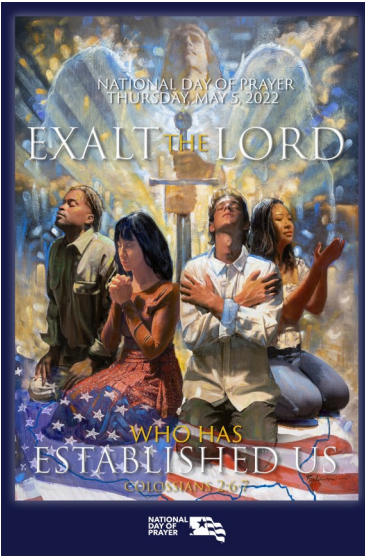


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Jesus said; "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12

May 2022



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER ~ MAY 5th

The theme for the 2022 National Day of Prayer is a call to praise in prayer, 'EXALT THE LORD, WHO HAS ESTABLISHED US' based on Colossians 2:6-7 NASB

This theme is set against the backdrop of an inspiring painting created exclusively for the National Day of Prayer by renowned Christian artist, Ron DiCianni. The image illustrates God's people joining His angels in EXALTING Him as we pray, because He is God Almighty. We have bold access to His throne and passionate confidence as we pray – because **HE HAS ESTABLISHED US** in this nation and is working in the heavenlies to accomplish all that He has purposed – as we **PRAY FOR AMERICA!**



Happy Mother's Day



Sunday, May 8th

If there's one attitude families are guilty of more than any other when it comes to mothers, it's presumption . . . taking them for granted . . . being nearly blind on occasion to the load moms carry. This was reinforced in my mind last week as I was thumbing through a row of crazy greeting cards at a local drugstore. Time and again the joke in the card drew its humor from this obvious attitude that pervades a household: *Forget the housework, Mom. It's your day. Besides, you can always do double duty and catch up on Monday!*

But my favorite was a great big card that looked like a third grader had printed it. On it was a little boy with a dirty face and torn pants pulling a wagonload of toys. On the front it read: *"Mom, I remember the little prayer you used to say for me every day . . . "* and inside, *"God help you if you do that again!"*

Jimmy Dean, the country-western singer, does a number that always leaves me with a big knot in my throat. It's entitled "I Owe You." In the song a man is looking through his wallet and comes across a number of long-standing "I owe you's" to his mother . . . which he names one by one.

Borrowing that idea, I suggest you who have been guilty of presumption unfold some of your own "I owe you's" that are now yellow with age. Consider the priceless value of the one woman who made your life possible—your mother.

Think about her example, her support, her humor, her counsel, her humility, her hospitality, her insight, her patience, her sacrifices. Her faith. Her hope. Her love.

Old "honest Abe" was correct: "He is not poor who has had a godly mother." Indebted, but not poor.

Moms, on Mother's Day Sunday we rise up and call you blessed. But knowing you, you'll feel uneasy in the limelight. You'll probably look for a place to hide. True servants are like that.

You're probably going to be taken out to eat (which will add to our indebtedness!). But in all honesty, it won't come anywhere near expressing our gratitude.

So, live it up on Sunday. It's all yours.

Devotion by Chuck Swindoll

<https://www.insight.org/resources/daily-devotional/individual/mother's-day>



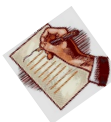
**Pastor Dave's
Message
for the
Month**

In the New Testament the local church is described as a Body. If you think about your physical body, you have many body parts. Each part has its own function. In order to be a healthy functioning body all of your parts need to be doing their job. The same is true for the local church. 1 Peter 4:10 says, "As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." God has given each of you a gift or gifts to be used in the Body. In order for Red Mountain to be who God wants to be and to accomplish what God wants us to accomplish we need everyone to use their spiritual gifts and serve within the Body of Christ.

The Nominating Team has begun working to place people in positions of service for the new ministry year that will begin in September. We desire to place each of you where God has gifted you to serve. So, I am asking each of you to pray for God to reveal where He wants you to serve. Then fill out a Serving within the Body of Christ Survey so we know where God is leading you to serve. We need every one of you! Please don't miss out on the joy of using your gifts for the Lord's glory.

For His glory,

Pastor Dave



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Women's
Bible Study

Tuesday, May 3rd ~ 6:45p
(1st Tuesday of each month)

Ladies, join us for a time of study and fellowship as we continue with "**Better: A Study of Hebrews**" by Jen Wilkin.

You can purchase **RADA Cutlery** and other kitchen products by clicking this link: radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4130704.b62946 or use the catalog and order form in the Welcome Center. Each purchase helps support Baptist Women mission projects.

Ladies, you are invited to a luncheon with the **Roxboro Christian Women's Club**, on Thursday, May 19th, at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. The cost is \$12 for your meal. Please RSVP to Foy, at 336-364-2283 by May 15th. Follow us on [Facebook](#) for upcoming events.



Graduate Sunday
June 5th

If you or your child is graduating from high school or college, please let Pastor Dave know so we can recognize them in the newsletter and in the Sunday Worship Service on June 5th.

Please submit the following items by May 20th:

- Picture of the graduate
- Name of the school/college
- Type of diploma/certificate
- Plans after graduation (if applicable)



*We extend our sympathy
and prayers to:*

- ✂ William Crabtree and his family in the death of his wife, Nancy Crabtree
- ✂ Karen Hall and her family in the death of her uncle, Joe Jacobsen
- ✂ Christy Murray and her family in the death of her sister, Joy Madden, and her niece, Susan Moore

**MEN
OF
IRON
BIBLE STUDY**

Men of Iron Bible Study is on break for the summer and will resume in September with a new study.

