



# THE SURREY BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

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## VBS Workshop

**April 8  
@ Calvary**

**Registration is at 6:30  
in the sanctuary.**

**Opening is at 6:45  
in the sanctuary.**




## One Day - VBS in Saltville, VA June 22, 2024

**Call the SBA office  
if interested  
in helping**

**(336-789-5701)**

\*Asking for Food Donations - in hopes that  
each child can take home a bag of food.

**(Things for kids to eat at home  
this summer)**

## SBA Mid-Year Meeting

**April 29 • 7:00 pm**

**“Shining the Light Into the Darkness”  
@  
Holly Springs Baptist**

**Sermon by Rev. Russ Reaves  
(Region 7 Great Commission Catalyst)**

***The winter is past;  
the rains are over  
and gone.***

***Flowers appear on  
the earth; the  
season of singing  
has come...***

*Song of Songs 2:11*

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“The Mission of Surry Baptist Association is to glorify God through Jesus Christ by assisting and encouraging Congregations in a partnership of cooperative ministries of reaching people and developing believers.”

## From Your Director of Missions —

April is a month when there is a sense of change in the air as the surrounding landscape begins to blossom forth and the air grows refreshing. While spring changes much around us environmentally, one emotion that seems to permeate society year around is fear. There are uncertainties that surround us in regard to the economy, one's health, and the spread of evil. Fear lingers in the air like a fog. Jesus spoke of coming days when the foundations will be shaken and "men's hearts failing them for fear (*phobos*)" (Luke 21:26).

The Greek word for fear is φόβος (*phobos*), which means to "flee, withdrawal, to avoid because of dread or fright, to remove oneself from because of feeling inadequate, withdraw from without sufficient resources." In Greek mythology Phobos (fear) was the offspring of Aphrodite, the Greek goddess associated with love, and Ares, the Greek god of war. Phobos (fear) had a twin brother named Deimos (terror). Phobos (fear) and Deimos (terror) were known for accompanying their father Ares into battle. In time Phobos (fear) became the personification of fear brought about by battle. For the Greeks the word carried with it the idea of fleeing panic-stricken from a battle.

We experience many battles in our lives and fear often makes us want to flee. Fear is the opposite of courage, the opposite of enduring with fortitude, the opposite of peace. Fear is a paralyzing emotion. Fear grips the soul when one feels they have lost control and that they are powerless to change the situation. Fear can be detrimental to our physical well-being. Fear results in the loss of one's creativity as one hunkers down instead of being innovative and productive.

When the very foundation of our lives is gripped by fear, what are we to do? For the Christian the message that surrounds the Christ event is filled with "fear nots." When the angel told Mary she would give birth to the Christ Child, she was greeted with, "Fear not." When the angels appeared to the shepherds on the first Christmas night their announcement began with, "Fear not." All through Jesus' ministry He proclaimed, "Fear not." When the women appeared at the tomb of Jesus they were greeted by an angelic message, "Fear not." The Gospel message is saturated with "fear nots."

What is the cure for fearing not? John tells us, "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear" (I John 4:18). Anytime we find ourselves giving birth to emotions separated from the Love of our

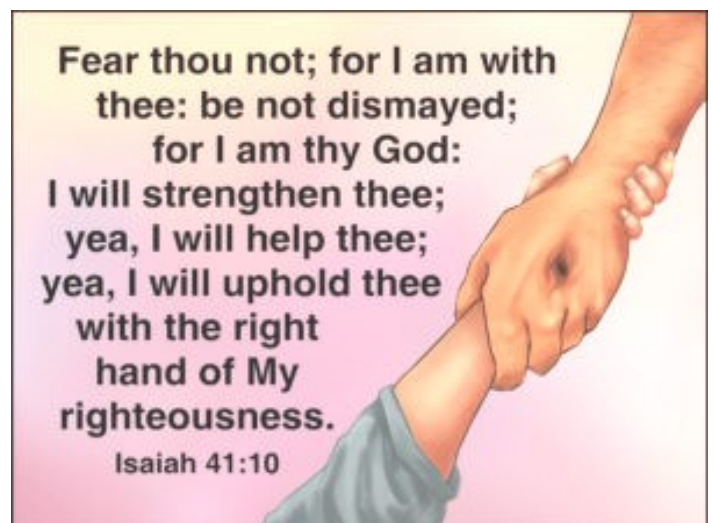
heavenly Father, fear will result. Trust, though, casts out fear. The Greek verb translated "cast out" in I John 4:18 is in present tense, active voice; meaning it continually casts out fear no matter the circumstances. Charles Spurgeon was once visiting a farmer and noticed on top of his barn a weathervane which read "God is love." Spurgeon asked the farmer, "You mean God's love is fickle like the wind, ever changing?" The ol' farmer replied, "No, it means whichever way the wind blows God is still love." That's it! Understanding such love will not produce fear, no matter which way the circumstances of life blow.

