



**Philadelphia Baptist Church**  
5709 Philadelphia Church Road  
Marshallville, NC 28103

*April 2021*

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**Easter Egg Hunt Details inside.**

**We need candy filled Easter Egg donations.  
Please drop off in the vestibule or outside  
Pastor Carroll's office. DUE by Wednesday  
night, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you.**

**Easter Schedule • Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:00 AM Worship**
- 8:00 AM Breakfast**
- 9:00 AM Sunday School**

**Our new church email is:**

**[pbcmarshville@gmail.com](mailto:pbcmarshville@gmail.com)**

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# The Proclaimer

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**YouTube Channel:** Pastor Carroll Anthony **Parking Lot Radio Station:** 107.7 FM

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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

On March 27, 1994, the congregation of Goshen United Methodist Church in Piedmont, Alabama met for Palm Sunday services. It was a big morning at the church. The church was packed with approximately 140 in attendance. The children's choir was to perform that morning, and the church members were to present a drama about a father and son who had come to sacrifice their lamb but ended up encountering Jesus on HIS way to Calvary.

It was unseasonably warm that Sunday, and the members noticed it had begun to rain during Sunday School. Suddenly, the wind picked up. There was thunder and lightning, and the power even went out. But the members were determined to go on with their performance in spite of it all.

At 11:39 a.m. as the children stood to sing, a piece of debris flew through the top stained-glass window. Members began to shelter under the pews as an EF4 tornado destroyed the church building in moments. When it was over, 20 members had died and more than 90 were injured.

The next week, on Easter Sunday, the congregation gathered on the lawn beside the shattered remains of their church building. Pastor Kelly Clem, who had lost her four-year-old daughter in the storm, stood to read the morning Scripture: *"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine or nakedness, or peril or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."*

Goshen UMC was eventually rebuilt a little further down the road where it still meets today. The original site was turned into a memorial garden. In 2011, when more tornadoes came through that area, the church became a shelter and a focal point for relief efforts.

Rhonda DeHaven lost five members of her extended family that day. She was injured and rehabbed for six weeks before she was able to walk normally. On the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this tragedy, she reflected on that day: *"For a while, it makes you appreciate people more. But we live in a world that's broken. It is full of sin and selfishness. I don't think God cause it to happen. Did He have greater purposes to allow it to happen? I'm sure HE did."*

Why did the COVID pandemic occur? I don't know, but I am convinced that God had/has a purpose. Though some of us have paid a high price during this past year, I am excited about Easter Sunday. HE IS RISEN! And nothing can separate us from HIS love.

It is a joy to serve our Lord with you.

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## **A NOTE FROM JENKS...**

Just recently, I spoke with a fellow Lowes employee that I hadn't seen in years. We both have been with Lowes a long time. I've got over 31 years in and she has close to 25 years of service. Over the years we (Brenda and I) have worked less and less during the same time. I'll admit, I have great hours now and then, but I like to think I put myself in that position with my work ethic and performance:)

As we were talking about the good ole days, I was reminded of an incident that took place while we were working alongside each other. I'll never forget that moment. I was going along putting up stock using what we called an order picker or Cherry Picker. I'm strapped in and can raise up to the highest shelf and take things down or put them up. On this day, I had another co-worker acting as my spotter and helper to load up the product that needed to be stocked. As we rounded the corner, Brenda asked if I would help her get some stock to put on the shelf out of the top stock part of the rack. I am always willing to help, so I pulled down the freight she needed. As we were talking, Jamie (my spotter) asked to borrow my box cutter. I gave it to him but he gave it to Brenda instead. She took it and opened a box or two while we carried on a conversation. Before you know it, she cut open a box and the knife slipped off the cardboard toward her wrist. If you ever worked with me, we always had a saying for times like that. "Cut toward your BUDDY not your BODY" I'm just saying...Back to Brenda and her use of the box cutter. She is cutting the cardboard and it comes off and hits her wrist and the next thing you know her wrist is like gushing like old Geyser. Again, if you know me, I'm pretty good if it is my blood but someone else's, well that's a different story. As I'm letting out a big groan, Jamie asks the question, Are you alright? To which I reply, I need to sit down for a minute. Jamie turns to me and says, "Not you, you big dumb coconut head. I'm talking about Brenda, are you alright?" In my defense, Brenda hasn't said anything or responded other than clamping down on the cut. She finally says, "I'll get a Band-Aid and it will be okay." Turns out she needed a couple of stitches. I am telling you this to bring up a verse in Colossians.