"As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend." Proverbs 27:17

**15th Annual RMBC Baptist
Men's Golf Tournament**

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Lake Winds Golf Course - Rougemont, NC
Cost is \$55/person; \$220/Team of 4.

Prizes will be awarded at a luncheon following the tournament. A sign up sheet is in the Welcome Center or see Don Garrett or Wally Watson if you have any questions.



May 2nd through the 6th is **Teacher Appreciation Week** for our school teachers.

But, we want to extend that appreciation to our Sunday School and Children's Church Teachers as well! Thank you all for the giving of your time, talents and service to the Lord.

Welcome

New Members

Zach Brack

(by transfer of letter)

Jeff & Donna Reitz

(by transfer of letter)

Lyndsey Wilson

(by transfer of letter)

Memorial Day - Monday, May 30th

"Remember & Honor"

"Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy, forget in time that men have died to win them."- Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Courage is almost a contradiction in terms. It means a strong desire to live taking the form of readiness to die."- G.K. Chesterson



MAY 2022

BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am Deacon's Mtg 4p <i>Scott Bradley</i>	2 <i>Luke Gillie</i>	3  Teacher Appreciation Day/Week Women's Bible Study 6:45p 	4 Wed. Night Service Mtg 7p	5 National Day of Prayer <i>Kaysi McDaniel</i>	6 Nurse Appreciation Day <i>Alyssa O'Briant Seth Pryor</i>	7 Baptist Men's Workday at Life Choices 8a
8  Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am 	9 <i>Jean Tilley</i>	10	11 Missions Night 7p <i>Teresa Ellis</i>	12 <i>Kaye Dills Jamie Gillie</i>	13 Youth Friday Night Fearless 6p <i>Whitney O'Briant</i>	14 <i>Ashley Chandler</i>
15 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am <i>Laura Pryor</i>	16 <i>Matthew Dew Shane Oakley</i>	17	18 Monthly Business Mtg & Wed. Night Service 7p <i>Jason Humphries</i>	19	20 <i>Kayleigh McKenzie</i>	21 Baptist Men's Golf Tournament 8a <i>Gail Bowen Robbie Coates</i>
22 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am 	23 <i>Kathy Grinstead Tara Oakley</i>	24 <i>Lumpy Compton</i>	25 Wed. Night Service Mtg 7p 	26 <i>Matthew Fuller Doris Gresham Ray Moore Karsyn Yow</i>	27	28
29 Worship Service 8:45a & 11a Sunday Sch. 10am 	30  MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR	31 <i>Brenda Sharp</i>	Memory Verse "As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter 4:10			



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Fearless Parenting

Kathi Lipp

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.” 2 Timothy 1:7 (NLT)

While raising my kids in the late ‘90s, the overwhelming theme I heard from other parents, church members and Christian books was consistent: Protect your children at all costs.

As Christian parents, we were told to *not* let our kids:

- consume any media (unless it was the *Adventures in Odyssey* radio program)
- listen to secular music (and even some Christian rock was considered too edgy)
- play with kids who weren’t from Christian families (unless they were specifically doing so to eventually invite them to church. Yes, these kinds of playdates were a thing.)

Fear is a very powerful force. It can make us fear our kids will make the wrong choices. It can make us fear a lack of control. It can make us fear being viewed as bad parents. I’ve also seen how fear can absolutely be the most destructive tool in our parenting bag.

Instead of fear, God longs for us to see His power and love and grow in self-discipline. As 2 Timothy 1:7 reassures us, “*For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.*”

So how do we moms transition from parenting out of fear to fearless parenting? I’ve got a few ideas.

1. **Talk about the steadfastness of God.** God has given us a spirit of power and we are powerful because we are His. Make sure your kids know the power they possess because of Who lives in them.
2. **Teach your kids how to love others well.** You are their first example and their first teacher of loving well. Loving when circumstances are tough and when your kids are difficult are both great

examples. Then, teaching your kids to love people even when they are unlovable is one of the best skills they can possess.

3. **Transition from the role of protector.** It’s easy to want to stay in the role of our kids’ protector longer than we should. And with all that goes on in the world, who can blame a mom for wanting to keep her family safe?

As an adult, my friend Kimberly endured the unimaginable — being taken at gunpoint while walking to her car after work. Fortunately, after hours of terror and devastation, Kim survived that kidnapping and has gone on to share her story of hope. But of course, no trauma is wrapped up in a tidy little package. Not only did those events affect Kim, but they also affected her whole family, including her mom, Ann.

For years, Ann felt overwhelming guilt for not being able to keep Kim from such a horrific situation. But after years of praying and processing, Ann came to understand that her role was not to protect her daughter.

Kim says, “My mom came to this place of peace after my kidnapping. Even though I was a 28-year-old woman, she somehow thought she should have been able to protect me from that event. She realized her job had been to prepare me to handle all the things life would throw at us kids — not protect us from anything ever happening.”

As our kids grow, our job is to fearlessly transition our parenting from *protecting* to *preparing* our kids and trusting them to God. And He’s given us the ability to do that because of His power in each of us.

Heavenly Father, my prayer is that I parent out of the love You have poured out for me and my child. I pray that I never parent out of fear, but out of the unending love and grace You’ve shown me. Let my child see glimpses of You through my love for them. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.

<https://proverbs31.org/read/devotions/fearless-parenting>

