

Church Calendar

October

2 The Lord's Supper 10:15 AM
2 Personnel Committee Meeting 4 PM
4 Good News Club
4 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
4 Constitution/Bylaws Comm 6:30 PM
5 AWANA Club 5 PM
6 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM
8 LACE Ladies' Ministry 9 AM
9 Children's Choir 5 PM
9 Youth Council Meeting 7 PM
10 Church Council Meeting 7 PM
11 Good News Club
11 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
12 AWANA Club 5 PM
13 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM
16 Children's Choir 5 PM
16 Quarterly Business Meeting 6 PM
18 Good News Club
18 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
18 Buildings & Grounds Meeting 7 PM
19 AWANA Club 5 PM
20 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM
20 Seniors To Webster's 11 AM
20 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM
21 Trunk or Treat at Green Sea Floyd
22 Men For Christ to Bethesda Home
22 Youth to Carowinds
23 Children's Choir 5 PM
23 Afif Saba Speaking/Fellowship
25 Good News Club
25 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
26 AWANA Club 5 PM
27 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM
27 Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal 7PM
29 Men For Christ to Springfield Baptist
29 Waddell/Blanton Wedding
30 Children's Choir 5 PM
31 Harvest Festival



CHAMPS Improvement Team

A "Discipleship Team" is being formed to be responsible for implementing, maintaining, evaluating, and improving the disciple-making strategy for Loris FBC. Anyone interested in serving, please contact the church office to have your name submitted to the Nominating Committee for consideration.

November

1 Good News Club
1 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
1 Constitution/Bylaws Comm 6:30 PM
2 AWANA Club 5 PM
3 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
4 LACE Ladies Ministry 6:30 PM
6 **Daylight Savings Ends**
6 **Heritage Day**
8 **Election Day**
8 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
10 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
10 Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal
11 Veterans' Day
13 Children's Choir 5 PM
13 Youth Council Meeting 7 PM
14 Church Council Meeting 7 PM
14-17 Senior Trip
15 Good News Club
15 LOVE Evangelism 6 PM
15 Buildings & Grounds Meeting 7 PM
16 AWANA Club 5 PM
17 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
17 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM
17 Deacon's Meeting 6:30 PM
20 LFBC Thanksgiving Dinner
22 Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal 7PM
23 NO SERVICES
24 **Thanksgiving Day**
24-25 Church Office Closed
27 Children's Choir 5 PM
29 Good News Club
30 AWANA Club 5 PM

December

1 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
1 Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal 7PM
2 LACE Ladies' Ministry 6:30 PM
4 Hanging of the Greens 6 PM
6 Good News Club
6 Constitution/Bylaws Comm 6:30 PM
7 AWANA Club 5 PM
8 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
11 Children's Christmas Program 6 PM
14 AWANA Club 5 PM
15 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
15 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM
15 Adult Choir Christmas Rehearsal 6PM
18 Adult Christmas Program 7 PM
20 Buildings & Grounds Meeting 7 PM
21 AWANA Club 5 PM
22 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
23-26 Church Office Closed
24 Christmas Eve Service
25 **Christmas Day**
28 AWANA Club 5 PM
29 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM
31 New Year's Eve

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Wednesday Service Times
5:00 PM - AWANA Club
6:00 PM - Youth Bible Study
6:00 PM - Prayer / Bible Study
7:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

Sunday Service Times
9:00 AM - Sunday School
10:15 AM - Worship Service
5:00 PM - Youth Worship
6:00 PM - Evening Worship



The Chimes



October & November 2016



What Now??

Proverbs 19:21 "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD'S PURPOSE that prevails."

Praise God! On this past Sunday evening (September 25th), after nearly a year of testing, discussing, praying, meeting, writing, and presenting, Loris FBC "unanimously" voted to APPROVE our CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan. As the Psalm writer wrote: *"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!"* (Psalm 133:1) I am very thankful for the hard work our CHAMPS Team put into developing this plan after having sincerely listened to your evaluations of the current conditions and then prayerfully prioritizing your suggestions for improvement. I am also extremely thankful for all of you who have enough "concern" for your church to take the time to read through this comprehensive and challenging plan, while also having enough "faith" in your Lord to overwhelmingly vote in favor of it. So, I say again...PRAISE GOD! (Psalm 97:12)

Of course, the question that many of you may be asking after having approved the CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan is "WHAT NOW??" What happens "next" ... now that these 5 major long range goals and 10 short range goals have been approved?

