

# The Tie

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## Easter at Louisburg Baptist

Holy Week and Easter Sunday are the most important parts of the Christian Faith. Louisburg Baptist Church began Holy Week with a wonderful observance of Palm Sunday, Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The children participated by carrying and waving palm branches during the service. The week culminated in the joyous celebration of Jesus's resurrection! He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!



## Missions & Outreach

### SAMARITAN'S PURSE

This year, LBC will be collecting items for shoeboxes on a monthly basis. April's collection item is stuffed animals. By collecting items throughout the year, we will be able to send shoeboxes to more boys and girls around the world! A donation box is located in the downstairs hallway for your purchases.

### CARE AND SHARE COLLECTION

The response for our quarterly Care and Share collection was tremendous! Thanks to everyone that brought a bag. Every item is a blessing to those in need.

### ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Over \$1,100 has been collected for The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. One hundred percent of this offering goes to support more than 2,900 Southern Baptists missionary families in the United States and Canada. The collection will remain open through the month of April. Our goal this year is 1,500.00.

### BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD ROUNDUP

Louisburg Baptist Church will once again be an area collection point for the annual Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup. During the month of April, NC Baptists across the state will be collecting food, supplies and gift cards for Baptist Children's Home. LBC will be collecting items as well. There are copies of needed items on the table outside the church office. Please place items on stage in the Tomlinson room. Thanks for being a blessing to the kids!

## Services/Bible Studies

### Saturdays

Church-Wide prayer- 7:00pm in parlor

### Sundays

Corporate Prayer is held in the parlor at 9:20am. Sunday School for all ages is at 9:45am, followed by the worship service at 11:00. You may also stream the service on Facebook and the LBC YouTube page.

### Wednesdays

A Mid-Week Bible Study is held at 1:00pm in the Tomlinson Room and Bible Study and Prayer is held at 7pm in the Tomlinson Room.



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hanging on the Cross, said 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.'"

Being able to obey this command has to start from the inside. It has to be for someone who's given their life to Christ, and not to the world. Every command that Jesus gives us is intended that in our brokenness we would grow in love and be molded by God into who he is recreating us to be. Every command that Jesus gives us is intended to minister and to touch the broken people around us.

Let me ask you is there someone that you need to pray for to offer love and forgiveness to? Please take time today to obey your Lord and Savior.

Pastor Tony

**Office Hours**

**Church Office Hours**  
Monday through Friday: 9:00am to 12:00 and 1:00 to 4:00pm (unless otherwise noted)

**Pastor's Office Hours**  
Monday through Friday: 9:00 to 10:00am and Thursday 4:00 to 5:00pm (unless otherwise noted).

**From the Pastor's Desk**

Have you ever been mistreated? Have you ever been at odds with somebody? How did you feel? What did you think? How did you respond? This is one of the challenges we face in a broken world with broken people East of Eden.

Jesus at times said the most incredible things. One which we all marvel at is: "But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you...". The world would certainly not often counsel us to love our enemies. Yet, Jesus is very serious to us, his followers, when he says love your enemies, bless the folks who curse you, pray for those who abuse you, and if a person strikes you don't fight but let them strike you again, and to the one who takes something valuable from you give them something more. Does this even make sense in our world? Yes, this is what Jesus really wants us to do.

The love Jesus is talking about here is a moral love, and what it means is to want the absolute best for another person, even when they treat you badly. As Saint Augustine points out this is what Jesus did on the cross: "What is perfection in love? Love your enemies in such a way that you would desire to make them your brothers ... For so did He love, Who



## Women of Purpose

### BAPTIST WOMEN'S DAY

Baptist Women's Day was held Sunday, March 10. The women were in charge of the service which included an all women choir and a wonderful message from guest speaker, Rev. Jane Lyon. She spoke on the "Legacy of Faith", which was based on scripture from 2 Timothy.

During the service, LBC's "Golden Girls" were honored with a yellow rose. They were Avis Vick, Gladys Daniels, Nellie Freeman, Kathryn West, Rebecca Wells, Pat Kennedy, Rose Read, Dorcas Gravitt, and Mary Howell. These ladies are certainly a legacy to LBC.

The Bessie Shadrack Woman of The Year recipient was Sara Newton. Sara was most deserving of this honor as she has served in many positions over the years. She will quickly say a powerful prayer and shows her love for Christ everyday. She was totally shocked, especially when her family came forward!



The next Women of Purpose meeting will be held Monday, May 6 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Melanie Fuller will be the guest speaker.

## New Women's Bible Study

Michelle Harris will be conducting another book study on Tuesday nights from 6:00 – 7:00, April 30 through June 4 in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be reading Savannah Guthrie's, "Mostly What God Does." If you would like to join us, please sign up on the board outside of the office or call the church office. Everyone will be responsible for purchasing their own books. You can get them on Amazon as well as other places where books are sold. If you have any questions, please see Michelle Harris.

## Baptist Men News

The next Baptist Men's Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 1 in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to come join us for a delicious meal at 5:30, followed by our meeting.

