

The Current

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Keith's Korner...

We get the term "boot camp" from the military, but we can encounter boot camps in various areas of life: exercise, a period of intense training before a new job, or some retreat for personal or marital transformation. The purpose for any boot camp would be to push someone beyond what they think are their limits.

On March 5, I will begin a new sermon series that will lead us through the Lenten season called **Boot Camp for Renewal** (Want to know more about Lent? See below). This series will be one that challenges us to make necessary changes in our life, hard as they may be, that will lead us to repentance and spiritual renewal.

This last month we have been reminded of God's great love and we were challenged to share and show this love with others through our **28 Days of Love** emphasis. It has been so encouraging to see and hear testimony, from individuals and groups, about the many ways this emphasis has played itself out in the community. Planning and leading worship services centered around the theme of God's love was both enjoyable and refreshing.

As we move through these 40 days of Lent, our focus remains on God's love, but we will be challenged to do some personal investigation and spiritual inventory. This new series, **Boot Camp for Renewal**, will challenge each of us to repent, change course and re-focus our lives to be more in line with Jesus. We can all get caught up in the drama of life and lose our sense of purpose or direction at times. This emphasis on the hard work of spiritual renewal can lead us to greater peace and purpose and challenge us to leave old habits, prejudices and weaknesses behind.

Will you join with me and ask God to begin a work of renewal in each of our hearts, a renewal that will lead us all to look more like Christ?

You are loved,
Keith

BOOT CAMP for renewal

What is Lent? Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday (March 1) and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

Summary provided by United Methodist Communications



"Whoever believes in me, as scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

(John 7:38)

Pastor Keith's Sermons-
for March

Boot Camp for Renewal

5 – *Temptation*
Matthew 4:1-11

12 – *Reset*
John 3:1-17

19 – *Hydrate*
John 4:5-42

26 – *Redefined*
John 9:1-41

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me. Do not banish me from your presence, and don't take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me again the joy of your salvation, and make me willing to obey you.

Psalm 51:10-12 (NLT)

Rehearsal Schedule for *Celebrate Life!*

MARCH

Wed, Mar 1 7:30-8:30 pm
Sun, Mar 5 2:00-4:00 pm
Wed, Mar, 8 7:30-8:30 pm
Wed, Mar 15 7:30-8:30 pm
Wed, Mar 22 7:30-8:30 pm
Sun, Mar 26 2:00-4:00 pm
Wed, Mar 29 7:30-8:30 pm

APRIL

Sun, April 2 2:00-4:00 pm
Wed, April 5 7:00-9:00 pm

DRESS REHEARSAL
Saturday, April 8
10:00 am-12:00 noon
CELEBRATE LIFE!
In Morning Worship
SUNDAY,
April 9, 10:55 am

Attention Ladies!

Please join your friends for a six-week study of the book of II Timothy titled "Entrusted." The study begins Wednesday, March 1st at 5:45 in the Kerygma Classroom. Each session will start with a group discussion followed by a video led by Beth Moore. Text Sandy Quattlebaum at 704-473-7719 or by email sandyq1961@gmail.com if you plan to participate.

Associational Senior Adult Rally "Fun and Faith"

Boiling Springs Baptist Church
Thursday, March 30 from
8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Speaker: John Carter, news anchor for WBTV News
Devotion on faith by Dr. Alice Cullinan
Booths from 8:45-9:25 a.m. include: County Agency Displays, Free Blood Pressure Checks, Singing, Lunch, Door Prizes
Opportunities for senior adults to minister to others
Registration is required as we are serving a free lunch.
Register online at the Greater Cleveland County Baptist Association website at gccba.org or call their office at 704-482-3472 by March 22.

