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LBC Celebrates 41 Years of Ministry

By Conqueror Staff

After serving in various ministries in the area for several years, God called Pastor Jimmy Burt along with his wife Vickie Burt to start Lighthouse Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia.

The church began in June 1983, with 12 people in an old house in Remerton, Georgia – a suburb of Valdosta, where the Cairo native immediately began renovations.

“We are here first and foremost that God in all things may be glorified through his son, Jesus Christ.”

Pastor Jimmy Burt

The building had a chimney, and some stories has Pastor Burt getting stuck somewhere in the chimney while trying to take it down.

One month later, Pastor Burt

asked himself, “If we have a Sunday School, why isn’t there a Monday School?” With that thought, Lighthouse Christian School was started with eight students.

Seven months later the church was given five acres of land on Bemiss Road from the former Tabernacle Baptist Church. In April of 1984, the church and school were moved to its permanent location at 4565 Bemiss Road.

Then in 1992, the church increased its family outreach by providing Christian daycare services for the church and community.

“Where has time gone?” Pastor Burt asked. “We just held graduation ceremonies and I was sitting there thinking – ‘It’s been 41 years.’ That’s hard to believe.

“But seeing these graduations gets my fire going,” he said. “See-

ing what these kids accomplish is exciting. I watched in my office as these kids walked across that stage at ISC time after time after time – my heart was just a racin’ with excitement. This year at student convention was one of our best.”

The ministries of Lighthouse Baptist Church currently include a Christian Daycare with a Pre-school program for 3 and 4 year olds, K5 through 12th grade Christian education program using the School of Tomorrow curriculum: The school is Accredited through the Georgia Private School Accreditation Council with Distinction -- the highest level of certification -- under the direction of the Georgia Association of Christian Schools. Other ministries include a Children’s Church Program, an active youth ministry,

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LCS Brings Home 26 Medals from ISC

By Conqueror Staff

Lighthouse Christian School has brought home 26 medals from the International Student Convention held May 25-30 in Missouri where they competed against 134 schools from 17 different countries in 4,882 events.

“The character of the students shined through in the way they were rewarded for their endless hours of diligent work,” said Chris Burt, the Lighthouse High School Supervisor. “Two of the students were also chosen for Command Performance on stage based the excellence of their event.”

Held in Warrensburg, Missouri, at the University of Central Missouri, the five Lighthouse students competed in music, platform (speech, performing arts), academics, athletics and exhibits. Freshmen Kailee Atchison and Lydia

Flader, along with junior Callie Burt placed first as a team in Bible Bowl competition. Lydia and Callie also teamed up to take first in puppet performance.

Before attending the international convention the students competed in the Deep South Student Convention hosted by Lighthouse during the first week of April. According to A.C.E. School of Tomorrow’s web site, students learn dedication, preparation, time management, and how to compete by participating in student conventions.

“These young people represented our school, our town, and most importantly our Lord in an amazing way,” Mr. Burt said. “Watching them be rewarded for their hard work is a highlight of our school year!”

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From the Pastor's Desk

It has been a busy time here at Lighthouse.

At the school there's been final tests, final grades, and the final day for this school year. The awards have been given out and the top students will be returning from the International Student Convention in Missouri when this is published. They are doing an amazing job! It's hard to believe this is the 41st year of the school here at Lighthouse. The time has gone so quickly!

The day care is busy with summer activities. We have a number of children participating in summer camp. It's a joy to hear their laughter, singing, and it's always a pleasure to see them napping. If you could just bottle that energy up, you could make a fortune.

Before I get into the true point of this article, I have to say I made my



first hamburger cake for Memorial Day and it was a hit! It was sweet with just enough bite to make it

delicious. I am now dreaming of a round layered hamburger cake with cheese in-between the layers and possibly my own hamburger chowder as icing. Yes, my brain juices are flowing considering the possibilities.

