

# Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



## The Lamb and the Lion

Most likely you have heard the saying, "In like a lion, out like a lamb." This proverb was written to describe March. When March begins it is still winter. Like a lion it is often our coldest, most challenging month weather wise. But by the end of the month spring has begun and we often experience mild, lamb-like, weather that is neither too cold, nor too hot.

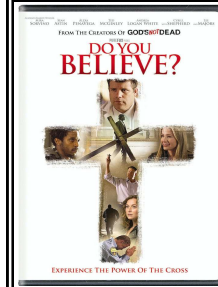
As we get ready for Easter, this phrase came to my mind. Probably, in part, due to the series, "Behold the Lamb," I am preaching on Sunday mornings. However, when applied to Jesus this proverb is reversed—"In like a Lamb, out like a Lion."

When Jesus came to this earth the first time, His arrival was mild and calm. He was born in a barn or cave surrounded by animals, with His first crib a feeding trough used by the animals. So it should come as no surprise when John the Baptist referred to Jesus as, "the Lamb of God" (John 1:29). However, this reference actually was looking forward to the moment Jesus would give His life on the cross for the sins of all humanity. Like a mild-mannered lamb Jesus allowed Himself to be crucified.

But the next time Jesus comes to this world, it will be much different. In the book of Hosea, God said, "I will be like a lion to Israel, like a strong young lion to Judah" (Hosea 5:14). A lion is strong, powerful, agile, and rules over its domain with complete authority. In writing about Jesus when He returns, the Apostle John penned in the Revelation, "The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the heir to David's throne, has won the victory" (Revelation 5:5, NLT). A Lion is often referred to as the King of the Jungle." But the Lion of Judah will be King of the entire world. Every aspect of life, every living thing, human, animal, or otherwise will pay homage to the King of the world. He will reign as King of kings and Lord of Lords. That is my Jesus! Hallelujah to the Lamb who is the Lion.

Blessings in Christ.

*Pastor Larry*



**MOVIE NIGHT**  
**SUNDAY, March 5**

**4:00pm**

**FBCC Sanctuary**

*Make plans to attend and  
bring someone with you.*

## Coming Soon.....



*FBCC*

*Easter Egg Hunt*

*Saturday, April 8*

*10:00am*

*FBCC Playground*

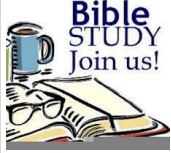
## Please check out the VBS Table.....



We will be the host church for HCBA VBS clinic again this year. It will be April 13th at 6:00pm. If you would like to help teach a class to train area churches, please sign up at the VBS table or see Rebecca Vernon.

VBS will be the week of June 10th. If you can help with VBS please volunteer by signing up at the table. If you have questions, please see Rebecca Vernon or Suzanne Terry. Each volunteer can sign up for a shirt. If you want additional shirts, you can purchase one for \$10.00..

VBS is in need of empty 12 pack soda can boxes, empty family sized cereal boxes and old games that you no longer need, or ones you can purchase at a thrift store.



## Tuesday Morning Bible Study

with Pastor Larry

10:00am - SonShine Classroom  
Everyone is invited to attend



## The Ladies Card Ministry

Monday, March 13

12:00 Noon

SonShine Classroom

Making Birthday and Anniversary Cards

## Mark Your Calendar

- March 05: Movie "Do You Believe?"
- March 07: Phyllis Creasy Group/Hugos
- March 07: Iva Turner Group/S. Hall
- March 10-11: Men's Ignite Conference/Lynchburg
- March 12: Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 12: Bible Study "Do You Believe" begins
- March 13: Ladies Card Ministry
- March 13: Senior Adult trip to Hamrick's
- March 14: Betty Westover Group/S. Hall
- March 16: Loving Hands Ministry
- March 19: Deacons Meeting after Worship Service
- March 19: Youth Skating Event
- March 25: Youth—Humble Hands
- March 27: Finance & Church Council Meeting
- April 02: Palm Sunday—Communion Service
- April 04: Phyllis Creasy Group/Hugo's
- April 04: Iva Turner Group/S/ Hall
- April 06: Loving Hands Ministry
- April 08: Youth Humble Hands Ministry
- April 08: Easter Egg Hunt
- April 09: Easter Sunday

## January Report

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|--|---------|
| Monthly Offering needed<br>(4 Sundays) | 55,570  |
| Monthly Offering Received              | 36,662  |
| Rental Income                          | 1,913   |
| Other Income                           | -0-     |
| Monthly Operating Expenses             | 30,201  |
| Operating Account Balance              | 383,718 |
| Weekday Education Acct. Balance        | 6,306   |
| Benevolence Designated Fund            | 1910    |
| Project Hope                           | 1,461   |
| Bereavement Meal Ministry              | 2,974   |
| Van Fund                               | 13,398  |
| Capital Campaign Fund                  | 41,666  |

*Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.*

## In Sympathy:

Vincent Price, brother of Oliver McCall  
Cindy Williams, niece of Dickey Cobb



## New Arrival

Sandy O'Dell proudly announces the birth of her granddaughter. Little Sutton Rae O'Dell was born to Matthew and Lynsey O'Dell on January 31. Little Miss Sutton Rae weighed 5 lbs. 10ozs. And was 19 inches long.