From our Associate Pastor for Music & Adults... Candy Wilson

Dear Friends,

As I write this article I am preparing for and looking forward to tomorrow's session of the ChurchWorks workshop I am attending. We had a session earlier today which was an encouraging and helpful session regarding fulfillment and satisfaction in ministry. Several things were mentioned that are thought to contribute to this. (This presentation was the result of some studies that have actually been done regarding this topic.) Some of the top things mentioned were various relationships--those relationships considered to be most important were (1) relationship with one's spouse and (2) one's relationship with the local church.

The type of relationship a minister has with his or her local church is something that has been studied and concluded to be crucial to contributing to a minister's sense of fulfillment (or lack thereof) in ministry. That discussion caused me to think more about my relationship with Boiling Springs Baptist. Because of all of you and your generous hospitality to me and your loving and caring welcome that I have experienced in my short time here, I think we're off to a pretty good start! I covet your prayers and support as I continue to strive to learn more about who you are and as I try to find my way into doing more effective ministry in your midst.

Thank you for the privilege and opportunity to serve alongside you in doing the ministry to which we have been called by an all-loving God who challenges us to "draw the circle wide" and wider still as we reach out to those in need of God's love and care.

In service with you,
Candy

Preschool and Children...

"A happy heart makes a face look cheerful." Proverbs 15:13

Are you wearing your happy smile today? A smile on the outside means you are happy on the inside. God gave us many reasons to be happy. He loves us. He cares for us. He is our friend. God can help us be happy inside and out.

In watching the little children play Saturday, I saw God's love bursting out everywhere! Children's love of life is unending and they love everyone who "loves on" them. God through them gives us a reason to be happy.

Our love this month has been much like that as we shared in the "28 Days of Love" with those in our community and around the town. We have heard people say to us, "My day went from horrible to awesome. Thank you for sharing and for caring!" Many of us have been blessed and as the children will tell you God is Love and God loves Us. Let's not let it stop with February. Let's continue to share with others our faith and love for each other and the church.

Spring is quickly approaching and plans are already being made for summer. I welcome your suggestions for children's activities. The Children's Ministry is always seeking volunteers who are willing to give their time and energy to help with the children's program. Children's events on the calendar are as follows: Children Activity Day March 31, Glow in the Dark for children grades 1-6, April 7, and the Easter Egg Hunt for Pre-K children, April 8. Planning is also underway for our Music, Art, and Drama (MAD) Camp which will be August 7-10. The camp is for children in grades 1 to 6. Vacation Bible School is the week of June 11 to 15. I hope you will put these dates as well as all the others on your calendar. Thank you for all your support.

Miss Ellen

Growing Up



17th Annual Senior Adult Music Day

Flint Hill Baptist Church
Thursday, March 16
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Concert at Elizabeth Baptist Church on
Sunday, March 19 at 6:00 p.m.
Featuring guest clinician Marty Parks
Well Seasoned Praise #3 by Marty Parks
(Word Publishing)
Register with the Greater Cleveland
County Baptist Association
704-482-3472 or register online at
gccba.org.

Deacon Training Event "Following God's Leadership"

Poplar Springs Baptist Church
March 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Led by Dr. Alice Cullinan, Rev. Keith Dixon
Pastors who attend will receive free copy of
book *Nuts & Bolts of Deacon Ministry*.
Deacons may purchase copies for \$15 each.
Preregistration is necessary by Feb. 28 for
books, and March 13 for meal reservation.
Call the Greater Cleveland County Baptist
Association 704-482-3472 or register online

A Message from Our Youth Minister...

The month of February truly has been an incredible month in the life of our church and in our community of Boiling Springs. The church-wide 28 days of love challenge has brought inspiring words, messages and actions to a wide variety of people. Throughout the month of February, our youth Wednesday night Bible studies were



focused on the topic of love. We looked at four important aspects of love that affect our relationship with God and others; God's love for each of us, our love for God, our love for ourselves, which ultimately leads to loving others. Through these four weeks our youth have been challenged to live a life full of love.