One who is fully resting in the holy-love and grace of the sovereign God, what has he to fear or flee from? When we rest in the love of God in Christ, there is nothing to dread in this world or the world to come, because we know nothing can separate us from the love of God which is Christ Jesus (Romans 8:35-39). Resting in the love that was demonstrated on Calvary's Hill, His holy-love being victorious over sin, death, and the devil, should free one from the apprehensions that often seek to overtake us. Knowing we have a Savior who supplies us with resources which are more than adequate to sustain us, casts aside fear of the unknown.

Jesus whispers to each of us, "Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness" (Isiah 41:10). The remedy for fear is to trust in the One who controls and holds all things in the palms of his hands.

It is an honor to be your Director of Missions. If I can ever be of help to you, give me a call or stop by the office.

Serving Him Together,  
Dr. Dan





## Baptist Men Update

For our March meeting, we met at Fellowship Baptist with Fellowship providing our meal. We had 4 in attendance with 4 churches represented. Our devotion was brought by Ronald Jones, who spoke on using all you have, to honor and glorify Him, for all we own and have, is His.

Gary reported that we have ramps to do, along with some other special projects. Raised \$3200 @ Pancake Breakfast.

We will be moving our April meeting to the 8th due to the Easter holiday falling on the 1st.

Please consider donating to the Surry Handyman Ministry to help fund our local projects. We have many project requests and limited funding; with your help we can continue to make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

The Baptist Men invite all Men and Women within the association to come join us on Monday, April 8th at 6:30pm at the Surry Baptist Association office for a meal. We hope to see everyone there for fellowship and a time of planning how to share God's love through our service.

If your church has a men's group or any individual interested in taking part in any of our activities, you are welcome to call Mike Francis at 336-830-1655 for more information.

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 4: Mrs. Doni Vestal - Copeland

April 5: Rev. Jarred Seal - Siloam

April 11: Rev. Travis Sechrist - Blues Grove

April 12: Mrs. Jessica Schuyler - Mount Carmel

April 18: Mrs. Misty Quesinberry - Community

April 22: Rev. Larry Thomas - New Venture

April 25: Mrs. Casey Thomas - Hills Grove

## Church Classifieds

**New Hope:** Is searching for a full-time pianist please contact Eric McCann @ 336-415-9821 if interested.

**Oak Grove:** In need of a piano player, call William Swift if interested. 336-648-0626

**Sparta First:** is looking for someone to fill the position of Music Director. Call Tammy Killon, Admin. Asst. @ 336-372-8446.

## Pray for our Churches Without Pastors

Little Richmond      Oak Grove  
Fuenta De Vida  
Gum Orchard      Central View

## 2023 Printed Minutes Books

Printed Minutes books that the churches ordered are ready. Have someone from your church come by the SBA Office to pick up your church's copies.

## Surry Christian Counseling Center Statistics for February 2024

Total Sessions Conducted =  
Total Clients Served =  
Client Assistance Fund Sessions =  
Client Assistance Fund Clients Served =  
To make an appointment with John Shuler, Counselor, call 789-7405.  
Volunteer receptionists needed.  
Call the SBA Office (789-5701) if interested.



## WMU News

### Medical Ministries Clinic:

Bring food anytime to be given out for April. For 2024: Dobson 1st in April; Hills Grove in May; Turkey Ford in June; Highland Park in July; Cross Roads in Aug.; Dover in Sept.; Salem Fork in Oct.; Woodland in Nov.; and Highland Park in Dec.

## 2024 SBA WMU Annual Meeting

### "A Lively Hope"

April 25, 2024

Calvary Baptist Church, Mount Airy  
Meal 6pm - Program 6:45pm

Call SBA no later than April 18  
to register WMU Leaders  
to get more details



# Seminary Extension

## “Dealing With Church Conflict”

### April 16- June 25

Price \$50 without Book

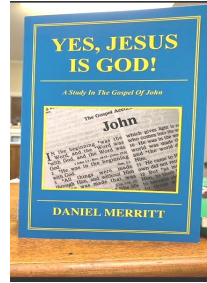
Instructor: Dr. Dan Merritt  
Call SBA Office and sign up.  
(336-789-5701)

# Discipleship Training Class

## “Gospel of John” starting in August

Instructor: Dr. Daniel Merritt

Books are \$25



Come by the SBA office and sign up and pick up a book written by Dr. Dan.



