

Winn's Creek Baptist Church NEWS

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The Pastor's Corner

Easter is almost here! During this time, many people have some fun with eggs, candy, and bunnies. But I hope each of us as believers also take time to celebrate Christ's Resurrection this Easter! The Resurrection is the heart of the Christian Gospel.

C.S Lewis, in his book, **Miracles**, put it this way:

"The Resurrection is the central theme in every Christian sermon reported in the Acts. The Resurrection and its consequences were the "gospel" or good news which the Christians brought: what we call the "gospels," the narratives of our Lord's life and death, were composed later for the benefit of those who had already accepted the *gospel*. They were in no sense the basis of Christianity: they were written for those already converted. The miracle of the Resurrection, and the theology of that miracle, comes first; the biography comes later as a comment on it.

Nothing could be more unhistorical than to pick out selected sayings of Christ from the gospels and to regard those as the datum [starting point] and the rest of the New Testament as a construction upon it. The first fact in the history of Christendom is a number of people who say they have seen the Resurrection."

In the Bible, in 1 Corinthians 15, Paul said,

12 *But tell me this—since we preach that Christ rose from the dead, why are some of you saying there will be no resurrection of the dead?* **13** *For if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised either.* **14** *And if Christ has not been raised, then all our preaching is useless, and your faith is useless.* **15** *And we apostles would all be lying about God—for we have said*

that God raised Christ from the grave. But that can't be true if there is no resurrection of the dead. **16** *And if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised.* **17** *And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins.* **18** *In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!* **19** *And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world.* 1 Corinthians 15:12-19 (NLT)

If the resurrection isn't true, then there's no use living the Christian life!

Thankfully, the resurrection is true! Paul continued his message by saying,

20 *But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died.* **21** *So you see, just as death came into the world through a man, now the resurrection from the dead has begun through another man.* **22** *Just as everyone dies because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life.* 1 Corinthians 15:20-22 (NLT)

Belief in the resurrection of Christ - it's the center of the Gospel message. It's our reason for hope. It's why we meet together as a church. ***Christ is Risen. He is Risen, Indeed!***

Happy Easter!

Pastor Jim



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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

(To add a name & date, please see Joani Layman.)

- 3rd Sarah Lloyd - B
4th Tony Turner - B
7th Eddie D. Martin, Jr. - B
8th Wanda Saunders - B
9th Kelly Henderson - B
11th Ann B. Fears - B
Pat Spencer - B
13th Jason Dickerson - B
15th George & Billie Jean Baylous - A
Mitzi Gunn - B
17th Brenda Ashby - B
18th David Shiner - B
Eddie D. Martin - B
19th Buster Dawson - B
Jonathan Hudson - B
20th Darryl Dawson - B
Joshua Cook - B
24th Betty Dickerson - B
Michelle Epps - B
David & Michelle Epps - A
25th Owen Satterfield - B
26th Eddie & Patricia Martin - B
27th Samantha M. Rather - B
28th Bill & Kathleen Murphy - A

SHUT-IN OF THE MONTH

Ms. Genny Cole
The Woodview, Room 230

Please remember Jenny with a card or a call, and keep her in your prayers. If you go by to visit, stop by and see Shirley Epps in Room 233.



Blood Drive

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Don't be "April Fooled!"

Your gift of blood can save up to 3 lives!!!



Skating - Bumper Cars - Bowling

Saturday, April 8

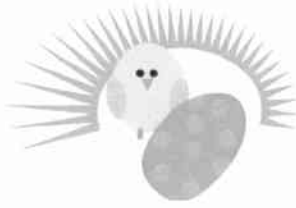
1:00 - approx. 6:00 p.m.

Come join us for a trip to Palace Pointe in Roxboro for an afternoon of fun. We will leave the church parking lot in the DRBA van at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 8th. Parents and kids wishing to participate, please sign up on the sheet on the church bulletin board by Sunday, April 2nd.

The Youth/Children's Committee will pay for one activity for children and kids...either 2 hours of skating, 2 games of bowling, or 2 bumper car rides. Everyone of all ages is welcome. If you don't wish to ride in the van, you can drive separately and meet us there. Please sign the signup sheet if you plan to come! We should be back around 6 p.m.

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On Sunday, April 9, Winn's Creek will have an Easter Egg Hunt following the morning service. We will have hotdogs and soda for the kids, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt. There will also be a backdrop in the fellowship hall, for parents who wish to take pictures of their children.



