

Communion

Remembering His sacrifice.



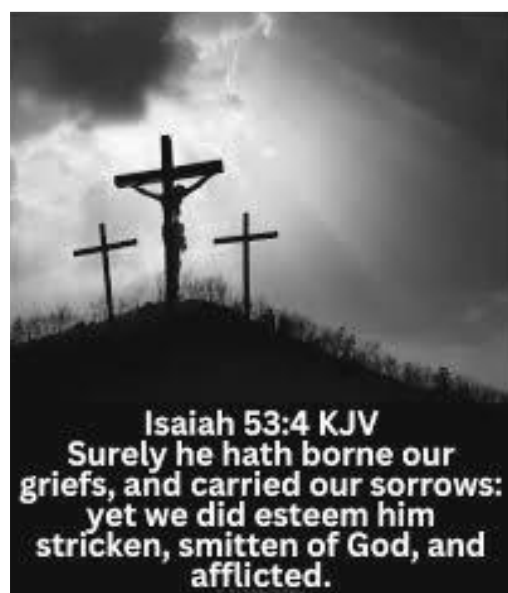
VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH

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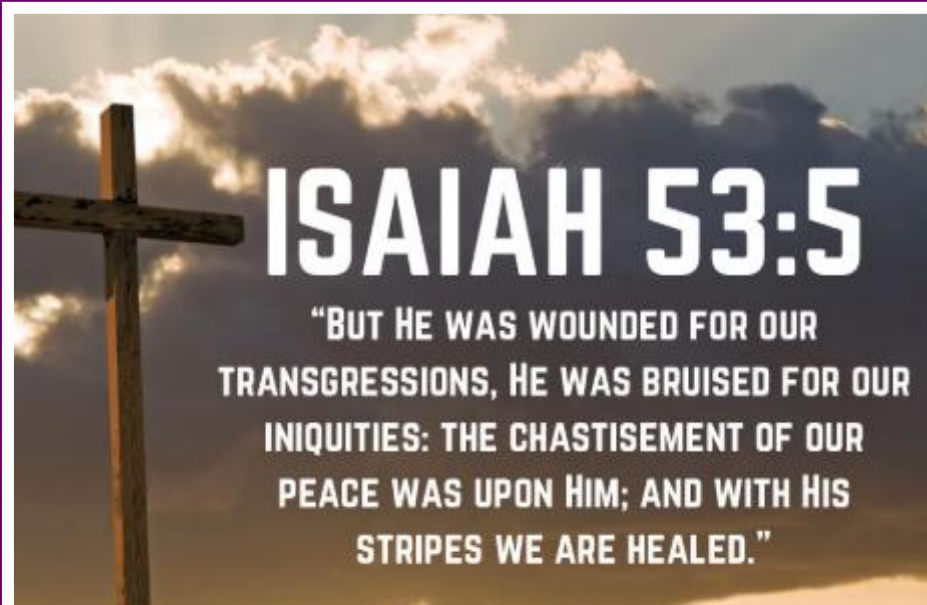
April 1, 2026

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY HELPS
Ambassador Baptist College & The Batemans, Argentina**



Isaiah 53:4 KJV
Surely he hath borne our
griefs, and carried our sorrows:
yet we did esteem him
stricken, smitten of God, and
afflicted.



ISAIAH 53:5

"BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR OUR
TRANSGRESSIONS, HE WAS BRUISED FOR OUR
INIQUITIES: THE CHASTISEMENT OF OUR
PEACE WAS UPON HIM; AND WITH HIS
STRIPES WE ARE HEALED."



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

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PHYSICAL NEEDS/CANCER

Bates, Jensen (Toddler with Leukemia.)
Baxter, Georgia (friend of Chambers)
Buchanan, Gary (Prostate Cancer)
Cook, Donna (D. Nation's cousin-Bone Cancer.)
Cratty, Dale (Ms. Nora's friend-Uterine Cancer.)
Deitz, Beverly (Friend of June Fox-Cancer)
Driggers, Bill (Prostate Cancer-Radiation)
Duvall, Kathy (Friend of Jane W.-Stomach Cancer)
Duvall, Larry (Debbie L. Brother-Melanoma cancer.)
Fitzgerald, Michelle (Mike F. sister-Breast Cancer.)
French, Jan (Friend of Carol E. -Lung Cancer & caregiver, Marcie)
Godfrey, Paul (P. Mills brother-in-law-Stage 4 Bone Cancer)
Gregory, Connie (Friend of Carol P.-Stage 3 Cancer)
Henry, Larry (Prostate Cancer)
Holden, Jerry (Uncle of Shaye, Cheryl & Tammy- Tumor in abdomen area.)
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.)
Jones, Brian (Brain Tumor)
Loftis, Katie (Skin cancer-lymph nodes.)
Mabrey, Robin (D. Lambert's friend)
McCoy, Wanda (D. Lambert's friend)
Nations, Debbie (Cancer Cream Treatments on both of her ears for 10 weeks.)
Pollard, Wanda (D. Green's friend-Bone Cancer.)
Pritchett, Marie (Cousin of the LaVigne family-Aggressive form of cancer.)
Ramirez, Sarahbeth (Friend of the Southard's- Tests on pancreatic tumor came back cancerous. Also, in the thyroid gland. 35 yrs old)
Ray, Mike (L. Henry's Brother-in-law-Brain aneurysm & Cancer.)
Riva (H. Parris' 1st cousin-Cancer.)
Juanita (Friend of L. George.- Pancreatic Cancer)
Watkins, Travis (Pastor @ Sawmill Bapt Church, Bryson City. Stage 3 Cancer.)
Jones, Jeffrey (Brian Jones' brother-Passed Away. They are traveling to Alabama.)