# FOOD ROUNDUP

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

## The SBA will be collecting Gift Cards again this year for the Baptist Children's Home of NC.

### April - July 2024

Please help us support this worthy cause by bringing in Grocery Store, or Walmart Gift Cards.

You provide NC children food while pointing them to Jesus.



April 2024  
Slides, ads and other resources are at  
bchfoodroundup.org. For more details  
call 336-474-1277

### The Surry Baptist Newsletter

**Antioch** had two people to join by letter. Had a Baptist Ladies Day w/wonderful guest speaker Kelsey Irvin. Had a beautiful Outdoor Easter Drama. Held a Sunrise Service, Breakfast served by the Deacons, as well as Sunday School. Combined Worship Service for Easter. The Well Food Ministry Continues w/delivering meals to people in need, serving over 200 meals. The Sisterhood continues w/Bible/Book study, along w/ministry projects: Collecting dolls for Alzheimer's Unit @ Twelve Oaks Nursing Center, collecting coats for the coat racks in Mt. Airy, the Lunch Davis project feeding residents @ the Davis Apts., give crocheted hats and scarves for people in need and sun shine baskets for nursing home residents. Not to mention helping selected schools to help kids in need for shoes. The Golden Autumn met in the Fellowship Hall for a fun game and covered dish meal. Preparations for Up ward is starting soon. If any church interested please mes sage Rev. Joshua Summerlin.

**Bannertown** Baptized 20 believers in Feb. Ordained Youth Director John Smith w/reception after service. Youth enjoyed movie, “Jesus Revolution.” Senior adults enjoyed

covered dish meal and bingo. Youth participated in Youth Connect @ Highland Park. Senior adults enjoyed trip to Hamrick's, lunch, and Sam's. Served two drive-thru Community Meals. Men's ministry sponsored Wild Game Dinner w/sports activities and guest speaker, Mitchell Johnston. WMU collected food for Foothills Food Pantry. Had Easter Egg-stravaganza w/games and egg hunt.

**Blues Grove** received one new member by Letter. Church steeple is being refurbished. Collecting Food Cards for NC Baptist Children's Homes. Donations for Annie Armstrong Missions during March.

**Calvary** celebrated Scout Sunday in Feb. Filled 'blessing bags' w/personal care items to distribute to area school children. Youth Mission team hosted a spaghetti lunch to support their summer mission trip. An adult mission team trip in eastern Ky is being planned for Sept. Creating a drama ministry and presented on Maundy Thurs. Easter Sunday was celebrated w/a church-wide breakfast and combined service. Afterwards, an Easter egg hunt was held for the children. During the month, we collected an Easter offering for missions.

**Cedar Lane** had annual Easter Egg hunt and hotdog meal in the Fellowship hall. Sunrise service was held on Easter Sunday morning followed by breakfast in the Fellowship hall. Youth are planning a trip to the North Carolina Zoo in Asheboro.

**Central View** collected food for the Foothills Food Pantry. Had annual appreciation meal w/Deacons cooking Ham, tenderloin and biscuits and gravy and eggs also apples. Had Easter Egg Hunt and Easter sunrise and Sun. School following.

**Community** started outreach program for our shut-ins. The first Monday night anyone that wants to meet @ church to visit, sing and fellowship w/a shut-in. Planning community meal on April 24. Making plans for our Spring revival and VBS.

**Dobson, First** had Easter sunrise service in Dobson Town Park. Held children's Easter egg hunt during the Sunday School hour. Decorated crosses at both services. A spring backdrop was available for family photos. Our Women's Ministry has planned a PAR-TEA for Sunday, April 7 @3pm. There will be several activities for mothers and daughters or friends to engage in. Call the church to RSVP. Our VBS is scheduled for June 2-6, using the theme-"Camp Firelight."

**Dover** had WMU and deacon meetings. Had Brotherhood meeting @ Golden Corral, WMU gave a monetary donation to Wesleyan Baptist Church to help w/community projects. Held Easter Egg hunt for children, food and games were enjoyed by all. Held Easter Sunrise service followed w/breakfast, Sunday school and worship service. Held communion following service. A great day of fellowship and worship. Our church doors are always open, please come and visit us.

