

# Church Calendar



## April

2 Lord's Supper 10:15 AM  
2 Children's Choir 5 PM  
2 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM  
4 Good News Club  
4 Constitution/Bylaws Comm Mtg 6:30  
4 Bonus Easter Rehearsal 7 PM  
4 LOVE Visitation  
5 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
5 Youth Hangout 6 PM  
5 Bonus Easter Rehearsal 7 PM  
6 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM  
6 Bonus Easter Rehearsal 7 PM  
**8 Easter Pageant 7 PM**  
**9 Palm Sunday**  
**9 Easter Pageant 7 PM**  
10 Church Council Meeting 7 PM  
11 LOVE Visitation  
12 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
12 Youth Hangout 6 PM  
13 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM  
14 Good Friday  
**16 EASTER**  
18 Good News Club  
18 LOVE Visitation  
18 Buildings & Grounds Comm 7 PM  
19 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
19 Youth Hangout 6 PM  
20 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM  
20 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM  
20 Deacons Meeting 6:30 PM  
22 VBS Meeting 9 AM  
23 Youth Paintball  
23 Children's Choir 5 PM  
23 Quarterly Business Meeting  
25 Good News  
25 LOVE Visitation  
26 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
26 Youth Hangout 6 PM  
27 Intercessory Prayer Ministry 9 AM  
28 LACE Meeting 630 PM  
30 Children's Choir 5 PM  
30 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM

## May

2 LOVE Visitation  
2 Constitution/Bylaws Comm Mtg 6:30  
3 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
3 Youth Discipleship 6 PM  
4 Intercessory Prayer  
5 Police Appreciation Dinner  
7 Children's Choir  
7 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM  
8 Church Council Meeting 7 PM  
10 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
10 Youth Hangout 6 PM  
11 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
11 Men For Christ 7 PM  
**14 Mother's Day**

14 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM  
16 Buildings & Grounds Comm Mtg  
17 Awana Club 5:30 PM  
18 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
18 Seniors To Webster's  
18 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM  
21 Children's Choir 5 PM  
21 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM  
21 LHS Chorus to Sing at AM Service  
24 BLOCK PARTY  
24 No Services  
25 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
26 LACE Ladies' Ministry Meet 6:30 PM  
28 Children's Choir 5 PM  
28 Youth Discipleship  
28 VBS Movie Kickoff 5 PM

## June

1 Last Day of School  
1 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
4 Children's Choir 5 PM  
6 Constitution/Bylaws Comm Mtg  
7 Youth Hangout  
8 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
11-16 VBS  
11 Youth Discipleship 5:30 PM  
14 Youth Hangout  
15 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
15 Seniors to Webster's 11 AM  
15 Deacons' Meeting 6:30 PM  
17-21 CentriKid Camp  
**18 Father's Day**  
20 Buildings & Grounds Comm Mtg  
21 Youth Hangout  
22 Intercessory Prayer 9 AM  
25 Children's Choir 5 PM



**L.A.C.E.**  
*Ladies' Ministry*  
Our next meetings are  
**Friday, April 28 at 6:30 PM**  
**Friday, May 26 at 6:30 PM**

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### Sunday Service Times

9:00 AM - Sunday School  
10:15 AM - Worship Service  
5:00 PM - Children's Choir  
5:30 PM - Youth Discipleship Training  
5:30 PM - Discipleship Training

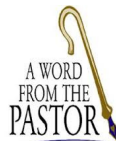
### Wednesday Service Times

5:00 PM - AWANA Program  
6:00 PM - Youth Bible Study  
6:00 PM - Prayer / Bible Study  
7:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal



# The Chimes

## Loris First Baptist April & May 2017



**"And You Shall Be My Witnesses..." (Acts 1:8)**

In my last CHIMES Article, I wrote about our upcoming mission trip to Israel from February 11th-20th. Many of you heard the testimonies of the 12 people from Loris FBC that went on this trip. You heard how life changing it was for some of them to actually travel to the Holy Land and go to places that Jesus Christ, Himself, had been. You also heard how wonderful it was to worship with the members of The Good Shepherd Baptist Church. That is the new church plant in Nazareth that was started in 2012 when I was the pastor of Northbridge Baptist Church. For me, it was amazing to see how full the church was with both old and young people. There were lots of teenagers and children. But, most importantly, there was a lot of excitement for Jesus which was obvious when you watched them praise the Lord "with all their heart, with all their mind, and with all their soul" (Matthew 22:37). We also got to speak with and to encourage the next church planter that is being trained by Rev. Afif Saba to start the next church in a different section of Nazareth. Needless to say, God blessed the trip mightily and let us come home with good news of what He is doing amongst this lost people group called "the Arab Israelis".