DRBA SENIOR ADULT REVIVAL

Thurs. April 13th – 10:30 a.m.

Dan River Baptist Church

The speaker will be Pastor Sean McGuire from Hunting Creek, and there will be special music, and a skit involving Pastor Jim and David Hanks. Lunch will be provided for those who have pre-registered. Please make plans to attend. And sign up on the church bulletin board by April 9th if you want the free lunch.



On Friday, April 14th at 7 p.m., there will be a combined Good Friday Service at Beth Car Baptist Church in

Halifax. For many years, members of churches in the Dan River Baptist Association and Bannister Baptist Church have come together in this moving service. Please make plans to attend.

EASTER CANTATA – “For the Sake of Love” – Sunday, April 16, 11 a.m. service. Come, join us in lifting joyful hearts and voices to our Risen Lord!

Collingsworth Family Concert

Saturday, April 15

Doors open 5 p.m., starts at 6:00 p.m.

Halifax County High School

Benefit: Halifax Co. Cancer Association

Tickets are General Admission \$10, "Artist's Circle" \$20, from Jeff Henderson, Dan River Baptist, or the Church of God.

SECRET CHURCH:
LIVE SIMULCAST

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017

6 p.m. – midnight+

The Secret Church simulcast **“SCRIPTURE AND AUTHORITY IN AN AGE OF SKEPTICISM”** is led by David Platt. It includes Bible study and prayer.

If you would like to attend the simulcast and fill in the work text, the cost for the text is \$10. Please sign up if you'd like to come. **THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS SUN., APRIL 2.** We need to know by then so we have time to order additional work texts if needed. Please make sure that you bring your \$10 payment on the night of the simulcast. Thanks!

THE PRAISE TEAM WELCOMES YOUR REQUESTS!

If there is a song (old or new) you would like for the Praise Team to sing or lead during Sunday morning worship, please write down the name of the song and your name, and give this to Debra or Carolyn. Thanks!



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Spring Revival

**Sunday, April 23 – Wednesday,
April 26**

Please mark your calendars for the dates for our Spring Revival. **Pastor Ken Warfield** from Fork Baptist Church will be with us for the Sunday morning and evening services. On Sunday evening of April 23rd, we will bring desserts to share in the fellowship hall after the evening service. **Pastor David Hanks** from Mulberry Baptist will be with us for the evening services on Monday – Wednesday.

The Winn's Creek Praise Team will lead each service in an opening praise song. Special music will be provided by:

- **Sunday p.m.** – Fork Baptist Church Choir
- **Monday** - James & Debra Stewart, Pastor Jim & Carolyn Cook
- **Tuesday** – Rev. Chris Sorenson
- **Wednesday** - Jamie & Kathy Laine



If there is interest, Pastor Jim will have a dedication service for babies and young children on **Sunday, May 7th**. Parents wishing to participate with their children in

this service - or who want to learn more about what a child dedication service means - need to **contact Pastor Jim by Sunday, April 16th**.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We would like to recognize our graduates on **Sunday, May 21st**. If there is a graduate in your immediate family whom you would like for us to recognize, please get that info to **Pastor Jim by Sunday, May 2nd** at the absolute latest. There will be a covered dish meal following the service to honor our graduates.



ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

Each Easter we collect the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, which goes to North American Missions. Envelopes will be provided for your gifts, which will help bring the Good News of the Risen Christ to the unreached in North America.



NIGHT AT THE THEATER

Winn's Creek will be taking the DRBA van to Liberty's Tower Theater to see "Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" on Friday, May 5th. Adult tickets are \$10, and youth under 13 years old are \$5. We will leave the church lot at 5:30PM. You must sign up no later than April 13th.

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Pastor Ken Warfield was called to Fork Baptist Church in June of 2016, after serving bi-vocationally for eight years as a Senior Pastor in NC, NY, and MD.

Prior to being called into the ministry, Pastor Warfield worked his way up from a police officer in Baltimore, where he grew up in a very rough part of town, losing his father and most of his family to drugs and crime. The Lord had His hand on him and allowed him to achieve his dream to become a Corporate Executive (Senior Vice President) with a focus on Interviews and Interrogations in the prescription drug abuse & corporate embezzlement arenas - covering the US, UK, and Canada. While many questioned why he would give up his lifelong dream and prominent position, the answer to him was rather simple, yet prayerful. When the Lord calls, you go, and when the Lord calls, He equips the call.