**Fellowship's WOM** had their regular meeting w/fourteen ladies present. Each member brought snack items for a donation to the Mount Airy Police and Surry County Sheriff's Depts. Planning more community projects including Blessing Bags for the homeless and personal care items for Hospice. The ladies enjoyed a shopping trip to Winston-Salem w/lunch before returning home. Collecting for our Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

**Highland Park** received three new members during the past month. Had Sunrise Service w/ breakfast following in our Family Life Center (by reservation only). Held Annie Armstrong Easter Offering March to the Altar and exceeded our goal of \$25,000. Our Associate Pastor, Jim Richland, led a Wed. night Bible Study in March entitled, "Finding Jesus in the Jewish Feasts." Our Pastor over Student Ministries, Zach Flannery, arranged a March Madness Week of activities for our youth during spring break, finishing the week on Sun. night, w/a Worship Night. Brian Smith was the Guest Speaker. Pastor Zach also coordinated the events of our Easter Fest. The theme was "The Mystery of Easter" and we enjoyed a fun time of games, snacks, crafts and a family escape room. Our Children's Director, Kelsey Mathis, is arranging a Ladies High Tea for ladies and girls of all ages to be held Sat. 4/20 @ 10am in our Fellowship Hall w/Guest Speaker Jackie Pegrum from Concord, NC. Pre-registration (see our website @ www.highlandparkfamily.com under Upcoming Events tab) is required by Apr.1. Our Joy in the Morning Support Group, led by Bonnie Fulk & Belinda Utt, meets ea. month on the second Tues. from 12-3pm in our Fellowship Hall. Next meeting will be 4/9/24. VBS is June 2-6 w/theme "The Great Jungle Journey." Upcoming Women's Retreat "Enjoy the Journey" is June 22 from 9:30am-2:30pm. The cost is \$30 (non-refundable) due by Sat. May 25. Fee includes lunch, snacks & supplies. For more info, call our office @ 336-786-4275.

**Hill's Grove's** WMU met in March and discussed upcoming events. Our Spring fundraiser will be Sat. May 4 @ 4-7pm. w/ a take out spaghetti supper, plates will be \$8 and all proceeds go towards local missions. Please see anyone from our church to purchase a ticket for this event. Had Easter Egg Hunt and Sunrise service w/breakfast following. The Annie Armstrong Easter offering was taken up. Also had a special offering for WMU.

**Holly Springs** had church clean up day. Youth enjoyed an afternoon of pizza and bowling. WMU preparing food for a lady from our church that recently had surgery. Had Walk to the Cross for The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Prime timers met for monthly luncheon. Looking forward to hosting The SBA Mid-Year meeting April 29.

**Jessup Grove's** "Night Before Easter" was presented during the morning worship service. Youth continue to meet on Wed. and Sun. evenings. They attended Winter Jam in Feb. Baptist men helped w/the associational wood cutting and handicap ramp building. Baptist women are collecting household items for the Shepherd's House. The ladies continue looking and participating in ways to assist those in our church and community w/various needs. Participating in the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Sponsored an Easter egg hunt for the community. The Seniors' group continues to meet monthly for a time of food, worship and fellowship.

**Ladonia's** Youth group enjoyed a busy and fun month w/a snowtubing trip to WV, and egg hunt activities. Had Easter Sunrise service followed by breakfast and Morning Worship service. WMU meetings are held @ 7pm. Regular services resume after Easter w/Sunday School @ 9:45, Morning service 11am, Wed. and 4th Sun. Night services @ 7pm.

**Mount Carmel's** WMU met by Zoom w/four members in attendance. Delivered water and snacks to Medical Ministries and food to SBA office for Medical Ministries. Received two notes and pictures from children that received shoeboxes. Received \$1415. for Lottie Moon and \$392. for Heck Jones. Mailed Cards to St. Jude's. The program "Persistent Prayer, Pray with Boldness and confidence" was presented.

**Mountain View** participated in the Baby Bottle Campaign & donated \$677 to the Legacy Center to help them reach their goal of \$20,000. The congregation prepared cards to give to seniors in Nursing Homes in hopes of brightening their day. Enjoyed revival in March w/Dr. Dan Merritt & Michael Morrison w/ special singing on both nights. Donations were made to Cedar Ridge Weekend Backpack Program & Yoke-fellow Ministries. Fellowship meetings are held the third Fri. of each month @10:30am in the fellowship hall; all are invited to attend.