What happens next is that the CHAMPS Team that worked together to develop the plan...will now begin working together to ASSIST the church body at Loris FBC in implementing the plan. The first steps will be to assemble three important Teams/Committees with different volunteers from throughout the church membership. We need a "Discipleship Team" to begin working on Major Goals #1 and #4. We need the Children's Council to begin working with the Building & Grounds Committee as a team to implement Major Goal #3. And we need the church to approve the volunteers selected by the Deacons to serve on the Long Range Planning Committee to start working on Major Goal #5. (NOTE: Major Goal #2 will be implemented by the Sunday School Council which already exists and has begun progress on their tasks already.) Although at least one CHAMPS Team Member will serve on each of these Teams/Committees...the majority of volunteers will come from members throughout our Loris FBC family.

Once all of the needed Teams/Committees have been fully staffed and properly informed of what is expected of them, then each Team/Committee will utilize the CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan as a working guide to accomplish the tasks included in the plan within the timeframe provided by the plan (to the best of their ability). At the first of each month (beginning November 1st), I will write a brief summary of the progress made on each of our goals and have that report inserted in our worship bulletins for everyone to read.

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Birthdays



October

1 Babb Fowler
 2 Tom Foy
 2 Tammy Holt
 3 Chip Jacobs
 4 Jenny Williams
 5 Eloise Cox
 5 Wanda Horne
 6 Monica Currie
 6 Homer Harrelson
 6 Misty Heffington
 9 Harvey Graham
 10 Tammy Floyd
 10 Donna Rhodes
 13 Kemp Floyd
 13 Linda Pate
 14 Kitty Franklin
 18 Edi Cox
 18 Vonda Hamilton
 19 Judy Wooten
 20 Carolyn Prince
 20 Jean Webster
 20 Phyllis Williams
 23 Paula Cox
 23 Ben Hardee
 24 J.T. Merritt
 25 Felicia James
 26 Wynne Floyd
 28 Charles Webster
 29 Teddy Boyd
 29 Jared Harrelson
 29 Seth Harrelson
 31 Donnie Johnson

November

1 Gerald Fisher
 1 Ashley Hilbourn
 3 Jerri Yates
 7 Chris Coleman
 7 Barbara Hickman
 7 Tammy Kidman
 9 Patty Sue Sanders
 10 Melinda Porter
 13 Jamison Lewis
 13 Regina Strickland
 14 Harvey Graham IV
 14 Doug Malick
 14 Donna Spivey
 17 Phyllis Staples
 20 Carol Borger
 20 Louis Venable
 21 Mary Currie
 21 Shirley Martin
 21 Georgia Springs
 22 Mike Blanton
 22 Jenell Dawsey
 23 Seth Archibald
 24 Lois Clouden
 27 Boyd Ford III
 27 Lindsey Jernigan
 28 Peggy Todd
 29 Dale Graham
 30 Roseanne Gore

December

1 Dottie Ammons
 1 Diane Hardwick
 2 Bryan Cannon
 2 Paige Graham
 2 Biff Johnson
 4 Charlie Todd
 6 Hilda Johnson
 8 Greta Todd
 10 Seth Ammons
 10 Teresa Blanton
 12 Eloise Bell
 12 Lois Jones
 14 Claudia Fowler
 15 Alexis James
 16 Trudy Fisher
 16 Dale Todd
 17 Elizabeth Cannon
 18 Trace Holt
 20 Linda Prince
 20 Danny Williams
 21 Franklin Causey
 26 Wilma Suggs
 27 Darcy Nirenstein
 28 Alice Duncan
 30 Jerry Jordan
 30 Damon Vescovi



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



Condolences to our families who recently lost loved ones:

Benyard Caines
 Ruby Oliver

Our thoughts & prayers are with you!



God's Promise Over Loris FBC
 "...it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth."
 (Genesis 9:13)



Operation Christmas Child

More than 2,000 children have been witnessed to through our church's participation in Operation Christmas Child. We, too, have been blessed as we prayed and gave of time and money. This year's goal of 600 shoeboxes is for children ages 2-14. Pray that entire families will be impacted with the Good News of Jesus and receive discipleship training. Ronald and I recently attended a presentation given by a shoebox recipient from Romania. Hers was a life forever changed through one simple gift. Now she shares her story with others and packs shoeboxes of her own. Our immediate needs are soap bars and toothpaste and shipping donations of \$ 7 per box. Help us now as packing begins in just a few weeks.

