

# The Chimes



*"Strength from the past...  
Boldness for the future"*

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## *This Week's Calendar*

### **Sunday, April 13, 2008**

- 8:45am Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
- \*9:00 Sunday School
- \*10:15 Morning Worship Service  
Children's Church (age 4 - gr. 2)
- 4:00pm Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
- 5:00 Children's Choir; Youth Alive
- \*6:00 Evening Worship Service

### **Tuesday, April 15**

6:00am Senior Adults leave for Charlotte

### **Wednesday, April 16**

- 6:00pm Awana & Youth Activities
- \*6:15 Adult Prayer Time & Bible Study
- \*7:00 Adult Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, April 17**

- 6:30pm Deacons Meeting
- \* nursery provided for ages 4 & under (except for Sunday morning worship - ages 3 & under)

NURSERY THIS SUNDAY MORNING  
*Cathey Powell*

## **Records/Finances**

### **Sunday, April 6, 2008**

- Sunday School Attendance
  - Loris First Baptist Church..... 237
  - Loris Extended Care Center. .... 36
- Sunday Morning Worship Attendance. 297
- Tithes & Offerings
  - Budget Required Weekly. . \$10,267.71
  - Budget Receipts This Week. 12,012.40
  - Weekly Reimbursements..... 37.00
  - Weekly Designations..... 962.00
  - BUDGET REQUIREMENTS YTD. \$143,747.94
  - BUDGET RECEIPTS YTD. .... 128,380.60
  - AMOUNT UNDER BUDGET. .... 15,367.34
  - % BUDGET FUNDED YTD. .... 89%

OUR CHURCH COOKBOOKS are now available at the church office for \$10.00 each.

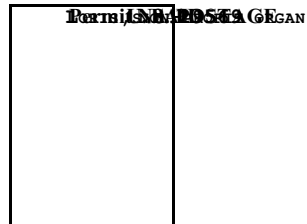
## Do I Want My (God's) Church To Grow?

Once we establish in our minds, hearts, and deep commitment that the church really is God's and not ours then we will know that God does want His church to grow. And once again the bottom line of growth is people coming to Christ. Now, is there ever a time that we can say that God does not want a person to come to Christ and be part of His kingdom? Certainly not, but sometimes we do by not obeying those things God tells us to do. So what is that God tells us to do?

Let 's revisit the great commission.

**Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)** *"Jesus came and told his disciples, I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

These are more than just words. It is more than the great commission. These are the marching orders of the church. And they are given by the supreme commander Himself. Jesus did not say do this if you want to or if you feel like it. This is a direct order. It is very important that we understand this. The authority to go to the world with the gospel has been given to Jesus Christ. In these words He is transferring that authority to us. This is the whole basis of the command. It comes with the package, our commitment to follow Christ surrenders us to His rule in our life. He is OUR



commanding Officer. It is our right, our duty, our responsibility, and our purpose to change the world or to make the world Christian. So this great commission must become a part of our thinking, talking and lifestyle. Because we have given ourselves to Christ we are obligated to obey His command. Neglect or refusal to obey is simply rebellion against the God we have chosen to follow and be committed to. Jesus said, "If you love me you will keep my commandments."

Now imagine a vast army let loose on the world with the very power of God to bring about this great order. — Bro. Larry



### **SUNDAY MORNING SERMON**

*"Living in the Character of God"*  
*II Corinthians 8:1-12; 9:6-8*

APRIL SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS  
*Laura & Rhett Hardwick*

**We welcome to our church membership** Amy and Lee McCarver. Amy comes by letter from Calvary Baptist in War, West Virginia and Lee comes by letter from North Myrtle Beach Christian.

**We extend Christian Sympathy** to Dorothy Lay upon the death of her sister, Mildred Benson.

**Awana Club - Wednesday, April 16**  
"Favorite Sports Team Night"

### **Awana Celebration on April 30**

We will have a picnic on the grounds at 6pm and the closing service at 7pm. Bring the whole family to celebrate AWANA and the end of another great year.

### **Youth Praise Band Rehearsal**

Sundays at 4:00pm  
(led by Holly Cox & Edgar Horton)

### **Youth Game Time Volunteers**

April 13 Mike & Kelly Gore  
April 20 Edi & Steve Cox  
April 27 Michelle & Jason Vaught  
May 4 Abby & Joe Cox  
May 11 Linda Pate

### **Upcoming Quarterly Business Meeting on Sunday, April 20, at 6:00pm**

- ★ The church will be entertaining a motion for the future sale of the church parsonage.
- ★ The church will elect our messengers for the Semi-annual Waccamaw Baptist Association Meeting on Monday, April 21. The meeting will be held at Spring Branch Baptist Church, beginning with a meal at 5:30pm. If you would like to go as a messenger for our church, please call the church office.
- ★ The church will vote on the new Nominating Committee. Those being recommended by the deacons are:

*Lorene Wright, chairperson; Roger Cox; Judy Hardee; Chris Hardwick; Kim Mills; Linda Pate; Jason Vaught.*

**Baptismal Service on Sunday, April 27**  
**during Morning Worship at 10:15am**

### **FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

This coming Sunday evening, April 13, we will have the Green Sea Floyds Middle School Chorus here during our evening service at 6:00pm. They are planning to bring a large group of some 50-60 students and are under the direction of Mrs. Melody Edge. I am very much looking forward to having them here to sing. The Men's Choir will begin the service with a song before the Chorus sings.

Many times we talk about young people as being the future of the church. This Sunday evening is an opportunity for us to bring youth to our church and let them use their gifts and talents. But, this will also give them exposure to church, our church specifically. Some of them may not have exposure to a church and this is an opportunity for us to show them a good "picture" of what our church is about. We want them, and their parents who come, to gain a positive impression of our church. Maybe they will be inclined to come back or be a part of another church if not already.

Your presence this Sunday evening, participation in the service, and verbal support to these students will mean a lot. I hope you come to hear them and support them. I am sure they will be a blessing to us as we also seek to be a blessing to them.

— Edgar

**Jon Bauer**, Canadian Christian artist and worship Leader from Edmonton, Alberta, will be here on Sunday, April 27 in our evening service to sing several of his songs. He has recorded CD projects entitled *Life of Worship* and his latest, *Surround*. Jon has many music awards and nominations including 2007 SHAI Awards (Canada's Peoples Choice Awards) – New Artist of the Year. For more info, go to [www.jon-bauer.com](http://www.jon-bauer.com)