**New Hope** had 1 soul saved by God's grace. Current Bible Study "Enter the Garden" w/Pastor Trent Lyons. Observed Easter Maundy & Easter Sunrise Service. Had monthly meal delivery ministry in March. Will have 2nd Annual Spring Carnival on April 27 from 2-4 pm w/games, pastor dunking booth, cake walk, mechanical bull ride, & concessions. Is searching for a full-time pianist please contact Eric McCann @ 336-415-9821 if interested.

**New Life** welcomed 4 new members by letter and 3 new members to be baptized. Had communion the first Sunday in April.

**Oak Grove** had a CPR class in March at the church and also on had a chicken stew to kick off our Spring Revival w/guest speaker, Matty Ponce De Leon. Music was by Oak Grove Baptist Choir Sunday morning. The following evenings were Elkin Valley Youth Band, Some Kinda Grass, High Country Grass and The Kinder's. Collecting food for the Food Pantry. Continuing Bible Study on Wed. nights. In need of a piano player. If interested contact William Swift at 336-648-0626.

**Pinnacle View** added 1 New Member by Baptism, Debbie Sechrist. Had Song Service w/Southern Gospel Group "The Journeys". Had Community Wide Easter Egg Hunt, WMU prepared and served lunch, treat bags were given to all Children. Gave out Upcycled Sunday school books for all ages and paperback New Testament Bibles. Had Easter Son Rise Service, Biscuit Breakfast w/beverages, then Early Easter Worship Hour. Began Weekly Women's Sat. Morning Bible Study w/Rhonda Marion. Had Children's Outing to the Movies "Kung Fu Panda 4", followed by Pizza Supper @ Pizza Hut. WMU continues Outreach/Inreach through Card Encouragement Ministry.

**Shoals** had Easter Egg Hunt for Youth w/games and snacks. Held Sunrise Service w/breakfast following. Easter Sunday Services were moved to 8:30am for Sunday School and 9:30am for Worship Service.

**Siloam** has another new member! A bridal shower was held for Rachel Carter and Levi Haynes. Brotherhood held a workday w/breakfast served by the Carter's. Brotherhood has recently built 2 handicap ramps for needs in the community. The youth had a glow in the dark Easter egg hunt. Sunny seniors continue to enjoy trips together and stretching class each Monday. Easter sunrise service was held w/breakfast following. Please keep our church family in your prayers.

Church News continued from inside

**Surry Baptist Association  
Financial Contributions  
February 2024**

	2024 Budget Receipts To Date	Designated & Other Receipts
Albion	\$0.00	\$0.00
Antioch	\$1,145.00	\$0.00
Bannertown	\$1,333.34	\$0.00
Blues Grove	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Calvary	\$250.00	\$0.00
Cedar Lane	\$0.00	\$0.00
Central View	\$467.84	\$0.00
Christian Community	\$0.00	\$0.00
Community	\$550.00	\$1,200.00
Copeland	\$112.05	\$0.00
Cornerstone	\$56.56	\$0.00
Cross Roads	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dobson, First	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dover	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fairview	\$0.00	\$0.00
Faith	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fancy Gap	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fellowship	\$305.00	\$200.00
Flippin Memorial	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fuente de Vida	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gum Orchard	\$0.00	\$0.00
Haymore Memorial	\$83.33	\$0.00
Highland Park	\$0.00	\$300.00
Hills Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Holly Springs	\$0.00	\$0.00
Indian Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ivy Green	\$593.95	\$0.00
Jessup Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ladonia	\$160.00	\$250.00
Little Richmond	\$437.60	\$0.00
Mount Carmel	\$600.00	\$0.00
Mount Zion	\$850.00	\$0.00
Mountain Park	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mountain View	\$548.74	\$0.00
New Bethel	\$100.00	\$0.00
New Hope	\$800.00	\$0.00
New Life	\$13.43	\$0.00
New Venture	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oak Ridge	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pauls Creek	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pinnacle View	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Pleasant View	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rock Hill	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rockford	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salem	\$541.66	\$0.00
Salem Fork	\$1,350.00	\$0.00
Shoals	\$0.00	\$250.00
Siloam	\$0.00	\$0.00
Simmons Grove	\$4,000.00	\$1,200.00
Slate Mountain	\$332.00	\$0.00
Sparta, First	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Sulphur Springs	\$300.00	\$0.00
Turkey Ford	\$0.00	\$0.00
Union Cross	\$300.00	\$0.00
Victory	\$300.00	\$0.00
Welcome	\$0.00	\$0.00
Westfield	\$603.56	\$0.00
Westview	\$0.00	\$0.00
Woodland	\$400.00	\$200.00
Woodville	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other		\$12,725.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$20,034.06</b>	<b>\$17,325.00</b>

