

# The Good News Letter

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## Attention All Church Members

**There will be a special conference on March 9 to vote on the following amendment to the constitution.**

**Motion to amend the constitution of First Baptist Church of Gaston Article III which reads:**

“Article III: Statement of Faith

The Holy Bible is the inspired Word of God and is the basis for any statement of faith. The church subscribes to the doctrinal statement of The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963 and amended 1998.”

**To read:**

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**Explanation:** The Baptist Faith and Message revision of 1998 dealing with the family was not adopted until 2000. This amendment removes any reference to a particular version of the BFM. This is necessary to make it clear that we hold as an article of faith that marriage is between one man and one woman as stated in the BFM revision adopted in 2000, and therefore cannot be forced to recognize or accept a same sex couple as a married couple or perform a sanctioning wedding of a same sex couple.



***Easter is here... wow, it seems like it was just Christmas...***

Join us in March for a special series of messages and music as we approach Resurrection Sunday...

Each AM Sunday in March will be very special. March 6 Pastor Larry will center his sermon on the “**Triumphal Entry**” of Jesus into Jerusalem. March 13 will be centered on the “**Last Supper**” Jesus had with the disciples in the Upper Room. The church will also participate in the Lord’s Supper. March 20 Pastor Larry will speak on the “**Crucifixion**” of Jesus. These three Sundays will climax with the “**Resurrection**” of our Lord on Easter Sunday, March 27. I, along with the choir, will focus the music around these subjects. Don’t miss any of these special March Sundays!!

We will have our Sunrise Service on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 AM with breakfast following. Please sign up for the breakfast so we have a good count for providing the meal. Then we will have Sunday School and Worship at the regular times and no evening services.

We are so blessed as Christians to celebrate a risen Savior everyday. But, we have a time set aside on the calendar to celebrate corporately and we want to be sure and give Jesus all the attention we can. Invite people to join us for the services... pray that lost people will be saved... Ask God to challenge your own heart and life so that we might truly be followers and not just spectators!

Joyfully Serving,

Sherrell Ott



# March 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Children's Easter Program</b>  <b>"Happy Day"</b>  <b>Sunday, March 20</b>  <b>7 PM</b></p>		<p>1 Mia Drawdy</p>	<p>2 <b>Spiritual Warriors</b>  <b>11:30</b>  <b>Prayer Service</b>  <b>Mission Groups</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Michael Hankins Bailey Speares Richard Tackett ♥Kenny &amp; Pam Saunders</p>	<p>5 Sherry Goodwin Jimezy Kelly Taylor Reynolds Richard Shuler</p>
<p>6 Jessica Vest</p>	<p>7 Aaron Aycock Bray Cross</p>	<p>8 Chris Gates Allison Sanford Beth Spires</p>	<p>9 Janice Boldt Lisa Lowrey Patrica Watts   <b>Special Conference</b>  <b>Prayer Service</b>  <b>Mission Groups</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b></p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12    <b>Move clocks up one hour before going to bed.</b></p>
<p>13 Brittany Brant Jim St.Clair Chris Vidrine Ben Whitaker Christine Williamson ♥Thomas &amp; Cynthia Furtick   <b>Lord's Supper</b>  <b>Day Light Savings Time Begins</b></p>	<p>14 Matthew Barker Victoria Delatorre Suzanne Gregory Cheryl Hicks Jimmy Pound Allison Sleeper Kathy Sturkie</p>	<p>15 Christopher Hatfield Lynn Madden</p>	<p>16 Adam Jumper Taylor Whitaker Melba Williams   <b>Prayer Service/Conference</b>  <b>Mission Groups</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b></p>	<p>17 Aimee Jo Anderson Scott Clayton Christie Dowd Donnie Dowd Carolyn Meetze Donald Pound</p>	<p>18 Sam Hart Walker Spires Amber Vella</p>	<p>19 James Barwick Kayla Greene Frank Mack Dodger Williams</p>
<p>20 Ted Boldt Jeannie Hartley Bryan Knight Kathy Robinett   <b>Palm Sunday</b>  <b>Mission March</b>  <b>Children's Program 7 PM</b>  <b>Spring Begins</b></p>	<p>21 Mark Dowd Zachery Edwards Jo Ann Frownfelter ♥Charles &amp; Beatrice Bryant</p>	<p>22 Adrienne Bolt Pam Campbell Wendy Lemon Susan Spires Amanda Ussary Travis Ussary</p>	<p>23 Irma Braden Karen Griffin   <b>Prayer Service</b>  <b>Mission Groups</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b></p>	<p>24 Glenn Toole</p>	<p>25 Brantley Cope     <b>Good Friday</b></p>	<p>26 Mary Ann Belford Johnny Dowd Tonya Goodwin Deborah Martin</p>
<p>27 Helga Carson Joshua Edwards   <b>Easter Sunday</b>  <b>Sunrise Rise Service 7 AM</b>  <b>Breakfast 7:30</b>  <b>Sunday School 9:45</b>  <b>Worship 11 AM</b>  <b>No PM Service</b></p>	<p>28 Eric Koller Lindsey Sightler</p>	<p>29 Donald Hilderbrand</p>	<p>30 Alex Bennett Jeanette Lee Mary Moore Elizabeth Williams   <b>Prayer Service</b>  <b>Mission Groups</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b></p>	<p>31</p>	<p><b>March 6 - 13</b>  <b>Season of Prayer for North American Missions.</b>  <b>March 9</b>  <b>Special Conference &amp; Mission Study...Pam Spires</b>  <b>March 20</b>  <b>Mission March for Annie Armstrong Offering.</b>  <b>March 27 Easter Services</b></p>	