How did the **Janie Chapman Missions Offering** begin?
 1884 - Baptist Woman's Society of SC gave **\$70.34**, the beginning of state missions support. 1900 - 1st state missions offering received, **\$235**
 1937 - WMU's offering named "Janie Chapman Offering", honoring Mrs. Chapman's strong missions leadership. 2016 - SC Baptists give to support state ministries, such as Disaster Relief, Literacy, Church Planting, School Partnerships, and Multi-Housing Ministries.
Loris First Baptist Church Goal for State Missions: \$950
 Babb Fowler, WMU



Monday, October 31
 5:30 - 7:30PM at LFBC
 All Good News Club, Awana Club, & LFBC Kids Invited!
 NEEDED: Volunteers & Individually Wrapped Candy



American Red Cross

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED BLOOD!
 22 Units Collected

High Attendance Sunday Breakfast
 Sunday, October 2 at 8 AM

Congratulations To:

- Pre K (2 & 3-Year Olds)
- Children I (1st through 3rd Grade)
- Children II (4th through 5th Grade)
- Youth
- Young Married
- Mavericks



Rev. Afif Saba, Pastor
 Good Shepherd Baptist Church
 Nazareth, Israel
 will be speaking at LFBC
 Sunday, October 23 at 6PM
 Immediately following we will have a "Meet & Greet" in the fellowship hall.



Men For Christ Volunteers Needed

Saturday, October 22 at 7AM
 Open to anyone interested in going to Bethesda Home to continue the missions project.

Saturday, October 29 at 8AM
 Open to anyone interested in helping to finish fellowship hall construction at Springfield Baptist Church.

THANK YOU to Gene Mills, Tony Fowler, Wayne Fox, Malcolm Campbell, and Dale Holt for representing Loris FBC Men For Christ and building three decks at Springfield Baptist Church on Saturday, September 17.

In addition to this, the CHAMPS Team will meet quarterly to keep up-to-date on all progress and then will conduct a special called business meeting each quarter on a Sunday evening to make a verbal report out to the entire church and then answer questions and/or listen to suggestions for improvements/changes. The goals of your Staff and the CHAMPS Team is to keep progress on accomplishing our Strategic Improvement Plan moving forward...while also keeping everyone informed of what "is" or may "not" be getting done.

Another thing all of us need to consider doing "right now"...since the CHAMPS Plan has been approved...is to PRAY regularly to the Lord for His help in turning this "hope" of improvements into a "reality". As the Bible says, *"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; APART FROM ME YOU CAN DO NOTHING."* (John 15:5) Praying and seeking God's guidance, as we work on this plan, is absolutely essential for making any meaningful and lasting progress. In addition to praying, now is the time to be asking yourself "What can I do?" Maybe God is calling you to volunteer to serve on one of the Teams/Committees directly responsible for implementing this plan? If so, please let me or a member of The CHAMPS Team know as soon as possible.

Finally, "now" that the CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan has been approved, everyone who WANTS to be discipled to become more like Jesus Christ will have increased opportunities and methods available for them to do so. Very soon, we will not only have more discipleship classes conducted during the week on our church property to choose from...but also, we will have the ability to use modern technology and resources to "tailor" discipleship videos and study guides to meet your personal (and/or family's) desires and needs which will be available for you to watch at "any time" and "at any place" you choose, utilizing either your home computer, laptop, iPad, or cell phone. Our newly approved plan will NOT require you to "live" on Loris FBC property in order to study God's word deeper (and more often) so that you can grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ!

I hope the above information gives you a better understanding of "WHAT NOW?"...following the peaceful and unified approval of the CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan. If you still have questions about our CHAMPS goals that I have not answered in this article, please don't hesitate to contact me or any member of the CHAMPS Team to get more clarification. We do not want anyone to be "confused" or felt "left out" of what we are trying to accomplish in accordance with God's will at Loris FBC. The CHAMPS Strategic Improvement Plan is not something the CHAMPS Team is trying to do TO THE CHURCH...rather, it is something the CHAMPS Team is trying to accomplish WITH THE CHURCH...to remain obedient to our Lord's commands (Matthew 28:19-20; John 13:34-35) and to bring glory and praise to God, our Father (Matthew 6:9-10).

God has helped us come up with a great improvement plan...NOW IT IS TIME TO WORK UNTIL THE PLAN IS FULLY ACCOMPLISHED. So, please be praying and looking for opportunities to help us when you can!
 (2Corinthians 5:9-10)

— Pastor Louis