Pastor Warfield holds a Master's of Divinity Degree in Counseling & Theology from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Sociology & Criminal Justice from Mount St. Mary's University. He also has professional certifications, holding several licenses in investigations and graduated from Baltimore Police Academy. Previously, Pastor Warfield held Senior Executive leadership roles with Regis Corporation, Golub Corporation, CVS Caremark, Ratner Companies, and The Home Depot.

Pastor Warfield has also published several leadership articles and hopes to write a book entitled, "From Poor, to President, to the Pulpit" one day. Today, he is excited about what the Lord will call him to do in full time ministry and

is focused on preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Pastor Warfield has been married to his wife, Tammy, for 16 years. They have two children, Chad (13), and Drew (9).

The Rev. David Hanks, Mulberry Baptist Church:

"I was born and raised in a Christian home and trusted the Lord as my personal Lord and Savior in May of 1985. I yielded to the Lord's call to pursue a career in fulltime ministry as a teenager in a missions conference.

I graduated with a BA in Bible & Missions from Tennessee Temple

University in May of 2003. While in college I did an internship at Calvary Baptist Church in Radford, VA and another one at Église Baptiste Évangélique De Matane, Québec, Canada. I was privileged to serve as Associate Pastor and then Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Wildwood, GA. I completed a Master of Arts in Theological Studies at Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary in 2013. I am privileged to have been the Pastor of Mulberry Baptist Church since June 2014.

I have held jobs in fast food management, computer repair, security management, and parking enforcement. I speak English, French, and American Sign Language. I also enjoy playing the piano, organ, and violin. In my spare time I enjoy fishing, knife making, carving, drawing, and target shooting.



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CHURCH CALENDAR



Sundays (unless otherwise announced)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study on Colossians

– led by Evan Owen

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

Wednesdays (unless otherwise announced)

6:30 p.m. Supper provided for children attending Children's Church & families
 7:00 p.m. Children's Church – all are welcome!
 Men's & Women's DVD/study on church history

8:00 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursdays (unless otherwise announced)

7:30 p.m. Praise Team practice (2nd & 4th Thursdays)

Sat., April 1	10 to 2	Red Cross Bloodmobile here
Sun., April 2	11 a.m.	Morning Worship / The Lord's Supper
Sat., April 8	1-6 p.m.	Kids' trip to Palace Pointe in Roxboro
Sun., April 9	after church	For the kids: Hotdog lunch & Easter Egg Hunt
Mon., April 10	10:30 a.m.	DRBA Senior Adult Revival at Dan River Baptist
Fri., April 14	7:00 p.m.	Community Good Friday Service – Beth Car Baptist
Sat., April 15	6:00 p.m.	Collingsworth Family Concert – HCHS
Easter Sunday, April 16	7:00 a.m.	Sunrise Service at Bethel Baptist – Pastor Jim preaching – Breakfast provided afterwards
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School at WCBC for all ages
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship / "For the Sake of Love"/Lottie Moon Offering for N. American Missions
Fri., April 21	6 p.m.-12 a.m.	Secret Church Simulcast by David Platt
Sun., April 23	11:00 a.m.	SPRING REVIVAL – Rev. Ken Warfield preaching
	7:00 p.m.	SPRING REVIVAL – Rev. Ken Warfield preaching, special music by Fork Baptist Church Choir
		<i>After service – Covered-dish dessert buffet for all!</i>
Mon., April 24	7:00 p.m.	SPRING REVIVAL - Rev. David Hanks preaching, special music by James & Debra Stewart, Carolyn Cook, and Pastor Jim
Tues., April 25	7:00 p.m.	SPRING REVIVAL – Rev. David Hanks preaching, special music by Rev. Chris Sorenson
Wed., April 26	7:00 p.m.	SPRING REVIVAL – Rev. David Hanks preaching, special music by Jamie & Kathy Laine
Fri., May 5	5:30 p.m.	Trip to see "Joseph" at LU's Tower Theater
Sun., May 7	11:00 a.m.	Baby/Child Dedication Service
	6:00 p.m.	Quarterly Business Meeting
Sun., May 21	11:00 a.m.	Graduate Recognition Sunday & Covered Dish Lunch