Okay – forget hamburgers. Forget hamburgers. Concentrate. I have been noticing that Lighthouse has been busy! It's a blessing -- all the things this ministry is involved in. We have our daycare, school, neighborhood Bible Club, newspaper, radio, and in the future our seminary – and we also are involved in the Fill America Campaign.

The Fill America Campaign is a joint effort by various independent Baptist churches to hand out tracts – to fill America with the Gospel. This is an important, yet simple way to get the Gospel out. We have

given out more than 50,000 tracts since we joined this campaign back in October. I am excited about the possibilities, but at the same time, burdened that we should and can be doing more to spread the Gospel here in our area. This is something I preached about Sunday.

Folks, Jesus is coming soon, and we need to be found faithful in serving Him! If you don't know Him as your Saviour, then look at Page 3 and learn how you can become His child. If you are a Christian, then you need to be sharing Christ with others.

The Fill America Campaign is an amazing simple way to spread God's Word and I encourage you to become a part of the friendly competition that is held between different teams to see who can hand out the most tracts in a given time.

Daily Bible Reading Plan

June 1 1 Kings 11-12; Proverbs 28	June 11 2 Kings 5-6; John 18; Proverbs 7	June 21 2 Kings 23-24; Acts 3; Proverbs 17
June 2 1 Kings 13; John 12; Proverbs 29	June 12 2 Kings 7-8; Proverbs 8	June 22 2 Kings 25; 1 Chronicles 1; Proverbs 18
June 3 1 Kings 14-14; Proverbs 30	June 13 2 Kings 9; John 9; Proverbs 9	June 23 1 Chronicles 2-3; Acts 4; Proverbs 19
June 4 1 Kings 16-17; John 13; Proverbs 31	June 14 2 Kings 10-11; Proverbs 10	June 24 1 Chronicles 4-5; Proverbs 20
June 5 1 Kings 18; John 14; Proverbs 1	June 15 2 Kings 12-13; John 20; Proverbs 11	June 25 1 Chronicles 6-7; Proverbs 21
June 6 1 Kings 19-20; Proverbs 2	June 16 2 Kings 5-6; John 21; Proverbs 12	June 26 1 Chronicles 8-9; Acts 6; Proverbs 22
June 7 1 Kings 21; John 15; Proverbs 3	June 17 2 Kings 16-17; Proverbs 13	June 27 1 Chronicles 10-11; Proverbs 23
June 8 1 Kings 22; 2 Kings 1; John 16; Proverbs 4	June 18 2 Kings 18; Acts 1; Proverbs 14	June 28 1 Chronicles 12-14; Acts 7; Proverbs 24
June 9 2 Kings 2-3; Proverbs 5	June 19 2 Kings 19-20; Proverbs 15	June 29 1 Chronicles 15-16; Proverbs 25
June 10 2 Kings 4; John 17; Proverbs 6	June 20 2 Kings 21-22; Acts 2; Proverbs 16	June 30 1 Chronicles 17-20; Proverbs 26



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Graduation

Lighthouse Christian School Class of 2024



By Conqueror Staff

Lighthouse Christian School held its graduation ceremony in a combined Sunday night service June 2, for Misha Roberts, the school's graduate for 2024.

Misha plans to attend Southern Regional Technical College in Tifton and pursue a diploma in welding. After completing his welding

Misha's Favorite Bible Verse

“

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jeremiah 29:11

”

diploma, he will pursue an additional technical discipline that complements his welding trade. Misha

plans to work in his family's business with the goal of becoming a managing partner one day.



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 how 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 5:12)

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 Lord shall be saved (Romans 10:13)

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.

Women's Bible Study

Right: Joanna Burt prepares the classroom for the monthly Bible study.

Below: Mrs. Burt teaches the monthly Bible class. Ladies from various churches and organizations meet at Lighthouse Baptist Church on a Monday evening each month to study God's Word. The class lasts about an hour.

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I Got Eggs!