SERVICEMEN & LAW ENFORCEMENT

Prayer List

Schweinsaupt, Jonathan (Home from Deployment)
McGaha, Jay (Pastor's nephew- Marines-Graduated bootcamp and on to the next step of service. He is now in Pensacola, FL)
Bryson, Kevin (Debbie N. nephew-Army Reserves deployed to the border in Del Rio, TX for one year.)
Curry, Truitt (James & Beth's son-Franklin Police Dept.)

PRAYER LIST OF MISSIONARIES

McKinney, Ron & Kay (Physical needs)
The Vance Family (Physical needs)
Hawke, Robert & Jean (Physical needs)
Woodard, Arnold

PRAYING FOR THE WORLD

PRAYER LIST OF PREACHERS

Bagwell, Benny & Beth
Winch, Don (Back Pain and declining health.)
Matthews, Scott (Cancer has returned in his lymph nodes and a spot in his stomach.)
Masitto, Marty & Pam
Walker, Donnie (Pastor's Friend-Cancer)

PHYSICAL NEEDS/OTHER

Allen, Dakota (Ms. Evie's relative-Colon issues.)
Anders, Wayne (Friend of Howard P./Heart issues.)
Arceneau, Willow (Carol E. granddaughter-Encephalitis)
Arnold, Paula (Friend of the Southard's-Pituitary Gland Tumor)
Barnes, Mary (Carol E. sister-Salvation)
Bennett, Kay (Friend of The Parris' - Health issues.)
Blankenship, Janie (Physical needs.)
Castle, Jack (April 9th-Kidney Stone Removal Surgery)
Chambers, Shannon (Ron C. DILaw-Physical needs.)
Chambers, Reggie & Edith (Ron Chamber's uncle & aunt-Physical needs)
Chandler, Sheila (Friend of E. Johnson-Dialysis.)
Clark, Melena & Edward-Mother & Son (Salvation and freed from drug usage.)
Clayton, Jerry & Marian (Physical needs.)
Cottongim, Phyllis (Health & Daily care)
Cunningham, Willa Mae (R. Parris' sister - Physical needs.)
Davis, Deloris (D. LaVigne's Sister in FL-Stroke & Brain Bleed.)
Freeman, Randall (Jane's friend-Health Issues)
Green, Bud (Macrodeg. Eye disease and salvation.)
Greene, Grayson (G. Greene's Granddaughter-Health Issues)
Hamilton, Beth (Jane W.- Beth's husband, age 36, passed away)
Hatcher, Mike (The Einstein's Son 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.)
Lawson, Sandra (Friend of E. Johnson-Back Surgery)
Lee, Bill (D. Greene's Brother-Health issues)
Matthews, Brian (Friend of Jane W.- Health issues)
McMahan, Bob (Health issues.)
McMahan, Mag (Please pray for her and her caregivers.)
Mills, Barbara (Friend of M. Fitzgerald-Dementia and her daughter as she cares for her.)
Montgomery Family (Friends of the Hughes'-Physical, emotional & spiritual needs.)
Payne, Judy (Jane W. neighbor-Broken hip)
Pinsonbarger, Jo (Friend of J. Weaver-Heart Trouble)
Polacek, Sarah (The Hughes' niece-25 yrs old, diagnosed with Lupus.)
Queen, Beulah (Prayer slip request-94 yrs old Heart Surgery in Chapel Hill, NC)
Reed, Jennifer (Health issue)
Ridley, Noah (Megan's son.)
Rivera, Rafael (Bitterness toward God & father's salvation)
Schweinsaupt, Samuel, Laura, Gavin & Lincoln (Please pray that the court will do the right thing for Lincoln.) Samuel's health.
Simonds, Renee (C. Einstein's friend-Leg Amputation)
Stin, Jenifer (Jewish lady who needs salvation)
Smith, Wayne (Salvation)
Stephens, Kevin (VCS Car accident- Surgery on 15th.)
Stewart, William (Barry) (Lost wife of 60+ years. Alone and depressed.)
Sumner, Mark (Brain Bleed and Stroke. Feeding tube. Moved to rehab center.)
Tacia, Jerry (Friend of D. Greene-Hospital & Rehab)
Ward, Paul (Valerie Dillard's father- Stage 5 Kidney Disease.)
Wood, Shaye (Knee problem and pain.)
The Gray Family (Special request)
Mickey & Elaine (Lord we lift them up to you!)
Debbie Coffey's Mother (Physical needs.)
Darren & Maureen (Continued healing for Darren)
Prayer Slips- 1)Pray for God's leading in my life. 2) Salvation for 2 people. 3)John & Amy (Healing and having children or adoption.) 4)Niece and her job.
Phil (31 yr old male hospitalized with congestive heart failure-20% squeeze rate.)
Reed, Lynzy & Keegan (Expecting baby girl "Kansas" to arrive on April 15th by C-Sec. Baby Kansas is breach.)
Greene, Debbie (Surgery on April 2nd)

