



Mid-Week Informer

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March 20, 2019

Lancaster Baptist Church
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A COMMUNITY OF GRACE
THAT IS GROWING
AND GOING

UPCOMING EVENTS:

APRIL

- Clean-up day around church Sat. Apr. 13th at 9AM
- Easter Egg Hunt at Logan Hubble Apr. 13th from 2-4 PM
- Easter April 21st – 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM services

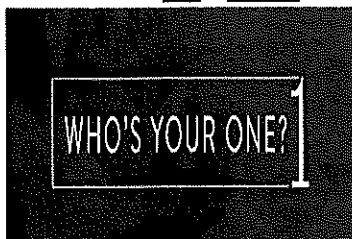
PRAYER WARRIOR
Rodney and Della Hall

GROW Teams

Orange Team Thursday,
March 21st at 6:00 PM

White Team Monday
March 25th at 6:00 pm

ON MISSION: Always & Everywhere



Name: _____

Specific Prayer Request: _____

From Your Pastor:

Committed to the Church

This week I have been working on a sermon about commitment to the church (as part of our Beautifully Adorned Bride sermon series) and I have been reading a new book called, "The Unserved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel." Now, I know that an unserved Christian is an oxymoron and yet "approximately 70% of the US population still identifies as Christian" (p. 15). The premise of the book is that "Cultural Christianity" is the most underrated mission field in America. For example, the historic Bellevue Baptist Church (where Adrian Rogers pastored) has 30,000 members and an average attendance of 6,801 (less than 23%).

I'm not trying to point fingers at the big churches, we have over 1,000 members and our attendance is usually around 300. I mentioned a few weeks ago that I think we should move towards a covenant membership model where every so often (maybe every 5 years) everybody who wants to be apart of the church signs the church covenant and is reminded of their responsibility to the church and the church's responsibility to them. Some really think the pastor is either becoming a legalist or is losing it when they start talking about expectations of church members. No, I just have a high view and love for the church. My Lord paid the highest price (gave His life) to save sinners and to purchase the church. Peter reminds us (1 Peter 1:18-19), "knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot."

Yes, I get a little concerned about those who join a church, claim to be a member of the church, want the benefits of membership and yet never attend or support the work and ministry of the church. Think about this, I have been the pastor of LBC for almost 7 years and I have not met the majority of our members and have no idea where they even live. (I'm not sure the FBI could find them.) My real concern is that they heard a false gospel that told them that if they repeated the words of a prayer that their ticket was punched to heaven. I'm afraid many of them were not changed by the gospel. As Johnny Hunt often says, "No change, No Christ." Jesus said (John 8:31), "if you abide in My word, you are truly my disciples."

Dean Inserra writes, "In the Bible Belt, many people think they're Christians but have no concept of the severity of sin, necessity of repentance, message of grace, or the overall message of the gospel. They think they're just fine with God and God is fine with them because they aren't atheists and have been to church before as a kid." I agree with the premise of the book that Cultural Christians (many of whom are on our church roles) might be the largest mission field in our communities.

Let's preach and teach the true life-changing gospel of Jesus Christ and help the lost to understand what it means to truly follow Christ, obey Christ, and to abide in Christ. To God be all the glory!

Bro. Harold

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TINA MONTGOMERY 90TH BIRTHDAY: Tina will turn 90 on Mon. Mar. 25th. We would love for you to send her a birthday card at Landmark of Lancaster, 308 West Maple Ave.

GROW TEAMS: ORANGE Team will meet **Mar. 21st at 6:00 PM**. **White Team** will meet on **Mar. 25th at 6:00 PM**. Please make plans to be here on your district's particular night.

REVIVAL: Hyattsville Baptist will be having revival Mar. 24-27th. Bro. Harold will be preaching on Tue. Mar. 26th at 7PM.

STUDENT CAMP: Summer Camp for 6th through 12th Grade will be July 2nd - 6th at Cedarmore. Sign-up now. \$50 deposit will be required by 3/24/19.

HELP NEEDED: We are having several children at our Tues. PM Life Group and could use some help with childcare (7:00-8:00PM). Barbara Montgomery prepares the food and watches the children. Help would be appreciated!