I know that many of you would love to go on a trip like this...but were not able to for various reasons. It could be because those dates were not good for you to travel. Or it could have been that you could not afford such an expensive trip at this point in your lives. Or it may be (will you admit it?) you may have been too scared to fly that far to a foreign country!?! Ha! Whatever the reason that prevented you from going on that particular trip, I hope you know that you will still have many other opportunities to serve the Lord by ultimately "GOING" somewhere to make disciples (Matthew 28:19). In Acts 1:8, Jesus said that His disciples would become "HIS WITNESSES" when they received the Holy Spirit (which all believers in Jesus Christ have! Romans 8:9). He also went on to say WHERE we are to witness for Him. To the disciples that were in Jerusalem at that time, He told them they would be His witnesses "in Jerusalem" (the city where they lived), "in Judea" (the county in which they lived), in "Samaria" (the surrounding neighborhoods), and "to the uttermost part of the earth" (all over the world).

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# Birthdays

## April

3 Dawson Marlowe  
3 Sherril Wilson  
4 Mary Hardee  
4 Nathan Todd  
5 Jameson Hardee  
5 Kay Vaught  
6 Georgette Collins  
6 Caitlyn Dean  
7 Tracy Collins  
8 Julie McQueen  
10 MJ Cox  
11 Louise 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  
26 Ann Cox  
26 Fannie Cox  
27 Mary Reagan Floyd  
27 Sylvia Graham  
27 Cara Todd  
28 Wayne Fox

## May

1 Boyd Ford, Jr.  
2 Dianne Merritt  
2 Jason Porter  
3 Nancy Shelley  
3 Cody Stevens  
4 Pete Burroughs  
4 Teresa Nirenstein  
5 Harold Hardee  
6 Jada Ward  
7 Sylvia Hardee  
10 Bonnie Mills  
11 Christa Russell  
12 Jimmy Powell  
13 Jean Dozier  
15 Sandra Jordan  
16 Susan Graham  
16 Peggy Keefer  
17 Linford Cox  
17 Sarah Johnson  
18 Wendy Boyd  
20 Ann Carter  
20 Janette Hughes  
24 Sam Milhorne  
25 Harrison Collins  
27 Pat Piver  
28 Myron Herring  
28 Kara Holt  
29 Gene Mills  
30 Ella Lupo  
31 Grace Cox

## June

1 Lee McCarver  
1 Tommy Waddell  
2 Dupree Hamilton  
3 Tab Jacobs  
4 Micah Floyd  
7 Reggie Holm  
7 Ruth Rogers  
8 Daphne Fipps  
8 Jeremy Lupo  
10 Robert Pate  
11 Cindy Malick  
13 Joe Cox  
14 Rossie Wright  
15 Carolyn Coats  
15 April King  
15 Kelly Strickland  
18 Jeff Cox  
19 Dale Holt  
24 Jan Vescovi  
26 Russell Herring  
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!!***

**Reminder:** Wednesday **Doctrines of the Bible** and **Marks of a Disciple** are posted to our website.

Go to: <http://www.lorisfbc.com> under *Sermons*



Condolences to our families  
who recently lost loved ones:

Jerry Godwin, Sr.   Shirley Martin  
Anna Gasque   Lucille Boyd  
Austin Todd   Lois Jones  
Patsy Culler   Carl Harris  
Barbara Hickman

*Our thoughts & prayers are with you!*



**Welcome New Member!!**

**Anna Hardee**

To learn more about this trip coming up in July, I have invited Pastor Tez and his family to come up from Atlanta to Loris this coming Sunday, April 2nd, to meet with us and help us learn more about what God has laid on his heart to do this summer...that we might be able to help him accomplish. Whether you can go on this trip in July or not, I believe you will be excited to hear what our “brother” in Christ has been doing for the Lord and how the Lord has blessed the work of his hands...because he has been faithful. So, if you can, come hear Pastor Tez speak to our church at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 2nd. Also, begin praying and asking God if this trip to Atlanta (July 14th-21st) is something the Lord would have you do for Him!??? People of all ages, skill levels, and abilities are wanted and needed to make this mission trip a success. We need cooks, athletes, bible teachers, construction workers, senior adult caregivers, etc., etc. In other words...WE NEED YOU!