Lighthouse Christian Daycare held an egg hunt prior to Easter. Many parents participated in the event, which was a lot of fun for the children.

Alumni Corner



Lighthouse Christian School Alumni in Action

Congratulations to Austin Burt from the graduating class of 2019 and his wife, Telissa Llama Burt, for being the recipients of the Married Couple's Christian Service Award for 2024 from Crown College of the Bible in Powell, Tennessee. Austin graduated from Crown College in 2023 as a ministry major, and Telissa completed her requirements to graduate in May of 2024 as an Early Childhood Education major.

As students they both served faithfully in the bus ministry and also worked with children in the Bus Ministry children's church. They are currently serving this summer as leaders on the Crown College Tour Team to Canada and selected northern states of the United States. The Tour Team travels to various churches in those areas to present the gospel in song and message. Upon completion of the tour this summer, the couple will begin a new chapter of their ministry in Key West. Please keep them in your prayers as their desire is to serve the Lord wherever He leads.

Note: We would like to hear from all of our alumni who are serving the Lord in any area. Please send your information to lighthouse@lbcministry.org.

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Lighthouse Baptist Seminary to Open Doors in January 2025

By Conqueror Staff

Lighthouse Baptist Seminary had to delay its opening until January 2025.

Lighthouse Baptist Seminary has received accreditation with the Baptist International Accrediting Agency this year.

"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 to us."

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 we open."

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 prior

to January," said Pastor Jimmy Burt, the founder and pastor of Lighthouse Baptist Church. "We are really excited about opening the seminary."

There also will be a special seminary program for high school students to attend while still in high school. Student requirements include being a Christian, a letter of recommendation from your pastor, and being a high school graduate. "This is a special program, and the students will earn Bible seminary credits," Dr. Scott said. "Each student will be considered on a case-by-case 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."

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.

Medals

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Kailee Atchison won medals in five events: Bible Bowl (first place), Afghans (third), piano solo (third), essay writing (fourth), dramatic monologue (fourth), and social studies research (sixth).

Callie Burt won medals in nine events: Bible Bowl (first place), Piano solo (first place), music arrangement (first place), puppets (first place), website design (second), woodcarving (second), brass solo (third), ventriloquism (third), and woodwind solo (fifth).

Lydia Flader won medals in seven events: Bible Bowl (first place), Quilts (first place), Poetry recitation (first place), puppets (first place), website design (second), piano solo (fourth), and science exhibit theoretical (fifth).



Ronean Hughes won medals in two events: short story writing (fourth) and famous speech (fifth).

Misha Roberts, a senior competing in his final student convention, won a medal in the running long jump (fourth).

See Medals on Page 7.



B-a-a-a-a-d Puppet

Jordana Burt gives Micah Flader a close up view of one of the many puppets used during Children's Church each Sunday morning during the adult worship service.



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Medals

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Time and again God has done truly beautiful works among our students! They are diligent young people who are learning to honor God with their lives. Although our students were small in number they came back with dozens of medals. They were competing with hundreds of students from around the world, yet three of our young people won an award for the highest achievement in the competition. Two were chosen for command performances so they could perform for the entire delegation. However my favorite thing about these young people is their tender heart and willingness to grow closer to the Lord. They lift up Christ! To God be the glory!

From Joanna Burt,
LCS Learning Center
Supervisor



Ask the IT Guy.....

