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EASTER IS COMING!!
The Gathering WACO
March 29th 5-7PM
McLane Stadium
Tenebrae Thursday Service
April 2 7:30PM
Chalk Bluff Baptist
Easter Sunday Services
April 5 8:30am & 11:00am
Chalk Bluff Baptist
Children's Easter Celebration
12 Noon



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Easter is Coming!

God is doing a wonderful work in the life of our church. I am so pleased with the vibrancy of worship and how God is continuing to fill our church with people who love him. I have sensed a fervor among us that gives me great joy as your pastor. So many of you have shared with me how much you care about our church and the work that we are doing, and that is exactly what God desires of us. The Holy Spirit is stirring us up and I cannot help but think that God has something great in store for us this Easter. We have 3 days of redemption coming. Jesus Christ spent 3 days in the grave for us, and as a church we are committing 3 days of Easter to Him.

I expect 100% attendance to all 3 days of Easter we have coming. You are going to hear us talk a lot about the 3 days of hope, and that is intentional. We are going to hammer these dates in every chance we get because they are going to be Spirit-filled times of transformative worship. As a church we cannot afford to miss these 3 days of change, and as an individual there is nothing more important in your life than celebrating Easter with your church family. I cannot wait to see what God is going to do in our church through his Spirit.

You are going to see these three dates everywhere, but let me further explain them here:

1) Sunday night, March 29th at 5:00 pm is a unique opportunity that hopefully turns into tradition. All churches in Waco have been invited to participate in an evangelistic Easter pep-rally at McLane Stadium. If you come you'll get a chance to see the gorgeous McLane stadium up close, you'll get a chance to hear a phenomenal preacher in Tony Evans, and you'll get a chance to hear an 800 person choir that will include the CBBC choir. For a better idea of what the night will look like you can go to the website: www.thegatheringwaco.com.

2) The second day of hope is our annual Thursday night Tenebrae service on April 2nd at 7:30 pm at Chalk Bluff. This is an intimate and dark service accentuated by our choir and the Lord's Supper that point to the crucifixion. This is a gem of our church that many miss each year, please do not let that happen this year.

3) The final day of redemption is our Easter Sunday services that are always filled with life and hope. Sunday, April 5th we will gather together in 2 services (8:30 & 11:00) to celebrate the resurrected Lord.

As a member of our church you need to make a commitment to attend all 3 of these services. There will be great power in these 3 days that you do not want to miss. Go ahead and mark on your calendar that these 3 days are non-negotiable. They are set aside for your Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Music



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Wow I cannot believe February is already over. We are now currently preparing our hearts for Easter, and our FABULOUS choir is preparing for our Tenebrae and Easter services. This is a wonderful time of the year where our schedules are happily filled with events that focus our attention on the cross and the sacrifice Christ made for US! I also want to emphasize what Chris said on the front of this newsletter. The following three events will be LIFE CHANGING: **The Gathering (March 29th in McLane Stadium), Tenebrae service (April 2nd in the evening), and Easter Sunday (April 5th in the morning).** THESE ARE HANDS DOWN THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE YEAR! Please come, not for numbers sake, but for the sake of spiritual growth. There is nothing more powerful than The Church of Christ gathering together to celebrate and praise the name of Jesus. I hope to see you there!!!!!!!

Zach

To my Dear Church Family,

I wish to thank everyone who attended The Deacon's Valentine Banquet, Saturday, February 14th. We had a very good time. I counted 56 in attendance.

There were several who said thank you to me for getting this banquet together. I was just a little spoke in a great big wheel. Thanks to excellent volunteers, I just sat back and it happened. Lawrence cooked the sausage and brisket. Connie Bright worked like a trooper helping to get things set up. Jim Hogue and Lawrence set up tables and chairs. Debbie Hogue and Jim decorated the tables. Jonathan Pinto entertained us with various selections on the piano. Ray Guest and Lawrence served sausage and brisket. Carol Stafford went around pouring coffee and helped on the cleanup with Connie. I did not see everything that was happening and I am sure I left someone out, so please forgive me.




There was a prize given to the longest married couple, George and Frances Gillen - 61 years. Also, there was a prize for the newest married couple, Richard and Fran Rood - 2 1/2 years.