**Salem Fork's** Pastor completed sermon series on "Repentance". Collected a love offering for Boland Baptist Church in South Africa. Had Sunrise Service followed by breakfast snacks and fellowship. Also had Ingathering for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Those that went on Guatemala mission trip returned home safely and w/a renewed serving spirit. New members information class will begin this month.

**Simmons Grove** welcomed 2 new members this month. Had Prayer Revival w/guest speaker, Mike Sparks w/special music each evening provided by the Gibsons, Adam Robertson and daughter, and John Kennedy. Concluded the Revival w/a fellowship meal on Wed. evening. Kicked off the Annie Armstrong Easter offering for March and the WMU provided their annual Soup and Sandwich luncheon to provide for North American Missions. WMU met for Week of Prayer in March. Prayer, Bible Study and Mission Groups continue to meet each Wed. night @7pm, all are invited. Had Easter Egg Hunt w/simple supper. Celebrated Easter Sunrise Service followed by the Brotherhood's pancake breakfast. Continue to support Pilot Outreach Ministry w/ donations of laundry detergent.

**Slate Mountain's** Deacon Casey McMillian and wife Whitley welcomed their second child, a precious baby girl. Baptist Women met for lunch @ Libby Hill Restaurant. Red Cross Blood Drive was held in March. Easter Sunrise Service was held at the Fellowship Hall w/breakfast to following.

**Sulphur Springs** had Easter sunrise service, breakfast following w/Sunday school and worship. Had Easter Egg Hunt. Sister's in Christ had meeting. Betty Shelton, a precious and faithful member passed away. Remember her family.

**Turkey Ford** observed the Week of Prayer for North American Missions church-wide and took Annie Armstrong Easter Offering through March. Prospective VBS teachers and workers will attend VBS Clinic on April 8, @ Calvary. Men had a work day and much fellowship in March.

**Union Cross's** Bobbie Ward passed away recently w/a sudden heart attack. Youth treated the adults to a Pancake Supper w/entertainment from the youth. Had Easter Sunrise Service w/breakfast provided by the Deacons.

**Welcome** had Sunrise Service w/breakfast following. Pastor Rick brought a morning message on WPAQ. Weekly Bible study returns on April 3rd on Welcome Facebook.

**Westfield** took part in the Westfield Com. Spring Fling w/hot dog lunch, games and prizes, and an Easter Basket for the first 200 kids (Pre-school-12th grade). Will show middle and high school students "Feed the Dog" video. Over the 8 weeks students will learn that spiritual disciplines are something we develop over time. They will "taste and see that the Lord is good" (Ps. 34-8) growing in their relationship w/Christ and pointing others to Him. Boy Scout 545 had an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Jacob and Troy Haywood. A reception was given by the proud parents, Darrin and Lyndsey Haywood. Had a Kids Ministry Easter Dinner w/games, and studying God's Word together. The Kids and Student Ministry will be having an Easter w/proceeds going directly to benefit the kids and student ministry summer camp and summer events. Pastor Search Committee has selected Timothy "Blake" Bowman as our senior pastor candidate. Blake will take part in several events in order for the church to get to know him and to meet the church family, Blake will preach at WBC in March. Afterwards there will be a special called business meeting to vote by ballot on the recommendation of calling Rev. Blake Bowman as Westfield's next Senior Pastor. May 4 @ 9am will be having a craft and vendor market. Handmade items and other local vendors are welcome. Proceeds will go directly to help cover cost of summer events for the children and youth. Have begun planning for VBS.

**Westview's** youth will have a chocolate Easter Egg sale. Several flavors to choose from @ \$5 ea. Had a Community Easter Egg Hunt SON-rise service was held w/breakfast to follow. He is not here, but is risen Luke 24:6.

**Woodville** had Easter Egg Hunt. Had Sunrise Service followed by breakfast & Worship. Pastor Pete is preached at Fellowship Baptist in March and at Asbury EPC on April 3.

**Reminder: Church news is due  
by the 15th of each month.**

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**SBA Office Hours**  
Monday-Thursday.....8:30am-4:30pm  
Friday.....Closed