

# "BAPTIST ON THE BEAVER DAM"

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## From the Pastor's Cluttered Desk,

Recently I read an article that spoke of the increasing number of people in our society that have become incredibly self-centered. The article spoke of how many have become focused on their own views, their needs, their wants, their opinions, and in turn, tune out the views of those around them. That sounds like very childish behavior! On further reflection I thought of the words of a hymn, "Help me to live for others, that I might live like Thee."

Velma Wallis has written a book entitled *Two Old Women* that tells of an Alaskan Athabaskan legend of two old women. The tribe was on the verge of starvation and realized that if they were to survive they would need to move from their current location. They knew the move would be difficult at best, and that taking the elderly would prove to be an added burden. There were two elderly women in the tribe that had no extended family. In addition, the two women had spent much of their later years griping and complaining about almost everything. Needless to say the other members of the tribe found them difficult to get along with

and they certainly were not team players. A decision was made to leave the two women behind and move to a new location in a search of food and survival. Having been left behind, the two women began to see how much the other members of the tribe had done for them, and also how demanding and unbearable they had become. Since there was no one left to meet their demands and care for them, they began to meet their own needs. In time the tribe and the two women were reunited and reconciliation began to take place.

If you have some time to spend reading and reflecting during these cold days, I recommend the book to you for consideration. It is a reminder to us that almost every family has a crazy uncle or an unbearable aunt that suffers ailments. Did you watch the *Griswold Family Christmas* rerun this year? While it is intended as a comedy, it has enough reality to make you want to cry.

Beginning on March 4<sup>th</sup> we will begin a short study of Ezekiel on Wednesday nights. If you have time, read over the book and think of the painful situation the people of Israel found themselves in as they were carried off into captivity. God used a foreign nation to discipline His chosen people. The prophet saw a valley of dismembered dry

bones that were reassembled and brought back to life by the breath of God.

Easter is a reminder to us that God still gives the promise to speak and bring life, even in a cemetery. The Spirit can also move and bring life to a spiritually dead heart. Pray that we will be God-centered and not self-centered as we move through the season of Lent.

Our Sunrise Service will be on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. followed by breakfast in the fellowship hall. Sunday School will begin at 8:30 a.m. followed by our Morning Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. This will be a change from our normal schedule and your help will be needed in getting out the word on the time change. Please help by telling everyone you see about the new schedule.

Yours in HIS service  
*Michael Shook*



**Monthly Schedule**

**March 2015**

Mission Friends: 3 ~ 5  
April Smith

**NURSERY-WORSHIP** 

- 01 ~ Teddy Tippett & Margaret Smith
- 08 ~ Lori & Dean Bullard
- 15 ~ Morgan Bullard & Brooke Shoffner
- 22 ~ Kim & Tim Farmer
- 29 ~ Teddy Tippett & Muriel Hall

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

- 01 ~ Youth Sunday 
- 08 ~ Brooke & Gabe Shoffner
- 15 ~ Barbara Melvin & Rachel Strickland
- 22 ~ Morgan & Lance Bullard
- 29 ~ Palm Sunday

**USHERS**

Mitchell Ackerman  
Tyson Banks  
Gary Brock  
Dale Bullard

Harry Tatum ~ Alternate

Donna Atkins  
Betty Autry  
Amber Bloom  
Ashley Broadney  
Ralph Brock  
Adam Bullard  
Carmon Bullard  
Ella Grae Bullard  
Joshua Bullard  
Larry Bullard  
Brittany Bunnells  
Carol Carter  
Kyle Cashwell  
James Cheek  
Sandra Cheek  
Cody Clark  
Betty Cox  
Jimmy Creech  
Bill Culbertson  
Dana Davis  
Brian Day  
June Dorton  
Cathy Eaton  
David Echardt  
Mary Edwards  
Betty Faircloth  
Retha Faircloth  
Shelia Faircloth  
Wayne Falls  
Ann Farmer  
Julie Fisher  
Rudolph Gray  
Brenda Hales  
Tommy Hales  
Hilda Hall

