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What's Happening at



LOCUST HILL
BAPTIST CHURCH

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From Your Pastor...

The fall season is one of my favorites. I love the low humidity, the leaves changing, and I don't know about you but I am ready for some football!☺ The fall season is also a very important time in the life of our church. The decisions we will make as a church as part of the nominating process, the budgeting process, and the selection of deacons will in large part determine how our 2019 will look. I would like to ask you to be in **much prayer** over each of these important items over the next few months.

We have an amazing opportunity as a church family on **Sunday, September 16** to receive a special Word from **Dr. Richard Blackaby**. Dr. Blackaby is the co-author of *Experiencing God*, the author of *Spiritual Leadership: Leading People onto God's Agenda*, as well as over 30 other books. His international ministry has blessed thousands, and you are sure to receive a special blessing. This would be a wonderful day to invite someone to your church.

As your pastor, I just want you to know that it is a great privilege serving alongside each of you as we do the Lord's work. You all are a blessing from The Lord, and I believe that The Lord is just getting started with what He wants to do in and through our church for His Glory!

Pastor Stephen

1 Corinthians 10:31

Dr. Blackaby Speaking Schedule for Sunday, September 16th

8:00 a.m.

**Life+Group
Leader's
Breakfast**

9:30 a.m.

**Thrive College
Life+Group**

10:45 a.m.

**Morning
Worship
Service**

6:00 p.m. Joint Worship Service @ Clearview Baptist Church



a Home for Brenda...

Would you
prayerfully
consider
being part of
a special
mission
project?

While in

Guatemala,

Julie & I had the opportunity to lead Brenda (pictured above) to the Lord. She invited us to her home and as we turned a corner and looked up a hill I said under my breath, "Oh Lord please don't let that be her house." It was! I've been to Central America around 10 times and this is the worst house I've ever seen. **It is trash bags, sticks and dirt!**

She has two small children and her husband abandoned her. I made a commitment to the

Lord that day that if He allowed I would return with a team to build her family a home.

On October 25 - 28, a group from our church will be going to fulfill this promise with **Suffer the Children Guatemala** and missionary **Bob Yeater**. We need \$3,000 to build Brenda a home. If we get enough funding we will build another family a home.

If you would be willing to support building Brenda's family a home, please make checks payable to Locust Hill and put "Guatemala Home Project" in the memo line. Please mail to PO Box 759, Travelers Rest, SC 29690. You can also give online through our website @ locusthillchurch.org/online-giving.

To God be the Glory!



LIFE+GROUPS

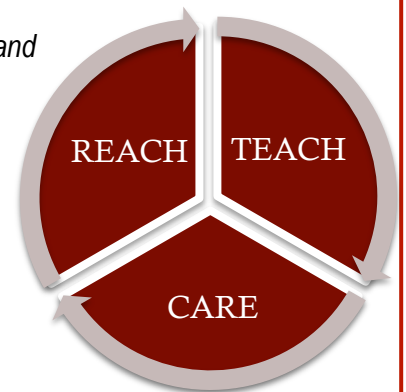
Together with Purpose John 10:10

Why Is It Important To Connect in a Small Group?

We believe that true & lasting spiritual growth occurs when three things come together: The Word of God, the Spirit of God and the People of God. That is our motivation to see everyone connect with a **LIFE+Group** at Locust Hill. Biblically, the role of **LIFE+Groups** is to be the place where the Great Commission is put into action. This is the place where the three crucial elements of **Reaching, Teaching and Caring** as found in *Matthew 28:19-20* collide with the vision and mission of the church.

The name '**Life+Groups**' comes from John 10:10, "*The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, AND have it to the full*". In addition to teaching, our desire is for members of these groups to experience life (fellowship) through both reaching and caring for one another.

The purpose of **Life+Groups** is to help every believer take the next step in growing in their faith and service to the Lord. Through building community, pursuing intentional growth, and serving like Jesus, the universal mission of the church to "go make disciples" is carried out. **Life+Groups**, by God's grace, will seek to help people grow in their love for Jesus as they walk in a journey towards becoming a fully devoted disciple.



