

The Informer

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Love God Supremely, Love Others as Yourself, Share the Gospel of Jesus

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 5/5
Coffee & Christ..... 9:00am
Sunday School 10:00am
Morning Worship..... 11:00am
Praise Band..... 4:00pm
Discipleship Training..... 5:00pm
Discipleship Path Study Group..... 6:00pm

Tuesday, 5/7
Handbells 6:00pm

Wednesday, 5/8
Children's Choir..... 6:30pm
Prayer and Bible Study..... 6:30pm
Choir Practice..... 7:30pm

Thursday, 5/9
Bible Study Group..... 6:00pm

SERVANTS: May 5, 2024

Tellers

Joey Oswald, Jonathan Wiley

Lord's Prayer

Jonathan Wiley

Church Monitor

Jonathan Wiley

Greeters

Joe & Rachel Oswald

Ushers

Victor Googe, Neal Shramek

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The God of Second Chances

But go, tell His disciples—and Peter—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.
-Mark 16:7

Does God give second chances to those who have failed Him? He certainly did so for Peter. Peter had proudly announced that he was Jesus' most reliable disciple (Matt. 26:33). Yet Peter not only fled with the other disciples in the moment of crisis, but also blatantly denied he even knew Jesus (Matt. 26:69-75). Peter failed so miserably that he went out into the night and wept bitterly (Luke 22:62).

How compassionate the risen Christ was to Peter! The angel gave the women at the tomb special instructions to let Peter know that He was risen. Jesus took Peter aside to allow him the opportunity to reaffirm his love and commitment (John 21:15-17). The risen Lord also chose Peter as His primary spokesman on the day of Pentecost, when three thousand people were added to the church.

God's desire is to take you from where you are and bring you to where He wants you to be. When He found His defeated followers hiding together in an upper room, Jesus' first word was "peace" (John 20:19). Jesus' first words to you after you fail may also be "peace." Jesus will find you in despair and bring you peace. Then, He will reorient you to Himself so that you can believe Him and follow Him. Don't give up if you have failed your Lord. Remember what happened to Peter. God has not yet finished developing you as a disciple.

Henry T. Blackaby and Richard Blackaby, [Experiencing God Day by Day](#) (Nashville, TN: B&H Books, 1998).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lorine Speck - 5 Tranquil Place, Lexington SC. 29072

JEH Nursing Home:

Jean Ferguson, Catherine Loadholt, Annie Manuel, Rose Manuel, Grace Gooding

Tyler Rest More Home- 139 Seminole Dr.

Orangeburg, SC 29115 Claudine Mitchel

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY: Lt. Commander Joseph Dyches Jr., Major Lindi Kirkland-US Air Force

Friends & Family:

Don Albertson, Karrie Armstrong, Raymond Bennett, Shelli Beach, Paula Billingsley, Peggy Boleman, Leigh Brabham, Jo Ann Brabham, L. M. Brabham, Salley Branch, Buddy Craddock, Katie Champagne, Larry Cribb, Joyce Davis, James Deer, Charlie Drawdy, Ralph & Elaine Elliott, Marvin Ferrer, George Fogle, Rachele Googe, Carrie Grubbs, Todd Grubbs, Donnie & Debbie Jones, Cecilia Kearse, Linda Kearse, Betty Jean Kinard, Lib Loadholt, Annell McCaskey, Janet McKenzie, Lisa Mole, Resa Monts, Doug Monts, Jean Morris, Kenny Morris, David Murphy, Frankie Padgett, Chris & Tammy Page, Ralph Payne, Jim Phillips, Azilee Polk, Lizzie Porter, Reid Porter Jr., Dr. Raman, Shirley Robinson, Stan Sibley, Lois Simmons (Laura Seley's sister), Libby Smith, Cambridge Stone, Steve Sullivan, Elaine & Jerel Teems, Jan & Glory Thomas, June Thomas, Mike Thomas, Debra & Sara Beth Thomas, Tina Tuten, Kim Trabue, David & Marsha Ann Wiley, Sherry Williams. Sara & Elbert Windham, W. K. & Else Windham, Billy Woolridge, Jule Young, Pat Zeigler, Janice Zissette



YOUTH EVENTS FOR AHBA

Rev. Howard Black, the Youth Leader for the association has announced several events for youth from all over the association beginning with:

Coffee and Worship will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024. The time and location to be determined.

SERVE will be held the week of June 23rd-28th, 2024.

The annual event will be held again at Sand Hill Baptist Church. Contact information call

AHBA 803-632-1882

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We will recognize our graduates during the morning service on Sunday May 19th. If you have a family member graduating from high school or college, please notify the church office as soon as possible.

****We are in need of two food boxes. Thank you in advance.**

Birthdays for May
3 Stacy Sullivan, Ashley Kalman



Coffee & Christ Week 24

"God In Us"

John 14:15-31, Isa. 40:1-31, Joel 2:12-32, Acts 1:1-2:36, Rom. 8:1-39, 1 John 2:1-29



The Prepared Hero Emergency Fire Blanket is the #1 way to keep your home and family safe from dangerous fire accidents. If you would be interested in purchasing one or more, please call or text Mary Jean at 803-686-1195 before May 8th. The cost is \$16.99 each plus tax if ordered in lots of 12.

OUR RECORD SPEAKS 4/28/24

Enrollment/Attendance 47/30
Morning Worship..... 45
Mother's Day Offering..... 10.00
Camp Jackson..... 70.00
Budget Offering..... 2915.00
Budget Needs (weekly)... 4339.00