# Church Calendar 3

## <u>April</u>

3 The Lord's Supper

3 Personnel Committee Mtg 4PM

3 VBS Meeting 4:00 PM

5 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

5 Wrapped In Love 6:30PM

7 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

7 CHAMPS Committee Meeting 7PM 8 L.A.C.E. Ladies' Ministry 6:30 PM

10 New Couples' SS Class Begins

11 Church Council Meeting 7PM 12 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

14 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

16 Men For Christ to Charleston

17 Business Meeting 6PM

19 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

21 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

21 Seniors to Webster 11AM

21 Deacons' Meeting 6:30PM

22 Police Appreciation Dinner 6:30 PM

23 CHURCH CLEAN UP 8AM

26 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

28 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

## May

1 Friend Day

3 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

3 Wrapped In Love 6:30 PM

5 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM 6 L.A.C.E. Ladies' Ministry 6:30 PM

8 MOTHERS' DAY

9 Church Council Meeting 7PM

10 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

12 Men For Christ

12 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

14 VBS Meeting 9AM

17 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

19 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM 19 Seniors to Webster's 11AM

19 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM

24 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

26 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM 26 Couples Ministry 6:30 PM

30 MEMORIAL DAY



We will be putting together Police Appreciation gifts. Please bring a salad item for our salad bar.

2 Last Day of School (Horry Co) 3 L.A.C.E. Ladies' Ministry 6:30 PM 7 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM 9 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM 11 VBS Meeting 9AM 13 Church Council Meeting 6:30 PM 14 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM 12-17 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 16 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM 16 Seniors to Webster's 11AM 16 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM 19 FATHERS' DAY 21 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM 23 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM

23 Couples Ministry 6:30 PM

28 LOVE Training/Visitation 6PM

30 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 11AM



STAY INFORMED!! **CHECK OUT OUR NEWLY DESIGNED WEBSITE for church** calendar, events, and information. YOU CAN NOW TITHE ONLINE. www.lorisfbc.com





Elwood "Buster" Smith Rubin Fullwood Cecil Richardson Selma Graham **Steven Planty** 

Our thoughts & prayers are with you!





- Sunday School I - Worship Servic Youth Worship



- Team KID - Youth Bible Study - Prayer / Bible Study - Adult Choir Rehearsal

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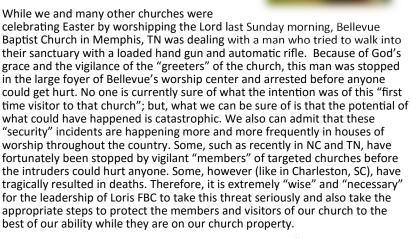
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### Security In An Insecure World

Matthew 10:16 "... Therefore be WISE AS SERPENTS and harmless as doves."



In our attempt to better prepare and protect our church from any major "physical" threat, the deacons and staff of Loris FBC have met and discussed what the best path forward would be to organize and train our members to deal with a variety of possible serious scenarios such as a fire, a tornado, a hurricane, a robbery, a shooter, a lost child, etc., etc. As horrible as each of these possibilities are to even "think about", they are ALL realities in the current world we live in... and we would be FOOLISH and NEGLIGENT if we did not prepare ourselves to handle any and all of these situations in the wisest manner possible. As Solomon once wrote: "The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, turning a man from the SNARES OF DEATH." (Proverbs 13:14)

The first thing we have done to begin organizing ourselves to be more prepared to handle potentially life-threatening situations was to ask for men to volunteer to be trained to be our "first responders" security team at Loris FBC. We have over 32 men who have signed up to serve in this capacity (Praise God!). The next thing we have done is contact the Police authorities in Horry County to get their professional recommendations of what are biggest security risks are and how to best be prepared to prevent major damage to life and property if they were to occur. The Horry County Police Department (due to the increased threats to churches in our area) has recently prepared a Church Security Assessment and Training Program. We will be one of the first churches that benefit from their research and expertise. They will be sending representatives to Loris FBC on Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, to train our security/ greeter volunteers to better be able to recognize and handle potential security threats on church property. ANYONE is welcome to attend this meeting with the Horry County Police Department representatives. It will be held in our Sanctuary at 7 p.m.





