

FEBRUARY 7, 2018

THE CHAPEL CHRONICLES

OUR PURPOSE:

To exalt the Savior, evangelize the sinner,
edify and unify the saints, equipping them for ministry and service.



June 23-26 Grades 7-8

Register February-April, cost is \$165

Register in May, cost is \$185

June 26-30 Grades 9-12

Register February-April, cost is \$185

Register in May, cost is \$205

Please pay the church.

Do not pay Super Summer directly.

Registration is NOW OPEN!

Calling all Parents at WCBC!

D 6 Meeting

Sunday, February 18

5:15 P.M. in the CLC

Christ-centered parenting is biblical. God expects you to do it. God will help you do it. It's what is best for you, your kids, and your home. That doesn't make it easy though. Your church is here to help. Come to our parent meeting and find practical ways to show your kids you actually believe the Gospel you say you do, and that they should too. You'll be encouraged, prayed for, and given resources. See you there!

Special guest speakers:

Joe and Brenda Ball



2/10/18 UPWARD WCBC Game Schedule

HALF A

8:30 Polar Bears vs. Pumas

9:45 Mustangs vs. Seminoles

11:00 Spartans vs. Minutemen

HALF B

8:30 Rhinos vs. Owls

9:45 Rockets vs. Aces

Cheer Team: Rainbows

11:00 Redbirds vs. Wolverines

Cheer Team: Emerald

Full Court

12:15 & 1:30

4th—7th Grade Girls games

Cheer Team: (12:15) Twinkle Stars

Cheer Team: (1:30) Impact

2:45 Fever vs. Jazz

Cheer Team: Sapphire

4:00 Warriors vs. Grizzlies

Cheer Team: Jump-n-Shout

5:15 Mavericks vs. Bucks

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Watson Chapel Baptist,

We have said goodbye to January 2018 but before we get too far I want to look back to one particular day this nation celebrates in that month. It is observed on the third Monday of January each year, which is around the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. His birthday is January 15. Since the Lord looks at the heart of a man and not the externals, I thought it might be helpful for us to ponder and appreciate that our black brothers and sisters have inherited a kinder world because of the sacrifice of this man who radically shaped our world. Consider this:

-In 1954, seventeen states required segregated public schools (Thernstrom, America in Black and White: One Nation, Indivisible, 99.)

-In 1956, 85% of all white southerners rejected the statement, "White students and Negro students should go to the same schools";

-73% said that there should be "separate sections for Negroes on streetcars and buses";

-62% did not want a Negro "with the same income and education" as them to move into their neighborhood (ABW, 144);

-In 1963, 82% of all white southerners opposed a federal law that would give "all persons, Negroes as well as white, the right to be served in public places such as hotels, restaurants, and similar establishments" (ABW, 139);

-And in 1952 only 20% of southern blacks of voting age were registered to vote.

Basically, the world was an unfair, hostile, unwelcoming place for our black brothers and sisters. John Piper, a white pastor says, "Have you ever paused to ask yourself what separate water fountains and separate restrooms could possibly mean except: *You are unclean — like lepers.*" This is the world of Martin Luther King, Jr. It is easy to pick at his theological and moral flaws. (Think of how he could have been served well by solid, white, evangelical thinking! But of course that was taboo in those days.) In spite of King's sins and flaws, he was used by God to awaken America to the worst expressions of racism. In April of 1963 things in Birmingham, AL had reached a fevered pitch and Dr. King through peaceful, non-violent means got himself arrested. On Tuesday, April 16, he was brought a published letter signed by eight white clergymen of Alabama criticizing King and the peaceful movement of demonstrations. One aspect was their request that he WAIT. Here is a portion of his reply:

There was a time when the church was very powerful--in the time when the early Christians rejoiced at being deemed worthy to suffer for what they believed. In those days the church was not merely a thermometer that recorded the ideas and principles of popular opinion; it was a thermostat that transformed the mores of society. Whenever the early Christians entered a town, the people in power became disturbed and immediately sought to convict the Christians for being "disturbers of the peace" and "outside agitators." But the Christians pressed on, in the conviction that they were "a colony of heaven," called to obey God rather than man. Small in number, they were big in commitment....By their effort and example they brought an end to such ancient evils as infanticide and gladiatorial contests. Things are different now. So often the contemporary church is a weak, ineffectual voice with an uncertain sound. So often it is an archdefender of the status quo. Far from being disturbed by the presence of the church, the power structure of the average community is consoled by the church's silent...sanction of things as they are. ...If today's church does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early church, it will lose its authenticity, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning for the twentieth century....

