

MARCH 1, 2019

The Messenger

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

"The Church with a history and a future"



Jesus' "Wilderness Time" immediately followed his baptism and those powerful affirming words "You are My Son, whom I love, with you I am well pleased." Jesus, God's beloved Son, was sent out into the wilderness by the same Spirit that was present at His baptism. According to Mark's gospel, He was there in the wilderness for 40 days, during which He was tempted by Satan, with the wild animals, and attended to by angels. Matthew and Luke give us more details about Jesus time in the wilderness where he fasted for those forty days and resisted the Devil's temptations by saying no to the bread, no to the kingdoms, and no to the angelic body guards. Jesus passed the wilderness test.

While none of us will ever face the same temptations Jesus faced, or even find ourselves fasting in the woods for forty days, we will spend some time in the wilderness. Wilderness times are when we are tested to our limits. We describe these times in life with words such as dry, desolate, lonely, trying, difficult, agonizing. In those times we feel spiritual hunger and thirst. The wilderness can be a dangerous spiritual place. As much as we try, we cannot avoid the wilderness moments in life. But that can be a good thing, because sometimes in the wilderness we find the clarity we need, we gain grit and remember hope, we are strengthened spiritually, and we pass our wilderness tests.

We are soon to begin the church season of Lent. Lent comes from an English word meaning spring. This image of the plants, trees, and flowers coming to life reminds us of the new life we have in Christ. During the Lenten season, we will focus on what we can learn when we find ourselves wandering in the wilderness. This can be a time of personal reflection, thought, and prayer. There have been numerous times in my life where I have cherished walks, hikes, and runs through the woods. These have been times free of cell phones, work worries, and the distractions of life. My prayer for us all is to put aside all the noises of life so we can hear God's voice.

March 10: "A Time for Learning" Mark 1:12-25

March 17: "A Time of Challenge" Mark 1:12-15; 2 Corinthians 4:8-11

March 24: "A Time of Dependence" Mark 1:12-15; Hebrews 4:14-16

March 31: "A Time of Doubt" Mark 1:12-15; Mark 9:24b

April 7: "A Time of Comfort" Mark 1:12-15; 2 Corinthians 12:7b-10

April 14: "A Time of New Beginnings" Mark 1:9-15; 2 Corinthians 5:14-19



Daylight Saving Time Begins on Sunday, March 10th

Please remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday evening, March 9th, so you will be on time for church the next morning!



SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD (Also 10, 17TH, 24TH, 31ST)

SISTERHOOD BREAKFAST - 8:30 AM - SMALL DINING ROOM
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 AM; WORSHIP & COMMUNION - 11:00 AM
YOUTH SNACK SUPPER - 5:30 PM; YOUTH BIBLE STUDY - 6:00
CLEVELAND COUNTY RESCUE MISSION MEAL - 6:00 PM

MONDAY, MARCH 4TH (EACH MONDAY IS RESERVED)

ZION MEN'S BASKETBALL IN FAMILY LIFE CENTER - 7:30-10:00 PM

TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH

COMMUNITY MISSIONS PLANNING MEETING - 6:30 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH (ALSO 13TH, 20TH, 27TH)

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL BEGINS AT 5:15 PM
CHILDREN'S CHOIR - 5:40 PM; ORANGE - 6:00 PM; YOUTH - 6:00 PM
ADULT PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY IN ADULT ASSEMBLY - 6:00 PM (REVELATION)
CHOIR PRACTICE - 6:45 PM; PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE - 7:45 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH (Also 14th, 21st, 28th)

BUSY HANDS - 1:30 IN SMALL DINING ROOM

SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST MEETING - 8:30 AM - SMALL DINING ROOM
MUSIC CONCERT BY JENNY & JOHN DURING WORSHIP
DEACONS' MEETING 6:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING

MONDAY, MARCH 11TH

HOMEWORK CLUB - 5:30-7:45 PM

TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH

LYDA POSTON CIRCLE MEETING & A LIGHT SUPPER - 7:00 PM - FELLOWSHIP BUILDING
HOSTESSES: JANE COOPER AND BETTY HENDRICK

SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH

SENIOR SINGING AT ELIZABETH BAPTIST CHURCH - 6:00 PM

MONDAY, MARCH 18TH

JOY CLUB TO TOSCANO'S BISTRO FOR BURGER NIGHT, 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND -- SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH

YOUTH DISCIPLE NOW WEEKEND

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

COMMUNITY MISSION DAY - 8:00 AM, BREAKFAST & DEVOTIONAL, ZION'S FAMILY LIFE CENTER
9:00 AM - PROJECTS





It's a new year and the JOY CLUB has arrived!

JOY Stands for "Just Older Youth" and is a group of folks who love to come for monthly "get-togethers" that include games, fun, trips, great food, and lots of laughter!

There is no age limit (restriction?) young or "mature" -- just come and join us for an uplifting time to spend with your church family brothers and sisters!