An important message for our youth and for our congregation as a whole as we move into the month of March is to make sure that our days of love for God and others do not end on February 28. I reference this often but Jesus says in John 13:35, **"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."** In order for Boiling Springs Baptist Youth and Boiling Springs Baptist Church to continue to make a difference in our community and in our world, we all must continue to love all others in the name of Jesus our Lord, in the month of March and far beyond.

Just a reminder of our weekly schedule and some other important notes:

Weekly Schedule: Our regularly scheduled meetings will continue in March. Our youth meet on Sunday morning for Sunday school in the youth room at 9:45 AM, we meet on Sunday evenings in the youth room from 6-8 PM for Bible study, we meet on Wednesday nights in the LEC at 5:30 PM-7 PM, and we also meet every Thursday morning before school at Bojangles in Boiling Springs at 6:45 AM. My challenge for each youth in the month of March is to come to a meeting that maybe they haven't been to before or don't come to weekly. We would love to see all of our youth this month!



Youth Softball: We had a great time last season playing youth softball and we are doing it again starting with practice in March and games towards the end of April. It is co-ed so all girls and boys are welcome to play with us. I will pass around a sign-up sheet to the youth and then place it on the bulletin board outside of my office for youth to sign-up. We would love support from church members for our youth playing softball!

Camp Caswell: Our youth will be attending Camp Caswell this summer on July 17-22. There is currently a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside of my office for youth to sign-up. If you are interested in going as a chaperone, please let me know and we will be happy to talk with you about this. Please be in prayer for our youth and adults as we begin to prepare for our summer camp.

May God continue to bless our church and use each of us as God's vessels in our community and our world.

Alan and Mary Newcomb



2017 Spring Chatauqua

JAMES, BROTHER OF JESUS

The Story of the Church's Forgotten Founder, AD 33-62

Taught by DR. JOSEPH WEBB

For the fourth year in a row Dr. Webb will teach an unusual biblical class, this year over five weeks. It is a class about the life and profound importance of James, the brother of Jesus. For almost 30 years, James shaped the nature and life of the original Church in Jerusalem. This class is about who he was and how and why he did that. The classes will meet in the fellowship hall for five sessions at 5p.m.

Following are topics and dates,

- March 5**—The Mysterious Appearance of James
- March 12**—The Dangerous 30 Years After Pentecost
- March 19**—no class
- March 26**—James and His Former Enemy: Paul
- April 2**—The Church's Crisis that James Negotiated
- April 9**—The Letter and Enduring Legacy of James

FOOD CLOSET / BACK-PACK MINISTRIES

We have many that are **HUNGRY** in our surrounding community. We are buying many food items to help keep the food closet stocked each week..

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Reminder: *PLEASE Bring your assigned food items!*

Words cannot express the thanks we want to send to Mama's church family. The visits, cards, prayers, and special gifts from the children meant so much to her. The family meal was very generous of you to provide, and immensely enjoyed. God bless you all.

-The family of Martha Greene

Notes...

Dear Friends at BSBC,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, flowers and visits during Mom's convalescence. We can't possibly express the love and gratitude we feel, but we do appreciate the love you have shown. Thank you!

Charlene, Rusty, Yvetta, Sherry & Brian - family of Billie Washburn

CONGRATULATIONS to...

...Adam & Ashley Page on the birth of their son, Alex William Page, on February 13, 2017.
Congratulations to grandparents, Carroll & Linda Page.

...Dustin & Jennifer B. Kerley on the birth of their son, Porter Solomon, on February 16, 2017.
Congratulations to grandparents, Jimmy & Sandy Beason.

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BSBC Library

The BSBC Library has a number of Accelerated Readers from which elementary and middle school students may select a book. The AR program assists students to select books to read on the independent or instructional levels increasing student comprehension. Education research has clearly shown that a student who reads at least 15-20 minutes daily is certain to make great gains in reading comprehension. AR is a part of the grade a student earns each grading period and is noted on the report card. Further, End-of-Grade scores reflect how much a student spent reading. Note the Church Library is open each weekday and on Sunday. Take advantage of the opportunity to read for maximum enjoyment and achievement. *Check it out!*

28 DAYS OF LOVE FROM BOILING SPRINGS BAPTIST



BRIDAL SHOWER

Cara Ellis and Taylor Lancaster

Sunday, March 12 Drop-in from 2:00-3:30pm

The couple is registered at
Belk and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Taylor is the son of Tim and Lori Lancaster.

