#### Men's Retreat

This year the men's retreat will be held at the NC Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell April 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$100. We have room for 15. Check with Pastor Caroll for updates on this trip. Thank you.

# SUMMER YOUTH WEEK AT FORT CASWELL

July 13-18; Cost is \$160.00 to attend.

See Jenks for details.

#### **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES**

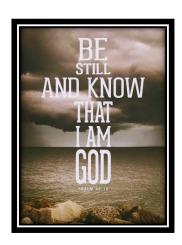


Watch Facebook and Website for our Easter Message.

# **Ladies Prayer Breakfast**

DATE: Tuesday, April 21st; TIME: 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** Family Life Center





Don't let Covid-19 "rain on" Karoline's (Justin) 1st Baby Shower!

Please drop off gifts to
Philadelphia Baptist Church Office

on

Monday-Wednesday

from

9 AM to 12 Noon

or have shipped to her at

5515 Stateline Road, Marshville, NC 28103

before Saturday, April 25th

"Baby Shower" pictures will be posted on Saturday, April 25th

Thank you in advance for your understanding and by helping us to make this a special time for them. Their Friends & Family (3)

Registered at: Amazon & Target

# Philadelphia Baptist Church

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## **Wi-Fi Information**

Sanctuary:

Network Name: WIN\_504629; Password: rxz8p7h6fb

**Fellowship Hall:** 

Network Name: WIN\_700468; Password: 3q7g7kwsc8

Family Life Center:

Network Name: WIN 505855; Password: gptz73g2tt

# R. Caroll Anthony, Pastor

Jeff Jenkins, Youth Minister Linda Day, Pianist Richard Taylor, Music Minister Sheri Rodgers, Secretary

Melba Zimmerman, Organist & Treasurer

# "Do You Love the Lamb?"

### Luke 19:28-44 (NKJV)

28 When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 And it came to pass, when He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, that He sent two of His disciples, 30 saying, "Go into the village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here. 31 And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you loosing it?' thus you shall say to him, 'Because the Lord has need of it.' "

32 So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them. 33 But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you loosing the colt?"

34 And they said, "The Lord has need of him." 35 Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. 36 And as He went, many spread their clothes on the road.

37 Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, 38 saying:

"'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!" Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

39 And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples."

40 But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out."

41 Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. 43 For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, 44 and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

#### Stewardship/Enrollment Report: March 29, 2020

Weekly Required: \$7,302.42 Weekly Received: \$5,299.00 Requirement to Date: \$ 226,375.02 **Received to Date:** \$ 210,047.21

**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to date: \$608.00 Sunday School Enrollment: 250; Present: 0** AWANA/Youth Enrollment: 123; AWANA/Youth

Present/Outreach: 0

(No Services due to Coronavirus disease (COVID-19))

#### **CHURCH HISTORY**

We are working on our Church History. If you have any items you would like to donate (newsletters, bulletins, wedding announcements, funeral bulletins, financial statements or any historical church information that we can add to our church history notebooks), please leave in the secretary's mailbox. Thank you so much.

#### Our Annie Armstrong Ingathering is **NEXT SUNDAY**

Remember you can give online on our church website at www.pbcmarshville.org, mail in or hand deliver your Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to the church office. Thank you for your continued faithfulness.

# Tips for Christians Navigating the 21st Century

Living for Jesus isn't just the path to more peace and joy in your life, it's also the path to salvation. It can feel like the secular world is pulling us away from our beliefs, and there are more distractions and temptations than ever before. But there's hope for the modern-day Christian. If you want to put Jesus at the center of your life and glorify God in all things, consider putting the following suggestions into practice.

#### **Know What Jesus Would Do**

The modern world is full of distractions, many of which are disguised as things that are "normal" and presented to us as harmless. You can develop your discernment about what's worldly vs. Godly and continue to grow spiritually by guarding what you put into your mind and your heart. To know Christ is to have the capacity to live a holy life. Regular Bible study and fellowship with other believers will help you understand the heart and mind of Jesus, which in turn will help you make decisions that glorify God. With the Holy Spirit inside of you, ask yourself "what would Jesus do?" in situations where you might otherwise make an imperfect decision that can displease God.

#### Tips for Christians Navigating the 21st Century, continued

#### Be Present in the World

Jesus gave His life so that we may have eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven, but also so that we may enjoy the heaven on earth God has created for us. In the Bible we see how Jesus loved the world and was continuously *present* in it. To live for Christ, then, means to be present in the world and to appreciate the gift of life that has been given to us. Unfortunately, this is usually easier said than done. Digital entertainment, social media and general busyness are just a few of the distractions contending for our attention. If you want to be closer to Jesus, start by limiting the unfruitful distractions in your life and being more present in the world around you—including with the people around you. Which brings up another point about getting up and getting outside: it allows you to share the Good News with more people than you'd meet if you spent all your free time playing on your smart phone.

#### **Look for New Ways to Share the Good News**

Of course, face-to-face evangelism isn't the only way to share the Gospel. There are benefits of having access to digital technology. Putting Jesus at the center of your life doesn't necessarily mean you must forsake things like video games, TV series or social media, but that you should instead look to use these amazing tools to do as God commands and spread the Word. For example, you can record your testimony and upload it to **YouTube** to witness for God beyond your immediate sphere of influence. **Instagram and Snapchat** can also be used to share moments that glorify God, such as a breathtaking sunset or the birth of a child. When sharing these moments, be sure to give thanks and praise to Him so that others may experience your love for God and in turn experience the love He has for them. There are some people who have been able to evangelize through **online gaming**. There are many ways to reach people.

#### **Push Back Against Lostness**

Jesus came to seek and save the lost, and through Him, you, too, have the power to share the gospel and lead others to a relationship with God. The 21st century has been marked by a sad increase in the number of lost people in the world. Living for Jesus means doing your part to extend God's Kingdom on earth. There are many ways you can make a difference: donate to missions offerings, share your faith with your friends and family and to the rest of the world online, and pray for the specific lost people that God put's on your heart that He will open their eyes to the truth. You can also choose to support the efforts of the North American Mission Board (NAMB), which trains and resources missionaries across the United States and Canada. 100% of your donation to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is used by NAMB to support missionaries engaged in compassion ministry and church planting in the most unreached areas. Every dollar of your gift makes a difference for the Kingdom.