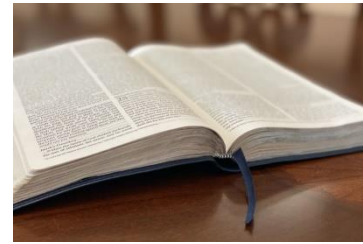


FEBRUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER



One day a seminary professor asked his class by a show of hands this question, “Do you love Jesus?” Naturally all hands shot up in the air. Then he asked by a show of hands, “Do you keep daily the 10 commandments?” This time only

about half the class raised their hands. Based upon that response the professor then made this statement, “Do you know that I just asked you the same question!” His answer is grounded squarely in Scripture. **“If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.” (John 14:15)** We have watered down love in our society to an emotion, or a feeling. That attitude flies right in the face of Scripture. Jesus clearly says that if you love Me it will show, not merely in speech, but in action. Jesus didn’t move about telling people He loved them, He demonstrated it. If you ever have any question as to whether you are loved by God just look at the cross. **“We know love by this that He laid down His life for us....”** Now that is only half the verse. The balance of the verse is where, as they say, “the rubber meets the road.” **“...And we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.” (1 John 3:16).** Notice that John says love begins within the body of Christ. The Bible nowhere teaches that we are to gossip about the brethren, be mean, spiteful, and unforgiving to the brethren, or to kick the brethren when they are down. If we can’t practice love in action, then are we really in love in Jesus? Fact of the matter, I’ll go so far as to say, do we really know Jesus as our Lord and Savior? **“We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death.” (1 John 3:14).** In keeping with the Scriptures may it be that our words are carefully chosen and our actions obvious to believer and non-believer alike!

Pastor Earl

Calendar February 2023

- 2/2 – Pop-Up Food Distribution @ 10:00-12:00 noon
- 2/6 – Deacons Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- 2/11 – Wedding Shower for Jessica Pearce Lewis @ 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- 2/12 – Men’s Brotherhood Breakfast @ 8:00 a.m. (ladies are invited)
Noah’s Park @ 11:00 a.m.
- 2/16 – VBS Informational Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Midweek Schedule

- Children’s Choir Practice: 6:00-6:20 p.m.
- AWANA: 6:30-7:45 p.m.
- Youth Discipleship Study: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Young Adult Bible Study: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Practice: 7:45 p.m.

Ushers – February 2023

Steve Brown
Nelson Pearce
J.W. Reel

Nursery Schedule – February 2023

- 5 Lynne Taylor & Gracey Taylor
- 12 Vicky Nessell & Mike Nessell
- 19 Janet Alford & Cindy Ellington
- 26 Pam Oliver & Jase Oliver



February 2023 Birthdays

- 1 Evan Bunn**
- 5 Debbie Perry**
- 7 Curtis Alford**
Bethany Brown
Milton Bryant
- 12 Deborah Vaughan**
- 15 Evan Baker**
- 16 Charles Horton**
- 18 Ramona Bunn**
Brenda Woodlief
- 19 David Grindstaff**
Cindy Jobe
- 23 Todd Ferrell**
Janet Jackson
Pam Oliver
Theresa Roach
- 26 Cindy Ellington**
- 28 Joseph Bryant**
Jackie Medlin

February 2023 Anniversaries

- 6 Ronnie & Debbie Perry**
- 9 Jacob & Lindsey Brantley**
- 12 David & Deborah Grindstaff**

Remember those in Rest Homes and Assisted Living

Coventry House	Louisburg Nursing & Rehab Ctr
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Intercessory Prayer List

Curtis Alford	Kay Perry
Danny Brannan	Melba Perry
Tim & Marcia Brannan	Nancy Perry
Inez Brown	Ronnie & Debbie Perry
Ramona Bunn	Lovie Puryear
Doris Champion	Lindberg Ray
Sandy & Twinkle Cole	J.W. & Sylvia Reel
Hilda Fowler	Tony Rhodes
Timothy Godfrey	Chuck & Jackie Robertson
Sam Head	Brenda Vaughan
Judy Hocutt	Judy Whitley
Curtis Honeycutt	
Donald & Janet Jackson	
Cindy Jobe	
Angela Melton	
Abel Miranda, Sr.	
Mike & Vicky Nessell	
Faye Pearce	
Faye Perry	