On March 18th we will be going to Toscano's Bistro for \$5.00 Burger Night. If you want to ride with us, meet at the church at 5:15. We hope you can join us and add a little JOY to your life!

April 12th -- Trip to see 4 Crosses, a wonderful and uplifting dinner theater production. Cost of the ticket (which includes dinner) is only \$25. We have 25 reserved spots and you will need to sign up by March 28th to reserve your ticket. Contact Jenny or the church office to sign up.

April 19th -- Good Friday luncheon

May 21st -- Trip to Strawberry Hill

LADIES NIGHT OUT **At Double Springs Baptist Church** **1130 Double Springs Church Road, Shelby** **Monday, April 8th, 6:00 pm**

Dinner by Toscano's, Tickets \$10, call 704-434-2258 & leave a message
Must be ordered no later than April 3rd
Worship led by Mercy's Touch



Zion welcomes these new members to our church family:

Steve and Crystal Ware

Samuel Cartee

Dave and Teresa Worster

Ema Osborne and Payton Osborne

T. Mills and Earcie Dellinger Cornwell **Scholarship Guidelines**

Scholarship applications and guidelines have been placed on the hall table across from the second floor elevator; they are also available in the church office. Please complete the application and return it to the church office on or before May 6th. No applications will be considered if received after May 6th.

Reminder: In order to receive a scholarship, the application must be completed each year.

March Prayer Requests

CHURCH FAMILY

Barbara Bridges
Dick Canipe
Sue Dawson
Gary Gragg
Jewel Greene
Tim Hamrick
Betty Hendrick
Natalie Humphries
Bob Ingle
Dale Jackson
Kim Lee
Dale Mayes
Marshall Mayes
Thomas & Christian McSwain
Mickey Morehead
Rachel Proctor
Jim Ramsey
Barbara Reynolds
Matt Royster
Myrtle Sparks
Barbara Wellmon
Jessica Wellmon

HOMEBOUND

Dorcas Barbee
Mary Helen Cabaniss
Sue Cabaniss
Gene Cornwell
Max Cornwell
Veva C. Gold
Bob Horn
Family of Barbara Maloney
Ora Trivett
Billy Wright

MISSIONS

THOSE IN THE MILITARY

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

*We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV



You may order an Easter lily to be placed in the church sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost is \$12.00 each. Beginning on Sunday, March 10th, order forms will be available in the church bulletin and in the church office. Please give your order and check to anyone on the Flower Committee. The deadline to order is March 31st.

Lift
Your
Voices



The Greater Cleveland County Baptist Association will host a Senior Singing at Elizabeth Baptist Church on Sunday, March 17th at 6:00 pm. Come and enjoy Marty Parks as he conducts his creation, *Fourth Helping of Well Seasoned Praise 4: A Smorgasbord of Favorites for Senior Adult Choir.*



1 Anita Horn
 3 Gene Hastings
 Luke Scism
 4 Jeff Cornwell
 6 Claire Cabaniss
 Jenny Cabaniss
 Lisa Spangler
 Laura Wellmon
 9 Brett Hamrick
 John Hamrick
 Jason Parker
 10 Ron Alexander
 Carson Putnam
 12 Pat Phillips
 14 Sandra Cartee
 15 Susan Beaver
 Blake Dyer
 16 Shane Bostic
 Eloise Stallings
 17 Barbara Hilton
 18 Ginny Davis
 19 Adrienne Fletcher
 20 Hazel Wilson
 22 Ned Gold
 Rachel Proctor
 23 Brandon Johnson
 24 Kenneth Bostic
 25 Kiley Gold
 Michael Wright
 26 Mike Bankhead
 27 Carol Martin
 Chuck Benton
 28 Jessalyn Jenks Marcela
 Jessica Yarboro
 30 Jenny Harrill
 31 Betsy Boatwright
 Dennis Wright

3rd Ned & Lorah Gold

10th Todd & Julie McMurry

15th Rusty & Lindsay Albrecht
 Lem & Beth Hafer

21st Randy & Linda Raynor
 Scott & Kelly Snellings

If we have omitted your birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office and we will be glad to add it to our calendar.



March 6th

Menu: Country-style steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli casserole, black-eyed pea salad

March 13th

Menu: Pepperoni pizza bake, corn, marinated vegetables, cheese toast

March 20th

Menu: Ham, green beans, tomato pie, sweet potato casserole

March 27th

Hostess: Jane Cooper
 Menu: To be announced

Kleenex Drive for Hospice

Cleveland County Hospice is in need of boxes of Kleenex, any brand of tissue. Please bring your donations to Zion and place in the boxes provided. Our March goal is 200 boxes!

Please make reservation changes by noon on Monday, so we can have an accurate meal count. Thank you.

