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Spilman Memorial Baptist Church

Our Mission is to ...

Worship God, Serve Him, and Serve Others

MARCH 2024

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Jerry Crisp, Security



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In the Blink of an Eye

I was traveling to Kinston one morning recently and saw a young man had turned his truck over and it was upside-down in a ditch. I stopped to see if I could help. He was a bit shaken up, had a few cuts on his hand, but otherwise, he seemed to be doing pretty good. He kept asking, “Where is the other truck that pulled out in front of me?” *“In the blink of an eye,”* his life changed.

I have sat in a doctor’s office with a family member and heard the news from the doctor that they had cancer. *“In the blink of an eye,”* our lives were changed. I have watched peoples lives literally change in just a brief moment with both good and bad news.

I have been present at the birth of a child and saw how that family embraced this blessing from God. I have been present with someone as they received devastating news of the death of their son in an auto accident. *“In the blink of an eye”* means that something happened suddenly, quickly, or at the last moment, and that it will be followed by a change of state or condition.

We go through the mundane things of life with very few changes. We wake up, eat breakfast, exercise, travel to work, pay our bills, go to the grocery store, mow the grass, change the oil in our car, vacuum the house, wash the dishes, take a shower, brush our teeth, take our medicine, read a book, and go to bed. But then one day – something happens and interrupts our routine. *“In the blink of an eye,”* something happens which changes everything!

When Jesus Christ came to earth, born unto the virgin Mary, in the village of Bethlehem, everything changed! Into what was the dull monotony of life filled with longing and unfulfillment, came the Messiah to tell us the Good News – Salvation has come! With every person that met Jesus, their lives were changed *“in the blink of an eye!”* Mary the mother of Jesus, the family at the wedding at Cana, the twelve disciples, and all those whom Jesus healed – their lives were changed. The religious leaders in Jerusalem who had rejected Jesus and plotted to kill Him, the soldiers who nailed Jesus to the cross, those that came to the tomb that Sunday morning to anoint Jesus’ body, and the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus – *“In the blink of an eye”* their lives were changed. When Jesus came, everything changed!

The scripture speaks of a time when Christ will return and call us home. In living and even in death, we find eternal hope in Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 5:51-52 says, *“Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed – in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye (in the blink of an eye) at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”* **(Continued)**



DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR.



Join Us at 9:15 am each Sunday Morning

MARCH THEME: LEARNING HUMILITY

**MARCH 3RD
OBEDIENCE IN COMMUNITY
EXODUS 20:1-19**

**MARCH 10TH
PATIENCE IN THE WILDERNESS
NUMBERS 21:1-9
PSALM 107:1, 17-22**

**MARCH 17TH
CLEANSED IN HEART
PSLAM 51**

**MARCH 24TH
CHRIST IN MIND
ISAIAH 50:4-10
PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11**



**OFFERING FOR
GLOBAL MISSIONS**

BECAUSE PRESENCE MATTERS

Week of Prayer: March 12th to 17th

**CBFNC Annual Meeting
First Baptist Church, Greensboro NC
March 14th and 15th**



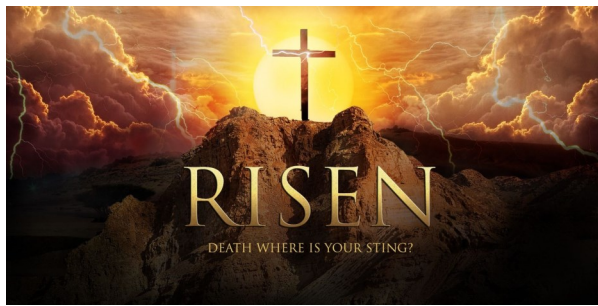

Join us Wednesday, March 13th at 5:00 p.m. for a Fellowship Meal, followed by Bible Study. Smithfield Chicken ‘N BBQ will be furnishing the meal. \$10.00/person. (BBQ or Chicken—white or dark)

Call the church office by noon on Tuesday, March 12th to reserve your meal.


In the Blink of an Eye (Continued)

Jesus Christ came to completely change our life's orientation. Instead of being focused on the things of earth, we should be focused on our future home in heaven. (John 14:1-3) Instead of being focused on our personal wants, needs, and desires, we should be focused on helping meet the needs of others around us. God can change us, "In the blink of an eye" if we yield our hearts and lives to Him. He can turn our world "right side up."