# Birthdays

3 Dawson Marlowe 3 Steven Planty 3 Sherril Wilson 4 Mary Hardee 4 Nathan Todd 5 Jameson Hardee 5 Kay Vaught 6 Georgette Collins

6 Caitlyn Dean 6 Curtis Turner 7 Tracy Collins 8 Julie McQueen

8 Elijah Springs 10 MJ Cox 11 Louise Boyd

11 Lucille Boyd 11 Wilma Fowler 15 Dorothy Richardson

16 Cindy Fox 16 Dot King

17 Lilibeth Antonio 17 Dax Marlowe

18 McKenna Archibald 18 Dale Burroughs

18 Shanda Marlowe 18 Lucille Weber

19 Annie Blackburn 19 Bella Blackburn

19 Etheleen Cox

20 Alston James 20 Becky Morton

25 Matthew Collins

26 Ann Cox 26 Fannie Cox

27 Mary Reagan Floyd 27 Sylvia Graham

28 Wavne Fox 30 Henry Harrelson

# May

1 Boyd Ford, Jr. 2 Dianne Merritt 2 Jason Porter

3 Nancy Moore 3 Cody Stevens 4 Pete Burroughs

4 Teresa Nirenstein

5 Harold Hardee 6 Jada Ward 7 Josie Anderson

7 Sylvia Hardee 8 Aaron Antonio

10 Bonnie Mills 11 Christa Russell

12 Jimmy Powell 13 Jean Dozier 14 Gemma Cox

15 Sandra Jordan 16 Susan Graham

16 Peggy Keefer 16 Hadley Ward

17 Linford Cox 17 Sarah Johnson

18 Wendy Boyd 20 Ann Carter

20 Janette Hughes 21 Martin Workman

22 AC Horne 24 Sam Milhorne 25 Harrison Collins

27 Pat Piver

28 Myron Herring 28 Kara Holt

29 Gene Mills 30 Ella Lupo

31 Grace Cox 31 Ruby Oliver

# **Church Directory Status Update**

All of our church directory family photos and church activities photos have been taken, and we are in the process of submitting the directory layout to Life Touch. We will let you know when they arrive. Thank you for your patience!

#### REMINDER!!

If you have had any changes such as phone number, address, etc. please complete a Profile Form located in the front vestibule of the Sanctuary and turn it into the office.



1 Lee McCarver

1 Tommy Waddell 2 Dupree Hamilton

3 Tab Jacobs

4 Micah Floyd

4 Guv Williams 7 Ruth Rogers

8 Daphine Fipps 8 Jeremy Lupo

10 Robert Pate 11 Cindy Malick

12 Lauren Graham

13 Joe Cox

14 Rossie Wright

15 Carolyn Coats 15 Logan Holt

15 April King

15 Kelly Strickland

18 Jeff Cox 19 Dale Holt

19 Billy Suggs

22 Alexandria Floyd 22 Kylee King

24 Jan Vescovi

26 Russell Herring 28 Lanea Fowler

28 Peggy Gore

29 Dorothy Lay 29 Lee Suggs

If your birthday was omitted, please call the church office so you can be included on our birthday list!!



**Welcome New** Members!!

Noah Vescovi **Charlie Todd** Cara Todd **Doug Malick Cindy Malick** 

# **North American Missions Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

The WMU encourages each of us to evaluate our individual interest and support for North American missions, particularly church planting, in our homeland. One element for review is our prayers. Prayer for Southern Baptist missionaries' ministry, health, safety, and families is essential. Financial support for their ministry comes through our monetary gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. After all, our missionaries represent us as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people of all walks of life. After your personal evaluation, please consider prayerfully your gift toward our goal of \$2900 and beyond.