Will you come with me to Atlanta and let the Lord use us at Loris FBC to help Connect Church in Atlanta reach children, youth, and adults to Jesus Christ? We are commanded to be “His witnesses” ...will we obey?

— **Pastor Louis**

## **WMU Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** **LFBC Goal: \$1,500**

**Together for His Kingdom** is the 2017 theme for the North American Missions Emphasis. The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is a vital component of this emphasis. This offering is named after Annie Armstrong, first corresponding secretary for the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU). This annual offering honors and celebrates Ms. Annie's life and legacy which centered around "encouraging and stirring up others to support and be involved in missions endeavors." Over 18,000 letters were written by Ms. Annie in one year to spur on missions' giving. Her love for reaching the lost centered in her community as she gave encouraging words or hugs and handed out needed clothing. As you participate through your offering you are giving to missionaries serving in North America with the North American Mission Board.



## **FUN! FOOD! FELLOWSHIP!**

Sunday, April 9

**Immediately After Morning Worship Service**

**All invited to eat hot dogs followed by an**

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

**for children 0 to 5th grade**

## **LFBC Adult Choir Easter Performance Rehearsal**

Sunday, April 2 at 4 PM - Scenes 1-11

## **Full Cast and Crew Rehearsals**

Tuesday, April 4 at 7 PM

Wednesday, April 5 at 7 PM

Thursday, April 6 at 7 PM

## **LFBC Adult Choir Easter Performances**

**Saturday, April 8 at 7 PM**

**Sunday, April 9 at 7 PM**

(Make Up: Report at 5 PM; Others at 6 PM)



For those of us at Loris FBC who claim to be Jesus’ disciples, this means we are to make specific plans to get the gospel of Jesus Christ to people living in Loris, South Carolina, the United States of America, and throughout the world. Although it would be easiest to do, the Lord does not give us permission to just stay in Loris and witness to only those living near us. Jesus knows that when we leave our hometowns and travel to various places around the world to spread the good news it bonds us closer together and gives us inspiration to work even harder in our own neighborhoods. If you show me a church that has members who are not planning regular mission trips to go throughout their state, their country, and the world...I will show you a church that is disobeying God and probably is not really witnessing very much for Christ in their own hometown either. Jesus is the Lord! He is our Master! If He has told us to go on mission trips “away” from our hometown on a regular basis...our only response should be: “YES LORD!”

That is why we will be taking annual trips to Israel for at least the next 4-5 years (and I hope you can all go on at least one of them with me!!). But, we are also going to continue doing mission activities right here in Loris. There are Senior Adults living in Retirement Centers all around our church who need to be ministered to and who need to hear the gospel. There are children, teenagers, young adults, married couples, and business owners all around us who need to hear the gospel. Your church council will be seeking the Lord’s will to find many different ways for us to lead people to Christ here in Loris. All you have to do is volunteer to help with some of these ministries.

In addition, we will provide opportunities for you to go on mission trips to our “Judea and Samaria” (somewhere in the United States outside of Loris!). Currently, I am planning a one week mission trip to Atlanta, GA from July 14th-21st. Atlanta has been designated by the Southern Baptist Convention as a target city for churches all over the USA to send mission teams into to try to reach the over 1 million lost people living near the heart of that large city. The goal of the North American Mission Board is to plant over 1200 new churches in Atlanta within the next 10 years. When I called Dr. Jim Haskill (Coordinator of Atlanta’s Mission Team Activities), he assigned Loris FBC to work with a church planter in Atlanta by the name of Martez Andrews. Pastor “Tez”, as he is called, is the pastor of Connect Church. It is a church he started with his wife from scratch to try to get the gospel into the communities of some of the poorest people living in Atlanta. He uses sweat, tears, and SPORTS to get children and youth to hear about Jesus Christ and how He can save their souls and change the directions of their lives forever. Around 5 years ago, Pastor Tez and his wife started a church plant in their home with just a few volunteers. Now they have three campuses where they worship with hundreds of people that have accepted Jesus Christ and joined Connect Church. His goal for July of 2017 is to start a new campus in a section of Atlanta where no one else is doing much. To do this, he wants to have a week-long “sports camp” to attract the children and youth in that area... and then use this platform to share the gospel with them and their parents. In addition to this, there is a Nursing Home in that neighborhood where Pastor Tez would like to have a group of people do a “Senior Adult VBS” with those staying there so that God can reach their hearts, as well. There are also some small “repair” and “construction” projects that need some skilled laborers to help him with. Needless to say, the work is plentiful (according to Pastor Tez), but the workers are few! That’s where Loris FBC comes in!! ha!

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