WOW! I love that! And I am glad the Lord raised this man up. Remember the Gospel is more important than old family legends and beliefs! Bro. Todd

What's Happening



FEBRUARY 10

UPWARD GAMES

FEBRUARY 17

UPWARD GAMES

FEBRUARY 24

UPWARD GAMES

FEBRUARY 26, 27

UPWARD TOURNAMENT GAMES



MARCH 1 UPWARD FINALS

MARCH 8

SPORTSMAN BANQUET

MARCH 9-11

YOUTH D-NOW WEEKEND

MARCH 11

MEGAN McCLAIN/MATTHEW SCOGGINS

WEDDING SHOWER

MARCH 18-24

YOUTH SKI TRIP

MARCH 30

GOOD FRIDAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED



APRIL 1 EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 15

BRADLEY WALLACE/LAUREN BOWEN

WEDDING SHOWER

APRIL 21 YOUTH SPRING BANQUET

dates to Remember

NEXT DEACONS' MEETING
Sunday, February 11, 2018

DEACON: FEBRUARY 11

Ricky Edwards
550-4511

ALTERNATE:

Mark Fallis
718-1414



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Fayrene Baker
9:00-9:30 A.M.
10:30-10:45 A.M.
Jayne Lawson
6:00-6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Carolyn DeVos

Youth Choir

February 11

Stephanie Howard
Alicia Moore
Connie Box

thank you FOR YOUR SERVICE DURING THE

BONUS TEACHING HOUR
FEBRUARY 4, 2018:

Tracie Rittenhouse

Regina Frizzell

Audrey Fox

Garrett & Caron Taylor

David & Deborah Williams

A word from Mrs. Frances

February brings to mind the word "love" and reminded me of an article I had read in a preschool magazine called Early Bible Steps. I thought I would share some highlights from this article with you along with some of my own thoughts.

How do children learn what love is? The answer is they learn about love through the adults in their lives. The words adults choose to use, the way and tone with which the words are said, if the adult is patient or not, and their body language can all express love to a child. Telling a child regularly that they are important to you and that you will always love them no matter what, can help them feel secure and loved.

Adults in a child's life can use their words and actions to show the child what God is like. They can talk to their child about their own love for God and share with the child how much God loves them. They can point a child to the ultimate example of love which is expressed in John 3:16 where it tells us that God loved us so much that He sent His son Jesus who gave His life for us.

Some adults have grown up in a home where little love was shown to them. If you feel that this was your experience, you might also feel that you do not know how to show love to others in your life. If that is true for you, you might want to look for an adult around you that radiates love. These people are not too hard to find because when you are around them, they make you feel that they truly care about you and about what is happening in your life. Look at their lives and see how they respond to others and model the love you see them showing. Ask God to help you have a true genuine love for others.

The very best model, of course, is God. His Word tells us that He loves us unconditionally. He loves us so much that He sent Jesus to die for us. He loves us despite our failures and weaknesses and always desires to help us become more like His son Jesus.

Spend some time thinking through how you can show your child that you love them. You will probably find that what makes one child feel loved may be different for another child. Perhaps you need to tell them more often that you love them, or be more patient and less critical, or spend more time with them. Showing love to others is often a choice. God who is the very embodiment of love will always be willing to help you.

With Heartfelt Sympathy

To the family of
Ramona McLemore
and Becky Dyer,
in the loss of their mother,
Mary Ophelia Adams
Thomason.

"Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted."
Matthew 5:4

ATTENTION LADIES!

"Discerning the Voice of God"

How to Recognize When God Speaks

Seven week, video driven
study by Priscilla Shirer
Started February 4 at 5:00
SIGN-UP now at the
Information Desk
Childcare will be available
with reservation.

A **YOGA/PILATES** Class
interest survey sign up sheet is
located at the Information
Desk! Childcare will be
available with reservation.
Sign up if you are interested!



Calling ALL Hunters for the Wild Game Banquet!

Join us
Thursday, March 8,
at 6 P.M.,
in the CLC, for fun, food,
and fellowship with our
guest speaker, Keith Green.
Sign up sheet is out now!

Ladies, if you would like to
help the hunters out and
provide dessert, sign up at the
Information Desk!

