

# VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH

mountainvictory.org

**April 23, 2025** 

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#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY HELPS

The Henry's, Argentina & The Hawke's, Mexico

Join us for an exciting study on the apostles entitled "It Takes All Kinds" every Wednesday evening at VBC.

Tonight's study: Philip

"Who Found Whom?"

And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see.

-John 1:46 KJV

<sup>20</sup> And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to worship at the feast:<sup>21</sup> The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying,
Sir, we would see Jesus.<sup>22</sup> Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus. John 12: 20-22





Sunday School @ 10:00 AM Sunday Worship @ 11:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship @ 6:00 PM

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#### PHYSICAL NEEDS/CANCER

**Antes, Robert** (Relative of D. LaVigne-Cancer)

Baxter, Georgia (friend of Chambers)

Cook, Donna (D. Nation's cousin-Bone Cancer.)

**Deitz, Beverly** (Friend of June Fox-Cancer)

**Driggers, Bill** (Prostate Cancer-Radiation)

Duvall, Larry (Debbie L. Brother-Melanoma cancer. His brain tumor is also growing again.)

**Egan, Evalee** (Steven's 1st cousin-Stage 4 Cancer)

Godfrey, Paul (P. Mills brother-in-law-Stage 4 Bone Cancer)

Henry, Jimmy (Larry & Debbie's Son-Liver Transplant List.. May be moved to Nashville.)

Henry, Larry (Prostate Cancer and Thyroid issues. Looking at surgery to have the thyroid removed.)

Holland, Glenda (Friend of Steve & Harriett Angel-Leukemia)

Houck, Amy (G. Bowles' Niece-Breast Cancer-50 years old)

Howard, Pam (Friend of A. Jones-Lung Cancer.)

Hurst, Derrick & Rhonda (Friends of the Southard's - Derrick has a Stage 4 brain tumor - 51 years old.)

Jones, Brian (Chemo treatment for Brain Tumor is affecting his liver) **Jones**, **Jeffrey** (Brian's brother — -Diagnosed with a Brain Tumor.)

Mabrey, Robin (D. Lambert's friend)

Magers, Harland (Friend of Jane Weaver-Brain cancer 46 yrs old)

McCoy, Wanda (D. Lambert's friend)

Queen, Mary (Throat cancer, friend of P. Crunkleton)

Ray, Mike (L. Henry's Brother-in-law-Brain aneurysm & Cancer.)

**Shuler, Kim** (Chad's co-worker has Breast Cancer)

**Sprinkle, Ted (**Friend of Mike F.-Aggressive Prostate Cancer.)

**Teem, Katherine** (Shaye & Cheryl's Aunt 89 yrs old-Leukemia)

**Riva** (H. Parris' 1st cousin-Cancer.)

**Juanita** (Friend of L. George. – Pancreatic Cancer)

White. Duane -Cancer

Wiggins, David (Prostate Cancer spread to pelvis-radiation)

Whitfield, Helen (Pat Mill's sister-Urinary Tract Infection/Sepsis.)

Megan (Daughter of Pastor Marty & Pam Masitto-Tumors are still NOT growing. Keep praying.)

#### **SERVICEMEN Prayer List**

PFC Gavin Robinson-Army, Germany (Bowles' grandson)

Cameron Barzotti, US Navy (Bowles' grandson)

SGT Will Crunkleton -Ken & Polly's son -returned

home.

#### PRAYER LIST OF MISSIONARIES

McKinney, Ron & Kay (Physical needs)

The Vance Family (Physical needs)

Hawke, Robert & Jean (Physical needs)

Lagos, Holly (May have a fractured wrist)

#### PRAYER LIST OF PREACHERS

Benny & Beth Bagwell

Winch, Don (Back Pain and declining health.)

Cadenhead, Bob (Ms. Carol P. good friend-Ulcerative Colitis/9 polyps. Not doing very well.)

**Rodriguez, Frank** – Retiring from pastoring, due to health concerns. Grace Baptist Church as they seek a pastor.

MARTY AND PAM MASITTO-Their health and God's leading. Rest for both of them.

#### **PHYSICAL NEEDS/OTHER**

Anders, Wayne (Friend of Howard P./Heart issues.)

Arceneauy, Willow (Carol E. granddaughter-Encephalitis)

Chambers, Chris (Ron C. son-recovering from Varicose Vein Surgery) Barnes, Mary (Carol E. sister-Salvation)

Bennett, Kay (Friend of The Parris' – Health issues.)

