

The Informer

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 5/16/21	
Sunday School	10:00am
Morning Worship – Business Meeting	11:00am
Praise Band Practice	4:00pm
Discipleship Training, Youth &	•
Children's Activities	5:00pm
Evening Worship	6:00pm
Tuesday, 5/18/21 Handbell Practice	7:00 pm
Wednesday, 5/19/21	
Prayer & Bible Study	6:30 pm
Choir Practice	7:30 pm

SERVANTS—May 16, 2021

Tellers Larry Manuel, Charles Carlson

> **Lord's Prayer** Charles Carlson

Church Monitor Jacob Oswald

Annie Armstrong contributions are \$2754 Our goal is \$3000

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

<u>Lorine Speck</u> 621 Tribecca Court, Charleston, SC 29414 **JEH Nursing Home**:

Jean Ferguson, Catherine Loadholt, Celia Jones, Annie Manuel

Briana's Residential Care: Hilda Rahn, Tyler Rest More Home- Orangeburg, SC Claudine Mitchel

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

Friends & Family:

Raymond Bennett, Paula Billingsley, Peggy Boleman, Willis Bowers, David Brabham, Leigh Brabham, Marvin Brege, Carolyn Bryan, Katie Champagne, Louise Cook, Michael Cone, Larry Cribb, James Deer, Charlie Drawdy, Ralph & Elaine Elliott, Marvin Ferrer, George Fogle, Ida Foust, Dot Googe, Leroy Googe, Carrie Grubbs, Todd Grubbs, Bonnie Harter, Kenny Morris, Jr., Walker Russell Harter, Greg Hiatt, Jenny Jackson, Donnie & Debbie Jones, Cecilia Kearse, Chester & June Kearse, Linda Kearse, Peggy Loadholt, Resa Monts, Linda Moseley, David Murphy, Kelly O Bryant, Frankie Padgett, Chris & Tammy Page, Ralph Payne, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter Jr., Dr. Raman, Debbie Rish, Shirley & Penny Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Libby Smith, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, Lorine Speck, Sara Beth Thomas, Tina Tuten, Kim Trabue, Teresa Tyler, David Walls, David & Marsha Ann Wiley, Myrna Wilson, W. K. & Elese Windham, Billy Woolridge, Jule Young, Janice Zissette



The prudent understand where they are going, but fools deceive themselves.

Provers 14:8

Bill Walsh, the former head coach of the San Francisco 49ers, was thought eccentric because of how extensively he planned his plays in advance of each game. Most coaches would wait to see how the game unfolded, then respond with plays that seemed appropriate. Walsh wanted the game to respond to him. Walsh won several Super Bowls with his "eccentric" proactive approach. He was a coach who looked into the future.

Looking ahead is the process of creating the future before it happens. People who learn to do it "understand where they are going." Like Bill Walsh, it involves deciding your actions in advance so that your life will respond to you. What are the benefits of such a proactive pursuit?

Looking ahead gives direction. It's like using a highlighter on a roadmap to indicate where you are, where you are going, and how you are going to get there. The highlighted roadmap not only provides information for where you are going; it also suggests where you are not going.

Looking ahead helps us to create rather than react. With each step along our journey, we are faced with a choice either to create or to react. Many people spend their entire days reacting. Like goalies in hocky, with pucks flying at us all day, we react. We react to news, cars in traffic, people, events, challenges, and obstacles. A better way involves making choices and following plans.

Looking ahead saves time. "One hour of planning saves three hours of execution." Planning yields a savings return. We only have twenty-four hours in a day and 365 days in a years. If we don't use them wisely by looking ahead, we will forever forfeit those gifts.

Looking ahead reduces crisis. Our daily lives have two controlling influences: plans and pressures. When we look ahead and choose to plan, we take charge and control of our days. If we fail to look ahead, we will spend our days in crisis mode. We will fall into a trap of panic planning--planning on the fly with no time to effectively map our a strategy.

Looking ahead maximizes energy. Failing to look ahead, we dissipate our energy on less important matters, improper agendas, and lost crusades. We waste our time on the trivial. But preparation often energizes us!

Be wise, Look ahead. It's eccentric but well worth the effort.

Attention-Seniors 55 and older

We are thinking of restarting "Young at Heart" with no speeches, no decorations, just food and fellowship. **Everyone would help with kitchen** cleanup. If you are interested, please call the church office and let us know. 803-632-3228 **Thanks**

May Calendar

The business meeting for this month will be on May 16 in the morning. **May 23- Graduation Recognition** May 30- 5th Sunday Sing

Mission Project

Our Youth will be collecting money for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this year. What is collected between now and October will be used to purchase items to be packed in the Shoeboxes. There is a jar in our Sunday School room if you would like to drop in some change toward this goal. If you would like to donate, you may add this as a designated item on an offering envelope. If you have any questions, contact Mary Jean. Additional jars will be in the entrance to church and church office.

Thank You

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OUR RECORD SPEAKS 5/09/21

SS Enrollment/Attendance	116/35
Visitors/New Members	00/00
Morning Worship	88
AHBA Offering	
Youth Project	
Annie Armstrong	
Budget Offering	
Budget Needs (weekly)	