Please pray for our Pastor & Family.
Please pray for VCS & our Youth.



Mark Your Calendar

Thursday Nights @ 7:00 PM in the VCS Cafeteria, beginning March 26th.

“SOUL WINNING CLASSES”

with Bro. Roger Simonds



Shelby & Jonatan will be wed this Saturday @ 2:30 PM in the VCS Chapel.

You're Invited!



Sunday, April 5th
Easter Sunday Service
No PM Service

Sunday, April 12th AM

VBS Bible School Workers

(Meeting right after church service.)

Sunday night, April 12th @ 6:00 PM

Bro. Jacob Henry will present his mission trip work for this summer.

(A love offering will be taken for him.)

Saturday, April 18th @ 8:00 AM

Men's Prayer Breakfast

BONFIRE & S'MORES

Sunday Night, April 26th
Youth “Smores” Event

Saturday, May 9th @ 10:30 AM

Ladies Luncheon in the VCS Cafeteria

Guest Speaker: Pastor's Mom

Sunday, May 10th, Mother's Day Service

No PM Service

Faith Promise 2025-2026

\$105,000.00 Budget

March Monthly Faith Promise

Offerings: \$6,360.00

Missions: The Investment you can Bank on for Eternity!

Monthly Payout: \$8,165.00

Thank you for giving to Missions!

Faith Promise Slips for 2025/2026

\$66,196.00

**“Each person is either a
Missionary
or a
Mission Field.”
Corrie ten Boom**

PRAY FOR VICTORY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

If you desire to give an offering to help the Sumner's with their financial need, as he is in rehab, please give your donations to VCS.

March 30th– April 3rd

VCS Spring Break

VBC Food Bags

Please Sign up @ The Welcome Center to Volunteer on Saturday to hand out food bags.

Thank you.

For more Info: Please Contact Jason L.

**HAPPY
RESURRECTION
DAY!**



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March 2026 Giver Letter

March begins with midterm exams and a spring break. I thank the Lord for the good first half of the semester. The Lord blessed with a good number of visitors for College Days and a beautiful Valentine's Concert with pianist John Randall.

Our students will enjoy a Spring Break during the week of March 16th. Pray that God will give them safety as they travel. I will be taking the college ensemble to the Washington DC area that week. We will be ministering in several DC area churches, passing out tracts, and preaching the Gospel on the National Mall. We will also be distributing Gospel materials in neighborhoods. Our nation's capital has a lot of religion, but not much righteousness. Please pray that lives will be touched with the Gospel.

Our 2026 Spring Bible Conference will be held on March 23-27. The week will be filled with great preaching, alumni events, and a recognition of Dr. and Mrs. Comfort on Founder's Day. We would love for you to visit our campus to be refreshed by the preaching and fellowship. You can also watch the services online at 10:15 am and 7 pm.

The Class of 2026 is anticipating their special day in May. To honor them and the 1200 graduates who have gone before them, we have begun our 2026 Graduation Offering campaign. The only way our students can receive a quality education and graduate debt-free is when God's people help us share the financial load. We are praying that God will provide \$200,000 by the end of June to help us continue to train God's servants for God's service. Would you pray about helping us this spring?

A number of our students have already made plans to serve the Lord in summer internships. They are learning that you don't wait until you graduate to serve the Lord. Every day is a day to serve Him. Pray that God will use them greatly in the summer months.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. You are making a difference in future generations by supporting ABC.