# April 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Jody Griffin Liz Henderson Crystal Pound	2 Pearl Dowd
3 Colleen Burrows Melody Cartee Richard Kollar McKenzie Platt ♥Harry & Linda Wilson	4	5 Mallory Deavers Jeremy Gleaton Destin Hellard Jacob Hull Carolyn Mann Samuel Woods	6 Glenna Matthews Erik Painter Brian Pound, Sr. Robbie Stabler  <b>Spiritual Warriors</b> <b>11:30 AM</b>  <b>All Mission</b> <b>Groups</b> <b>Meet 7:00 PM</b>	7 Robin Anderson Thomas Lewis Brandy Ramey ♥Ricky & Kathy Sturkie	8 Lureen Marks Ken Nelson	9 John Gregory, Jr. Blake Oxner
10 Lena Clark Kirstin O'Stein	11 Jane Pound ♥Devin & Sherri Miller	12 Kathryn Gunter Erin Miller Carl Reynolds Amelia Sightler ♥Gabriel & Adrienne Bolt  <b>ABC Meeting</b> <b>6:45 PM</b>	13 Patricia Hildebrand Edward Joseph ♥Jody & Karen Griffin  <b>Prayer Meeting</b> <b>Mission Groups</b> <b>7:00 PM</b>	14 John Ridgeway	15 Parker Drawdy Robert Munsell Carlie Reynolds Daniel Spears Vickie Vick Kelly Watts	16 Cynthia Furtick Kenny Saunders
17 Stephanie Brown Alisha Sirianni  <b>Hinson Girls in</b> <b>Concert 11 AM</b>  <b>Church-wide</b> <b>Worship &amp;</b> <b>Fellowship Service</b> <b>5 - 7 PM</b> <b>Fellowship Hall</b>	18 Jim Cox	19 Kippy Watts	20 Dawn Cole Judy Johnson Kristen Kirkham Kadence York  <b>Prayer Meeting/</b> <b>Conference</b> <b>Mission Groups</b> <b>7:00 PM</b>	21 Tatum Cox Lisa Hinsonn	22 Lenora Johnson Daniel Rabon ♥Ned & Jo Ann Frownfelter	23
24 William Guy T. W. Reynolds	25 Linda Jackson William Keadle Debra Kyzer ♥Tommy & Carol Furtick	26 Sunnie Gail Pound ♥L. H. & Amelia Sightler	27 Hanna Edwards Leonard Thomas	28 Todd Ayer Denisa Knight	29 Irma Dowd Ronald Winstead Melissa Yandle ♥Buddy & Jeannie Harley	30 Sara La'Due



**T**he Hinson Girls are four sisters from Lancaster, SC who have been performing bluegrass gospel music since 2009. Their love for music has brought them closer together, and opened many opportunities to share their talents.

They will be in concert at **First Baptist Church Gaston April 17 for the 11:00 AM Worship Service**. You will not want to miss this time of worship through music with the Hinson Girls.

## Good News Club Meetings

The "Good News Club" meetings are as follows:  
Sandhills Elementary School at 2 PM

**March 2, 9, 16 & 23**

**April 6, 13, & 20**

Making a difference in a  
child's life!!



## Mission Study



Pam Spires will be doing a mission study Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in the Worship Center at 7 PM. You will gain much valuable insight for missions by attending this study.

## Children's Ministry

### Easter Celebration!

Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8 PM.

Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Join us for a special Easter story, games, food and candy!



## Spiritual Warriors



**Luncheons - 11:30 AM**

March 2 & April 6

Come join the fun, food and fellowship!!



## Women on Mission

**MEETINGS - Fellowship Hall**

March 21 & April 18 at 6:30 PM

**March 6-13**

Week of Prayer for North American Missions.

**Sunday, March 20**

Annie Armstrong March for Easter Offering.

Information packets about Camp LaVida were sent home with the GAs the end of February. Completed camp registration forms and money are due back to Margie Rish by Sunday, April 3 so registrations can in by April 6. If any questions, see Margie Rish or a GA/Acteens leader.

In April we will begin collecting items for the Health Kits. There will be a bin in the Welcome Center for the items. Last day to drop off items will be Wednesday night April 27, as they are due at Lexington Baptist Association April 28.

**Mission study March 9.**

Watch the bulletins for more WOM News.

*And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.*

Matthew 28:5-6

## Sunday School

**M**ondays are not popular. Need proof? Check social media on Monday mornings. Alarm clocks ring louder. Time speeds by until we get to work and then it slows down. Our greatest longing in life temporarily becomes going back to bed. There are even songs lamenting the arrival and experience of Mondays. One of those songs says we can't trust that day. Another says of Mondays, "I wish it was Sunday cos that's my fun day...my 'I don't have to run' day". What I observe, however, is that Sunday is slowly becoming the new Monday. We don't feel like getting up because the day is going to be so busy. We have slowly but surely begun to treat our Sunday as if it were any other

day by filling it with busyness. Sunday is set apart for us as Christians because it's the day of the week Christ rose from the dead. I believe it's past time as Christians, families, and church members that we get back to making Sunday special and a day to look forward to. Let's slow down and worship God together on Sundays and leave the manic for Mondays. See you in Sunday School!

Note: The annual church picnic will be on SUNDAY, May 15! Be on the lookout for more details soon!

Adam Callahan, Sunday School Director