I once heard someone say, "He who dies with the most toys – wins!" That is the way of the world. I heard a preacher once say, "He who dies with the most toys – is still dead!" What does it profit you if you gain the whole world and lose your soul? "In the blink of an eye" our routines of life can quickly change – and when it does, where will you be? Today is the day of salvation! Turn to Him while you still can.

Paul Frederick Lincke III
January 20, 1959
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February 8, 2024





Deacon of the Month
Pat Moore
March 2024

Pat Moore became a member of Spilman Memorial Baptist Church in 2016. She has been an active member serving as a member of the Kitchen Committee, Nominating Committee, Teller Committee, Co-Chair of the Finance Committee, and Chairperson of the Bereavement Committee. She is serving her second term as a Spilman Deaconess and is Secretary of the Diaconate. She also helps in the Sound Room each Sunday morning. Pat enjoys being a part of the Wednesday afternoon Bible Study. She has two children, Shane and Tara, and one granddaughter, Alayna.



- DANIELLE F. HENRY 3-2
- MELISSA HERRING 3-2
- JONATHAN RICE 3-3
- SHIRLENE KOONCE 3-5
- SYLVIA WILLIAMS 3-7
- NANCY JUSTICE 3-10
- BRENDA BARLOW 3-13
- BOB GADDIS 3-19
- JOSH LARKINS 3-21
- BENJAMIN A. OVERTON 3-24
- J.E. BLIZZARD 3-24
- MELONY RASBERRY COBB 3-30
- LANDON WHALEY 3-31

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 us on Facebook Live.

MARCH 2024		
MAR 3 (SUN)	DEACONS MEETING SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE—LORD'S SUPPER <i>THE REJECTED ROCK—Isaiah 8:11-15</i>	8:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM
Mar 6 (WED)	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST MONTHLY PRAYER GATHERING SS CLASS AT SPRING ARBOR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	8:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:30 PM 4:00 PM
MAR 10 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE <i>THE SLAUGHTERED LAMB</i> Exodus 12:1-12, Luke 22:14-23	9:15 AM 10:30 AM
MAR 11 (MON)	LONG RANGE PLANNING MEETING	11:00 AM
MAR 12 (TUES)	CHURCH LEADERSHIP MEETING	4:00 PM
MAR 13 (WED)	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST SS CLASS AT SPRING ARBOR FELLOWSHIP MEAL WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	8:00 AM 2:30 PM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM
MAR 14-15	CBF Annual Meeting—Greensboro NC	
MAR 17 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE <i>THE SCANDALOUS CROSS</i> Deut. 21:18-23, Luke 23:26-49	9:15 AM 10:30 AM
MAR 20 (WED)	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST SS CLASS AT SPRING ARBOR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	8:00 AM 2:30 PM 4:00 PM
MAR 24 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE <i>THE SABBATH IN THE TOMB</i> Genesis 2:1-3, Exodus 20:8-11, Luke 23:50-56	9:15 AM 10:30 AM
MAR 27 (WED)	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST SS CLASS AT SPRING ARBOR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	8:00 AM 2:30 PM 4:00 PM
MAR 31 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL WORSHIP SERVICE <i>IT WAS A DARK AND STORMY NIGHT</i> Isaiah 53:10-12, Luke 24:1-12	9:15 AM 10:30 AM



MARCH 2024
BIBLE READING PLAN

- 1 Deut 6-8
- 2 Deut 9-11
- 3 Catch Up Day
- 4 Deut 12-14
- 5 Deut 15-18
- 6 Deut 19-22
- 7 Deut 23-25
- 8 Deut 26-28
- 9 Deut 29-30
- 10 Catch Up Day
- 11 Deut 31-32
- 12 Deut 33-34; Josh 1-3
- 13 Josh 4-6
- 14 Josh 7-9
- 15 Josh 10-12
- 16 Josh 13-16
- 17 Catch Up Day
- 18 Josh 17-19
- 19 Josh 20-22
- 20 Josh 23-24; Judges 1
- 21 Judges 2-4
- 22 Judges 5-7
- 23 Judges 8-9
- 24 Catch Up Day
- 25 Judges 10-12
- 26 Judges 13-15
- 27 Judges 16-18
- 28 Judges 19-21
- 29 Ruth 1-4
- 30 1 Samuel 1-3
- Catch Up Day