### **Colossians 4:5, NIV:**

**"Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity."** While Brenda isn't/wasn't an outsider, the way I handled that situation is the way most of us Christians handle our opportunities around others. We don't always take the time to make the most of our chances. We will think of ourselves rather than focusing on others. We will see others in moments of harm and automatically think of ourselves. In that moment, I remembered how the best thing for feeling faint or queasy was to sit and get fresh air. That was my thought process, even if it was only a couple of seconds. I'll admit, I focused more on my situation rather than attending to Brenda and her pain. While it was brief, I still looked inward instead of outward. How selfish could I have been? I did get over myself and helped her make it to a first aid kit. Unfortunately, even Christians will act this way at times. Often times we want that kind of Christianity. We

have to remind ourselves daily, that as Christians we are to serve HIM wherever we are. We are HIS representatives and are to be about His work. Serving others falls into that category. There are times when our well-being needs to be a focal point but never at the expense of others. We have laughed about that moment many times over the years. We were fortunate that things worked out okay for me and Brenda. I have used that moment to be a reminder to me about serving others. I wasn't the one cut. I wasn't the one bleeding from an accident. I wasn't the one having to deal with a lifechanging moment. I was only concerned about myself. We can't be about HIM and Be ALL ABOUT OURSELVES. If we are about Him, others will benefit. How about you? Do you have reminders like this to help you understand there are those that need help? I would encourage us all to embrace that verse. Be wise and make the most of every opportunity we have with nonbelievers. We have what they need, never forget that. I am a work in progress every day. I need God's help in making good use of the time I am given. The only way I can do this is by staying close to HIM and HIS word. May we all be a vessel in which He can and will use to bring Him Glory and Honor. Love you all, Jenks

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## Cemetery FUND Update

Thank you to everyone who has given to the Cemetery Fund.

Received as of March 24<sup>th</sup>: \$2,917.00

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### 2021 High School & College Graduates



If you would like to participate in our Graduate Sunday

(Date TBA later), please go to: <https://www.pbcmarshville.org/graduate-form/> fill out and submit. Thank you.

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**MARY BLAIR SCHOLARSHIP** This scholarship is available for church youth who will be attending Wingate University in the Fall of 2021 for their Freshman year. Please contact the church office if you would like an application. Thank you.

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### Men's Retreat at Fort Caswell

**DATE:** May 14<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 **Cost:** \$100.00

See Pastor Carroll to sign up.

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Thanks to all that brought hygiene kits. 😊

They have been delivered to the UBA office. Bonnie Oster



## Nursery Volunteers

**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** No Nursery/Easter

**April 11<sup>th</sup>:** Skyla Anderson & Lexi Jenkins

**April 18<sup>th</sup>:** Luisa Price & Lindsey Jenkins

**April 25<sup>th</sup>:** Ava Strawn & Jana Turner

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Whitney Beard & Lindsey Jenkins

**May 9<sup>th</sup>:** Kelly Gouch & Lexi Jenkins



## Children's Easter Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 AM in the FLC**

**Don't forget your Easter baskets.**

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## 2021 Ladies Retreat -- Theme: "One Hundred Years from Now"