Upcoming Projects for 2019



North Carolina Baptists on Mission is hosting a conference on Friday April 5th and Saturday April 6th at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. There will be opportunities of worship, time to be encouraged by speakers such as Bob Goff, and numerous breakout sessions to learn more about becoming engaged in missions. Cost of the conference is \$20 and includes lunch on Saturday. You can join us for all the sessions -- Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday afternoon, or choose those that best fit your schedule. Call the church office or go to zbcshelby.org to register. Registration is due by March 25th.

Community Mission Day March 30th - Zion Baptist Family Life Center Breakfast and devotional at 8am Projects - 9am until . . .

What is Community Mission Day? It is a day where folks from different churches gather together to serve on various mission projects. We meet for breakfast, then head out in small groups to help build handicap ramps, clean gutters for homebound, cook lunches for the men's and women's shelters, visit with people in the nursing homes, and serve God in other various ways. Most projects are completed by lunchtime, while others may finish up in the afternoon.

Purpose of the Mission day: to go and serve those in need within our community, "whatever you did for the least of these, you did for me" Matthew 25:40; and to build up the Christian fellowship within our church partnerships (Dover, Eskridge Grove, Palmer Grove, Zion).

How can I help? Pray for all the mission projects, those being helped, and those serving that God's glory may be seen and felt in everything we do. Donate monies to help cover the cost of supplies for the mission projects. Volunteer to serve on Community Mission Day. Volunteer to help plan and coordinate CMD projects. Volunteer to help lead a project on CMD.

Contact Matt or anyone on the mission committee if you want to lead a project, help with the planning, donate monies for projects, or any other questions. You can sign up to serve on a project beginning March 10th by filling out a bulletin insert or signing up online.

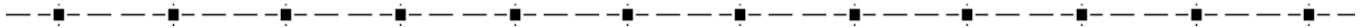
Haiti Medical and Construction Trip -- has been postponed until April 7th-13th. We will partner with FBC Salisbury to work with Marc Brice and his ministry in Haiti. We are collecting children's vitamins and financial donations for the trip and also donations for food for the orphans.

Guatemala Mission Project July 7/13-7/20 -- This trip is sponsored by the youth ministry, but open to anyone in the church who feels led to go serve. We will be helping with several construction projects, VBS with children, and working with youth. Contact Carson if you are interested.



Easter Egg Hunt Donations

Everyone is invited to help the ZBC Children's Ministry make possible the 2019 ZBC Easter Egg Hunt by donating candy for the event throughout the month of March. Beginning in March, there will be containers placed in the gym and in the sanctuary full of empty Easter eggs alongside empty containers and grocery bags. To help make possible the 2019 ZBC Easter Egg Hunt, please take home some empty Easter eggs in grocery bags and return the eggs, filled with wrapped candy, by Sunday, April 14th (Palm Sunday). Thanks so much for your continued support!



U.4.42

Are you ready for a weekend of fun, games, worship, Bible study, and time with your closest friends? You better rest up for these 42 hours! U.4.42 will be a weekend retreat here in town and is the perfect opportunity to invite friends! We will have a speaker, worship leader, great food, small groups, a mission project, and all your friends (especially others that are invited). The cost of the weekend will be \$50/person, and will include the cost for the weekend and 1 t-shirt per person. Make sure to sign up for the U.4.42 weekend by Sunday, March 17th upstairs in the youth room or to contact Carson!

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VIDEO MINISTRY - March

Aidan Storie

PRESCHOOL CHURCH

Sunday, March 3rd

Connie, Katie & Emma Harrill

Sunday, March 10th

Jason & Emily Parker

Sunday, March 17th

Ben & Jessica Yarboro

Sunday, March 24th

Iris & Lisa Spangler

Sunday, March 31st

Jerry & Laura Wellmon

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Sunday, March 3rd

Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker

Sunday, March 10th

Linda Cornwell

Sunday, March 17th

Vanna Wright

Sunday, March 24th

June Lail

Sunday, March 31st

Tap Ramsey/Sally Barker

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Week of March 3rd

Dick Cabaniss, Leonard Fletcher

Week of March 10th

Todd McMurry, Dannie Moore

Week of March 17th

Brad Cornwell, Kenneth Wellmon

Week of March 24th

Jeff Cornwell, Franklin Barbee

Week of March 31st

Matt Cornwell, Clyde Gold

NURSERY WORKERS

Sunday, March 3rd

Eddie & Jenny Harrill, Becky Dorsey

Sunday, March 10th

Thomas & Adrienne Fletcher, Linda Cornwell

Sunday, March 17th

Dana & Maggie Bradshaw, Jean Silver

Sunday, March 24th

Zach & Madelyn Parker, Susan Brown

Sunday, March 31st

Terri McSwain, Betty Morehead, Iris Spangler

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

The bulletin is printed each week on Thursday Morning.
Please forward any announcements, inserts, or prayer
requests to the office by 10:00 am on Thursdays for
publication the following Sunday.

NEXT CHECK WRITING DATES - MARCH 13TH AND 27TH

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION FOR
PUBLICATION IN THE APRIL MESSENGER - MARCH 28TH**

**Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday
8:00 am - 1:00 pm**