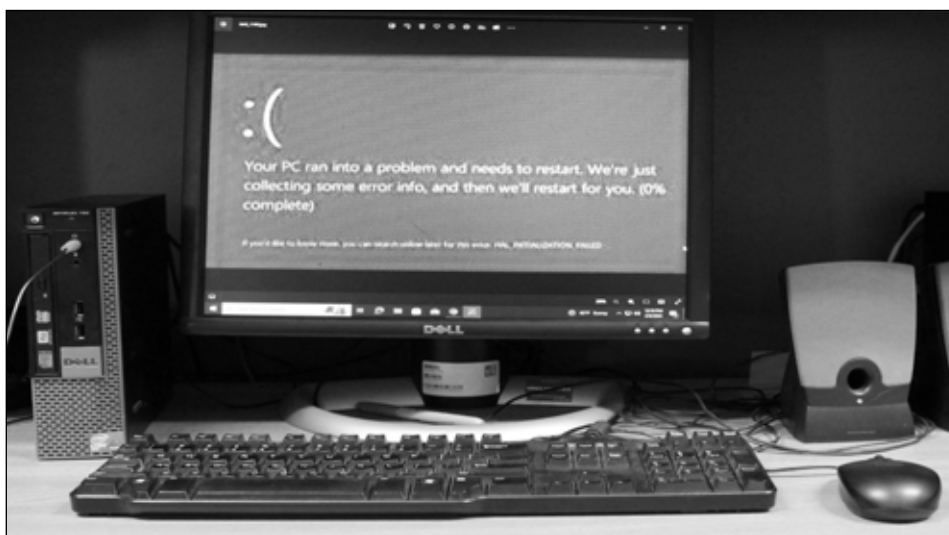
Hey IT Guy, I need to get a new computer. What kind of computer should I buy?

This is a great question. No doubt there are plenty of “big box store” salespeople that would love to tell you that you need this kind or that kind of computer. You may even know a couple of people that would tell you that you need to buy an Apple computer versus a Windows computer. With all the information out there, buying a computer comes down to two basic things: 1. What do you do with a a computer? 2. What are you willing to spend?

Computers come in all shapes and sizes. There are desktop computers, laptop computers, tablet computers, and even computers on a stick. Each computer type has its pros and cons, so to answer the question of what kind of computer should you buy, I would first ask what do you plan to do with the computer?

If you're planning on putting the computer at a desk in an office, either in your house, or in your business, you'd probably want to purchase a desktop computer.

Desktop computers range in price depending on what their purpose will be. The most basic desktop can run office programs, internet browsers, and maybe the occasional game of solitaire. Mid-range desktops can add in some basic graphics processing, video editing, and some gaming. More expensive desktops can do more complex tasks such as comput-



er aided design, graphics intense gaming, etc.

Let's say that you need all of the features of a desktop computer, but really want to be able to take it with you. In this case, you would want a laptop computer.

Laptop computers offer the flexibility of working wherever you find yourself with many options from smaller laptops with smaller screens and keyboards to larger screens and full keyboards with number pads. Most laptops today offer a decent amount of battery life so you can work or play on the go and when you're in your office, you can connect them to monitors and external keyboards/mice/etc.

Maybe, you're not really interested in a desktop or a laptop, but still would like the ability to check in on emails, social media, surf the web, etc. For this case, a tablet may be the best choice for you.

Tablets can be Windows, Android or Apple iOS based. For people that have primarily dealt with Windows devices, I would recommend a Windows tablet. Android phone users would probably be

comfortable with any of the many Android based tablets on the market; Samsung Galaxy being probably the biggest name in Android tablets. If you're sporting an Apple iPhone on your hip or in your pocket, then I would recommend checking out an Apple iPad. All of the tablets offer ultra-portability with enough processing power to perform basic tasks...choosing one is usually a matter of preference and cost.

So let's talk costs....for a basic desktop or laptop, you should be looking to spend up to \$1,000. This will have enough processing power and memory to run the base operating system and a few programs at a time. For \$1,000 - \$1,500, you can jump into a little more horsepower under the hood and tackle more complex tasks.

If you're looking at more graphics intensive workloads, or you need to run the latest copy of Microsoft Flight Simulator, you're probably looking at a PC that would range from \$1,500 to \$ infinity!

Tablets start around \$400 for the basic Windows Tablets and go

up from there. Android Tablets, such as the Samsung Galaxy start around \$700 and go up from there.

