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# Power Pac Basketball concludes tonight

By Conqueror Staff

Baptist Lighthouse Church's Power Pac basketball concludes its 32nd season tonight at 7 p.m. with its Awards Banquet.

"This has been a special year," said Pastor Chris Burt, the Power Pac director and church's associate pastor. "We received a lot of help from kids who have played Power Pac and are now helping with it. Plus, this year we had a second-generation Power Pac player."

This year saw about 70 players making up the two leagues - the 3- to 7-yearolds and 8- to 12- yearolds.

Pastor Burt said with this many children signed up it meant a lot of volunteers were needed to

make this season a suc- overwhelmed by everycess. This season about 12 people volunteered in the program. Games were played on Tuesday and Thursday nights and Saturday mornings through February.

The Power Pac league is different from most basketball leagues. The referees are not only there to monitor the game's flow and to call fouls, but also to instruct in the game's fundamentals. In the 3- to 7- year-old league, the coaches are allowed on the court to instruct and encourage their players during the game.

"In a recent game I had to go and get one of the players out of the stands," said David Goldsberry, a volunteer coach. "The young child was a little thing going on. I held their hand and soon they were running with the other players and involved in the game.

"With the young ones, you have to be on the floor with them," he said. "You're there encouraging them and the next minute you might be consoling a kid. But if the coaches were not on the court, the game would never get finished. It's a great learning experience for them."

Each game starts with prayer and before each game the coaches teach their players basic basketball skills, the value of teamwork and share the Gospel. The Power Pac environment is caring, positive, and a safe place for the children to participate in a sport and to learn the values of teamwork, discipline, and how to get along with others, Mr. Goldsberry said. His three daughters participated in the program as they were growing up and his youngest daughter, Madison who now is in college, coaches one of the teams.

The season culminates tonight with its Awards Banquet. Pastor Burt said he will be handing out awards, have a special show for the families, great food, and Pastor Burt and his wife, Joanna, will be sharing the Gospel in a chalk art presentation. The banquet is free for all players and tickets are \$7 each for family members.

See Power Pac on Page



Photo by Brianna Burt No. 7 Brady Atchison from the blue team goes up for a layup against No. 4 Elizabeth Swayze of the Purple team.



### Little Conquerors

The little pre-schoolers had a day learning about the whole armor of God found in Ephesians 6:11-17. The breastplate of righteousness was fun to put on along with the helmet of salvation. The little ones didn't mind stepping into the gospel of peace shoes or wearing the belt of truth. All the armour was great, but every child wanted the sword of the Spirit that was really popular.

For more information about the Daycare, see Pages 5-6.

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# From the Pastor's Desk

This is an exciting day for us here at Lighthouse Baptist Church. This is the first edition of *The Conqueror*. Over the years we have printed newsletters and, like many things in life – they started with a big bright bang and then fizzled out. We learned many lessons with all the "fizzles."

The sad thing is the biggest lesson we learned was something we already knew, but had not applied it to our printing ventures. The wisdom we needed is found in Proverbs 3:5-6.

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

Why did we know this is THE RIGHT TIME and THE RIGHT PUBLICATION? God has reminded me I am not getting any younger and now is the time to get things done. So, He started enlightening me about a few things.

First: He showed me we need to get back to the basics of why we are here. We are "a church with you as its mission." In other words, LBC is a church for the people of this community. We need to be in our community ready to serve the people when there is a need. We need to live our name – a Lighthouse beacon in times of darkness and trouble.

Second: A few years ago, I was talking with someone from the Chamber. Once they had learned all that took place at our church she said, "You are one of the best kept secrets of Valdosta."

That hit me. We sit on one of the busiest roads in the area, but I didn't realize people do not know what we offer. We have an award-winning school. Some of our students win international awards in music, writing, and in art. The school takes top prize in regional competitions too.

We also have a day care that is one of the best in the area. In fact, we are the only facility where your child can be cared for as a baby and continue their education process through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Starting in September, that student can continue their education with us through a doctorate's degree. We are excited about that! (See the story Lighthouse Church to Open Lighthouse Baptist Seminary in September on Front Page for more information)

The Conqueror is a monthly publi-



Pastor Jimmy Burt (center) talks with pastors during a monthly fellowship.

cation for the time being. As we grow, we are looking to expand the publication to a bi-weekly newspaper.

Down the road, if the need is there, it will become a weekly. But for now, we praise the Lord, he has given us the where-with-all to publish *The Conqueror* on a monthly basis.

Thank you for allowing us into your

home through *The Conqueror*.

We would love for you to visit us! on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School and 10:30 a.m. for our worship service.

We meet Sunday night's at 6 p.m. and again on Wednesday at 7 p.m. We look forward to meeting you.

