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The Senior Adult
Valentine Luncheon
Tuesday, February 14th
at 11:30 AM.

Brenda Hicks will bring the
program and the
meal will be catered.
The sign-up sheet is on the
table in the hallway.



DEPEND ON GOD

In every area and circumstance of life, we must learn to trust God. We have a great example in the apostle Paul in II Corinthians, Chapter 12. Paul was learning to lean on Jesus even in the times of great joyful blessings of God and in times of doubt, discouragement and great distress. He was depending on Christ what ever the circumstance. He shows us how to trust God in good times and in the bad times.

Here he was depending on God, in the Paradise (joyful blessing) of life. "Caught up to the third heaven" (v-2), also in the problems of life "thorn in the flesh" (v-7), and he could do this because he was depending on God in his prayer life. "Besought the Lord thrice" (v-8) and the Lord answered, "My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness." (v-9)

There are some lessons we can learn concerning our situations presently as individuals and collectively as a body of believers, if we will apply the principles of Paul found here;

1. Spiritual blessings are more important than physical ones.
2. Prayer is not always answered when and how we want but God always answers the need.
3. Weakness is strength if Christ is in it.
4. There is always enough grace to meet every need.
5. All trials serves to humble us, grow us and make us usable for the glory of God.
6. We can depend on God. "His grace is sufficient."

Remember God never does waste an experience of His child, but uses it for good for His children and for His glory.

God Bless,
Pastor Richard



Roger's
Highlights.....

Thanks to Jeff Bass and the men for leadership on Baptist Men's Day.

Worship and the fellowship on Sunday evening were great. Who knew baking a cake could bring so much fun and fellowship for all.



All choirs will resume their normal rehearsal schedules beginning in February:

Senior Adult Choir, Tuesdays at 9:30 A.M.

Adult Choir, Wednesdays at 7:45 P.M.

Children/Youth Ensemble, Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M.



Handbell Choir, Sundays at 5:00 P.M.



East Lumberton Baptist Church

The East Lumberton Baptist Church Regular Conference was convened Wednesday, January 18, 2012 with J C Tyler as Moderator.

The Minutes of the previous conference were approved as published in the Herald.

The Financial Statements were approved as printed.

Reports were made as follows: Sunday School submitted by Danny Leggett, WMU report submitted by Joyce Cribb, Baptist Men report submitted by Jeff Bass. Joy Bell and Senior Adult report submitted by Betty Rising, CBM report submitted by Howard Reaves, Sr.

Mike Lamb submitted the Maintenance Committee recommendation that we replace the outside entrance door on the west side of the main church building with a glass and aluminum door similar to the front of the hall in the educational building. The cost of this project is \$1,940.00. Project was approved by vote.

Frank McDuffie submitted the recommendation from the Pastor Search Committee that we invite Reverend Eric Todd Terry to come as a candidate for consideration to fill the position of Senior Pastor, Rev. Terry will be here on Friday, January 27, 2012 through Sunday Morning, January 29, 2012.

Schedule of services is as follows:

Friday Night	7:00 P.M.
Saturday	6:00 P.M. With social to follow
Sunday	11:00 A.M. with vote at close of service.

A time of question and answer followed.

No further business conference adjourned.
Yours in Christ, Danny Leggett



FEBRUARY

- 01- Warren Allen
Linda Leggett
Gary Allen
Brittlyn Stubbs
- 02- Meredith Taylor
- 07- Herman West
Charles Byrd
- 08- Louvenia Norris
- 09- Josie Lawson
- 10- Melba Floyd
- 12- Brittany Bass
- 14- Dan Cooper
- 16- Marvin Thompson
- 19- Nichole Bowser
- 23- Amber Hepple
- 24- Lisa Hendren
- 27- Larry Cooke
- 28- Dewey Sykes

Happy Birthday!!

If your birthday was not listed,
please call the church office
739-3358.



RELAY FOR LIFE

The Robeson County Relay For Life will be held May 18-19, 2012 at the Fairgrounds. Please let Lisa Hendren know if you would like to participate. We will need people to walk on the team, people to assist with food, and survivors to participate in the survivor activities. The cost to be a team member is a \$10 entry fee and then we ask each team member to raise funds. We also are selling Luminary bags in honor or in memory of our lost ones or if your business/family would like to buy a sign showing their support of the Relay we also have those for sale for \$100.

In the past we have had the Relay as a budgeted item but we took it out several years ago. When it was a budgeted item, the church had a sign in honor of all our survivors and one in memory of all our survivors. We no longer have those but if you would like to make a donation to assist with these signs we can do so. Please support your Relay team as we are representing our church in the fight against this dreaded disease.

Join us as we Celebrate (life)! Remember (our loved ones)! Fight back!

Lisa Hendren



Dear Friends,

We would like to thank you for your prayers, visits and for what you have meant to Wayne and me during our last years caring for Mama and especially what you meant to Mama (Agnes Richardson). We love each and every one of you because Agnes loved you all. Keep us in your prayers. Wayne and Jackie Richardson

Dear Church Family,

Special thanks to my church family for all the love and kindness you showed to me during my recent accident. The cards, visits, and especially your prayers have been greatly appreciated. I love all of you. Pearleen Skipper

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the beautiful Bible you gave me at Christmas. It's a very humbling experience to be chosen for such an honor. Thank you for the confidence that you have expressed in me, and the support that you have given me through the years.

Thank you, also, for the many ways that you have shown your love for J.C. and me over the past months. We are very blessed to be a part of such a wonderful church family! May God richly bless you all. Mary Vivian Tyler

Dear Church Family,

Surely a caring church family is one of God's greatest blessings. Thank you for allowing God to love me through your kind words and deeds during the illness and death of my husband, Tom. The food, drinks, plates and cups were very much appreciated. The visits were a great comfort.

I have felt your love and your prayers. Our God has given me a sense of calmness and of peace that truly "passeth understanding".

I am blessed.

Your sister in Christ, Julie Brisson

Dear Church Family,

What a wonderful family to have. Thank you for the flowers, food, cards and most of all your prayers during my recent surgery. You are all so very special. Mae Carroll



Mission Friends would like to thank everyone for their support on our Sock Mission Project. We were able to provide 388 pairs of socks for the people of Burmese. The socks will not only keep them warm, but show them that Jesus loves them. Mission Friends

WMU NEWS



Our last meeting was held Wednesday, Jan. 11th. We had 15 members and 2 guest present. Mona Reaves shared with our group about a mission trip Susan Bartholomew took to the Appalachian mountains in War, West Virginia. She took "Witnessing Dolls", school supplies, and personal items to the poverty-stricken Appalachian area. Ms. Bartholomew and her team also got to witness and tell lost people about Jesus.

Everyone is invited to a "Baby Shower" for His Little Ones, February 4th in the Fellowship Hall from 2:00 -4:00 pm. Helen Rogers will be present to receive the gifts for the center. Items needed are infant and children's clothes sizes 0-4T, diapers (all sizes), wipes, bibs, toiletries, comb & brush sets, car seats, bassinets, toys, blankets, washcloths & towels, bottles & bottle brushes, etc.

Baptist Women's Day (WMU Focus Sunday) is Sunday, February 12. The speaker will be the Network Specialist for WMU.

*A strong woman works out every day
to keep her body in shape, but...*

*A woman of strength kneels in prayer to keep her
soul in shape.*

As always all ladies are invited to join WMU the second Wednesday of each month to fellowship with us!

Love in Christ,
Joyce Cribb, WMU Director