Blankenship, Janie (Health Issues)

Chambers, Shannon (Ron C. DILaw-Physical needs.)

Chambers, Reggie & Edith (Ron Chamber's uncle & aunt-Physical

Clayton, Jerry & Marian (Trying to sell their home to be closer to their son. Jerry has Vascular degeneration in his eye.)

Cochran, Matt (Mary C. son-in-law-He had to have his spleen removed after the car accident. Rehab treatments in Knoxville for Gillian -Barre' Syndrome.)

Connerly, Sue & Leroy (Sue has Lewy Body dementia and her husband, as he cares for her.)

Cool, Nancy (Back pain/Monday, April 28th @ 1:45PM)

Cottongim, Phyllis (Physical needs and Norm caring for her.)

Curry, Beth (Frozen Shoulder — Surgery date April 28th)

Cunningham, Willa Mae (R. Parris' sister – Physical needs.) Douglas, Loretta (Longtime friend of Arlene D.-Possible Leg amputa-

**Einstein, Carol** (Surgery for Hiatal Hernia on April 25th)

Greene, Grayson (G. Greene's Granddaughter-Health Issues)

**Hohenstein, Gisela** (Friend of Jane W.-Severe health issues.)

**Hunter, Kent & Elaine** (Friends of H. Parris-Health issues.)

**Jones**, Lynne (Friend of Carol E.-health problems and selling her cabin. Also, Carrie Keith-Heart problems.)

LaVigne, Mike (Surgery to replace his defibrillator on April 28th)

Love, Charlotte (Friend of the Lay's- Doing better.)

McMahan, Braydon, Beth & Eden (Eden has been diagnosed with PCH- Pontocerebellar Hypoplasia, Type 2A. Pray for all of them.)

Mills, Barbara (Friend of M. Fitzgerald-Dementia-Her husband, Jim,

has a heart murmur and just wants to live to take care of his wife.) Montgomery Family (Friends of the Hughes'-Physical, emotional & spiritual needs.)

MuKherjee, Sam & Nikki (Carol E. granddaughter and husband. Salvation.)

Orr, Lucas (G. Greene's. Grandson-Physical needs.)

Pate, Ronda (Carol Einstein's Daughter-Liver complications)

**Pinsonbarger, Jo** (Friend of J. Weaver-Heart Trouble)

Ringhauser, Sharon (Friend of Mike F. -Health issues)

Schweinshaupt, Samuel, Laura, Gavin & Lincoln (Court Date for Lincoln June 11th. Please pray.)

**Suttle, Andrew** (Brooks & Trish's son-At home, facing another knee surgery.) **Sutton, Inga** (Physical needs and Dr. visits scheduled.)

**Team, Howard** (Shaye & Cheryl's Uncle -91 yrs old-Stroke)

Trombly, Mavis (Good friend of the Cool's-Pacemaker and declining health.)

Ward, Paul (Valerie Dillard's father-Stage 5 Kidney Disease.)

Wood, Shave (Knee problem and pain.)

The Gray Family (Special request)

Kayla & Taylor Fenoglio (Parenting Hope, Grace & Bubba)

Tootsie (Friend of Jane W.-95 years old-Physical needs.)

Prayer Card-Abdominal issues and help in resolving a family issue.

Mickey & Elaine (Lord we lift them up to you!) Elaine M. (Cataract Surgery on 24th of April)

Unspoken Requests (2)
Prayer Card – Jared Pearce & daughter, Ayla-Persecution
Rish, Ekie – Heart Cath today for a blockage. No update as of prayer letter publication.



#### Mark Your Calendar

#### Saturday, May 3rd @ 8:00 AM



Men's Prayer Breakfast with Missionary Zachary Werner

Sunday, May 4th, PM Service
Guest Speaker, Bro. Brian Coates
Anchor Baptist Missions

Sat. May 10th @ 10:30 AM

Mother's & Daughter's Banquet
"She Takes the Cake"
VCS Cafeteria
(Please sign up @ The Welcome Center)

March Financial reports are available for pick up in the office after church services. Thank you.

"Worry is putting question marks where God has put periods."

John R. Rice

Pledges for Faith Promise 2024-2025

\$48,620.00 of \$105,000.00 Budget.

April Monthly Faith Promise
Offerings: \$5,920.00

EXPAND Missions: The Investment you can Bank on for Eternity!