Pastor Burt

# Daily Bible Reading Plan

March 1 - Numbers 5-6; Mark 7; Proverbs 30

March 2 - Numbers 7; Mark 8; Proverbs 31

March 3 - Numbers 8-9

March 4 - Numbers 10-11; Mark 9; Proverbs 1

March 5 - Numbers 12-13; Proverbs 2

March 6 - Numbers 14-15; Proverbs 3

March 7 - Numbers 16-17; Mark 10; Proverbs 4

March 8 – Numbers 18-19; Proverbs 5

March 9 - Numbers 20-21; Mark 11; Proverbs 6

March 10 – Numbers 22; Mark 12; Proverbs 7

March 11 - Numbers 23-25; Proverbs 8

March 12 – Numbers 26-27; Mark 13; Proverbs 9

March 13 – Numbers 28-29; Proverbs 10

March 14 – Numbers 30-31; Proverbs 11

March 15 – Numbers 32; Mark 14; Proverbs 12

March 16 – Numbers 33-34; Proverbs 13

March 17 - Numbers 35-36; Mark 15; Proverbs 14

March 18 - Deuteronomy 1-2; Proverbs 15

**March 19** – Deuteronomy 3-4; Mark 16; Proverbs 16

March 20 - Deuteronomy 5; Proverbs 17

**March 21** – Deuteronomy 6-7; Luke 1; Proverbs 18

March 22 - Deuteronomy 8-10; Proverbs 19

March 23 – Deuteronomy 11; Luke 2; Proverbs 20

March 24 - Deuteronomy 12-14; Proverbs 21

**March 25** – Deuteronomy 15-16; Luke 3; Proverbs 22

March 26 – Deuteronomy 17-18; Proverbs 23

March 27 – Deuteronomy 19-21; Luke 4; Proverbs 24

March 28 - Deuteronomy 22-23; Proverbs 25

**March 29** – Deuteronomy 24-25; Luke 5; Proverbs 26

March 30 - Deuteronomy 26-27; Proverbs 27

March 31 – Deuteronomy 28; Luke 6; Proverbs 28



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### PRAYER REQUESTS

When you scan the graphic to the left with your phone, it will take you to a form where you can submit a prayer request to be put on our Church Prayer List. Share it with friends, relatives & co-workers!

## Lighthouse to Hold Revival Services March 25-29

By Conqueror Staff

Lighthouse Baptist Church has scheduled revival services at 7 p.m., March 25-29.

The church wraps up its Power Pac Basketball program tonight with a banquet. The school is gearing up for its Student Convention and the daycare recently completed some renova-

Along with that, the church has started a Bible Club on Wednesdays at Freedom Heights apartment complex.

Associate Pastor Chris Burt said everyone has been running full steam ahead since January.

"The Lord really has been blessing us and opening doors for us," he said. "But we need this revival – I need it."

guest evangelists for the meetings. in the field of puppetry. He does all The Webbs are a family evangelistic team based near Cumberland, Maryland. Barry is the son of a well-known evangelist, Dr. Hal Webb (now with the Lord.) Cheryl is the daughter of Rev. Clifford Proper, who pastored Baptist churches in Pennsylvania and New York before retiring.

Together they make up an unusual evangelistic team. The Webbs have a variety of talents.

First, they are accomplished musicians. In their meetings they sing solos

Cheryl is an excellent pianist. Barry plays the Trombone as well as the Euphonium, Bass Trumpet, and Flugabone horns.

Barry also is a ventriloquist and has Barry and Cheryl Webb will be the more than forty years of experience

of the voices for the twenty puppets that travel with the team in their puppet castle stage.

Some nights Barry will draw a chalk art picture, complete with background music, a dramatized story, and colored and black light effects.

Mrs. Webb conducts a nightly children's Bible hour during the preaching time. There the children will learn about the Bible through songs, verses, Bible stories, and puppets.

All their talents work together to point to the most important facet of their ministry, the preaching of the Bible, God's Word, he said.

"We're praying this will be a great time in the Lord and that souls will be saved," said Pastor Jimmy Burt, pastor of Lighthouse Baptist Church. "Every-



**Barry and Cheryl Webb** 

one is invited and welcome."

### Lighthouse Christian School Continues to Offer Quality Education

By David Goldsberry Lighthouse Christian School Principal

Lighthouse Christian School has maintained the goal of providing quality education -- the Lord has provided growth in facilities, staff, and enrollment as He has seen fit.

The church, through the leadership of our founding and current pastor Jimmy Burt, began LCS from the Lord's conviction and guidance. Our pastor truly believed if God was leading our church to have a Sunday school program, then we should have a Monday school, Tuesday school and so on.

Realizing it is the Christian home God has given the authority and power to train up successful young people, the purpose of Lighthouse Christian School is to give the Christian parent an opportunity to obey the commands of Scripture.



**David Goldsberry** 

"Train up a child in the way he should go..." and "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." (Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians

We exist as an extension of the Christian home in our society so the Christian parent will not violate the Scripture which says, "Cease my son to heed the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge" (Proverbs 19:27), and "Learn not the way of the heathen..." (Jeremiah 10:2). Therefore, we want to provide and assist parents with the education of their children. Every subject is taught according to the principles of and within the framework of the Word of God. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." (Proverbs 1:7).

Using the individualized Bible-based curriculum of Accelerated Christian Education (A.C.E), our school focuses on Christian character training and outstanding academic accomplishments by its students, along with offering a continuing commitment to fine arts through our annual competition at Regional and International conventions hosted by ACE.

The educational challenge of the twenty-first century has motivated LCS to uphold the standard of excellence. LCS has earned Model Status with the National Accelerated Christian Education, Inc. and is professionally accredited through the Georgia Private School Accreditation Commission (GAPSAC) from the Georgia Association of Christian Schools and the American Association of Christian Schools.

This accreditation is recognized by the Georgia Board of Education, Georgia Board of Regents, and the Georgia Student Finance Authority.

The school, founded in 1983 as a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church, consists of kindergarten, elementary, junior, and senior high levels. Realizing that apart from di-

See Quality Education on Page 4.

### The Bible Way to Heaven

### 1. Recognize your condition.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)

No one is good enough to go to Heaven on his own merit. No matter ho much good we do, we still fall short.

### 2. Realize the penalty for sin.

"For the wages of sin is death...(Romans 6:23) Just as there are wages for good, there is punishment for wrong. The penalty for our sin is eternal death in a place called Hell.

#### 3. Recognize where sin came from.

"Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned. (Romans Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13)

We have been born with a sin nature, which was passed down from Adam to every generation.

### 4. Believe Christ died for you.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

Christ's great love for us was shown when He died on the cross to pay our sin debt.

#### 5. Trust Christ alone as your Savior.

"But the first of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23b)

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the

Everlasting life is a gift purchased by the blood of Jesus and offered freely to those who call upon Him by faith.

### 6. Claim God's promise for salvation.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness: and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Romans 10:9-10)

Now pray, confess that you are a sinner, ask God to save you, and receive Christ as your Savior.