There are many off-brand Android tablets that are cheaper (I'm thinking of that \$99.00 black Friday Android tablet deal), but their quality is usually sub-par and they don't last that long.

The Apple iPad 9th Generation starts at \$329 with the pro models running \$1,000 or more depending on size.

For most people, the big manufacturers, Apple, Acer, Dell, and HP have a wide variety of offerings that will accomplish your needs, whether they be a desktop, laptop, or tablet.

For Windows PCs, I would recommend getting no less than an Intel Core i5 or i7 processor with at least 2.0Ghz of speed, 16 Gigabytes (GB) of Random Access Memory (RAM), more if you can afford it, and a minimum of 512GB of solid-state storage (SSD).

If you're looking at an Apple computer, tailor it according to what you're planning on doing with it. For general, light weight computing, check out the Mac Mini with the M2 processor and 8GB of unified memory (better than RAM!).

At the end of the day, a shiny new computer is a lot of fun.... but they're only fun when they're sized according to what you're planning to do with it and what you're willing to spend.

For those of you that like to shop, hopefully I've given you some things to think about, and if you don't want to shop....just pick one. I'm partial to the Apple iPad and Mac because I like that they work...most times anyway!



Volleyball Awards Banquet

Lighthouse Christian School recently held its girls volleyball banquet handing out trophies to all the players for their outstanding commitment to the Conquerors team during the school year. During the trophy presentation Coach Chris Burt pointed out character traits and what each player meant to the team, complimenting each player on their individual contributions.

A -- OKay For K-3 and K-4 for Another Year



Left: 2023-2024 Preschool Class K4 Graduates were Elijah Hammons and Elijah Miller. Congratulations!

Right: The 2023-2024 K3 Preschool Class was Carter Aycock, Mera Braddy, Kingston Carroll, Zdihya Coleman, Elaina Francis, Clarence Martin, and Obri Wilson. In the closing ceremony the children were able to show their families what they had learned throughout the year.



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Bible Island Summer Camp Lands at Lighthouse Daycare

Adventures on Bible Island Summer Camp is underway at Lighthouse Daycare. The summer camp runs June 3 through July 19.

The school-age children are participating in Bible Island activities along with having fun while learning. At the end of each week, campers can participate in an auction filled with prizes that they are

able to bid on with their "gold" coins earned during the week.

On Monday, the learning activity is Marvelous Math. Tuesday the campers participate in Kids in the Kitchen. Wednesday the campers take time for Tales of the Past and participate in chapel. Thursday is Thrilling Science while Fridays are fun days for the campers.

Bible Island Summer Camp

June 3 - July 19.

Mondays -- Marvelous Math

Tuesdays -- Kids in the Kitchen

Wednesdays -- Tales of the Past

Thursdays -- Thrilling Science

Fridays -- Fun Days



Bible Island Summer Camp has a Chapel service every Wednesday with many animal friends.



"Turtle-y" awesome summer for preschool.



Fishy ingredients in the cooking class.



Getting in step with the Pre-K Summer Music Program.

The War Against Israel is Ugly Business

This was sent out as a broadcast email from the *Sword of the Lord* in April.

The nation of Israel is a very small country. With approximately 8,630 square miles of land area, it is about the size of the state of New Jersey. From north to south (290 miles) and east to west (85 miles), it is very compact.

Currently, there are approximately 9,700,000 people living in Israel. A little over 7,000,000 of them are Jews, with slightly over 2,000,000 being Arabs. Another 500,000 of them are from various backgrounds that are neither Jewish nor Arabic.

The struggle between the Arabs and Jews goes back a long, long way, but since the founding of the modern state of Israel in 1948, there has been much upheaval between them.

American Christians, with few exceptions, have been strong friends with Israel. Holding in our memory the appeal of God's Abrahamic covenant—

"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

"And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

"War is an ugly business, but when an enemy such as Hamas goes on the warpath, you either fight back or your entire nation will be slaughtered."