Monthly Payout: \$8,574.00

#### PRAY FOR VCS

May 15th K-5 Graduation

May 27th Awards Ceremony @ 7:00 PM

May 28th HS Graduation @ 7:00 PM

Victory is accepting teacher applications. Please pray for the Lord's will and His timing.



#### Sunday, April 27th

A special offering will be taken to provide additional funding for housing needs in Haywood County.

## CIU Columbia International University

Jonathan McGaha, Pastor's oldest son, will be graduating on Saturday, May 3rd, from Columbia International University in Columbia, SC.

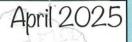
**CONGRATULATIONS!** 



### The Henry Family

Patrick and Leslie Lily, Piper, Ivy, and Isla

Missionaries to Argentina





#### A Special Ordination Service

March was an exciting month with special activities, one young man was saved and another discipleship was started! We are getting closer to the goal of having those who we are discipling, start to disciple others! Our evangelism and discipleship ministries are fundamental parts of the church's growth!

This month we will have another "first" in the ministry, we will be ordaining Pastor Matías Ghiette. Matías has been trained under the ministry God has given us and he is currently pastoring Faith Baptist Church in Lanús. Our Pastor, Derik Lawrence will be visiting along with one of our assistant pastors to take part in the ordination service. They will be a great blessing to both Pastor Matías and the churches.

Faith Baptist Church will also be celebrating their 8th anniversary. We are grateful for the souls saved, christians discipled, and lives changed through the ministry. We have seen young people, meet, fall in love, and get married through the Faith Baptist Church! It is an exciting ministry and we believe her best days are ahead! Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

Serving Together,

Patrick, Leslie, Lily, Piper, Ivy, and Isla Henry

#### **Prayer Requests**

- Pray for Pastor Matías' ordination service.
- Pray for the 8th anniversary service of Faith Baptist Church.
- Pray for our pastor as he teaches and preaches in the services of both churches and in the pastor's fellowship.

#### **Support Address**

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#### **Advance The Gospel**

Want more information? Check out our website, advancethegospel.net. It is the best way to keep up to date information on the ministry in Argentina. New posts are added weekly. From the website, you can also sign up for our weekly email updates. In addition to the weekly quick updates, you will also receive an electronic copy of our monthly prayer letter in your inbox at the beginning of each month.

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Dear Praying Friends,

The Lord has blessed with a lot of visitors each Sunday. Many have stayed in the church and a Couple from Cuba, a young woman from Venazuela and a family from South Korea (4 children). We baptized the oldest boy of 17 who is now 18. He was saved at youth camp.

Please pray for us as we prepare for youth camp in April. We still need to rebuild the boys dorm that was destroyed by fire.

We have had to make several trips to the border for doctors appointments. Pray for Jean as she has had to cancel her eye surgery because of high blood pressure and heart problems. The cardologists will not approve of the operation. Pray as we know God is still able.

We are sorry to be so late with our letter as Jean helps me with writing. She now cannot see to write or read or drive. Prayers are appreciated. May God bless each of you.

Also pray for my health as I still have much pain in my spine and then a man run a red light and crashed into my truck putting another facture in my spine which moved the pin in my hip causing it to Press against a nerve.

In Dec we had the blessing of being able to spend a couple of days with our dear friends, Buddy and Susan Smith from Australia, missionaries there since 1972. Then the last of Oct we were blessed with a Visit from Bro Larry Sexton, preaching in Palestina, Dgo. One of the 1st churches we established in 1971. They now have a beautiful building. The Lord is blessing. Bro Larry has been a missionary to Mexico and Central America for some 55 years. Before I got my pilots license Bro Larry would fly me to the mountains to the Indians where we both would preach the gospel of whom many were saved.

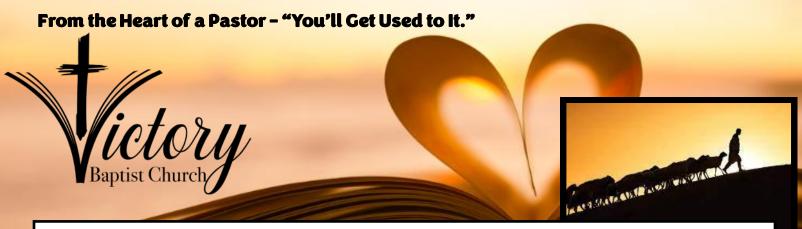
Thank you for your support and prayers.

rour Missionaries to Mexico.