### IRON ON IRON MEN'S RETREAT HELD

Another "Iron on Iron" Men's Retreat was held Friday and Saturday, April 5-6 at Camp Cale in Hertford, NC. The weekend's activities included short, 20-minute teaching segments, testimonies and round table discussions.

## Prayer Requests

- \*Mary Arendt
- \*Greg Foster
- \*Anne Smith
- \*Lena Place
- \*Rebecca Wells
- \*Tanner Plantier – Friend of John Wilder (Nephew of Rebecca Wells)
- \*Jean Scherschligt & Colleen Breske – Friends of Ann Brown
- \*Butch Strickland - Brother of Anne Smith and Faye Griffin
- \*Steve and Kim Mitchell – Friends of Helen and Johnnie Gilliam
- \*Randy and Darrell Wood – Cousins of Helen Gilliam
- \*Tammy Collins Whitley – Friend of Gina Wrenn
- \*Ames Anderson – Friend of Monty and Jane Riggs
- \*Alan Riggs – Son of Monty and Jane Riggs
- \*Mary Rogers – Cousin of Jane Riggs

### SYMPATHY

Our sincere Christian love and sympathy is extended to the family of Rachel House, who passed away April 2.

### THANK YOU

The family of Nellie Freeman wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation to all for the expressions of love, support and encouragement they have received in their time of bereavement.

## Financial Update

### Louisburg Baptist Church First Quarter Financial Update YTD Activity (Jan-Mar)

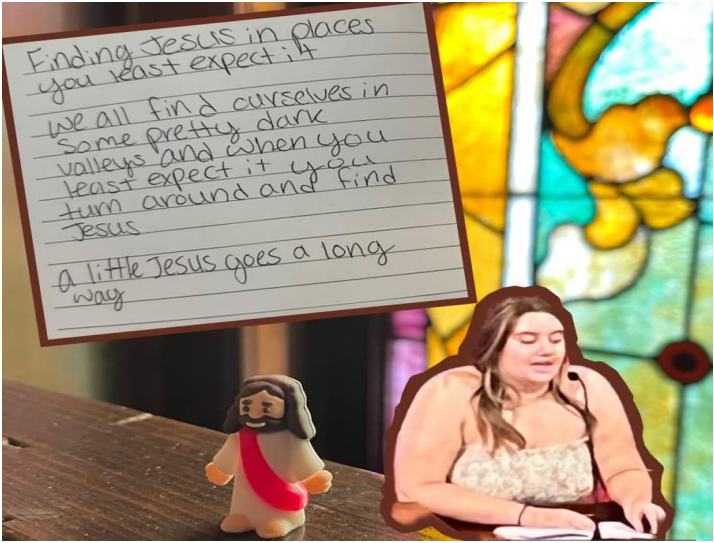
General Contributions	\$69,578.79
Expenses	\$88,621.41
Net Income	(\$19,042.62)
Designated Offering Contributions	\$25,049.00





# Youth & Children News

Our Youth participated in D-Now weekend in early March. The theme was on Anxiety. Our speaker was fabulous and really spoke to our youth about how anxiety affects their lives and what the Bible says about it. The scripture for the week was 1 Peter 5:7: "Cast all your anxieties on Him because He cares for you." During the weekend, we worked on a service project. One part of the project was to place 100 Little Jesus' around the church for the congregation to find as they came in on Sunday. We placed them around to remind people when you are low in the darkest valleys or having a wonderful day, Everyone could use a Little Jesus. Our Youth meet on Sunday nights at 5:00. We would love to have you join us!



The children enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the youth on March 24. We had 13 children participate. They started the event by listening to the Easter Story read by one of our youth. Then, they had a paint party and an Easter egg hunt. The children and Missions Friends meet on Sunday nights from 4:15-5:00 if you would like to join us.









# April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
						7pm Prayer Meeting
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:20 Corporate Prayer 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship (Gideon Sunday and Communion) 4:15 Children and Mission Friends 5:00 Youth Meet 5:30 Deacons meet 7:00 Advisory Bd			1:00 Mid-week Bible Study 7:00 Choir 7:00 Bible Study and Prayer	4:00 Staff Mtg		7pm Prayer Meeting
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### APRIL FLOWERS

April 7: Skeet and Libby Cox April 14: Johnnie and Helen Gilliam

April 21: Rebecca Oldham April 28: Faye Griffin

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/05 Sallie Valentine 4/06 Bob Schmidt 4/07 Jimmie Floyd 4/08 Lilly Martin 4/09 Kelly Stewart

4/11 Gabriel Carr 4/12 Neal Stewart 4/15 Joan Holland 4/16 Sue Leonard 4/17 Griff Gardner

4/19 Tripp Harris 4/21 Cullen Capehart 4/25 Andy Sledge and Avis Vick 4/26 Zelma Williams 4/28 Haven Allen

4/29 Bob Frisbie 4/30 Emily Carr