# American Red Cross Blood Drive February 3 A Huge Success!! Thank you to all who donated!!!

We collected 23 units of blood.







**Church Clean Up Day** Saturday, April 16 Starting at 8AM Please sign up for an area on the bulletin board!

# **Visitation Starts Back** Tuesday, April 5th

We need volunteers willing to bake goodies. If you can help, please contact Tammy Kidman at (843) 340.1045 or email her at tkidman@sccoast.net.





# **Music Notes From Jim**

Thanks to the Children's Choirs and their leaders for the great job singing on Easter Sunday morning. Their excited faces and spirited singing are a good example for all of us to follow during worship. I was certainly blessed by all of those who participated in this year's Easter Pageant. Everyone in the cast and crew came through in a major way, as they did an outstanding job in presenting the story of Christ's love and sacrifice for us. Thanks to each one of you for sharing of your time and talents to tell the Good News again to all those who came to the presentations. I pray that you were as blessed to be a part of it as I was to lead it. Jim Smith

After we get this input and training on April 14<sup>th</sup>, our goal is to place a minimum of 8 men on duty as security/greeter personnel during all of our normal weekly service times (Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and Wednesday evening). Two men will be in the front vestibule, two men will be stationed in the Bell Tower, two men will be in the Basement (Children's area), and two men will be assigned to walk the outside perimeter of the church (paying attention to the parking lots and various people walking up to the church entrances, looking for any suspicious activity). The primary purpose of these 8 men will be to try to "prevent" any serious physical threat from taking place. Their secondary purpose will be to properly lead and handle any actions necessary to deal with any threat that does take place so as to minimize any harm to our members and visitors.

Once these "initial" basic steps have been completed, we will be working diligently to develop and implement an overall Church Security Plan. At this time, we have assigned the Building and Grounds Committee Chairman, Dale Holt, to be our first Security Team Coordinator. He will be responsible for putting together a Loris FBC Security Team, which will consist of various leaders of our church to include representatives from the Children's, Youth, Sunday School, and Senior Adult Departments. This Security Team will work together to put an initial Security Plan together and present it to the Church Council and then the entire church body for comments and final approval.

PLEASE NOTE THIS IMPORTANT POINT: Until our Security Plan has been approved and implemented, it is imperative that we all remain vigilant of our surroundings and prepared to protect ourselves and our fellow man. However, the deacons wanted me to make it clear to everyone that it is NOT APPROPRIATE, APPROVED, OR LEGAL for "anyone" to bring a gun into our Sanctuary at "anytime", without first having notified and received "written" approval of the pastor and deacons of Loris FBC!!! Those who have Concealed Weapons Permits already know that carrying a gun onto church property without this permission are putting themselves (and others) in risk of danger and potential legal trouble. Although the deacons and staff of this church fully appreciate and understand the desires of each person to keep themselves as safe as possible, we humbly ask that you please respect that the legal authorities have counseled us that "MANY UNKNOWN" church members with concealed weapons on the church property pose a greater security threat that THEY THINK they are protecting themselves from. So, I am asking you to please honor our requests to not carry any weapons into our sanctuary until you have proper permission "and" we have a well thought out Security Plan, that includes when and how you would use that weapon if a dreaded situation warranted you to act.

In the meantime, please remember that our ULTIMATE SECURITY rests in the power and authority of our Lord Jesus Christ. While this doesn't mean we shouldn't prepare ourselves to handle potential physical threats (read Nehemiah 4:13-14), we should do so in an organized and unfearful manner within the timeframe and wisdom God will provide us. We should also be praying... as we PREPARE a good overall Security Plan ...and as we station well trained security/greeters throughout our property during our normal service times... that the Lord puts such a "hedge of protection around us"...we never have to respond to a serious physical threat in my lifetime or yours. Also pray that your leadership at Loris FBC will be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves" as they do their best to protect every man, woman, youth, or child that trusts us to do so while on our property!

-Pastor Louis