Robert and Jean Hawke

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II Chroniclers 7:14



With any major change that comes in any of our lives there is always the accompanied word of wisdom from a new friend or colleague. Don't enjoy the weather where you are? "You'll get used to it." Don't care for the boss' leadership style? "You'll get used to it." Don't like the way people drive in town or on the interstate? "You'll get used to it (if you survive it that is). Change always brings new challenges. But often it removes from us those items and positions that made our lives distinctly different from everything dse that was going on around us.

This is nowhere more clearly seen than in the way that "You'll Get Used to It" has not only crept into the backdoor of the church; in some places it has come through the front door taking the door off at the hinges. New music, new ministry approaches, new target demographics are always the buzz words for the need to accept and to "Get Used to" the progressivism that will take us to the next level. Yet all the while we are forgetting what brought us this far and what will indeed take us to the other side.

A few years ago, I had a conversation over lunch with two "ministry" leaders. What I did not know going into that noontime meeting was that the meal felt more like an ambush than it did a meet and greet. For it was there that I was being encouraged to become more "forward thinking;" to abandon some of the "old paths" and to accept the new direction that is taking place in church ministry. I clearly remember stating, "I am unapologetically traditional and old fashioned." To which one of those at the table said, "Well I am not!" I sat and politely listened as these two attempted to convince me that what they were doing is what I need to do as well. Among their suggestions included changing the name of the church and getting rid of choir music and other antiques in the sanctuary. Just before leaving, I looked at each of these men and posed a question. "I wonder how willing you will be in forty or fifty years to abandon something in which you have invested your life when someone comes along and begins changing everything you have done?"

I will be quick to say that there will always be changes and that there will always be a certain amount of resistance to any change. From the style of music to the type of lighting that is used in the sanctuary, churchgoers are notorious for their opinions on everything from the color of the carpet to the length of the service. Yes, change is inevitable; yet we must constantly evaluate whetheror not those changes that we are being encouraged to accept are positive, productive; and more importantly, Godly and Spirit led. While some actions are performed solely out of a tradition that started decades ago for a reason now unknown; there are many activities that we do in our churches week after week that have a Biblical basis or practical purpose.

I firmly believe that over the course of the last several years we have allowed the "You'll Get Used to It" approach to rob from us the foundational, fundamental beliefs in which we once so strongly believed. In many circles it was not even taken; we freely handed it over without so much as a second thought. "I don't agree with it, but I guess I'll have to get used to it." has been repeated far too many times in far too many churches. And yes, it has had an effect. We have been conditioned to believe that we have to get used to the fact that families are no longer as committed to church as they once were, that the lyrics or the music really don't matter because that is what the younger generation likes, or that people really don't want doctrinally sound preaching and teaching anymore.

In one of his most popular sermons, Vance Havner explained that "we have gotten used to the dark." He is right. We have allowed a secular world to influence us in ways that we will not fully understand for years. In truth, only eternity will reveal how much we gave away and how comfortable we became in getting used to it. We desperately need some soldiers of the Cross to stand up and say, "No further!" In all actuality we need to reclaim the ground that Satan has taken. And while we may be tempted to believe that like Elijah we are all alone; let us remember that God always has a remnant that has not bowed a knee to Baal.

Therefore, in using the modern vernacular, I wonder if we don't "flip the script" on the "You'll Get Used to It" approach. When people visit our churches, or our homes for that matter, and see that we have purposely chosen to remain committed to the old pathswhere-in is the good way, that when they remark that this is not what they expected, that we loving say, "That's ok. You'll get used to it."

You'll get used to old-time preaching, old-time praying, and old-time praising the Lord. You'll get used to sermons sounding helpful, songs sounding spiritual, and weeping sounding often as we lift our hands in praise and as we pour out our hearts in prayer. You'll get used to seeing families attend church on Sunday morning and Sunday night and Wednesday. You'll get used to seeing children in the sanctuary; some of them crying, some of the sleeping, but all of them hearing The Word of God being preached. You'll get used to watching as moms and dads, grandmas and grandpas, come to the altar broken hearted for their children and grandchildren. You'll get used to the sight of people of all ethnicities, all social classes, and all educational levels worshipping the same God from a heart filled with love for Him and for others.

Let's endeavor to go back to a place that we may have left a long time ago and "Get Used to It" again!