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LENTEN POTENTIAL

MARCH 5 MOVEMENT GENESIS 12:1-9

MARCH 12 CHALLENGE EXODUS 16:3-17:7

MARCH 19 CHARACTER 1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

MARCH 26 RESTORATION EZEKIEL 37:1-14



Join us Wednesday, March 7th at 5:00 p.m. for a Fellowship Meal followed by Bible Study Rosa Ann Chaney will be making her delicious soup which will be paired with a sandwich and dessert. \$6.00/person

Call the church office by Tuesday, March 6th to reserve your spot.



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Spilman Memorial Baptist Church

Our Mission is to ...

Worship God, Serve Him, and Serve Others

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CHURCH STAFF

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr., Senior Pastor Michell Sutton Eguez, Administrative Assistant Giles Stroud, Interim Music Director Melony Rasbury-Cobb, Pianist/Organist Michael and Vance Aldridge, Custodians Michelle Sutton, Finance Assistant

David's Heart for God

At a very young age, the Lord saw and knew the kind of heart David had for the Lord. Even though he was the youngest son of Jesse; the prophet Samuel was directed by the Lord to go and anoint this young man as the future King of Israel. King Saul's heart was not a God focused heart, and thus the Spirit of the Lord was removed from Saul and given to David.



Over the next 60 years (40 years as king), David proved himself to be "a man after God's own heart."

DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR.

David demonstrated **Faith** when he defeated Goliath. (I Samuel 17:47)

David exhibited **Trust** in the Lord when he spared Saul's life. (I Samuel 24:12-13)

David **Forgave** Saul and demonstrated that love by providing for his grandson, Mephibosheth, after becoming the King of Israel. (2 Samuel 9:1-7)

David's heart was **Humble** and he saw himself as insignificant, even after killing Goliath. (I Samuel 18:23)

David made some decisions in his life that caused the death of others. With **Integrity**, he admitted his wrongs. (I Samuel 22:9-19)

David sought **Forgiveness** for his sins. The Prophet Nathan confronted him when David sinned with Bathsheba and caused Uriah to die in battle. (2 Samuel 12:1-15, Psalm 51)

David longed to be in the presence of the Lord and **Worship** Him. The ark of the covenant was moved into Jerusalem with great celebration and worship. David unashamedly worshipped the Lord with dancing, music, and singing. (2 Samuel 6:1-15)

In spite of the mistakes and sins in David's life, the Lord accepted the offerings of David because his heart was right before the Lord. He walked by faith, trusted in the Lord, demonstrated forgiveness, walked humbly before the Lord, lived with integrity, repented for his sins, and worshipped the Lord with all his heart, mind, soul, and strength.

Even today, the Lord is still seeking those who exhibit these kinds of characteristics. Do we have faith? Do we trust the Lord in <u>everything</u>? Do we forgive our enemies as Jesus told us to do? Do we repent when we sin?

Do we love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength? (continued on the next page)

David's Heart for God (continued)

We may not face a giant like Goliath or be hunted in the wilderness by an army. Yet everyone has their giants in life. At one time in our life, we may have had someone attempt to discredit or harm us. We may have sinned greatly. Our worship of God may have been shallow and superficial.

Our response to the events in our life are shaped by our hearts disposition towards God. A life that is well pleasing unto the Lord is one that takes seriously our heart's focus and our daily walk is with the Lord – a heart that seeks God and a daily walk that demonstrates that inward relationship.

In life, we may lack many things. Jesus reminded his disciples, "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)



Deacon of the Month MARCH 2023 FRANCES KEEL

Frances and her husband Tom.

moved from Marietta, GA. to Kinston in 1997. She has a son, Edward and a daughter, Lesley. Tom passed away in Oct. 2009. Frances has actively participated in worship services since 2003, and became a member of Spilman in 2015. She now serves as a Deacon, is a part of the Long Range Planning Committee, the 70th Homecoming planning committee, and sings in the choir.