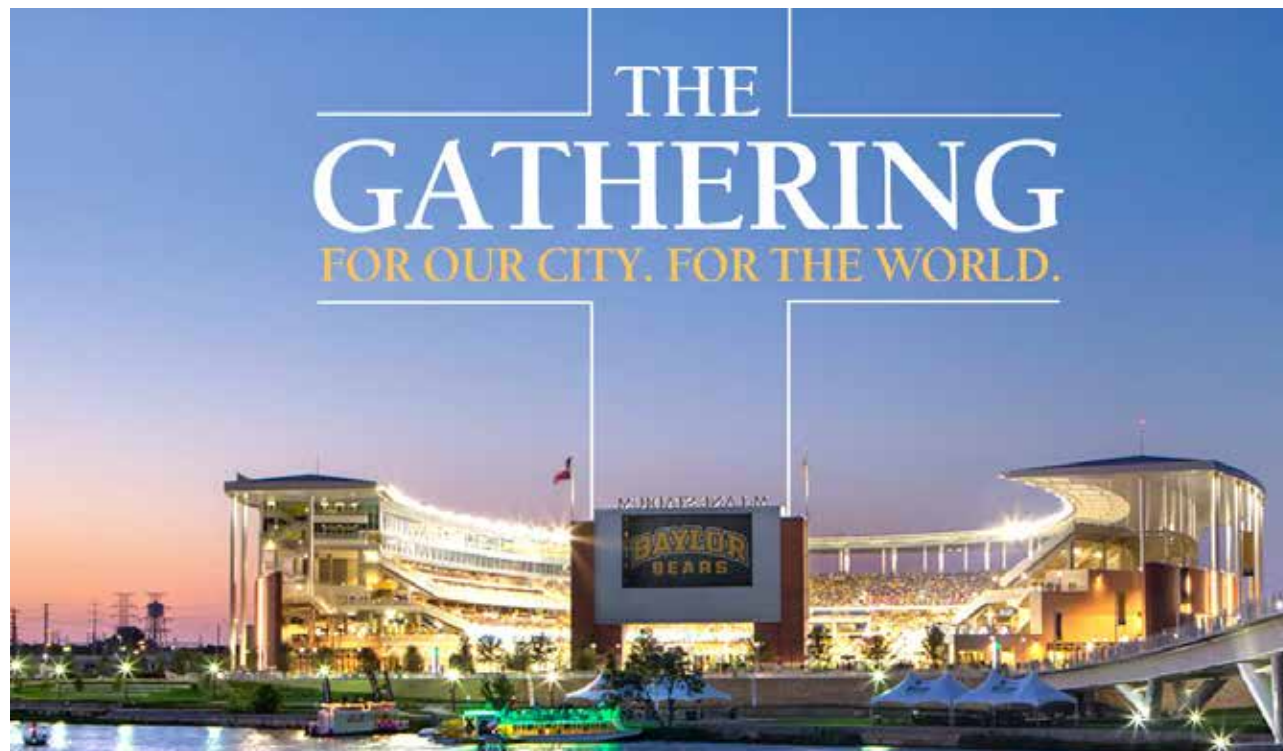
Thank you for bringing your covered dishes and desserts. We are blessed with some wonderful cooks and great food. God has really blessed Chalk Bluff Baptist Church and as a result we have the best of everything. Everyone together made this Valentine Banquet a big success and I hope that this Valentine Banquet will be one of many. I Thank God and I give Him all the glory. God bless you.

Your Brother in Christ
Jim Stafford

March 2015

Deacon Lock-up
March- Terry Stanford
April- Tim Lowe

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
unday	onday	uesday	ednesday	ursday	riday	aturday
Nursery Volunteers Carolyn Anderson Mike Anderson 1	 Women's Ministry Meeting 6:30pm Billy Adams Jose Torres 2	Care Package Ministry 5:30-6:30pm 3	K.I.C. 6:30 pm Monthly Alzheimer's Support Group 10 am Wendy Skopik 4	Senior Adults 10 am 5	6	7
Cody Wilson					Bill Bishop	Tyler Donovan
Nursery Volunteers Deborah McKinney Monica McCormick 8	9	10	11	Senior Adults 10 am 12	13	14
Sunday School Staff Luncheon--12 Noon Deacon's Meeting 4 PM Church Council Meeting --5pm		CONNALLY SPRING BREAK				
Derrell Smith		Steve Wilkins			Tommy Harper	Doris Saylor
Nursery Volunteers Wendy Skopik Lauren Skopik 15	16	17	K.I.C. 6:30 pm 18	Senior Adults 10 am 19	20	21
Kitchen Committee Soup & Chili Fundraiser 12 Noon			Jim Stafford Darren Wade		Sarah Cole Jerry Davis Ronny Foit	
Christina McKinney						
Nursery Volunteers Jane Hall Barbara Sauls 22	23	24	K.I.C. 6:30 pm 25	Senior Adults 10 am 26	27	28
TRI-CITIES EASTER Celebration -- 5PM Concord Baptist Church	Women's Ministry Bible Study 6:30-8:30pm			Women's Ministry Bible Study 8:30-10:30am	Johnie Wilson Travis Worsham	
Sherry Annes Vanessa Torres	Melissa Willis			Jonathan Pinto		
Nursery Volunteers Kim Meredith Amy Johnson 29	30	31	**March 8th**			
Lord's Supper Benevolence Offering						
THE GATHERING WACO 5-7PM McLANE STADIUM						
		Landry Clark Amanda Garcia Donnie Nowlin	 Men's Prayer Breakfast Every Thursday Morning 6:30 am			



