

Ebenezer Baptist Church

Newsletter

February 2024

Turmoil

Life is full of ups and downs. Glass-smooth waters and great storms. Turmoil.

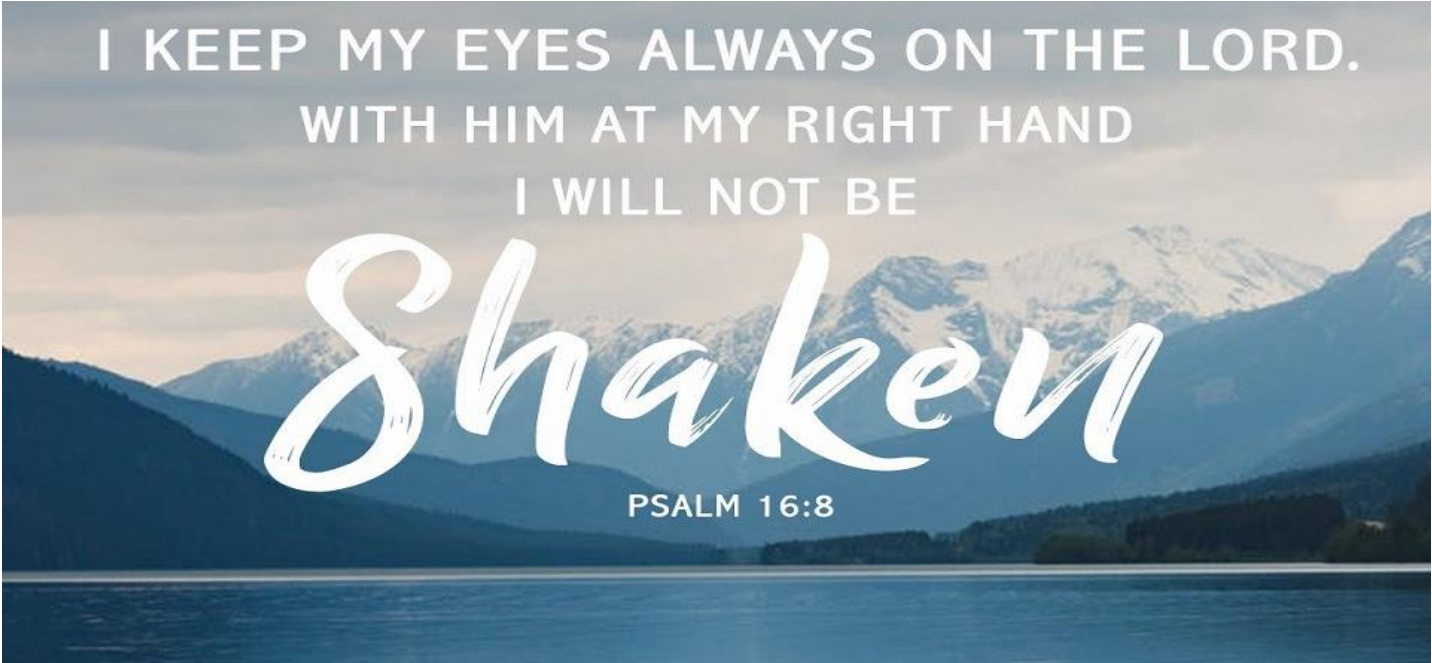
Carey Nieuwhof often reminds his readers that the changes we are experiencing were not CAUSED by the pandemic, but were certainly ACCELERATED by it (or something like that). Change is brought about by subtle winds and also by tumultuous storms. In 2024, we are impacted by both.

In my lifetime, the population of the world has more than doubled. Technology has taken vast steps forward. Social skills and interaction has taken vast steps BACKWARD. We are caught in the middle. A few years ago I was told I would be a grandfather. I didn't quite know how to handle that. I thought about my own grandfather. I thought about my dad, and how I saw him transform into a grandfather. I realized I had two great examples of what to do. When my first grandson was born I made a promise to him and to God that I would be there for him as much as I was able. I hoped and prayed to God that I would be able to make a difference in his life. When his brother came along, I renewed that promise and that hope. And I try with each opportunity. Sometimes I fail and sometimes I don't. But I will never give up trying.

As we face changes in life and turmoil around us, we need to focus on a goal. We need to set our eyes on that goal and allow our focus to motivate us to make a difference. No matter what we might face, we need to keep working towards the goal. Sometimes we will fail. Sometimes we won't. Our faithfulness will be revealed by how we keep trying.

Our world might be in turmoil, but we serve a God who is STEADY, a SOLID ROCK. If we keep our eyes on Him, His hand will bring us through the storms. If we keep trying and never give up, He might even allow us to pull some others through. Turmoil can be great. But our God is greater.

David



I KEEP MY EYES ALWAYS ON THE LORD.
WITH HIM AT MY RIGHT HAND
I WILL NOT BE

Shaken

PSALM 16:8

DEACON PANCAKE SUPPER

Wednesday, February 7th
5:00 pm

Come enjoy some Pancakes with your Deacon!

This is a free supper but donations for the Deacon Care Fund will be accepted.



**Betty Mears Group
Meets
February 8th
at 10:30 am
in the
Mears House**

**Ebenezer Baptist Church
524 S. Ebenezer Rd.**

ebcsc.com

Invites you to join us for the....

WILD GAME SUPPER

**Saturday, February 10th
6:30 pm
in the Family Life Center**

*Guest
Speaker*

**FCSO Major
Mike Nunn**
passenger on the
US Airway Flight 1549
known as "Miracle on the Hudson"

**Bring Your Favorite
Wild Game or
Tame Dish or a Dessert**

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Wednesday, February 7th

6:15 pm in the Chapel

BRING A FRIEND DAY in CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Everything is

BETTER

WHEN YOU BRING YOUR FRIENDS

**Sunday, February 11th
9:15 am**



1 COR. 16:14

**Let all that you do
be done in love.**



Ways to give your tithe

- text to 73256 and enter EBCSC
- drop it by the church office
- drop it in the secure church mailbox
- mail to 524 S. Ebenezer Rd.