**Our Sick & Shut Ins**

Magalene Hall  
Vicky Hall  
Judy Hammond  
Kim Harrell  
Bob Hartel  
Luke Hawkins  
Pete Hawkins  
Sue Hobbs  
Nell Holcombe  
Melody Honeycutt  
Markey Horne  
B.J. Howard  
Susan Huffman  
Carl Huggins  
Robert Jackson  
Faye Johnson  
Connie Lawrence  
Cheryl Locklear  
Lisa Long  
Pat Love  
Rodney Maguire  
Peggy Marsh  
Amanda Mason  
Roscoe Meek  
J. D. Melvin, Jr.  
Guy Mitchell  
Lillian Moore  
Tyler Moore  
Victor Murray  
Jerry Musselwhite  
Faye Norris  
Johnny Owens  
Cara Lee Parker

Chris Pollard  
Donald Pollard  
Kim Ray  
Bruce Raynor  
Ronald Reddens  
Judy Rierson  
Eddie Royal  
Rick Sawyer  
Laura Schindler  
James Shearon  
Pauline Simpson  
Carol Smith  
David Smith  
Deanna Smith  
Harold Smith  
James Smith  
Bailey Starling  
Gary Strickland  
Linda Strickland  
Rhonda Strickland  
Stephen Strickland  
Wade Stroud  
Lois Ann Thornton  
Susan Tyndall  
D. H. Vinson  
Troy Watkins  
Billie Weathington  
Kim Weathington  
Sybil Whatley  
Rev. Roger White  
Chance Wil-Day  
Earl Williamson  
Terry Wind  
Danny Wolf

**Daily Prayer Lists:**


**Please Remember our Military and Para/Military and their families in your prayers:**

Eddie Baker	Jon Pollard	Kenny Taylor
Jeremy Brown	Joel Scheib	Ralph Weller
Joe Clark	Robert Seymour	Daniel Wilson
Matthew Dunlap	John Sheety	



**Please Remember our Missionaries and their Families in your daily prayers:**

Pam & Don Brownfield	Allen Seigler
Eric & Mimi McMillian	Jana Smith
John McLamb	Judith & Danny Williams



**Please remember our Nursing Home/Rehab Residents and their caretakers in your daily prayers.**


Retha Autry	Harriet Hales	Dot Gault
Rose Hales	Clarence Haithcock	Ethleen Harris
Audrey Howell	Jesse McCarley	Meakie Daniels
Jerry Vinson, Sr.	Lois Wright	Leona Vinson

**Please Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins In Your Daily Prayers** 

**BEATITUDE MINISTRY NEEDS**  
**525-4351**

Men's Belts, shirts, shoes, good jeans, paper items (toilet paper, paper towels & napkins), canned goods, 13 gallon kitchen trash bags, 55 gallon drum liners.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**Our Sympathy goes out to the families and friends that have lost loved ones. Our Prayers and thoughts are with you.** 

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 2015

- 01~ Clarence Haithcock  
 02 ~ Taylor Brantley  
 03 ~ Crystelle Smith, Linda Tatum, Tony Simpson  
 Brooke Shoffner & Morgan Bullard  
 04~ Keith Pollard  
 05 ~ Valeria Adams  
 06 ~ Maude Simpson, & Janet Tanner  
 08 ~ Rhonda Harris  
 09 ~ LaCosta Hamman  
 10 ~ Dale Ackerman & Colton Barber  
 11 ~ Colin Hall & Luke Brock  
 12 ~ Jenna Melvin & Stacy Simmons  
 13 ~ Halee Ann Simpson, Kennedy Autry, Mia Pollard  
 14 ~ Jon Pollard  
 15 ~ Brittany Sessoms  
 16 ~ Heather Bullard Alexander  
 17 ~ Eddy Ridgen  
 18 ~ Joan Gardner & Matthew Hayes  
 19 ~ Katy Buck & Brian Simmons  
 22 ~ Tristan Hankel  
 23 ~ Keith Royal  
 25 ~ Donnie Haney, Retha Autry & Elizabeth Rogers  
 26 ~ Clay Autry  
 27 ~ Aaron Gardner, Carley Jones & Darryl Bullard  
 28 ~ Kim Hall  
 29 ~ Christine Vinson  
 31 ~ Rodney Bullard