"And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."—Gen. 12:1–3.

While the nation of Israel does not acknowledge Christ as Messiah and Saviour, there is a growing number of Jews who have fully embraced the Lord Jesus and received Him by faith.

Further, the Bible Says we are to "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee" (Ps. 122:6).

We Are a Friend to Israel

We support Israel today, just as we have throughout the years.

In the 1980s and 1990s, I made six trips to Israel. Staying at least a week each time, we have traversed the length and breadth of the country. Although I never "felt unsafe," when a Muslim drove into the front entrance of our hotel and blew up himself and his vehicle, I decided right then that it was not safe, and I have not been back.

The October Attacks Totally Unwarranted

Somehow, the Hamas terrorist

group made ready and, without warning, launched this major offense against Israel. It was a sneak attack that killed hundreds and wounded thousands. It is believed that they have also taken over 100 hostages. As a result, Israel is fighting back. The Arabs in Gaza who have been killed and wounded now number in the thousands. The numbers on both sides continue to grow.

War is an ugly business, but when an enemy such as Hamas goes on the warpath, you either fight back or your entire nation will be slaughtered. It is the long-held, documented goal of groups like Hamas and Hezbollah to totally destroy Israel and kill every Jew that they can. Driven by hatred, you cannot reason with them. The only thing that will satisfy their unregenerate passion is "death to Israel."

America Must Stand With Israel

I believe a case can be easily made that the current administration's lack of leadership and some of the absolute blunders they have made have contributed heavily to this.

Groups like the Hamas and Hezbollah terrorists are emboldened by weakness. They hate America almost as much as they hate Israel, but they know strength when they see it. When strength is replaced by weakness, they see it as a time to strike.

Thankfully, the White House and the majority of Congress are speaking up now in support of Israel. Whatever the day-to-day developments are, America has no option. We must stand with Israel.

What Can Christians Do?

We can pay attention to Scripture and do what it says. We can oppose terrorism. We can stand up against hatred. We can do what Christians are supposed to do—live right, proclaim the Gospel to Arabs and Jews, and stand for truth and right.

We can get ourselves fired up, and our churches stirred up. We can realize that our country is coming apart at the seams and headed for a Christless eternity in Hell. We can take seriously the stated orders of the Lord Jesus and get soul winning on the front burner of our agenda.

Recipe of the Month

"Mamaw's" chocolate pudding

Contributed by Minday Flader

My mamaw always made this pudding for family gatherings when I was a child. Now I have to make it for every church function, or I get in trouble.

Ingredients:

- 1 stick of melted butter
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup of finely chopped pecans
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 1 cup powdered sugar

- 1 container of cool whip
- 1 package of instant chocolate pudding
- 1 package of instant vanilla pudding
- 3 cups of milk

Directions:

For crust: Mix butter, flour, and pecans together. Spread evenly over the bottom of a 9x13 baking dish.

Bake 20 minutes at 350 de-

grees. Set aside until cooled.

Mix together cream cheese, powdered sugar, and 1 cup of cool whip. Spread evenly over cooled crust.

Mix together packages of instant pudding and milk. Place in refrigerator for a little while to firm up before spreading evenly over last layer.

Spread the rest of the container of cool whip over the top.

If desired sprinkle chopped pecans over the top.

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a Music Program, a Missions Program that literally reaches around the world, and Adult Educational Program that includes a Bible Institute, Visitation Program, and three weekly Worship Services.

Lighthouse Baptist Church also operates an Internet Christian Radio Station at www.lbcministry.org.

"We are here first and foremost that God in all things may be glorified through his son, Jesus Christ," Pastor Burt said. "It is our desire to engage in all types of activities that promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Pastor Jimmy Burt, was born on May 18, 1951 in Cairo, Georgia, and was married twenty years later to Vickie Jones, also a Cairo native. They are the parents of two boys – Jimmy and Chris -- and grandparents of six grandchildren.