Financial Report Through January 28, 2024

Year to date needs.....\$1,127,516.56
Year to date receipt.....\$1,112,499.15



Food Pantry Needs

Rice, Soup,
Canned Meat,
and
Canned Beans

Wednesday Night Supper Menu

Feb. 7: The Deacons will be providing a Pancake Supper

Feb. 14: Meatloaf, Perogies(pasta stuffed w/mashed potatoes),
Green Beans

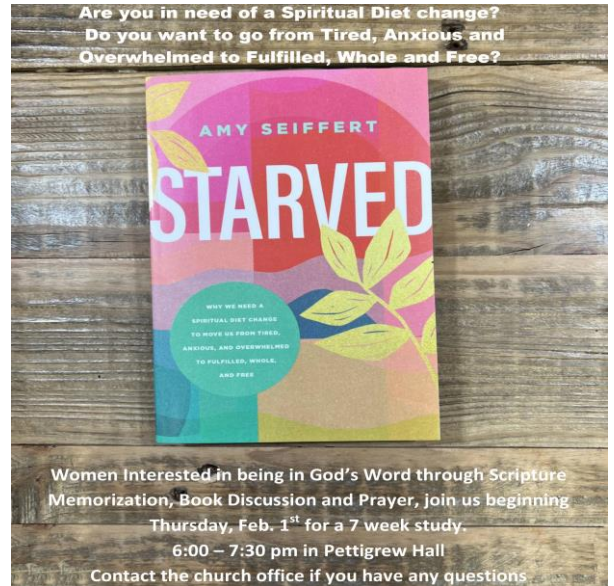
Feb. 21: No Wednesday Night Supper

Feb. 28: Fried Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Butter Beans

Chicken Nuggets & Salad Bar will be available each week. The Salad Bar w/Drink & Dessert will be a cost of \$5.00

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, February 21st
(due to winter break for schools)



Be in prayer for our Youth as they are
headed to West Virginia on Winter Retreat
February 2nd – 4th.



EBC MISSIONS

February 2024 Opportunities

OM Ships

On **Feb. 10** from 9:00am-12:00pm there will be a workday with OM ships.

House of Hope Dinner Meal

On **Feb. 15**, the Koinonia SS Class will provide and serve a meal at the Courtney McInnis Graham Community Shelter.

Missions Rummage Sale Fundraiser

A Rummage Sale to support mission's projects will be held on **Saturday, Mar 1 and 2**. Time: To Be Announced. Set-up will occur in the preceding weeks. Currently we are searching for a location for the Rummage Sale. If you know of anyone with a large open building that would be suitable for the Rummage Sale and preferably free, please let us know. We will need as many people as possible during set-up days and sale days in order for the sale to run as smoothly and efficiently as possible. Once a time and location are finalized, volunteer sign-up will be located at the Mission Counter.

Operation Christmas Child

Item of the Month: Fishing kit supplies (fishing line, hooks, corks or bobbers, lures)

****Kits to be made by the RAs****

We are collecting supplies for use by the RAs, GAs, and Mission Friends to use while packing shoe boxes during their Wednesday missions time. Families will be collecting and packing their OCC boxes at home this year.

EBC Food Pantry

Item of the Month: Breakfast items (grits, oatmeal, breakfast bars, cereal)

Please stop by the Mission Counter to stay up to date on current and upcoming opportunities.

What has EBC Missions been up to? Here is the January recap.

- House of Hope Dinner Meal Provision
 - Courtney McInnis Graham Community Shelter
 - For Those Who Dare SS Class
- Parking Lot Ministry
 - Breakfast provided by Missions, RAs, and GAs
 - Lot of cold weather and toiletry items distributed
- Undie Sunday collection for Foster Care Clothing Closet

EBC Missions Committee

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Tiffany Phillips	843-283-1091
Amy Rouse	843-496-0110

February Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Holdon Carter	2 Dennis Dorman Cliff Turner Mason Shelor David Anderson	3
4 Kaitlyn Kempson Scarlett Glaz	5 Van Waddell Christine Cash Courtney Clemson Ella Garland Townsend William Bennett	6 Camden Blanding Nancy Adeline Turner	7 Brad Kempson John Andrews Nikki Milligan	8 Starla McRae Linda Hardee Matt Clement	9 Ryder O'Neal Avery Garrett	10 Carter Matthews Meagan Bennett
11 Noah Cooke Vic- ki Strickland Rudy Lee	12	13 Morgan Rolfe Donnalene Pullen Ja- son Locklair	14 Ted Bailey Chester Gambrell	15 Gail McLeod Samuel Townsend	16 Teresa Atwood Madison Gipko	17 David Sims
18 Willie McKay Jackson Miller Randy Harrelson Bayleigh Glaz	19 Lee White Ray Willis North Willis	20 Carl Cooke Heidi Newton	21 Bob Stamp Nancy McCormick Cynthia Young Carra Griffin	22 Gayle Hutchinson Dean Huiet	23 Derinda Connor Morgan Jordan	24 Van Threadgill Joni Tarte RP Gensel Claire Jordan Harriette Dawkins
25 Dennis Wade Alex Greer Nancy Sauciuc Marshall Sauciuc Anniston Kirsly	26 Gina Lee Jenny Hicks	27 Savanna Young	28 Anne Bailey Harper Odom Charlene Carter-Groce	29		

We are getting close to reaching our Goal of paying off the
Worship Center! Help us to get the chairs colored green!!