## Student Creates Merchant Story Miracle

(The following short story is a creative writing assignment given to Lighthouse students following their Bible class.)

### By Ronean Hughes Eleventh Grade

Ah, Passover – what a wonderful event. I already can see the profits I shall make on this day, for there is no other better time to sell sheep, especially when it is in the exact place where people need to sacrifice animals – my animals. It took three-and-a-half hours to get my supplies through the bustling streets, which were crowded with people trying to prepare to go to the Temple. Luckily, I had thought ahead knowing this would be the case.

So, this morning I had awakened before the sun, gathered all I had needed to set up my stall in the Temple, arranged the various products I would be selling including my sheep, and set off to the temple with the rising sun at my back. Finally, after much trouble navigating through the streets, I had made it to the temple. I praised myself for the wisdom to leave early as I was the first to arrive.

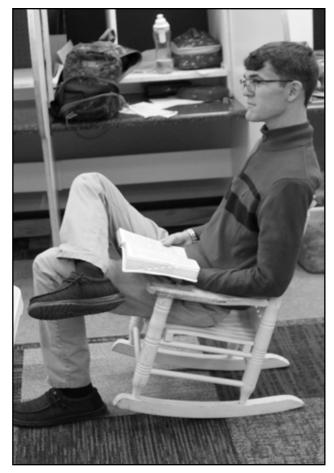
After much thought, I decided to set my stall about ten feet from the gate of the courtyard, this was I had access to the people coming through the fate before they were distracted by other merchants to purchase their products. Close to the time I had finished setting up my stall, the other merchants arrived with the first signs of consumers not far behind. "Just look at the size of the crowd! What a glorious day this shall be! Oh, the coin I will garner from this day," is the thought that flooded my mind, but little did I know of the man who would soon be arriving at the gate.

"What joy! Not even two hours have passed, and I already have sold over half of my sheep, two-thirds of my supplies, and my staff, which one man paid an outrageous amount. To each their own – nothing could possibly go wrong this day." Oh, how wrong I was. It was not long after that a certain man walked in that would turn my day upside down. Upon first look, he did not seem

so different from any other, but once I had taken a closer look, I realized just who he was. This was the only they called Jesus the Nazarite, the fabled Messiah, son of the Most High God. Upon his face was a look of disappointment and great displeasure. Sadly, I had to quickly look away as another customer had come up to acquire about a sheep. By the time I looked again, Jesus had disappeared in the crowd, nowhere to be seen.

The next couple of minutes passed as the others, but then, just as I was about to turn around to take inventory, I heard a bang as if something crashed heavily to the ground. Then there was a swish of air as if something was flying through it, followed by a loud snap and screams of fright. My attention along with that of everyone else guickly was taken to the far corner of the courtyard where Jesus stood flinging tables end over end. Slinging a scourge through the air, he commanded everyone out of the Temple, chasing any who dared to stay with his scourge. Within a moment all had leapt into motion, gathered everything they could, and scrambled out of the Temple. Thankfully, I did not have much left to carry, and my animals had trailed behind me as they had been chased out too. Not long after I had made my escape, the last people exited the Temple and behind them stood Jesus at the entrance. When all eyes had settled on him, he said, "It is written, my house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves."

"A den of thieves — I'm not a thief! I'm just a common merchant doing good business, that's all." At least that's what I thought, but as the hours rolled by and everything settled down, I reflected on what Jesus had said. It was not long after that I realized he had been right. Passover is not just any normal festival to be used for personal gain. The house of God certainly is not some stomping ground for animals to be traded and bartered. It's a place of worship and sacrifice which I had disregarded by my actions in rebelling against God. This thought quickly was followed by a deep feeling of regret and shame. It was not long after when I heard Jesus still was in the temple where he had been healing the sick and teaching all



Ronean Hughes

who would hear him. After much consideration, I decided to go listen to Jesus. He might have the answer to my problem.

At first, When I listened to him, I was skeptical. As I kept listening and watching the Pharisees fail to fault Jesus' words, I began to accept his teaching. I learned the answer to my dilemma. For through the teachings of Jesus I have learned about the patience and mercy of God. I learned the way to heaven was not through my works (which were nothing more than dirty rags), but through the confession of one's sin to God and the belief on the name of his Son. Oh, what joy this gave my heart never to fear the depths of hell. Never to worry of where I might end after death. To always be in the comfort of the Lord. Oh, praise the goodness of God for what joy it has brought my soul!

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July 22 to 26
To run a summer youth camp
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To learn how you can help
call 229-244-8436.

### **Quality Education**

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vine leadership and wisdom, it would not have been possible to attain these goals and we request your daily prayers.

Our faculty is well-qualified, both spiritually and academically. Each Learning Center supervisor holds a teaching certificate from the Georgia Association of Christian Schools. Each member has been carefully selected and prayerfully chosen by the administration

The entire faculty is dedicated to serving the Lord through the ministry of teaching young people. If you would like more information, please email me at david.goldsberry@lbcministry.org, or call (229) 244-8436. I am here to serve you. My life verse is Jude 22, "And of some have compassion, making a difference."

### Daycare works with parents to train whole child

By Vickie Burt **Lighthouse Christian Daycare Director** 

Lighthouse Christian Daycare provides an age-appropriate program for children from 6 weeks of age to 4 years of age.

In addition, the daycare serves children up to 12 years old after school and in a summer day camp program.

The purpose of Lighthouse Christian Daycare is to glorify God by being an extension of the home while working closely with parents to train the whole child. Hours of service are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The main goal of Lighthouse Christian Daycare is to work as a team with our parents to HELP "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

In today's society it appears to be difficult for parents to balance home, work, church, other commitments and family life. With so many distractions bombarding God's complete recipe for a happy home, children sometimes are, unknowingly to parents, left behind.

