



# The Beacon



"I have made you a light...that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth." Acts 13:47

March 2025



## Tables of Love

**Saturday, March 15th ~ 6:00pm**

Join us for this special night of 'Dinner and a Show'. Tables of Love is an annual event presented by our Youth free of charge\*. They will serve you dinner and then entertain you. Space is limited, so sign up in the Welcome Center if you plan to attend. You can reserve a table and invite your friends, or sign up individually and we'll place you/your family at a table.

\*While this is a free event, containers will be on the tables for donations for missions.



## Community Revival



**March 30<sup>th</sup> - April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Covered Dish Meal at 6:00pm ~ Worship Service at 7:00pm**

**Sunday Night at Antioch Baptist Church w/ Dave Pryor**

**Monday Night at Timberlake Baptist w/ Cameron Lewis**

**Tuesday Night at Red Mountain Baptist w/ Shaun Phillips**

**Wednesday Night at Bethany Baptist w/ David Chambers**



*"Revive us again; Fill each heart with Thy love; May each soul be rekindled with fire from above."*

### **Week of Prayer for North American Missions & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>, churches will observe the *Week of Prayer for North American Missions* by praying for missionaries, their families, and their ministries. These missionaries need us to step into their stories through our prayers as they often face opposition, discouragement and battle loneliness. You can pick up a 'Step into the Story' Prayer Guide located in the Church Foyer or Welcome Center or download it [here](#).

Also on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, we'll begin collecting for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Special marked envelopes are located at the offering boxes in the Church Foyer and Welcome Center. Our church goal is \$3,500. Please pray for what the Lord would have you give to support North American Missions.





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

God has been so good to us, and we have much to be thankful for. If we are not careful, we can take God's blessings for granted. Sometimes we get used to having food to eat, a warm place to sleep, a job so we can pay the bills, a vehicle to drive, and so much more. How often do we stop think about the blessings God has given us? How often do we give Him thanks for those blessings?

One of the blessings I don't want to take for granted is you! God has blessed me with the wonderful family known as Red Mountain Baptist Church. I am like the Apostle Paul who said this in Philippians 1:3, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." I am truly thankful for each of you, and I never want to take you for granted. I am tremendously blessed to be your pastor. Thank you for allowing God to bless me through you. I will continue to strive to give God thanks "upon every remembrance of you."

For His glory,

*Pastor Dave*

**Daylight Saving  
Time Begins  
Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Be sure to change your clocks before going to bed Saturday night.



**Spring Forward**



**Congratulations to...**

**Cherry Dickerson  
Laura Fuller  
Joe Trask  
Tracey Trask**

Baptized February 2<sup>nd</sup>



*Women's Ministry*  
bible study prayer outreach fellowship

"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."  
1 Thess. 5:11

**Women's Bible Study**  
**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00p**  
(3rd Monday of each month)  
**'Forward'** by Dr. David Jeremiah

You can order **RADA Cutlery** and other kitchen products by clicking the link:

[radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4130704.b62946](http://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=4130704.b62946)

**All RADA products are proudly made in the USA!** Each purchase helps support Baptist Women mission projects.

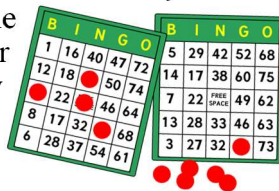
The next **Roxboro Christian Women's Club** will meet Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 12pm at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake. First time attending? RSVP to Susan at 336-364-7777 by March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Fun Bunch  
Bingo & Lunch**

Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:00am

Join us for a great time of fun, fellowship, and food!

Invite a friend! Its a great time to reach out to our community. Please sign up in the Welcome Center so we'll know how much food to prepare.



*We extend our sympathy  
and prayers to:*

- ✂ Mike Brack and his family in the death of his son, Christopher Brack
- ✂ Jean McCorkle and Brenda Duke and their families in the death of Jean's husband and Brenda's step-father, Worth McCorkle



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

**MEN OF IRON**  
**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00p**  
(3rd Monday of each month)

**'33 The Series - A Man and His Marriage'**

**YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday Nights at 7:00p Rm 109

**Renew Your Spirit This Spring**

by Sue Monk Kidd

*And be renewed in the spirit of your mind. —Ephesians 4:23*

Today I woke up with a restless feeling pulsing inside. I want to dig in the dirt and make something grow. I want to clean out my closets and paint the bedrooms and chase butterflies. I am full of stirrings and longings born sometime during the night. Every year about this time, it happens to me. Somewhere between the last breath of winter and the first green leaf, I contract "spring fever."