Current LIFE+Group Participation (September 2018)	On Church Roster	On LIFE+Group Roster	%
Adult Members (Age 19 & Up)	326	185	56 %
Adult Prospects (Age 19 & Up)	49	14	28 %
Child Members (Age 18 & Under)	95	134	70 %
Child Prospects (Age 18 & Under)	231	29	12 %
TOTAL	701	362	51%



Special
Guests...

Phyllis &

Hannah Webb



Tickled Pink

"A Woman's Touch" Ladies Banquet

Monday, October 15th | 6:00 p.m.

Bask in a delightful celebration of a simple color pink and a joyful theme THE BEAUTIFUL WOMAN. "Tickled Pink" captures the imagination of beautiful women from 5 to 105. Smiles all around and even a tear brushed away assure that this banquet will... Make a Memory!



TICKETS: \$12 (no refunds) available beginning Sept. 17th and may be purchased before & after services on Sunday or by calling 895-2787 or 895-1771 weekdays.

September Snapshot

Serving on Sunday - Homebound Visits



Sunday, September 9 - Our goal is for all of our Homebound members to receive a visit and a gift from the church on this day. We provide the gift – you make the visit. Join with another family, take the kids, be a blessing to a precious part of the Locust Hill family. A list of Homebound members with directions will be made available on Sunday morning, Sept. 9th.

Find Your Place to Serve in 2019

Also on **Sunday, September 9** the Nominating team will make available the 2019 listing of volunteer opportunities and ministry teams that are available for people just like you! Begin now to pray how God would like for you to use your spiritual gifts & talents for His glory in the upcoming church year.



Good News Club @ Mountain View Elementary



Monday, September 17 – The Good News Club @ Mountain View Elementary is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship who's goal is to teach children about the Lord of the Bible in public schools! It meets on Monday afternoons from 2:30 – 4:00 pm and consists of songs, crafts, games, memory scriptures, a Bible lesson, and salvation message. We currently have 84 children registered. Would you join us in praying for the children who will hear the gospel message this year through the Good News Club?

LIFE+Group Fellowship Night

Sunday, September 23 - These Fellowship Nights are a great opportunity for your LifeGroup to **INVEST** in one another and enjoy a group activity or meal together. It's also a great way to **INVITE** someone new to join your group fellowship.



Operation Christmas Child

We are in the final stretch of a year long collection of items for **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**. Here's what is needed over the next two months:

SEPTEMBER – Socks & Soap

OCTOBER – Girl Toys

Save the Date: Sunday, November 11th @ 6pm
OCC Shoebox Packing Party



Save the Date

October 14 th	Act II from NGU @ LHBC
October 15 th	Women's Touch Banquet
October 28 th	Fall Community Outreach
November 11 th	OCC Packing Party
November 18 th	2 nd Annual Locust Hill Chili Cook-off
December 1 st & 2 nd	Weekend of Presence "Christmas in the Ridge"



SEPTEMBER MEN'S & WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Caldwell Women's Group
Sept. 10th | 6:00 pm
The Peddler Steakhouse

Men's Bible Study
Sept. 10th | 6:30 pm
Frank Murphy's House

Jordan Women's Group
Sept. 13th | 5:45 pm
CaroMi Restaurant in Tryon



For The Record August 2018

Date	Budget Offering	Designated	Attendance
5 th	\$ 11,216.00	\$ 933.00	310
12 th	\$ 8,883.33	\$ 1,904.38	322
19 th	\$ 15,145.00	\$ 4,915.38	397
26 th	\$ 7,266.70	\$ 1,464.00	361

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OUR STAFF

Dr. Stephen Cannon, Pastor
Rev. Jason Farr, Associate Pastor
Andy Ray, Worship Minister
Apryl Rochester, Preschool Minister
Katina Riley, Children's Minister
Julie Cannon, Youth & College Minister
Traci Harrison, Administrative Assistant
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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