An upcoming series of articles is specifically designed to give some insight to parents into ways to help their children meet the challenges of everyday life. The following topics will be shared in future issues of this paper to give parents some ad-



Time to paint feet for a Valentine's treat.

ditional encouragement, based on God's Word, to **HELP** in the growth of their children:

Article 1: Home Environment as a LOVING Place

LAUGHING Place

Article 3: Home Environment as a LIVING Place

Article 4: Home Environment as a LEARNING Place.

Article 2: Home Environment as a Article 5: Home Environment as a

LASTING Place.

If you have any questions concerning parenting, send an email to parenting-help@lbcministry.org.

### Church to open Lighthouse Baptist Seminary in September

By Conqueror Staff

Lighthouse Baptist Seminary has received accreditation with the Baptist International Accrediting Agency and the school will be opening its doors in September.

'We're really thankful for all the assistance Dr. Jimmy Nelson (from BIAA) has given us," said Dr. Edward Scott, the seminary's Dean of Students and Academic Information. "We only were planning a simple three-year seminary to train Sunday School teachers and pastors until Dr. Nelson opened up his storehouse of curriculum

The seminary will be offering a non-accredited Bible course certificate, an Associate of Biblical Studies degree, a three-year Graduate of Theology degree, a Bachelor of Biblical Studies, along with post-graduate degrees in Biblical Studies. The seminary only teaches the King James Bible and strict local church theology.

"One of the advantages of the seminary will be anyone can get a seminary degree without leaving home or quitting their job," Dr. Scott said. "We also will be offering husband and wife tuition at reduced rates.

The seminary's goal will be to fulfill the training of the saints - both the undergraduate and those in its graduate programs, by grounding them in God's Word, Dr. Scott said. The programs are designed to produce knowledgeable and spiritually mature Christians who are committed to serving Jesus Christ while in their daily walk with Christ.

"Currently, we are looking at offering courses in Christian counseling, children's ministry, evangelism, and missions to complement our Bible programs," Dr. Scott said. "We have a lot of material to look at before September."

Dr. Scott said more information will be available in the coming months leading up to the seminary opening.

"We are planning on having an open house so potential students and pastors can come and ask us any questions about the seminary," said Pastor Jimmy Burt, the founder and pastor of Lighthouse Baptist Church. "We are really excited about opening the seminary. It's been needed for a long time and I cannot wait for the first students to walk through these doors."

Student requirements include being a Christian, a letter of recommendation from your pastor, and being a high school graduate. Dr. Scott said they will be offering a special program for high school juniors and seniors interested in attending seminary part time while still in high school. The student must have parental permission and be recommended by their pastor and Sunday School teacher.

"This is a special program, and the students will earn Bible seminary credits," Dr. Scott said. "Each student will be considered on a case-bycase basis. It will require a lot of work on the student's part and we don't want to see their high school grades suffer because of the seminary work."

Baptist International Accrediting Agency is an international accrediting agency established to encourage and maintain high academic standards in the areas of private education. BIAA is a non-governmental agency and is not associated with the government.

For more information about the seminary, contact Lighthouse Baptist Church at 229-244-8436.

### **Did You Know**

The fact that the Bible contains prophecies that are fulfilled already in history is an indication that God is the author of Scripture. One of the strongest indications Scripture is inspired by God is the fact that it is absolutely accurate and demonstrates divine omniscience regarding future events. We cannot predict the future -- it is impossible for us to predict the future.

Prophecy came from the Greek verb "prophemi" -- to speak before or to speak on behalf of someone, or to speak of things before they happen.

With that in mind we will look at one prophecy found in Ezekial. Twin cities, 20 miles north of Tyre is the city in ancient times called Sidon. Apparently Sidon was the center of Baal worship, the worship of Ashteroth and Tammuz -- the capital city of idolatry. It had been founded back in Genesis 10:15 by one of the sons of Canaan.

"The Lord God, behold, I am against you, O Sidon. I shall be glorified in your midst. Then they will know that I am the Lord when I execute judgments in her and I shall manifest My holiness in her, for I shall send pestilence to her and blood to her streets and the wounded shall fall in her midst by the sword upon her on every side, then they will know that I am the Lord." (Ezekial 28:22)

In 351 B.C. the city was ruled by Persia and it revolted and the Persian army besieged it, 351 B.C. When all hope of saving the city was gone, 40,000 citizens chose rather to die than submit to Persian vengeance. So they shut themselves up in their houses, set their houses on fire and died in the flames. It was a horrific way to die. But the city was rebuilt again and again and again and re-conquered again and again. Floyd Hamilton says, "Blood has flowed in the streets over and over but the city stayed in existence and stands today as a monument to fulfilled prophecy. It was taken three times by the Crusaders, three times by the Muslims, all by the sword. In 1840 it was bombarded by the combined fleets of England, France and Turkev.

Unlike other cities found in prophecy that were said would not survive, today you can go there and find Sidon flourishing as the seaport city of Saida.

## Daycare

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Excitement in a preschool classroom!



Toddlers ready to drive!

### The Making of Me

By Brianna Burt

You must have something big planned

When the devil resorts to his old tricks again.

Today, it was lies another had told

How unfit that I was, not enough, too

unworthy.

Telling me that what I've been doing is wrong,

Though my one ambition has been You all along.

But as I stood there, my eyes over-

You gave me a story You knew needed showing.



Having a ball on the playground.



**Lighthouse Christian** School now accepting student applications for the 2024-2025 School year. Phone 229-244-8436 for more information.

## **Chapel Services Impact Students lives**

### By Chris Burt Associate Pastor

Wednesday afternoon means it's time for Chapel – a weekly event here at Lighthouse Christian School. Chapel, like Bible class, is a chance to impact our students for Christ. Whether it is to win the lost, or to motivate the saved, chapel is treated as a time that profits the students for life. I Timothy 4:8, "For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things."