## New Contact Information

(No longer has a land line)  
Michael Craddock—276-403-7153  
Katrell Ramsey—434-660-2012

## Welcome New Members:

David and Linda Conner joined FBCC by transfer of membership on February 12, 2023. Their address is: 403 Pioneer Trail, Collinsville, VA 24078  
276-647-8575

## Senior Adults on the Road Again.....

### HAMRICK'S TRIP

Monday, March 13

Leave FBCC Promptly at 8:30am



## March Grace Network Food Item

Potato Products (boxed mashed, scalloped)

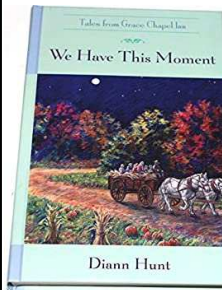
## March Featured Items

Dish Detergent, Deodorant, Laundry Detergent

## BOOK OF THE MONTH

*We Have This Moment*

By Diann Hunt



Autumn is a beautiful time in Acorn Hill - and a busy time at Grace Chapel Inn. Love begins to blossom when one of Alice's patients reunites with a long-lost love who just happens to be one of the inn's guests. Will these high school sweet-hearts get a second chance at love?

## Capital Campaign Fund Summary

(March 01, 2022—January 31, 2022)

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Received thru Building Improvement Fund    | \$36,830.00         |
| March-Dec. donations to Capital Campaign   | \$76,124.91         |
| January 2023 donations to Capital Campaign | \$ 4,871.25         |
| <b>Total Received</b>                      | <b>\$117,826.16</b> |
| Less Total spent on Roof                   | \$76,160.00         |
| Capital Campaign Fund Balance 01/31/23     | <b>\$41,666.16</b>  |



### Mission Action for February

Greetings to our women on mission;

Heartfelt thanks for all the special items for the foster children at Hope Tree. We have a van full of children's suitcases and duffle bags, toys, games, clothing, and crayons, sketch pads....so many books, personal items for the older ones. May God bless each and every one of you!

As I write this, we will be delivering these things February 24<sup>th</sup> (Bobbi Frazer and myself).

Our Mission action for March is the annual Bingo Birthday Party at Harmony Hall, we are asking for a roll of quarters from each group, and The WMU will provide cupcakes, ice cream and drinks, they get 4 quarters when they say Bingo! They have so much fun with this and I feel blessed to be a part of it. We will go on March 30<sup>th</sup>, so have the quarters to me by the 26<sup>th</sup>.

God's blessing on you all, *Lana and Hope*

### Evangelism/Mission Development



Our quarterly movie night is this Sunday, March 5, at 4 p.m. If you haven't already done so, please give a copy of the movie night church bulletin insert to someone as an invitation. Let's fill up our sanctuary for this movie!

The movie will be followed by a 4-week study based on the movie to be taught by Pastor Larry (first two Sundays) and Rocky (second two Sundays). Please be prepared to sign up for that on movie night or in the hall across from the church office.

We just finished the 8 session study on forgiveness, 70X7. Rocky is asking those who have been through this course to share your insights with others. Rocky will lead this course again for those who have not been through it - yes, it is that good.

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry is fully engaged in the new Life Learning Program, designed to help a screened group of inmates who have applied for this life-changing program. This and other ministry opportunities will be limited without more volunteers willing to follow the bidding of Jesus Christ to visit those in jail (Matthew 25:34-46). Please see Rocky if you are interested in where you might be of service - inside and outside of the jail. Each teacher in the County Jail's Life Learning Program is being asked to find a co-teacher for his efforts. If you would be interested in being Rocky's co-teacher, please talk with him.

Be on the watch for information on our return to the multi-church 'In As Much' outreach events.

### YOUTH CORNER

Greetings from the youth and leadership team. I hope everyone is enjoying what appears to be the end of winter, though March may surprise us. I always love getting those first few 70 degree and sunny days. The allergies have not been aggravated yet, my car is not yellow, and I get to drive with my windows down. It's hard to believe that Easter is only a month away and soon the teens will be gearing up for no school and summer break. Let's not get a head of ourselves to much yet because there are several things going on around the youth department over the next couple months.

We have really enjoyed the last few months of going to a basketball game, a concert, and seeing new and familiar faces at our youth open house. I would love to thank all the parents who send their teens to our group. We absolutely love having them. Not a day goes by where I am not smiling at how God has blessed our team. I also want to thank every church member who gives week in and week out. Without our youth budget youth ministry would be a lot more challenging. So, thank you for allowing our team to conduct ministry in the best way we possibly can. If you ever have a question about our ministry, please reach out to me any time, or just come hang out with us on a Wednesday or Sunday. We would love to have you.