Sunday, March 29, 2015 Baylor's McLane Stadium 5:00-7:00PM

Keynote Speaker is Dr. Tony Evans

Admission is free, but seating is limited to the first 45,000

BUILDING A BRIDGE TO SERVE LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES AND FAMILIES

We don't want to only have a celebration that is spiritually impacting, we also want to impact local food pantries in our community. So we are asking everyone coming in attendance to bring, at least, 2 canned goods to be distributed to local food pantries so this event will continue to practically affect lives when we're done!



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March is a time of new beginnings. As spring approaches, we see new life all around us. We see the flowers start to pop up out of the ground and the grass starts to turn greener. The rain brings new plant life and new allergies. This spring is also a time of new life and new beginnings in our church. I am excited to be working with the youth and help them grow and mature as the seasons change. We hope this time will spring new life in our youth, and we have activities planned to help us grow.

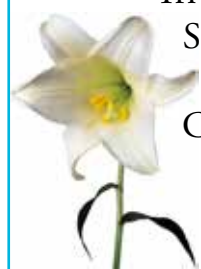
We had Disciple Now this past month, and I know that the kids had almost as much fun as I did helping them. We are also starting to refresh the old, as we bring back SNAC and refresh the Sunday School and Wednesday night youth activities. On Wednesday nights, we are about to finish a series on Identity. Sometimes as we look around, it is amazing to see how much we base our self worth on other people and what they think of us. In our series, we learned that we should base our identity in Christ, and that we should not give up on who Christ made us out to be for all the popularity in the world. In Sunday school we are going to be talking about our feelings, no pun intended. We will be looking at biblical ways to deal with different emotions that we face from anger, to sadness, and even fear.

I look forward to the new month serving this church and the wonderful group of youth that makes up the student ministry. I hope that as we transition into a time of new beginnings, that we would be able to freshen our hearts in preparation for what the Lord has planned for us.

In Christ,

Women's Ministry Bible Study

For **all ladies** who are interested in exploring and learning from God's Word and who want to fellowship together in order to encourage one another on to love and good works, we will begin a **Beth Moore** study entitled "**James, Mercy Triumphs**" on Monday, March 23, 2015 at 6:30pm until 8:30pm and Thursday, March 26 at 8:30am until 10:30am at CBBC. Books cost \$16.00 if ordered prior to the first meeting. A sign up sheet will be in the foyer for all who are interested. We would like to know if you want a book by March 9 if possible. It is not necessary to buy a book and you may choose only to come to the meetings and watch Beth's video as she teaches on the Book of James. For questions, contact Sandy Anderson @ 254-744-9660.



Tri-Cities Easter Celebration
Sunday, March 22, 2015
5:00 pm
Concord Baptist Church
4412 Concord Rd
Bellmead, TX

Church Council Meeting
Sunday, March 8th-5:00 pm

Deacon's Meeting
Sunday, March 8th-4:00PM

Sunday, March 29th
Lord's Supper- During morning service
Benevolence Offering- 12 Noon

Wednesday Night Menus

Menu Can Change Without Notice
Mar. 4th---Grilled Cheese
Mar. 11th--Spring Break
Mar. 18th--Pancakes
Mar. 25th--Chili Dogs

Sign-up sheet for meal donations in fellowship hallway.

Thank you to everyone who helps us get this together each week. We couldn't do it without you.



Sunday School Teachers Luncheon March 8th 12 Noon



Kitchen Committee
Soup and Chili Fundraiser
March 15th 12 Noon
Just Bring your Appetite and A Donation