An ambassador for Christ,

Alton Beal
President

February
2026

The Batemans In Argentina

In February I had the privilege to go to Santiago Chile and preach for Missionary Jason Holt's Pastor's Retreat. It was great to connect with the Chile team and to meet many Chilean pastors and their families. It is exciting to see what God is doing there. I spoke to two pastors who had recently started churches and their churches are growing at a fast rate. While I was there I also had the opportunity to preach for Kyle Shreve in his church plant Grace Baptist.



Pastors and their families in Chile

Throughout the month of February we focused on the family at Faith Baptist Church. Every Sunday message targeted the family, and we ended the month with Faith's second annual family conference. Pastor Facundo Martinez preached. Our people were greatly edified by his preaching, and we also had many visitors come in for the conference and throughout the month.



Our family with the Martinez family

Continue to pray for my rehabilitation of my shoulder. Therapy is coming along slowly, but I am making some progress and regaining mobility in my shoulder. Also pray for this month as we are moving from the northern part of Rosario to a town called Alvear, which is located to the south of the city. This will cut about half an hour off of our trip to Pergamino (currently it takes an hour and a half) where Faith Baptist church is located, and will place us about 15 minutes from our camp in Alvarez.



Sunday School Class at Faith Baptist

Camp: Our next event planned at the camp is a women's retreat. Pray as we make plans for this event. Also a church in Ohio informed me that they are going to give so that we can purchase more beds for the camp! This is a huge blessing. We still need a new tractor; if any one would like to give towards this need, make sure that in the memo it

Prayer Points:

- Pray for three members of Faith Baptist Church as they have begun seminary classes.
- Pray for us to find a property to purchase for Faith Baptist Church this year.
- Pray for the church to continue to grow. Our average attendance is up 53% since we got back



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From the Heart of a Pastor - "April 1st"



As the pages of our calendars are turned to begin a new month, many will be offering their annual attempt at an April's Fool joke or prank. From moving to another state or country, to announcements of upcoming surprise births, to deciding to walk away from their job, people may try to draw us into believing something that isn't true. Meanwhile, the Psalmist David would remind us that *"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God."* – Psalm 14:1a. The term *"fool"* is recorded many times in *The Word of God*. It is used to describe people that are self-confident, empty, thoughtless, and unintelligent. The word is not limited to one of these categories but can apply to any or all of them. According to *The Scriptures*, a foolish person is evil, wicked, and sinful.

Note also that David has said that this man is a fool because he has said *"in his heart"* that there is no God. Pay close attention to the fact that this was a decision that was made internally, not necessarily audibly. It would indicate much more than just saying that there is no God. It is the attitude that says, *"There is no God for me."* Or *"I have no need for God in my life."* He is a fool because he refuses to listen to reason. He has closed his mind to not only the need for God in his life, but also for the logic and the love that comes from God being present in his life.

Ladies and gentlemen, the world accuses the Christian of being narrow-minded, yet it is the atheist that is truly narrow-minded; for in rejecting God, he is closing the door to Heaven. Atheism is the epitome of ingratitude and selfishness. It is truly a foolish person that does not believe or accept the existence of God.

But in my years of pastoring, I have come to discover that there is also such a thing as a *"practical atheist."* This is the individual who believes that God is real, but in their heart, in their mind, in their actions and reactions and responses, they act as if He is not real or is not interested in what is happening in their life. Even believers deny God when we will not obey Him and willfully sin against Him and His Word. Still, modern psychology and sociology tells us that humanity can be *"good"* without God. However, if you take God out of good you are left with *"0"* (nothing).

In the midst of the jokes and pranks that will undoubtedly run wild, Christians should be genuinely concerned about a world that is being fooled into believing that there is no God, no hell, and no eternal consequences for those that fail to accept the finished work of Christ on the Cross. Furthermore, a vast number of the inhabitants of earth have been convinced that there is no help, no hope, and no home that can be theirs in Heaven. The cynical and jaded condition of many human hearts should cause us to realize that people need truth now more than ever.

I must mention one final thought concerning the issue of being a fool. It is in fact one of my most favorite quotes. Jim Elliot said, *"He is no fool who gives away what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."* Those words might mean different things to different people; but to me they have always been an encouragement for us to spend our lives and our fortunes invested in those areas and those places that are eternal.

Live your life for Christ! Love the lost, point them to the Cross, to the empty tomb, and to a soon returning Savior. Be more concerned about God receiving the glory for what is done rather than you being applauded. And never forget that while the world may call you a fool, you have been chosen to be nothing more than a tool in the hand of the Master. In doing this you will never be a fool in the eyes of your Father in Heaven. You will be found faithful to the One who is always faithful to us.