Suddenly I am struck by a thought. Could spring fever actually be a spiritual phenomenon? Could my hunger to grow a flower, redecorate the house and follow the flight of a newly resurrected butterfly actually be a sign of some deeper need? Could it really be a hunger for my own growth and resurrection?

I begin to hear God speaking to me, showing me how insular, barren and static my spiritual life became through the cold winter. My prayers are frozen like the January ground and my commitment seems unfocused and neglected like a cluttered closet.

So I decide. Yes...I will go and plant seeds in the earth...follow a butterfly... and clean my closets. But I will also take time to cultivate the "spring" burgeoning within my spirit. Beginning now.

*Father, there is something wonderful stirring deep within the cocoon in which I have wrapped myself—unfurl new life in me.*

<https://guideposts.org/daily-devotions/>







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### 3 STEPS TO A SPIRITUAL SPRING CLEANING

By Tiffany Jochen

“CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, O GOD, AND RENEW A RIGHT SPIRIT WITHIN ME.” —PSALM 51:10 (ESV)

Spring is a time to start fresh—to wash windows, sweep the doorstep and purge your closet.

Sometimes our spiritual lives need a deep cleaning, too.

As you refresh your space at the start of this new season, don't neglect the space inside—your very soul, the core of who you are. Here are three questions to ask yourself as you take a spiritual inventory.

#### WHAT NEEDS TO GO?

Let's be honest, some things should go straight to the trash. We're talking broken, falling apart, cobweb-covered this and that we probably never should have owned in the first place.

Think of a tucked away box that hasn't been opened in ages. That's what our sins can be like. We harbor all this guilt and shame over past mistakes and hide them away in the untouched corners of our hearts, never to see the light of day.

What if we unpacked all that baggage and laid it before God? What if we actively turned away from our sins (that's called repentance), and said, “Here you go, God. All the broken pieces of my life are yours now.”

*“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”* —1 John 1:9

God is ready to give you a new start. Take the first step by seeking His forgiveness and asking for His direction as you move forward in your newfound freedom.

#### WHAT CAN YOU GIVE AWAY?

It can be daunting, but also gratifying, to pare down your possessions. So often, we hold onto things we haven't used in years because *maybe* we'll need them one day. Or we feel an attachment to something and can't bear to release it to the donation pile.

But those things have a tendency to bog us down and clutter our lives. In the end, it feels good to let them go.

So what part of your faith life can you give to others?

*“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in*

*heaven.”* —Matthew 5:14-16

As followers of Jesus Christ, we aren't supposed to keep Him all to ourselves. He commands us to share His Good News with others.

Think of someone you can talk to about Christ's love for us. Ask a friend to become a prayer partner, or read the Bible to someone who's unable to. Keep your eyes open for opportunities to mentor a new Christian. Look for ways to serve as Jesus would serve.

#### What Needs Some Love?

Don't worry, you don't have to let go of *everything*. Perhaps the pillows just need to be fluffed, the shelves dusted or the universal “junk drawer” reorganized.

Our spiritual lives can usually use some tidying up, too. Think of all the letters the Apostle Paul wrote to churches about keeping the faith. It takes work, he told them—constant energy to get along, set a good example and generally be faithful to Christ.

There's no shortcut to a relationship with Jesus. It takes time and effort—elbow grease, you could call it.

*“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.”* —Deuteronomy 6:5

Whether your faith life needs a fresh coat of paint or total renovation of the heart, there's no better time to jump in than now. Start with one thing at a time—maybe it's alone time with God, spending time in the Bible or treating others as He would.

Wherever you begin, remember you're not spring cleaning alone. God Himself can help you cut through the spiritual clutter in each area of your life.

<https://billygraham.org/articles/3-steps-to-a-spiritual-spring-cleaning>

#### What Hath God Wrought? ~ Howard Butt, Jr.

“What hath God wrought?” That question from the Bible, Numbers 23:23, was the first official message tapped on the first telegraph in May 1844.

Long—distance communication has changed dramatically since dots, dashes, and Bible phrases. I don't know that anyone recorded the first text message or the first twitter “tweet.” But something tells me neither had much to do with God. And that's too bad, because He “wrought” them as well. God is the ultimate communicator.

In our hurry—up world of cell phones and instant messages, remember the many miracles—including technology—that God has wrought. In all the ways we communicate, it's good to keep that message in mind—in the high calling of our daily work.

<https://hebfdn.org/portfolio/what-hath-god-wrought/>