**DATE: April 23-25 PLACE: N.C. Baptist Assembly at Ft. Caswell**

- **What?** This is a getaway for women seeking to deepen their relationships—with God, with themselves, and with other women of like mind.
- **Where?** Ft. Caswell, on a beautiful piece of land that borders the Atlantic Ocean and the Cape Fear River.
- **Who can go?** Any lady, young or old who desires to "retreat" from the world for a couple of days.
- **Do I have to be a member of Philadelphia Baptist Church?** No. You can come no matter what your church affiliation is. The more the merrier!
- **What does it cost?** \$120. This includes 2 nights lodging in the beautiful Lantana House, 5 meals, snacks, and the sessions.
- **How do I pay?** You can pay directly to the church or to Sherrie Anthony. You can pay with the online giving at [www.pbcmarshville.org](http://www.pbcmarshville.org) Click on: E-Giving Donation, then click on: <https://secure.etransfer.com/PBC/donate.cfm> (see church website). You can mail a check to: 5709 Philadelphia Church Road, Marshville, N.C. 28103. If possible, you need to pay before we leave unless you make other arrangements with Sherrie.
- **Other costs?** You will need to take care of your meals while traveling to and from Caswell, including Friday evening's dinner.
- **What time does the retreat start on Friday?** You can arrive at Ft. Caswell any time after 3:00 on Friday. Dinner is on your own, though there is usually a group that goes together from Lantana at around 6:00 P.M. The first session is at 9:00 P.M.
- **And when does it end?** After a time of worship on Sunday morning. We usually get away around 11:00 AM or so.
- **More info:** Contact Sherrie Anthony at 980-328-5611 or email [Sherrieanthony1959@yahoo.com](mailto:Sherrieanthony1959@yahoo.com).

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## Ladies News

**Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup>:** Ladies Bible Study at 7PM in the Conference Room.

**Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>:** WMU REGULAR MEETING at 7PM in the Conference Room.



## April Birthdays



Jerri Pittman	April 2
Raelyn Tucker	April 2
Kasey (Strawn) Medlin	April 3
Darren Guffey	April 4
Daniel Guffey	April 4
Ray Rickard	April 7
Michael Thomas	April 7
Kathy Newland	April 8
Michelle Simpson	April 8
Ciara Vaughn	April 8
Bill McLaurin	April 13
Casey McClain	April 14
Kyle Pittman	April 14
Butch Smith	April 14
Dustin McClain	April 15
Randall Wilson	April 15
Emma Ashcraft	April 16
Karen Haigler	April 16
Shirlie Deese	April 17

## April Birthdays, continued

Madison Bradley	April 18
Bob Oster	April 18
Tristin Patterson	April 18
Woody Altman	April 20
Karlie Strawn	April 20
Ashlyn Porter	April 22
Jackson Davis	April 23
Cara Krest	April 24
Kristen Robinson	April 24
George Davis	April 25
Luisa Price	April 25
Marvin Snead	April 25
Emma Simpson	April 26
John Romanello	April 28
Todd Rorie	April 28
Dean Jenkins	April 29
Bonnie Oster	April 29
Miley Ross	April 29

## May 1<sup>st</sup> Week Birthdays

Joshua Baker	May 1
Kaley Fennell	May 1
Jayla Rapp	May 2
Amanda Tarlton	May 3
Hunner Wallace	May 3
Esther Medlin	May 4
Tiffany Romanello	May 4
Rick Benton	May 5
Caroline Rushing	May 5
Cora Rushing	May 5