Until the whole world hears *Pastor Christian Lund*

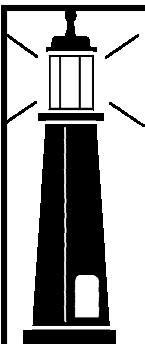
### Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup>—Roller Skating

It's time to put the TV remote, the game controller, and the cell phone down and live like its 1988 at the roller-skating rink. Live like you were a teen in the 80's, move around to music that I am sure will get you dancing while trying not to fall. I can tell you this now I'll be skating around holding onto a walker looking like I was born in the 1880's. This will be a great time and all teens are encouraged to attend and bring a friend with them. We will meet at the church at 12pm depart by 1pm following a provided lunch and return at 5:30. There is no cost for this event.

### Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup>—Humble Hands

The youth will be doing their monthly service projects in the community. For the month of March, the youth will be traveling to the Henry County Food Pantry on Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. We will show the love of Christ by assisting the staff of the food pantry in sorting clothes items, food, and or whatever other needs they have. The last time we assisted the food pantry we all learned a great deal about the needs of the community we call home. Don't be surprised if you learn something new this time around. It's such a blessing to so many to see our young people represent Jesus in the community. In the future we will help at the trash site and assist the widows and shut-ins of our church. If you ever get the opportunity, pull one of our teens aside and tell them thank you, encourage them, and just show them love. **\*\* Notice the date change for March. This is due to the Men's conference in Lynchburg\*\***





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|---------------------|---------|
| Sunday School       | 9:30am  |
| Worship Service     | 10:30am |
| Children's Church   |         |
| Awana (May - Sept.) | 4:00pm  |
| Youth               | 4:00pm  |
| Adult Bible Studies | 4:00pm  |

Wednesday Evening Activities:

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Children's Choir Practice    | 5:15pm |
| Fellowship Meal              | 6:00pm |
| RA's & GA's                  | 6:30pm |
| Youth (Middle & High School) | 6:30pm |
| Mission Friends              | 6:30pm |
| Prayer Service & Bible Study | 6:45pm |
| Adult Choir Practice         | 7:30pm |

Non-Profit  
Organization  
U.S. Postage  
Paid  
Permit No. 5

Return Service  
Requested

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

|                             |                     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>March 2023 Birthdays</u> | 24 Jason Collins    |
| 01 Pat Cobb                 | 25 Brenda Hagood    |
| 01 Deborah Treherne         | 27 Judy Dodson      |
| 02 Jay Knighton             | 28 Megan Chilton    |
| 03 Gunnar Robertson         | 29 Blayke Collins   |
| 03 Jase Ramsey              | 29 Hunter Whitlow   |
| 04 Angela Brunner           | 30 Harold Nofsinger |
| 05 Milly Shelton            | 30 Ellen Prato      |
| 05 Charlie Fickling         | 30 Ralph Shropshire |
| 05 Jose Cedillo             | 30 Dale McGhee      |
| 05 Eli Martin               | 30 Noah Dotson      |
| 05 Lee Anna Ferguson        | 30 Randy Joyce      |
| 06 Susan Rorrer             |                     |
| 07 Joyce Jacobs             |                     |

### April 2023 Birthdays

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 09 Kellie Powell     | 01 Marietta Gunter |
| 09 Stacy Craven      | 02 Pam Albanese    |
| 12 Neil Ramsey       | 03 Debbie Hancock  |
| 13 John Anthony (IV) | 06 Sharon Barrow   |
| 14 James Dodson      | 07 Karen Castro    |
| 15 Madison Ferguson  | 07 Naoh Castro     |
| 15 Carlos Cedillo    | 08 Jonathan France |
| 16 Lucas Draper      | 08 Christian Lund  |
| 17 Timothy Hatchett  | 09 Margie Woods    |
| 17 Robert Ramsey     | 10 Tim Gary        |
| 20 Merleen Beale     | 10 Gwen Lewis      |
| 20 Jose Castro       | 10 Tom Prato       |
| 21 Calla Mayberry    |                    |
| 21 Katie Houston     |                    |
| 22 Jimmy Anderson    |                    |

### March 2023 Anniversaries


01 Arthur & Marcilene Emberson  
01 Ken & Becky Wagoner  
05 Tim & Michelle Pace  
11 Larry & Jan Cheek  
15 Tim & Pat Gaudin  
19 Greg & Shirley Craven  
29 Tim & Sandy Gary

### April 2023 Anniversaries

01 John & Sherry Flanagan  
02 David & Melanie Catron  
08 Jamie & Denise Collins  
09 Jason & Paige Collins  
18 Billy & Carrie Pinnix  
24 Alex & Angie Alley  
25 J. D. & Joan Collins



March 17, 2023

 **AWANA**  
**Sundays**  
**4:00pm**  
**2 Years to 12th Grade**

 **Loving Hands**  
**Ministry Meets**  
**1st & 3rd Thursdays**  
**of each month**  
**10:00am-12:00 noon**  
**Church Parlor**  
We welcome anyone who would like to join us.  
Any questions call  
Bobbi Frazer @  
276-252-8106.

**Prayer Room**  
**Ministry**  
**Phone Number**  
**647-3777**



**Daylight**  
**Savings Time**  
**Begins Sunday**  
**March 12**  
**Fall Forward 1 Hr.**