



The Messenger

WMU FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH

HELP 4 KIDS



Did you know one in FOUR children in Florence County is hungry???

Help 4 Kids Florence exists to help the Florence community combat long-term consequences of hunger for the children of our community. It is a nonprofit organization that provides meals for elementary school age children in need in Florence County on the weekends during the school year. In Florence County there are a high number of elementary school children that depend on school meals as their primary source of nourishment. Unfortunately, this means that many of them will be hungry on the weekend when food is not available. Children that qualify for the program are at risk of having little-to-no food available during these times. Help 4 Kids has a direct approach to this by providing bags of single-serving, nutritional foods to children, which help to reduce their weekend food insecurity.

During the academic year, thanks to generous donors, Help 4 Kids Florence provides approximately 2,000 bags of food each weekend among 34 schools in all five Florence County school districts (Florence, Pamplico, Lake City, Timmonsville, and Johnsonville). During the summer months, in addition to the year-round program at Timrod Elementary School, Help 4 Kids Florence continues to provide a bag of food for the weekend to insecure children who attend various programs in the Florence County school districts.

WHAT IS NEEDED?

Single-serve items:

Ramen Noodles

Applesauce

Fruit Cups

Juice

Pop Tarts

Jell-O

Pop top can items:

Ravioli

Spaghetti

Soup

Beanie Weenies

Vienna Sausage (Most needed)

There is a box behind the sanctuary for your donation.

Whether you can give 1 item or 10 items, your contribution is important and very much appreciated.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation, \$10 provides a meal for one child for four weekends.

\$100 provides a meal for one child for each weekend of the academic year.

Of course, your donation may be any amount. If this is your preference, give your donation to Robyn in the church office, and be sure to specify that it is for Help 4 Kids.

Honduras Mission Trip

Spaghetti Fundraiser

Immediately following the worship service on Sunday, February 4th. There will be no charge for the meal, but prayerful donations are gratefully accepted.



MANUP/RA

CAMP OUT - February 23

This is going to be a time of great fellowship and food - a time for all the men and boys of Calvary to grow together. There will be more information to come in the bulletin, but put the date on your calendar now!

VAN

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

FEBRUARY 21 AT 6PM

RAs and GAs are hosting a night for ANYONE who volunteers at Calvary. That means YOU. Supper is included. Please make reservations by calling the church office or emailing Jennifer at JStewart@calvarycares.com by Thursday, February 15.



Calvary Creations will meet February 8th and 22nd in the library.

2017 MISSIONAL GIVING

\$198,399.69

We praise God and thank each of you for your efforts in 2017. We look forward to what God is going to do in 2018.



FEBRUARY 1

6:30PM - 8:00PM

FREE ADMISSION

Calvary Baptist Church
Open to children 5th grade and up, adults interested in child welfare, teachers, law enforcement, and medical personnel. Child care will be provided if reserved with Amy Hatchell by Jan. 31. Email her at ahatchell@calvarycares.com.

CONNIE MAXWELL

CHILDREN'S HOME

March 8th, there will be a regional reception for the new President of The Connie Maxwell Children's Home, Danny Nicholson, in the Collins Family Life Center.

Reception 5:30 - 6:30PM

Program with Q & A 6:30 - 7:30PM



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MISSION ENGAGERS

Mission Engagers will meet February 20 at 6:30pm at the home of Ann Jones.
1873 Partridge Circle



Meeting
Tuesday, February 20
2pm at the home
of Eva Mull.
1037 Meredith Drive

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual SC WMU Missions Encounter & Annual Meeting is scheduled for March 23-24 (Friday-Saturday) at First Baptist Church in North Augusta. WMU will be making plans to attend this meeting, probably for the day of March 23. If you are interested in attending, please contact Ann Jones (843-669-2413/ajones1873@sc.rr.com) or Cathy Privette (843-260-2038/cathyprivette@hotmail.com).

LEADERSHIP

WMU Leadership Team will meet at 5:00pm on February 7 in the conference room.



02.08 Mrs. Madeleine Breazeale

The Carolinian
718 S Dargan St. Sect A Rm 110
Florence, SC 29506

02.27 Mrs. Hazeline Hill

513 S Franklin Dr
Florence, SC 29501

VISIT OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

The first Monday of each month has been designated as a time for any church member to visit our homebound. We meet briefly at 10am in the workroom. At that time, we get the name and contact information of someone who needs a visit. Visits can last 15-30 minutes. Consider spending an hour of your time to bring cheer to someone who spends most of their days confined to their home or a resident facility. For more information, please call Gail Scarborough at 843.615.2619 or Landon Reynolds at 843.662.0418.



Florence Baptist Association Men's Bowling Night
March 12 ■ 6:30 - 8:30pm ■ Southgate Bowling Center
Sign up in teams of four. Cost is \$10 per person.
Prizes given for the top 3 teams. To reserve a spot,
call or email Jennifer in the church office by March 1.
843.662.0418 JStewart@calvarycares.com

•Baby Dedication• Redding Alexander Julian



On January 14, Marsh and Carla Julian, along with members of their extended family, dedicated Redding to the Lord. We, as the church, committed to come alongside this family in helping to raise Redding in the fear and admonition of the Lord. We thank God for this precious child and pray the Lord's blessings upon him and his family.



PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

June 12th - July 26th (Tues, Wed, Thurs)
9:00am - 12:00pm

No school the week of July 2 - July 6.

Church members may register
beginning Feb 1.

Cost for church members:
\$150 for 6 week program.

There will be an option for Lunch Bunch.



Feb. 11 - Wear Valentine's colors

VBS 2018

The dates have been set!
Our Vacation Bible School will be June 24 - June 29. We are SUPER excited about the theme this year and are making big plans. If you are interested in helping or volunteering in any capacity, please let Amy know. Email her at ahatchell@calvarycares.com.

RAs & GAs

Feb 14 - Visiting Nursing Homes

RAs and GAs are collecting food
for Help 4 Kids this month.

See more information on
the front of The Messenger.

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A Word From Pastor Mike...

Did you know February is our birthday month as a church? According to our history, "on February 6, 1949, there was an organizational meeting held at Immanuel Baptist Church of Florence, SC to discuss the birth of what is now known as Calvary Baptist Church. The first service was held the following Sunday on February 13. Sixty-Nine people formed the initial membership...By February 27, when the charter membership month ended, 126 were on the church roll."

The 69 people who formed that initial membership, by the power of God, started something that has been impacting Florence and the world around us for 69 years! Their influence went beyond themselves, beyond their time, and beyond what they could imagine. Who would have thought in 1949, that many of you would be reading this message on your telephones?

I believe the best is yet to come. God's word promises us that our reward is beyond our understanding. He was speaking not of technological things, but of spiritual things. 1 Corinthians 2:9-10 says, "But as it is written, What no eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no human heart has conceived— God has prepared these things for those who love him. Now God has revealed these things to us by the Spirit, since the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God."

Will we allow God to do more in us and through us in 2018? That is his great desire and should be our great goal.

See you soon!

Pastor Mike