Like our morning devotional time before we begin our academic day, Chapel is a great place to promote Godliness so that God can use our students to do mighty things for Him. Chapel is a time to worship God. It's a time to sing praises to Him. It's a time to listen to His Word being taught. It's a time for prayer where each student can talk to God. It's taking a moment out of a day to spend with our Creator. That's Chapel.

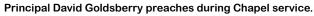
Chapel is a great place for God to use all our staff – it takes a group effort.

A boring chapel program is like getting stuck in a rut. I like to bring the Bible alive for our students. Our Chapel program is an exciting time so that Christ will be illustrated in our lives what He is -- Alive!



Pastor Christ Burt attempts a "magic date guessing trick before chapel with Ronean Hughes checking out the pastor's skills.







Pastor Chris Burt gives a devotional lesson before morning school classes begin.



Joanna Burt leads the Chapel Service in singing.

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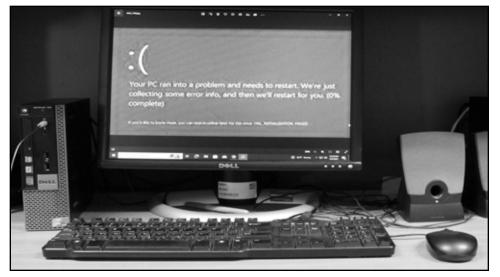
# Ask the IT Guy.....

**Question:** Did you turn it off and back on?

**Answer:** This question gets asked a lot -- usually from the IT guy when you mention an issue. But why does he ask such an obvious question?

The answer is simple – really -- because it works. Computers are highly technical machines made up of miles of traffic lanes on miniature circuit boards with microchips, capacitors, processors, and coprocessors.

When a computer is powered up, millions and millions of tiny electrons line up and flow down the lanes flooding the internal infrastructure of your computer. Imagine a roadway that has miles and miles of destinations with cars all lined up in a row heading to an infinite number of places. While it's nice to think all the cars heading in the same direction are going the same speed and regard for each other's safety and well-being, the truth is, one slow car can interrupt the entire traffic flow. In computer terms, while it's nice to think those electrons always play nice with each other, the reality is,



sometimes they do not!

So, what's really happening? Every computer has an operating system to direct the flow, speed, and direction of the electrons running through the computer's infrastructure. The most dominant computer operating systems in today's market are Windows and Apple's MacOS. The purpose of the operating system is to provide instructions for the electrons to do work. Depending on the function of the PC, that work could be to play games, conduct business, surf the internet, or

any other infinite number of tasks.

When a computer starts up, it goes through some basic routines in a sort of "checklist" fashion. Often, this is a basic list with some key instructions that must happen for the computer to properly function. The operating system will take roll call of all the devices installed to make sure they are present and properly working. Once this is completed, the operating system will wait for user input.

So, why turn it off and back on? Occasionally, a batch of electrons

gets hung up. Think of that vehicle out in the fast lane driving at a snail's pace. All the cars behind that driver get held up, and if the pile up is bad enough, traffic comes to a complete stop. To the computer user, this pile up may manifest itself by the computer running slowly, an application not responding to user input, or an installed device not properly working. If the hang up is severe enough, the computer may stop processing instructions all together, leading to a crash. The act of turning a computer off and back on stops all extra running processes, clears all the running processes from the memory, and resets the operating system back to its basic state.

So, the next time you run into a computer issue, try turning it off, wait 10 seconds, and turn it back on. You might be surprised to see the issue go away.

To submit a question to Ask the IT Guy, please email <u>AskTheIT-Guy@lbcministry.org</u>. Your question could be featured in the next column.

### Why King James version is the Only Bible to be Used Today

By Conqueror Staff

Constantine had a court preacher named Eusebius, a church historian. Eusebius produced fifty copies of Scripture using Origen's Hexapla and the column he used was the fifth column – the Septuagint. He wrote the Septuagint with the help of two men, Senacus and Theodocia, who were Ebianites. Ebianites were a cult that believed in salvation by works. Two manuscripts – the Vaticanus and Sinaiticus – came from the Septuagint.

Along with the philosophy of salvation by works, his teacher Philo, a Jewish philosopher who tried to reconcile the Old Testament with the Greek philosophers by using Allegorical Interpretation, influenced Origen's writings. He also studied under Ammonius Saccus, a pantheist. Origen inherited his library from a man named Ambrose, a Gnostic who believed knowledge brought about salvation. The sect also believed the universe was structured by two opposing forces – good and evil.

Origen believed in baptismal regeneration. He believed the soul is eternal and therefore pre-existent, which means that before you were born your soul was off in space somewhere. The Mormons

teach this belief. And he believes, like the predominantly Oriental religions, that after life on earth the soul migrates to a higher or lower form depending on their deeds on earth.

Origen moved into Catholicism through Jerome, who is called the "Father of Latin Christianity." Jerome translated the Bible into Latin in 405 A.D. for the Catholic Church. In other words, Jerome was greatly influenced by Origen in this translation.

Origen moved into Protestantism through Brook Westcott, John Hort and Phillip Schaff. Briefly, Westcott and Hort were two non-Christian Anglican preachers who believed in talking to the dead. It cannot be said they believed a person could attain heaven through works, since they thought heaven was a state of mind and not a physical place. They also did not believe that God inspired and preserved His Word.

Westcott and Hort gave England the Revised Version of 1881 and Schaff gave America the American Standard Version of 1901, which simply was an Americanized version of the Revised Version. So, these men set up the Greek text for those revisions and they followed the footsteps of Origen.

Origen said this about Genesis – "What intelligent person would believe a first, second and third day took place without a sun, moon and stars?" That heresy can be found as note number four in a Scofield Bible about Gen. 1:3.

These beliefs influenced all of today's modern translations, except the King James Bible. The translators of the King James Bible used the Textus Receptus manuscripts while all the other translations predominantly used what is called "an older" manuscript, the Vaticanus.