Ruth Pace

SUPERHEROES

Do you know any Superheroes? Of course, we all do. This is the theme of the **Cleveland County Relay for Life** this year.

Soon it will be time for our luminary service here at BSBC to honor and remember cancer survivors. Put **May 7** on your calendar for this special time.

If you would like to honor your superhero there will be forms outside the church office, or see Diane Rabon. For a \$10 donation we will use the luminaries here at BSBC and then again at the fairgrounds on **May 19, 2017**.

Also, a poster will be in the office hallway where you can write the name of your cancer superhero.

**CELEBRATE! REMEMBER!
FIGHT BACK!**

Financial Information for February

Feb 5	\$13,165.95
Feb 12	\$ 9,296.00
Feb 19	\$ 8,071.00
Feb 26	\$13,539.00

Basic Weekly Budget Needs
\$11,823.32

WMU Heck-Jones Offering Total:
\$ 2,320.00

**We express our Heartfelt
Christian Sympathy to
...the families of**

**Charlene Presbitero
Tom Hamrick
Martha Greene**

MARCH NURSERY

Mar 5

Cliff & Gail Hamrick
Ben & Anna McDaniel

Mar 12

Donny & Catherine Hastings

Mar 19

Anna Whitaker, Diane Rabon
June Evans

Mar 26

Sam & Darlene Hamrick

WELCOME COMMITTEE MARCH

Barbara & Reginald Dawkins
(North side of building)
Tommy & Connie Greene
(South side of building)

Sanctuary Flowers MARCH

**ALL MARCH 2017 DATES
OPEN**

**PLEASE CONTACT OFFICE
IF INTERESTED**

Happy Birthday

TO OUR MARCH 80's AND OVER

Barbara Dwyer.....Mar 03
Larry Anthony.....Mar 03
Emily Washburn.....Mar 19
Georgia Cline.....Mar 21
Kay Bridges.....Mar 24
Joe Hamrick.....Mar 31

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Attendance for February

Feb 5..... 208
Feb 12..... 191
Feb 19..... 177
Feb 26..... 170

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To receive information and/or
reminders through text,
text BSBC to 95577

Forms are available in
sanctuary vestibule and outside
church office to register to
receive emails and texts from
the church.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship
9:30 AM Men's Bible Study
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:55 AM Morning Worship
5:00 PM Spiritual Growth
6:00 PM Youth Bible Study

Wednesday

10:00AM Staff Meeting
5:00 PM Fellowship Meal
5:15 PM C.A.R.E. Teams
5:30 PM Children's Choirs
5:30 PM Youth Bible Study
5:45 PM Women's Bible Study
6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
6:15 PM Children's Missions
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Remember

THE CURRENT Newsletter Information

All information for this monthly
publication needs to be submitted by the
20th of each month. This will give the
church office time to both publish and mail
the newsletter, with the goal of it arriving
in mail boxes before the 1st of each month.

THANK YOU to all who help get the
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each month. Your service is greatly
appreciated!

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REGULAR SUNDAY
(*SPECIAL Activities listed on Calendar*)

8:00 Men's Bible Study
9:00 Prayer in Prayer Room
9:15 Coffee & Fellowship
9:30 Men's Bible Study
9:45 Sunday School
10:55 Morning Worship
5:00 Spiritual Growth
6:00 Youth Bible Study

REGULAR WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
(*SPECIAL Activities listed on Calendar*)

10:00 Staff Meeting
5:00 Fellowship Meal
5:15 CARE Ministry
5:30 Children's Choirs
5:30-7:00 Youth Bible Study
5:45-7:00 Women's Bible Study in Kerygma
6:00-7:00 Prayer Meeting in Lighthouse
6:15 Children's Missions
7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Wed.Night Fellowship Meal Leaders:

Mar 1: JCannon, LJones

MGuffey, GWasserman

Mar 8: M&JLutz

T&SQuattlebaum, BGreene

Mar:15 R&EHumphries,

BGreene, T&CGreene, LSarratt

Mar 22: BWalton & GMcKee

RPace, DRabon

Mar 29: M&JLutz, BGreene,

WHamrick&Co.

