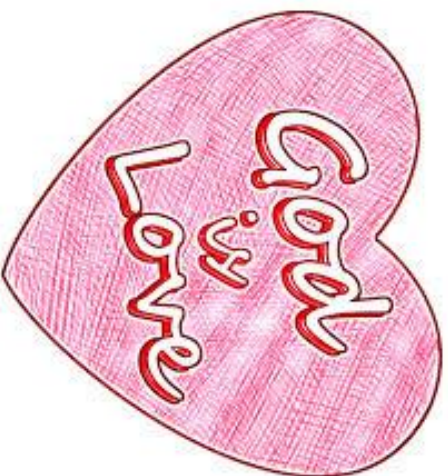


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Remember: " Only one life will soon be past. Only what is done for Christ will last."

The Proclaimer

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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

I want to make a modest proposal for the month of February. I would like for us to consider February as “*Love Your Church Month.*” If you are a member or even an attender of Philadelphia Baptist, let’s show how much we love our church. I propose we do this using one (or more) of the five love languages.

** **Words of affirmation.** For some people, the best way to show them that you love them is by saying something loving to them or about them. Let’s do this for PBC. Use your social media to say something positive about PBC. If you don’t have social media, use our True Life cards to invite your family and friends to join us at PBC.

** **Acts of service.** For some, “*Actions speak louder than words.*” What can you do to serve PBC? There are areas that need to be painted. Some of our hedges could use a trim. Some of our Sunday School rooms have become cluttered. And our clothes closet could use some TLC. If you see something that needs to be done, do it. Or if you have some time, but need some ideas, give the pastor a call. Show your love by your actions.

** **Giving of gifts.** As you know we are somewhat behind on our budget this year. Use this month to give an extra gift to show your love for PBC. We also are trying to pay off our loan on the FLC by our 250th birthday. This month is an excellent time to make an additional gift toward this. Some of our children’s classrooms could use a nice smart TV as well, if you are in the mood to go shopping.

** **Quality time.** We always have a larger crowd for 11 a.m. worship than we have for Sunday School or Sunday evening service. Maybe this would be a good month to try an additional service or two. At least make sure that you attend each of our Sunday morning services.

** **Physical touch.** The best way to show your love for PBC is to touch the throne of Heaven for her. Please commit yourself to praying for PBC each day during this month.

Whatever love language you speak, please speak it to Philadelphia Baptist this month.

May our Father bless you today. It is a joy to serve our Lord with you.

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AWANA NEWS

AWANA Leaders – Equip Training Session

DATE: Saturday, February 8th **TIME:** 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM **PLACE:** Ebenezer Baptist Church, Indian Trail, NC
This is a mini-AWANA Conference and a great time to RECHARGE for the second half of the year. Please let Jill Aldridge know if you would like to attend by Sunday, February 2, 2020 so registration can be completed.

AWANA Grand Prix is coming up on February 23rd here at PBC from 4:30 PM – until. Hot Dog Supper and Race. Car Kits will be available on Sunday, February 2, 2020 after AWANA Club Meeting.

Upcoming in March...

Sparks and T&T Games on Saturday, March 7th at Pitts Baptist Church. We are determining at this time who wants to attend. Thank you, Jill Aldridge

AWANA MEAL VOLUNTEERS (The Youth will not eat with us on the 3rd Sunday of each month.)

February 2nd- Caroll & Sherrie Anthony; **February 9th**-Jennifer Gillis & Kelly Gouch

February 16th-Doug & Skyla Anderson; **February 23rd**-GRAND PRIX Race

March 1st-Kasey Wallace

AWANA-DONATE TO A MISSIONARY NEW LINK INFORMATION

Kathy Brock, Donation link is: <https://www.awana.org/missionary/kathy-brock>

Ladies Prayer Breakfast

DATE: Tuesday, February 18th; **TIME:** 8:30 AM; **PLACE:** Beth's Restaurant in Pageland

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS: For ages 2 to 5 years old.

2/3 Year Old's

February 2nd: Skyla Anderson & Luisa Price

February 9th: Jen & Kate

February 16th: Carla & Lisa

February 23rd: Crystal & Chad

4/5 Year Old's

Kim Outen & Ashlyn Porter

Jill & Jana

Mindy & Lauren

Mary Katherine & Michael

February Mission Friends Volunteers

5th-Skyla Anderson and Kasey Wallace (FLC)

12th-Lisa Stutts and Carla Bowers; 19th- Peggy Smith and Kelly Baker

26th Lisa Stutts and Carla Bowers

Ladies Bible Study Group

DATE: Monday, February 3rd **TIME:** 7:00 PM **PLACE:** Melba Zimmerman's House



WMU Focus Week

February 9th – 16th

Watch Word

My dear friends, stand firm and don't be shaken. Always keep busy working for the Lord. You know that everything you do for him is worthwhile.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Contemporary English Version (CEV)

Thank you to all of our leaders and volunteers in all our WMU Groups (Mission Friends, GAs, RAs, and WMU) and to each child and adult that participates in WMU. We love you!

Sanctuary Flowers will be placed in the church on Sunday, Feb. 9th in Honor of our WMU.