EASTER EGG HUNT: Sat. Apr. 13th from 2:00-4:00 PM at Logan Hubble Park, Shed #2 (shuttles from church at 1:30PM). We could use candy and eggs (drop beside kitchen).

CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY: We will do some clean up around our church campus on Sat. Apr. 13th at 9:00 AM. All invited!

REVIVE 2019 EXERCISE CLASSES: YogaFit™ Mondays at 6:00 PM, Refit on Tues and Thurs @ 6:00 PM. Both classes are in the Multipurpose Room.

MISSION TRIPS 2019: El Salvador (6/8-6/15 and 6/22-6/29), Alaska (7/7-7/13) and Haiti (10/5-10/12).

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING: Our AAEO Goal this year is \$8,000.

PRAYER REQUEST (*Pray without ceasing... 1 Thessalonians 5:17*) Della Hall – (859) 548-9250

Jayce April	Randall Grant	Nancy Moberly	Derek Smith	LBC
Doris Ayers	Deborah Gumm	Betty Montgomery	John "Bubba" Smith	Bro. Harold & Family
Linda Baird	Barbara Hackney	Allen Moore	Don Spencer	Bro Nehemiah & Family
Jennifer Baker	Barb & Leland Hall	Vicki Murphy	Tyler Stratton	Bro. Gary & Family
Sue Ballard	Jeanne Hall	Marie Naylor	Andy Sutton	Bro. Michael & Family
Dorothy Bennett	Phillip Haynes	Betty Jean Pass	Mike Sutton	Chervens
Sunnie Brock	Eva Hicks	Hildreth Patterson	Oda Taylor	Our Deacons
Scott Brown	David Holland	Samantha Rush-Peek	Bro. Leon Thomas	Our SS Teachers
Bob & Janice Bryant	Dixie Holman	Faye Poff	Sue Thompson	Church Leaders
Denny Bullock	Misty Horton	Brenda Powers	Crystal Tudor	Adam and CJ
Kaleigh Burkhardt	Judy Hoskins	Amber Rankin	Beth Turner	College Students
Eric Caldwell	Sara Hoskins	Robert J. Reister	Mildred Underwood	Lost
Lisa R. Caldwell	Carolyn Hunt	Bo Renfro	Isaac White	COMMUNITY
Jerry Carrier	Jakobe & Family	Johnny Reynold	Danny Wilson	County Judge (Wilson)
Lisa Caudill	Lonnie Jenkins	Kelly Richards		City Mayor (Norton)
Clay Clark	Cheryl Johnson	Betty Rigsby	HOMEBOUND	Representative
Gordon Clark	Melody Jones	Derek Roach	· Betty Arnold	(Brenda)
Levi Clontz	Julia Kay	Bobby Robbins	· Marie Black	Police/Sheriff Dept.
Tracy Cook	Don King	Liz Robinson	· Nellie Cole	Fire/EMS
Rosa Cranfill	Barbara Knock	Lisa Logan Rogers	· JoAnn Grow	Schools
Ron Crutchfield	Buffy Lawson	Dave Ruda	· Anna Meadows	Lost
Billy Jean Davis	Michael Lemay	Leroy Russell	· Marie Naylor	NATION
Ruth Dean	Leon Lenore	Bob Schrock	· Katherine Sowder	President (Trump)
Frances Deshon	Mandy Lynch	Betty Scott		Governor (Bevins)
Elizabeth Durham	Darin Mackey	Mike Sexton	LANDMARK	Legislatures
Stephanie Elam	Sue Major	David Simpson	· Mary (Pug) Adkinson	Armed Forces
Nathan Floyd	Sherry Martin	Virginia Simpson	· Lois Carrier	Missionaries
Jimmy Flynn	Virginia May	Elizabeth Smallwood	· Margaret Land	Persecuted Christians
Joyce Frizer	Lindsey Meadors	Danny Smith	· Tina Montgomery	Spiritual Awakening
Betsy Gillespie's family	David & Debbie		· Dorothy Shockley	
Gereline Gilliam	Middleton		· Billy Williams	