And these beliefs are evident in the NIV, NASB, ESV and other popular translations. Here are a few examples:

Matthew 9:13 (KJV)

"But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

Matthew 9:13 (NASB)

"But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:13 (ESV)

"Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Matthew 9:13 (NIV)

"But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'[a] For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Sinners don't need to repent?

Colossians 1:14 (KJV)

"In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:"

Colossians 1:14 (NASB)

"in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Colossians 1:14 (ESV)

"in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Colossians 1:14 (NIV)

"in whom we have redemption,[a] the forgiveness of sins."

The blood of Jesus Christ has been taken away as the answer for the forgiveness of sins.

The NIV has 64,000 words less than a KJV. The average cheap novel or eBook today has between 10,000 to 15,000 words. It only takes 10 percent error to send people to hell and that is about 8 percent of the words since the KJV has about 800,000 words in it. The ESV and newer translations coming out today make up the 2 percent.

# WZYN 810 to host Jubilee

#### By Conqueror Staff

WZYN 810 AM will be hosting its annual Jubilee March 9-15 at Bemiss Road Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia.

"We're excited about the Jubilee this year," said Pastor Justin Atchison, WZYN station manager and Bemiss Road Baptist Church pastor. "We're going to kick the Jubilee off Saturday night with a steak dinner – and I'm not talking about a small piece of meat, I'm talking about a big juicy steak off the grill.

"We're looking forward to some great fellowship to encourage God's choice servants," he said. Pastor Atchison explained the Jubilee's theme comes from Psalm 50:5," Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice."

That is why the radio station is hosting the Jubilee, to encourage and edify pastors – "to give them a chance to have some spirited fellowship," Pastor Atchison said.

The pastor clarified while the Jubilee is to encourage and strengthen pastors, it's also for everyone.

"This really is a great time of fellowship and worship," he said. He said



most churches today hold three-day or a week of "revival" services, but we're holding a Jubilee, which is a time for a gathering of the saints as well as a fundraiser for WZYN 810 AM.

"Revival is a sovereign act of God," the pastor said. "We're praying for a revival to break out – we're putting it in place and praying for it."

He said last year's Jubilee had 26 pastors and this year there will be about 30 preachers and about 8 gospel groups singing.

Monday through Friday the Jubilee will start with a lunch at noon and a

1 p.m. service featuring two preachers and special Gospel music.

At 5 p.m., the pastor said they will be serving dinner, and the evening service will begin at 6:30 p.m., following a similar format as the afternoon service.

After the evening service is where the magic begins, he said.

"We put a table of snacks under the overhang on the side of the building," the pastor and station manager explained. "Typically, people will walk out the door and head straight for their car. But if you have a chip in your hand, you will stand around and talk with someone you might never have spoken to. It's amazing the fellowship that happens in the parking lot after the service."

The pastor said he will not close the church until the last person leaves.

"Last year we had people hanging around talking until 9 or 10 o'clock," he said. "It's great how friendships begin over a snack. That's what it's all about – fellowship."

The Monday and Friday afternoon services will feature "Timothy Generation" preachers.

"Timothy Generation means they are young preachers," Pastor Atchison said. "We will team them up with an older pastor who will talk with them after they preach and give them pointers and encouragement – like Timothy and Paul."

After Friday night's evening service there will be fireworks, so a portion of the parking lot will be closed.

The dinner Saturday night is by reservation only. Visit Facebook WZYN 810 for updates and dinner reservation details.

All services will be aired live at WZYN 810 AM, Wzyn.org and livestreamed on Facebook.

### Jubilee Schedule

#### March 9

5 p.m. Steak Dinner 5:45 p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Gospel Sing Service Featuring: Jubilee Choir Adam Borden Avery Family Last Hour Bluegrass

### March 10

11 a.m. Pastor Lonnie Moore 6 p.m. Pastor Robert Jones

### March 11

Noon Lunch

1 p.m. Service Featuring "Timothy Generation" preachers

5 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Service with pastors Mike Qualls and Ken Cloud

Featuring: By Grace and The Morrisons

#### March 12

Noon Lunch

1 p.m. Service

5 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Service with pastors Keith Smith and

Michael Plowman

Featuring: The Morrisons

### March 13

Noon Lunch

1 p.m. Service

5 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Service with pastors Don Farmer and

Jimmy Burt

Featuring: The Hershburgers

### March 14

Noon Lunch

1 p.m. Service

5 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Service with pastors Don Farmer and

Steve Ward

Featuring: Victory Song and The Avery Family

### March 15

Noon Lunch

1 p.m. Service Featuring "Timothy Generation" preachers

5 p.m. Dinner

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Service with pastors Don Farmer and

Kenny Baldwin

Featuring: The Ellis Family

Fireworks following the March15 evening service.



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That's what it's all about – fellowship."

**Pastor Justin Atchison** 

# Anna's Journey Novelist to Explore WWII in Second Novel

By Conqueror Staff

We recently caught up with the author of *Anna's Journey*, Jordanna Burt, to confirm the rumors that a second book is in the works and to learn about the challenges of college life away from home

Conqueror: You were 17 when you published Anna's Journey. Let's talk about that first book for a moment. Who encouraged you to write your first novel?

**Ms. Burt:** My father, Chris Burt, originally encouraged me to start writing a novel. I always had enjoyed writing and he challenged me to push myself and take on the challenge of writing a novel. I am so grateful that God would allow me to have the opportunity to write and that He would give me Godly parents who have always encouraged me and still continue to challenge me.

**Conqueror:** Why the biblical historical genre?

Ms. Burt: My theme for this book was to show the great sacrifice and love that God had toward all of us when God gave up His first-born Son, Jesus Christ, to die to pay for the sins of the world. So, when I created the character Anna, who through the course of the story also goes through the tragedy of losing a son, I wanted this character to understand the huge sacrifice that God willingly made. The characters in this story will get a first-hand experience of watching the crucifixion of Christ and get to personally see the great depth of love that God has for mankind. The reason I choose this genre was to give readers another glimpse of how great the love of God is toward all people.