Happy FEBRUARY Birthdays 🎂

2-Jason Lowery

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9-Joshua Stutts

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15-Gail Cave

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19-Jay Ashley, Lauren Duke

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5-Sandy Mills

7-Kyle Beard, Makayla Lowery, Chase Rushing

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 AWANA-Van
2 Regular Services; Awana Leaders-Deadline for Mini-Awana Conference	3 Ladies Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM	4	5 WMU, Mission Friends in FLC, GA, RA, Youth, Girlfriends in Christ	6	7	8 AWANA Leaders Equip Training Session
9 Church Conference; WMU Focus Week; Flowers: WMU; AWANA Valentine's Day	10	11	12 Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GA's in FLC, RA's, Youth, Girlfriends in Christ	13	14	15
16 Regular Services; AWANA Missions Night	17	18 Ladies Prayer Breakfast at Beth's 8:30 AM	19 Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's in FLC, Youth, Girlfriends in Christ	20	21	22 AWANA Trek Pinnacle; AWANA Grand Prix Set Up In FLC
23 Regular Service; Children's Choir Practice 4:00 PM AWANA Grand Prix Race 4:30 PM - Until	24 Amona Class serves supper at Community Shelter	25 Deacon's Meeting	26 Adult Bible Study, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth in FLC, Girlfriends in Christ	27	28 FLC Reserved: Duke	29 FLC Reserved: Duke

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Sunday: 10:00 AM Sunday School; 11:00 AM Morning Worship; 4:00 PM Children's Choir Practice on 4th & 5th Sundays During Traditional School Year 4:30-6:30 PM-AWANA; 6:30-AWANA Supper During Traditional School Year; 6:00 PM Youth, Adult Bible Study; 7:00 PM Evening Worship.

Wednesday: 7:00 PM Mission Friends, GA, RA, Youth, GIC; WMU on 1st Wednesday Night; Adult Bible Study on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesday Nights

Family Life Center Schedule: 1st Wed. of Month: Mission Friends; 2nd Wed. of Month: GA Class; 3rd Wed. of Month: RA Class; 4th Wed. of Month: Youth Class

A NOTE FROM JENKS...

Recently, the youth took a trip to the mountains of Tennessee. We usually have a winter retreat or conference to attend during the ML King weekend. For the last few years we have done our own services or attended a local church. This year, I felt like we needed something more so I reached out to a friend that heads up The EDGE Conference. I expressed that many of our current youth have never experienced his conference. For whatever reason, we have never been able to work it out to attend this conference. My thoughts were to attend a session where the leader of the conference was speaking. His name Craig Tackett. A very thought provoking and enthusiastic speaker. I'm not sure you can accurately describe him; you just have to sit in on one of his talks. That was my goal.

I called him up and just shared my thoughts and knew that it could be tough to manage because we were not registered. Craig made it work and he was very honored that we got to attend.

We made it to the Saturday night session. The opening session last for about an hour and it kicks off the weekend.

We had worship through music and skit/dramas then prayer and Craig kicked off the weekend with his message. A passage of scripture that is kind of near and dear to me. Okay, all scripture is but this passage of scripture was the exact I used to speak to Philadelphia youth some 20 years ago. It was my first time speaking to any youth at Philadelphia. I was asked to be a guest speaker one Wednesday night and I chose a passage in the Book of ACTS. Honestly, I can remember a few points from that talk but remembered being fearful or worried that I would cause the Youth to slip or fall because of what I was trying to say. I spoke about Ananias having the privilege and honor of speaking to Paul after his conversion from Saul. Saul had an encounter with Jesus and had become blinded by this experience. Saul spent 3 days in blindness.

The Lord appeared to Ananias and told him he was to go speak to Saul. Ananias had heard the murderous threats and all the things Saul had done to people. He was apprehensive and fearful of being the one to confront Saul. The passage states that Saul was to be used as an Instrument of God. Think about that.

In Craig's message he went into more detail about how Saul went about killing and breathing threats and destruction wherever he went. If we are honest, God has asked us to do things that pale in comparison to what he asked Ananias to do. Much like Ananias, we make excuses or try to justify why we shouldn't be the one to do things for God's glory. While I can only remember a few points to my little talk with the youth, I will always remember what Craig said about this passage.

I can only imagine how Ananias approached Saul during his visit. He was told to lay his hands on the eyes of this murderous and hateful man. I'm sure he was very apprehensive and even took steps to protect himself even though Saul couldn't see.

As Craig was preaching, I found myself in the midst of the story and was blown away by what his main point was during his sermon. Craig simply asked a question. "What was the first

A Note From Jenks, continued

thing Saul/Paul saw when his vision was restored? He paused and gave several things it could have been, but finally said it is a very simple answer. He saw Ananias.

I don't know about you, but I think as soon as Saul gained his sight, I would have moved away from him or shielded myself from his reach. Craig said when we do that we miss out on so much more of the passage.

Craig's whole point to the sermon was how God didn't kill Saul for all the things he did. He didn't remove the person, but the sinful nature and bad parts of Saul. Much like when there is darkness and light shines in it, it doesn't remove the darkness. It is still there, but overpowered by the light.

As for Craig's question, he brought it back around and said the very first thing Saul saw was Ananias. Everyone understands this and may say big deal. It isn't until you learn the meaning of the name Ananias that it brings it all together. Ananias simply means the "Grace of God". So, when Saul/Paul opens his eyes, he sees the Grace of God.

We all have our own names and they mean different things to different people. Being a Child of God brings about its own meaning. We should strive to be just that, a Child of God. We all have gifts and talents that we need to use for God's Glory. Even though we may associate others or even ourselves by the label's others put on us, we are so much more than that. We are loved, we are Children of God. I hope and pray that we are never blinded by the world that we forget our names and our true meaning. *Jenks*



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PLACE: Family Life Center

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Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

*Thank you for your continued support and faithfulness in reaching our 2019 Lottie Moon Christmas Goal.
May God Bless You! Love, Our WMU Groups*



Happy Valentine's Day