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**AND DO NOT FORGET TO DO
GOOD AND TO SHARE WITH
OTHERS, FOR WITH SUCH
SACRIFICES GOD IS PLEASED.**

Hebrews 13:16

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:15

Worship - 10:30

**The Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering
March 3—31**

Goal: \$40,000.00

Challenge Goal: \$45,000.00

Amount Given as of 3/24: \$24,120.00



**Information Meeting
Sunday, April 7 @ 4:00
Fellowship Hall
See "The Pastor's Pen"**



**QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE
Wednesday, April 17
There will be no service or activities.**

The Pastor's Pen...Big news this month about a big emphasis to be held later this year. Please read about it below and plan to participate.

Pastor Robin

SERVE NC

What is **Serve NC**? It is an effort by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to get thousands of our North Carolina Baptist Churches to engage in a coordinated emphasis to love our local communities with the love and hope of Christ during a week in August this year.

When are the dates? The dates are **August 3 - 10** of this year.

Will SABC be participating? Yes! We will be participating as a church in **Serve NC** this summer from August 3 - 10.

How will **Serve NC** work? We will put together a list of projects for that week in August that our members can choose to participate in. No one has to do all the projects, but hopefully many of our folks will find at least one community project that week they can be a part of. These projects might be things we've done before or new things. The goal of these projects will be for our people to demonstrate to our community that Jesus loves them and so do we. Perhaps we'll even have opportunities to tell our neighbors about Jesus as we show His love.

What are the first steps to get ready for **Serve NC**? We plan to hold an initial meeting on Sunday afternoon, April 7 at 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall to discuss **Serve NC**. We're looking for people with a passion for community ministry to be a part of this meeting. We will brainstorm about possible projects we could undertake. We will also talk about how to plan for this emphasis and promote this emphasis within the church so that as many of our members as possible can sign up. If this is your passion and if you have ideas about potential projects for this week in August, please join us for this initial **Serve NC** meeting.

Will other local Baptist churches be participating as well in **Serve NC**? We don't have a list yet, but our expectation is that some of our sister churches in Rocky Mount will participate. Perhaps we'll be able to do joint kickoff event on August 3. Stay tuned for more information on that.

What can we do *now* as this emphasis on **Serve NC** begins? First, be praying for SABC volunteers to step forward who will help plan, promote, and carry out **Serve NC**. Second, be thinking about potential projects. Third, plan to attend the initial meeting on April 7.

Save the dates and mark your calendars as we join this effort to **Serve NC** in Jesus' name!



**A reminder for those who signed up.
Marriage Enrichment Event lead by
Rex & Emily Stroud**

- * **4/26 6:00-6:25 Dinner (including kids)**
6:30-7:25 Session 1
7:30-8:30 Session 2

- * **4/27 9:00- 9:25 Continental Breakfast**
9:30-10:20 Session 3
10:30-11:30 Session 4

**If you have not paid for this event yet,
please do so. Just use an offering
envelope and designate "Marriage Event"
on the front. If you pay with a check just
make it out to "SABC". The cost is
\$20 p/couple. Thanks!**

CHRIST C.A.N. UPDATE

**Our benevolence ministry partner, Christ
C.A.N., has ceased operations and will no
longer exist. Thank you for supporting
this vital ministry over many years. For
now, cease giving for Christ C.A.N. and
we will get back with you concerning
benevolent needs in the near future as
the Lord leads.**



**Our food supplies are getting low, so
please consider donating the following
items & drop off in the designated boxes
in the fellowship hall or Sunday school
rooms. Please take notice of expiration
dates when getting food items.**

Items needed are below:

Juice Boxes

Heavy carton type such as Caprisun or
fruit juice.

Meal/meat items

Easy pop-top type such as soups, mac
& Cheese, noodles or Chef Boyardee.

Breakfast items

Easy prep or individual wrapped such
as Cereal, oatmeal or breakfast bars.

Healthy snack items

Such as granola bars, pudding or fruit
cups, goldfish or chips.

Prayer Concerns

David Blackmon ~ Tonia Carmichael ~ Pam Davis ~ Pat Doughtie ~ Cliff Futrell ~ Karen Futrell ~ Gwen Dew ~
Curtis Emigh ~ Laura Leigh Furrow ~ Darryl Gschwind ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Bill & Judy McDaniel ~ Becky
Parker ~ Jerome Richardson ~ Anise Rose ~ Lindsay Rose ~ Alice Shearin ~ Cathy Shortt ~ Michael Valentine ~ Anne
Rose Varnell ~ Nicole Wheeler ~ Mollie Whitley ~ His Mansion Ministry ~ King's Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate
Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church ~ GriefShare Ministry

In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).

MAY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Any information that you wish to have published in the April newsletter should be emailed to lwebb@sabaptist.org by noon on Friday, April 19.

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

is available on the church website: sabaptist.org

February 25, 2024– March 24, 2024

Attendance Totals

	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship</u>
25	178	233
3	216	224
10	197	248
17	212	267
24	N/A	254

Membership Additions in 2024

By Baptism	0
By Transfer or Statement of Faith	1

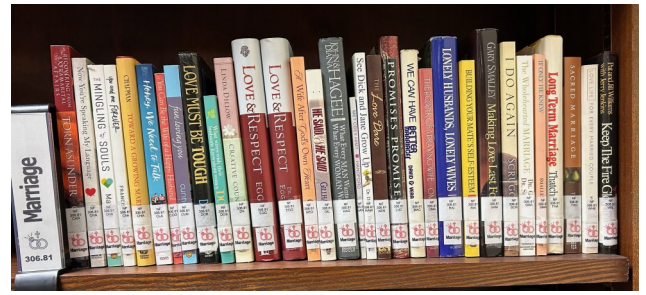
Weekly Budget Need for 2024: \$ 24,436.43

February 25, 2024 - March 24, 2024 Giving Totals

	<u>Offering Received</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Total Received</u>
25	\$ 26,649.00	\$ 2,133.50	\$ 28,782.50
3	\$ 23,746.25	\$ 4,338.30	\$ 28,084.55
10	\$ 21,481.05	\$ 7,876.00	\$ 29,352.05
17	\$ 19,676.00	\$ 5,308.00	\$ 24,984.00
24	\$ 15,369.22	\$ 9,374.32	\$ 24,743.54

Year to Date Budget January 1, 2024 - March 24, 2024

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$	293,237.16	248,588.12	(44,649.04)



Members are encouraged to check out the “Marriage” section in the Library for books on building a Christ-centered marriage.



SAVE THE DATE!

Breaker Rock Beach VBS

June 2—6, 2024

5:30 pm—8:00 pm

Rising Kindergarten—6th Grade

Register online at sabaptist.org