## March 2015 CALENDAR



- 01~ **9:00 AM Prayer Meeting**  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship Service  
**YOUTH SUNDAY**  
 5:00 PM WMU & BYW Mtg. Fellowship Hall  
 Guest Speaker—Lynn O'Quinn
- 03—08 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
 Week of Prayer for North American Missions
- 02 ~ 7:00 PM Baptist Men Meeting
- 04 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth  
 8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 07 ~ 9:00 AM GA/RA/CA Spring Day Camp Macedonia B.C.
- 08 ~ **9:00 AM Prayer Meeting**  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship Service  
 The Lords Supper
- 09 ~ 7:30 PM Deacons Meeting
- 09-15 Focus on WMU
- 11 ~ 6:30 PM Fellowship Meal  
 7:30 PM Church Conf/Worship ,Mission Friends, GA, RA,  
 Youth , 8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 14 ~ **6:00 PM Club 50 Dinner**
- 15 ~ **9:00 AM Prayer Meeting**  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship
- 18 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth  
 8:15 PM Choir Practice  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**
- 20 ~ Easter "Baskets of Blessings " due
- 22 ~ **9.00 AM Prayer Mtg.,**  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship Service
- 25 ~ 7:30 PM Prayer Meeting, GA, RA, & Youth  
 8:15 PM Choir Practice
- 29 ~ **PALM SUNDAY**  
**9:00 AM Prayer Meeting**  
 10:00 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship Service

*Happy Birthday from your Church  
 family at Beaver Dam Baptist Church*

## YOUTH NEWS

The Youth are back in action after a long "WINTERPLACE" nap!

February missions kept them from freezing up. They stayed on fire for their work for Jesus After sorting and assembling backpack buddy items, the Youth made special Valentines for all 40 residents at the Autumn Winds Assisted Care facility. They delivered them on Wednesday night, the 11<sup>th</sup> and all received a treat.

They have been diligently planning for Youth Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. We are so excited to have our speaker from our amazing group this year. Stay tuned for an exciting event. Please join us as the Youth take over the worship service, lead the choir and teach some of our Sunday School classes. It will be an event you will not want to miss!

There are so many opportunities for missions coming up for our Youth. Hold on to your seats, the "March Madness" is about to begin!

Yours in Christ,  
 April Smith

We at Beaver Dam Baptist, invite you to make a commitment to join with us at this crucial time of our spiritual growth and development.

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### March 2015

As we enter into the month of March we are followed by a cold blast of February weather. The bright, snow-laden days were well enjoyed by snow-lovers.

With the disappearance of the snow, the departing of cold days, and the blooming of the plants we know that spring is quickly approaching.

I think spring is one of my favorite times of year. Everything is blooming with new life and the plants that were asleep in the winter are awakened to spread their leaves and breath the warm summer air. It is amazing how God designed the trees to work. They breathe in carbon dioxide and exchange it for oxygen. Their roots help maintain the soil and their leaves provide ground mulch, which protects and nourishes the trees and other plant and animals.

*“When obstacles and trials seem  
Like prison walls to be,  
I do the little I can do  
And leave the rest to Thee.*

*And when there seems no chance, no change,  
From grief can set me free,  
Hope finds its strength in helplessness,  
And calmly waits for Thee.”  
Streams In The Desert*

Don't forget what Jesus tells us, “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30  
What is peace? Is it a moment of calm in a busy schedule? Is it relief from worries and burdens? Is it the joy that comes from helping others? Is it found in fighting the obstacles that normally come in life? For me, peace is being right in the middle of God's will. That doesn't not mean that there are not trials, temptations, or worries, but it means that I am fulfilling the purpose for which I was put on the earth. I once heard a story of two painters who were commissioned to paint a picture of what they believed to be a peaceful setting. The first painter painted a picture of a placid stream, trickling through a quiet meadow. The second painter painted a bird, bravely sitting on a small tree with a roaring waterfall in the background and a raging river rushing by. What is your definition of peace?

Please remember to pray for those who are sick and fighting cancer or other problems. Thankfully, some of them are getting better!

I hope you have a great month!

*Savanna White*