<div> <div>Regular Sun & Wed Activities</div> <div>MARCH 2017</div> <div>CHILDREN'S CHURCH EACH SUNDAY</div> </div>						
Listed in Sidebar						
SUNDAY	M ONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
REGULAR SUNDAY ACTIVITIES LISTED ON SIDEBAR TO LEFT		WEDNESDAY SERVICES LISTED IN SIDEBAR →	1 ASH WEDNESDAY 12 NOON – Ash Wed. Service at BS Methodist Church Regular Wednesday Night Activities 6:00 Prayer Meeting	2 6:45 Youth Prayer Breakfast 5:15 C Team (CARE) 6:30-8:30 Don Berry Islam Study in FH	3	4 10:00am – Until... LEC Reserved .
5 AM-Adam White, trumpet 2-3:30 FH Rsvd 4-5:00 Greek Study in K 5-6:00 Spiritual Growth: 'James, Brother of Jesus' Study (Joe Webb) in FH 6:00 Adam White, Trumpet Concert	6 5:20 Handbells 7:00 Cub Scouts 7:00-8:00 "Community Diversity" Panel Discussion at GWU	7 7:00 Boy Scouts	8 <i>Regular Wed. Activities</i> 5:15 A Team (CARE) 6:00 Prayer Meeting	9 6:45 Youth Prayer Breakfast	10 .	11 .
12 2:00-3:30 Shower in FH 5-6:00 Spiritual Growth: 'James, Brother of Jesus' Study (Joe Webb) in FH 6:00 Youth Bible Study	13 5:20 Handbells 10:00 Dorothy Edwards Bible Study 6:00 Prayer Shawl 7:00 Cub Scouts 7:00 Deacons' Mtg	14 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 DAR in FH	15 <i>Regular Wed.Activities</i> 5:15 R Team (CARE) 6:00 Tonal Spectrum, Crest High Acapella In Sanctuary	16 6:45 Youth Prayer Breakfast 9-1:00 Sr. Adult Music Day at Flint Hill Bapt. 6:30-8:30 Daycare Training in FH	17	18
19 9:00 Missions Cmt NO Spiritual Growth Study 6:00 Youth Bible Study 6:00 Sr.Adult Concert At Elizabeth Baptist	20 5:20 Handbells 6:30-8:30 Deacon Training at Poplar Springs Bapt. 7:00 Cub Scouts	21 2:00 WMU Prayer Group 7:00 Boy Scouts	22 <i>Regular Wed. Activities</i> 5:15 E Team (CARE) 6:00 Prayer Meeting 6:00 Children's Missions Night in FH	23 6:45 Youth Prayer Breakfast	24	25 LOTS Lectures at GWU - Cedric Starr to present
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PASTOR KEITH'S SUNDAY MORNING SERMONS DURING MARCH: Topic: "Boot Camp for Renewal"

March 5, "Tempatation" Matthew 4:1-11

March 12, "Reset" John 3:1-17

March 19, "Hydrate" John 4:5-42

March 26, "Redefined" John 9:1-41

Spring Spiritual Growth Series: SUNDAYS, MARCH 5 – APRIL 9 (NOT ON MAR. 19) 5:00-6:00 in Fellowship Hall

Led by Joe Webb: "**James: Brother of Jesus**"

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March 12, "The Dangerous 30 Years After Pentecost"

March 26, "James and His Former Enemy: Paul"