If you are unable to worship with us in person on Sunday morning then pull Spilman up on your

computer or phone. You can still be a part of our worship by joining Facebook Live.

If you would like to see our worship bulletin and Dr. Dew's sermon go to www.spilmanbaptist.org



The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

(AAEO) is the primary way Southern Baptists fund missions in North America. **One hundred percent** of gifts given to AAEO go to the field to support more than 2,400 missionary families serving across the United States and Canada. transformed by the gospel because you give.



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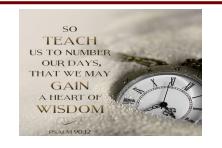
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bread for life.

Established in 1978 as the **World Hunger Fund**, Global Hunger Relief (GHR) is an initiative of the Southern Baptist Convention dedicated to combating hunger and sharing the Bread of Life. **When your church contributes to the Global Hunger Offering** (or, World Hunger Fund), a portion of those proceeds supports NC Baptist Hunger Relief efforts — and a portion of *that* supports Hunger Ministries within Neuse Baptist Association! Consider initiating a regular Global Hunger Relief Offering within your church, if you do not already. For more information, visit https://www.globalhungerrelief.org/

MARCH 2023 MAR 1 (WED) MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST 8:00 AM 11:00 AM MONTHLY PRAYER GATHERING WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 3:00 PM MAR 5 (SUN) **DEACON'S MEETING** 8:00 AM 9:15 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE/** THE LORD'S SUPPER 10:30 AM "LIVING GUILT FREE" **ROMANS 8:1-13 CHOIR PRACTICE** 1:30 PM MAR 8 (WED) MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST 8:00 AM 5:00 PM MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP DINNER 6:00 PM WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS **MAR 12 (SUN)** SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 AM **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "THE SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER" **ROMANS 8:31-39** 1:30 PM **CHOIR PRACTICE** MAR 14 (TUE) 4:00 PM **LEADERSHIP MEETING MAR 15 (WED)** MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST 8:00 AM WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 3:00 PM **MAR 19 (SUN) SUNDAY SCHOOL** 9:15 AM **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "THE BARREN NATION" **LUKE 13:1-9** 1:30 PM CHOIR PRACTICE **MAR 22(WED)** MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST 8:00 AM WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 3:00 PM 9:15 AM **MAR 26 (SUN)** SUNDAY SCHOOL **WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:30 AM "THE BARREN FAMILY: THE PRODIGAL SON—LUKE 15:11-24 1:30 PM **CHOIR PRACTICE** MAR 27 (MON) LONG RANGE PLANNING MEETING 11:00 AM



2023 BIBLE READING PLAN

- ☐ 1 Deut 1-3
- ☐ 2 Deut 4-5
- ☐ 3 Deut 6-9
- ☐ 4 Deut 10-12 ☐ 5 No Reading
- ☐ 6 Deut 13-15
- ☐ 7 Deut 16-19
- ☐ 8 Deut 20-22
- ☐ 9 Deut 23-26
- □ 10 Deut 27-28
- **□ 11 Deut 29-31 □ 12 No Reading**
- ☐ 13 Deut 32-33
- ☐ 14 Deut 34; Josh 1-4
- □ 15 Josh 5-7
- ☐ 16 Josh 8-9
- ☐ 17 Josh 10-13
- □ 18 Josh 14-17 □ 19 No Reading
- □ 20 Josh 18-20
- □ 21 Josh 21-23
- □ 22 Josh 24; Jdg 1-2
- □ 23 Jdg 3-5
- □ **24 Jdg 6-7**
- **□ 25 Jdg 8-10 □ 26 No Reading**
- □ 27 Jdg 11-13
- □ 28 Jdg 14-16
- □ **29 Jdg 17-19**
- □ 30 Jdg 20-21; Rut 1
- ☐ 31 Rut 2-4; 1 Sa 1