**Conqueror:** Where did the inspiration for Anna come from?

**Ms. Burt:** The inspiration for the character Anna came from studying out the history of Jerusalem during the time of Christ. Through her story I wanted to show a picture of God's sacrifice and great love for us while also navigating the story of the cross. My goal with Anna was to show a character who learns the true meaning of life through the struggles and heartache.

Conqueror: Tirzah, Anna's personal slave, slips in and out of the story at vital moments. The development of her persona is well done within the story and carries the air of a Bible story character. Growing up at Lighthouse Baptist Church and attending their school, you must have your favorite women from the Scriptures. Who from the Bible inspired the development of Tirzah?

**Ms. Burt:** I was so blessed to have the opportunity to be able to attend Lighthouse Baptist Church and school where the emphasis is having a solid understanding of the Bible and developing a personal relationship with Christ. Through the story



#### Jordanna Burt

the character Tirzah becomes a comforter, a guide, and a friend to Anna. Their relationship grows similar to the way that Ruth and Naomi in the Bible grew together. These two women of the Bible also experienced great loss, but through God's great mercy they found a new beginning at the hand of God. In my story, the characters Tirzah and Anna have to learn to grow in the same way.

Conqueror: The questions Anna keeps buried within her for most of the story build tension within the young wife. As the story progresses, her doubts, grief and fears truly weigh her down. The descriptions and dialog flow and are true to life. Where did a 17-year-old get that kind of knowledge and experience?

**Ms. Burt:** I think the goal with any good story is to write so a blind man could see it and a deaf man could hear it. I wanted to create a journey that readers could truly envision and experience along with the characters. God was so good to me to give me the words and ideas as I wrote. Everyone goes through struggles and trials in their own life, and I was no different, and my goal through the descriptions of the various problems that my characters faced was to show that there is hope in God.

Conqueror: A lot has changed in your life since the release of Anna's Journey. You are now away from home and in college. What has that been like?

Ms. Burt: I am now in College at Crown College

of the Bible in Knoxville TN. I am so blessed to attend a college whose main goal is to strengthen its students in the ways of the Lord. My time here has been such and encouragement as I prepare for the future. I am looking forward to what God has next for me.

**Conqueror:** What was the one thing that surprised you about college life?

**Ms. Burt:** The adjustment from living at home to living in a dorm full of people was definitely surprising. But the opportunity to be able to surround myself with like-minded Christians has been encouraging.

**Conqueror:** Have you thought about your plans after graduation?

**Ms. Burt:** I am studying to be a teacher, and I am excited to be able to teach students. I am definitely looking forward to what God has for me next

Conqueror: During the past summers, your family traveled some with a puppet ministry. You recently were invited to perform at a festival at home. How did that go, and do you plan on doing more performances like that?

Ms. Burt: I am a ventriloquist, and I love being able to perform in churches and other events. I have had several opportunities to perform in schools, churches and festivals in the south and overseas. Being able to perform and meet new people has been a highlight in my life. I am excited for more opportunities that God has provided for me in the upcoming months. As of right now I am looking forward to continuing to perform ventriloquism.

**Conqueror:** Your parents said you completed your research for a second novel. Will it be a follow-up to Anna's Journey or a completely different story?

**Ms. Burt:** I am very excited about the release of my new novel. I am sticking with the theme of historical fiction, but I am changing time periods. My new novel is based on the time of World War II and will follow the stories of young people caught up in this time of turmoil.

**Conqueror:** When do you think this novel will be available?

**Ms. Burt:** The goal for the release date of my newest novel is October 2024.

**Conqueror:** Everyone wants to know – how are you doing with the winter weather, snow, and your car's tires being frozen to the pavement?

**Ms. Burt:** Growing up in South Georgia where we didn't have a lot of cold weather, I don't know if I was completely ready for all of the snow that I have been getting in Tennessee. But as much as I enjoy the colder weather, I think I will be excited to come home to the warm Georgia temperatures.

# Intentional living removes regretful life

By Dr. E.A. Scott

It's hard to believe it is now March
1. I was warned that as you get older it seems the years get shorter. It's
true.

Because of this feeling of time slipping rhough my fingers, I have this need to not waste time. Perspectives have changed. The Psalmist says in Psalm 90:12 "To teach us to number our days, That we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

I cannot remember my fifth-grade teacher's name, but I remember sitting in my Joseph R. Lamar Elementary School classroom and hearing her say that her favorite music was gospel, but she listened to classical and various other kinds of music.

"You need to know something about the different cultures in the world around you," she said.

Her message stuck with me.

In college I had been challenged to make a list of 100 things I would like to accomplish in my lifetime and then set out to achieve them and strike it from the list. The professor then said to write another item in its place -- allways keep a list of 100 things.

While helping a missionary in the Philippines build a puppet stage for a children's program, I asked him why he and his family became missionaries. I told him I wasn't lookng for the standard answer -- "It was my calling" or "I felt it was the right thing to do."

The missionary said he did it because he didn't want to be sitting in a rocking chair many years later and tell his grandchildren "I wish I had gone to the Philippines. He told me he heard that from too many of his parents' friends, and he didn't want to be like them -- to have regrets in life.

Regrets come in different forms. Paul says it this way in Romans 7:18-19, "For I know that in my (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not; but the evil which I would not, that I do."

I was in a community outreach seminar a number of year's ago. The speakers talked about being a part of your community and building relationsnips. The premise behind your involvement was so you could show the community Jesus Christ in your life. The one thing in the seminar that stuck with me was the two-word phrase -- "Intentional Living." walk out your door with the intent to make a difference. Walk out your door with the intention of being a witness for Jesus. Walk out your door with an "Intentional" plan.