Ladies'  
Prayer  
Breakfast

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** 9:00 AM

**PLACE:** Beth's Restaurant

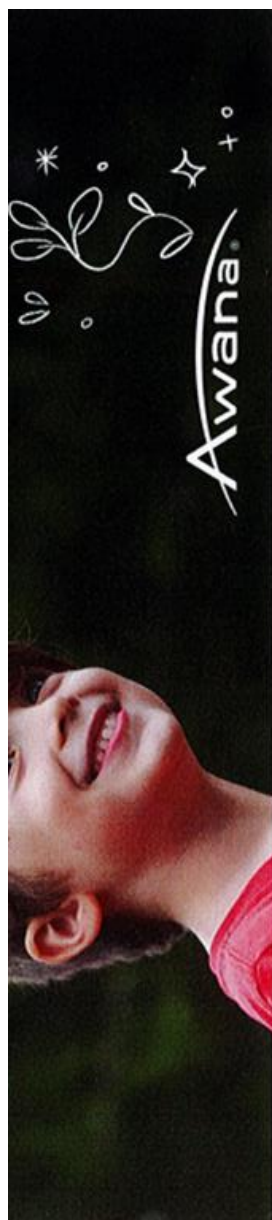


## Remembering Christi Anthony Phillips

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April 3, 2021 • 3 – 5 p.m.

*“Bring your favorite memories and  
join us for a time of remembering and  
celebrating what Christi meant to each of us”*



Thank you so much for partnering with us as a financial partner or as a prayer partner. Your gift will enable me to reach out to churches across the Carolinas to help educate and encourage leaders. I look forward to what God has prepared for our ministry.

This year, I have worked in the Sparks Club. Each week I'm amazed by what I see the children learn. One week, last month, the lesson was about love, so I presented the gospel to the children.

We talked about a holy and loving God in Revelations 4:8b and John 3:16. We talked about our sinful nature (Romans 3:23) and how we deserve death for our sins. (Romans 6:23) We moved on to how God, even though we were sinners, sent His Son to die for us. (Romans 5:8)

I paused to remember the scripture and make sure I presented it correctly. Across the table I heard Charlie, one of my kindergarten students, recite “1 Corinthians 15:3-4 Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.”(NKJV) He recited the verse word perfect and with the correct reference.

So this week I learned a lesson. Be faithful in what you do. Others are watching you and listening when you think they don't hear you. Above all remember what we are teaching does stay with them and will make a difference in their lives.

Thank you once again for partnering with us. We get the chance to make a difference in the lives of children across the Carolinas as they come to know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Prayer*  
REQUESTS

Sincerely,

Kathy & Randy Brock  
Awana Carolinas

- 1) Pray for our grandson Wyatt as he recovers from a blood clot.
- 2) Pray for Randy's Mother in the nursing home hoping we can see her again soon.
- 3) Pray that our churches will soon start the rebuilding process and more families will come back to in person worship.

# April 2021

SUNDAY

MONDAY TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

				1	2	3 Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM  <b>Remembering Christi Phillips 3 – 5 p.m. in FLC</b>
<b>4</b> <b>HAPPY EASTER</b> <b>7:00 AM</b> Sunrise Service <b>8:00 AM</b> Breakfast <b>9:00 AM</b> Sunday School	5 Office Closed. Ladies Bible Study 7PM	6	7 WMU, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, 7:00 PM; Adult Bible Study streaming on Facebook at 7 PM; Choir Practice 8 PM	8	9	10
<b>11</b> <b>CHURCH CONFERENCE</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM</b> Morning Worship <b>4:30-6:00 PM</b> AWANA & Youth	12	<b>13</b>	14 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, Adult Bible Study streaming on Facebook 7 PM; Choir Practice 8 PM	15	16	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM</b> Morning Worship <b>4:30-6:00 PM</b> AWANA & Youth	19	<b>20 Ladies Prayer Breakfast</b> <b>TIME: 9 AM</b> <b>PLACE:</b> Beth's Rest.	21 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, Adult Bible Study streaming on Facebook 7 PM; Choir Practice 8 PM	22	<b>23 Ladies Retreat @ Fort Caswell</b> <b>23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>24 Ladies Retreat @ Fort Caswell</b> <b>23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>25</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday School <b>10:30 AM</b> Morning Worship <b>4:30-6:00 PM</b> AWANA & Youth <b>Ladies return from retreat.</b>	26 <b>PBC serves at the Community Shelter</b>	27 Deacon's Meeting	28	29	30	
<p>*Morning Worship in Sanctuary and is Live Streamed on Facebook and in the Family Life Center; Parking Lot radio station 107.7 FM</p>						