
Glenn Hassell  
Wayne Britt  
Lois Hardison  
Debbie Comstock (Sister of Brenda Bullock)  
Gavin and Bryson Blount (friends of Jim & Susan Sawyer)  
Keith Sawyer  
Jonnie Kephart

**Daylight  
Savings time  
begins Sun-  
day, March  
13!!**



*Pray for our Radio Ministry! We broadcast our worship service on Magic 95.9 each Sunday at 11 and Pastor Paul hosts our daily devotional "Of This I Am Convinced" 5 days a week. Pray that we will reach our community with the good news of Jesus Christ! If you are not in the Plymouth area you can listen on the MyTuner radio app.*



## Birthdays & Anniversaries



*Evan Davenport 3/1*  
*Marguerite Hart 3/2*  
*Bobby Brown 3/6*  
*Rexanne Harrison 3/8*  
*Tom Harrison 3/9*  
*Sherri Harrington 3/10*  
*Denise Nobles 3/10*  
*Mary Kay Bradshaw 3/14*  
*Linda Sermons 3/14*  
*Meredith Bradshaw 3/15*  
*Heather Carr 3/15*  
*Claire Dail 3/21*  
*Shelly Brabble 3/22*  
*Gwen Phelps 3/22*  
*Kim Blevins 3/23*  
*Sandra Spruill 3/26*  
*Debra Lyle Nixon 3/29*



*Oliver & Frances Lucas 3/4*  
*Nevis & Jamie Leary 3/13*  
*Jim & Susan Sawyer 3/30*  
*Mike & Caroline Gurganus 3/31*



**\*\*Choir Practice**  
 Wednesdays at 5:45 pm.  
**\*\*Youth Bible study**  
 Wednesday at 6:45 pm.  
**\*\*Adult Bible study**  
 Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

## March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

## Coming Up

- ♦ 1st—Laura McNair Group at 5:00 pm at Fish Hooks in Belhaven
- ♦ 1st—Helen Peele Group at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall
- ♦ 6th-Baptist Men's Breakfast at 7:30 am in the fellowship hall
- ♦ 6th—Observe Communion
- ♦ 7th- Mission Action Group 12:30 pm at Golden Skillet
- ♦ 7th-Buildings and Grounds meets at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall.
- ♦ 14th - Deacons meet at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall with Scott Smith hosting



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First Baptist Church

**Hope is found here.**  
Psalm 39:7

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Rev. Paul Harrington,  
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Mrs. Danita Davis,  
Office Administrator

B.J. Lyle, Organist



## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

### **Annie Armstrong Offering**

Annie Armstrong (1850-1938) was a bold advocate for missionaries and their work. She championed Missions support among Southern Baptist churches and helped create a rich legacy of people awakened and responding to God's call to pray, give and go.

Since 1895, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering has empowered Southern Baptists' missional work to reach the US., Canada and their territories. Generation after generation, we've united to reach people born on our shores and the nations who come here to make a new home.

**Our goal is \$1000.00**



### **Our Local Missions**

- \* Blessing Box
- \* Mile of Pennies
- \* Benevolence Offering
- \* Food Pantry

**Galatians 6:9** *And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.*