Bill Keane's Can I have a Cookie Family Circus Book, I noticed a cartoon in which the little boy asks his mom if the flower he pulled out of her flower bed was the weed she had noticed earlier. It was, in fact, the only flower in the bed. A list of 100 "dandelions" isn't going to enrich your life, another person's, the

That is why I having a list of 100 things is important. The list gives a form of a road map for your life. The list reminds you of the things you need to do and provides a measuring stick for where you stand.

Every year many people make the same New Year's resolutions -- to lose weight, to get out of debt or something similar. They exercise for a month, and then something happens and they skip a day. Before long the resolution is forgotten.

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Hebrews 12:1

But the list isn't the most important thing -- it's actually the content of the list. Looking through

Family Circus Book, I noticed a cartoon in which the little boy asks his mom if the flower he pulled out of her flower bed was the weed she had noticed earlier. It was, in fact, the only flower in the bed. A list of 100 "dandelions" isn't going to enrich your life, another person's, the community, or eternity. A selfish "I want" list isn't the answer to living a "regret free" life. God placed each person on earth for a reason, and that reason is to choose Christ as your Saviour and to worship Him in everything you do in life. It's a choice. Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 6:2 that 'now is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of salvation."

Now is the time to accept Christ as your Saviour. Now is the time to start living an intentional life for Him. Now.

"You can't make footprints in the sand of time if you're sitting on your butt, and who wants to make buttprints in the sand of time? (Bob Moawad)

The banner that should hang over everyone's life comes from Paul in 2 Timothy 4:7, "I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

### **Recipe of the Month**

### **Apple Crumble Pie**

### Ingredients:

### **Crust:**

- 1 ½ cups of all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon of salt
- 1 teaspoon of sugar
- 8 tablespoons of (1 stick) butter
- 4 to 5 tablespoons of ice water

### Filling:

5 cups of Granny Smith apples peeled, cored, and chopped

- 1/4 cup of white sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon of ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon of cloves
- 3 tablespoons of cornstarch

#### Topping:

- 1/3 cup of white sugar
- 3/4 cup of all-purpose flour
- 6 tablespoons of butter, cubed

#### Instructions:

### For the crust:

- 1. Mix together flour, salt, and sugar. Add butter and blend with a pastry cutter until combined.
- 2. Add ice water one tablespoon at a time until a dough forms.
- 3. Form dough into a disc, wrap in saran wrap, and chill in the refrigerator for 30 minutes. Once chilled, roll out the dough to 1/2 in. thickness and place in a greased 9 in. pie pan.

### For the filling:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees farenheit
- 2. Combine filling ingredients in a saucepan and heat over medium heat until thickened.
- 3. Once thickened, pour mixture over crust.

#### For the topping:

- 1. Stir together sugar and flour.
- 2. Add butter to the mixture and blend with a pastry cutter until crumbly.
- 3. Sprinkle mixture over filling and bake in preheated oven for 35 minuters or until lightly browned

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### 3- to 7-Year-Old Power Pac League

**Red** – Coach Madison Goldsberry

No. 12 – Adam Landaverde

No. 11 – Sierra Kiing

No. 1 – Carter Aycock

No. 2 – James King

No. 3 – Samantha Sreenilayam

No. 4 – Blake King

No. 5 - Bailey Wadkins

Purple - Coach Ben Swayze

No. 1 – Obri Wilson

No. 2 - Owen Wilson

No. 3 – Daniel Williams

No. 4 – Claire Goodwin

No. 5 - Hannah Goodwin

No. 9 – Peter Swayze

No. 11 – Layken Ryan

**Green** – Coach Justin Atchison

No. 11 – Jordan Moseley

No. 2 - Savannah Atchison

No. 3 – Carter Atchison

No. 4 – Josiah Moseley

No. 5 – Elim Powell

No. 1 – Johannah Moseley

No. 12 - Makenzi Norwood

No. 13 - Micah Norwood

No. 15 - Benjamin Hinkle

Blue - Coach Callie Burt

No. 11 - Micah Flader

No. 1 – Emmett Jones

No. 2 – Harmonie Rozier

No. 3 – Lindy Robinette

No. 4 – Judson Bright

No. 5 – Honest Rozier

### 8- to 12-Year-Old Power Pac League

Red – Coach David Goldsberry

No. 1 – Avery Wiggs

No. 2 – Nathan Sreenilayam

No. 3 – Greyson Bright

No. 4 – Austin Gilbert

No. 5 – Allison Plummer

No. 6 – Harper Buhro

No. 7 – Owen Wilson

No. 8 – Franklin DeCourdres

No. 9 – Zoey Plummer

No. 0 – Landon Wiggs

No. 11 – Luke Conger

Purple - Coach Ben Swayze

No. 1 – Stella Robinson

No. 2 - Harmony MeBane

No. 3 - Joseph Swayze

No. 4 – Elizabeth Swayze

No. 5 – Mattie Grace Fowler

No. 6 - Graham Fowler

No. 7 - Claira Fowler

No. 8 – Cadence Coogle

No. 9 - Eileen Darnell

No. 0 – Logan Campbell

No. 11 – Alexie Hall

Green - Coach Jim Burt

No. 1 – Caty Burt

No. 2 – Davis Williams

No. 3 - Braegan Creasy

No. 4 – Braxton Creasy

No. 5 – Ella Brewer No. 6 – Connor Jones

No. 7 – Mia Gibbons

No. 7 – Ivila Gibbolis

No. 8 – Alexander Smith

No. 18 – Layton Hughes

No. 0 - Braxton Wadkins

No. 11 – Makhi Eady

Blue - Coach Justin Atchison

No. 1 – Jaxon Atchison

No. 2 – Johnathan Moseley

No. 3 – Reese Aycock

No. 4 – Parker Atchison

No. 5 – Micaiah Powell

No. 6 – James Moseley

No. 7 – Brady Atchison

No. 8 – Lillian Godwin

No. 9 – Layla Robinette

No. 10 - Lochlan Ryan

No. 0 – Kirk Godwin

