COMMUNICATING THE VISION

W. MACK AMIS, JR., D.MIN.

As I sit in my office this Monday morning, I cannot help but reflect on what a wonderful day we enjoyed at "The Gathering" yesterday. It does my heart good to see everyone together praising our God, studying His Word, and fellowshipping with one another. The music was anointed and powerful. Thank you, Bro. Don, Bro. Kevin, and all your people, for blessing us! There is real energy when we as the Parker Family worship together. I look forward to our next Gathering in a few months.

Thanks to all of you who joined in our capital stewardship effort, "Four Fifth Sundays to Finish." We are believing that we will reach the \$70,000 goal by the end of the year so that we can be totally debt free. We had a wonderful beginning this past Sunday (our first Fifth Sunday) when we received \$22,228 toward our goal. This great effort allowed us to move up three levels on our chart that monitors our progress. If we can continue this momentum we will finish! Remember that if it is easier for you to give weekly rather than on fifth Sundays, your gifts still count in the effort.

We have some exciting events coming over the next month. We have our Easter Eggstravaganza, Saturday, April 12, from 11 am until 2:00 pm. This outreach effort gives us an opportunity to love on and bless the people of our community by providing their families a fun-filled afternoon.

It also provides us an opportunity to tell our community that the real reason for

Easter has nothing to do with eggs, rabbits, candy, or entertainment. The real reason is the celebration of our Savior's resurrection, and that through his death and resurrection we can be forgiven of sin and saved from eternal punishment. The resurrected Jesus is what causes us to celebrate! Please help us do a great ministry on Saturday, April 12.

Then we have Easter Sunday, April 20, when we will gather as the people of Jesus and glory in the miracle of the resurrection! Make sure you are in worship service on Easter Sunday morning! You want the world and all who know you to understand that Resurrection Sunday is the most important day of your life!

April 27 is our next Membership Class. Bro. Derrick leads out in helping new members understand more about who we are at Parker, and he assists those who are searching for a church home to better evaluate our church and our beliefs as they seek to know God's will concerning membership. I hope we will have a roomful at this next class.

God is doing great things at Parker. I am just glad to be a small part of it!



We Welcome to Our Fellowship...

Josh & Heather Hill - MC Joining by Transfer of Letter

Stephen and Teresa Boullemet - MC Stephen by Baptism; Teresa by Statement **Eva Clonts - DC** Joining by Baptism Derek & Kelly Smith - DC

Alex Boullemet - MC Joining by Baptism Joshua & Holly Wiggins - DC Joining by Statement **Benjamin Harris** - DC Joining by Baptism

Vanessa Wells - MC

Joining by Statement

Christian Sympathy...

Joining by Statement

Bridget Burney & Family	Death of Sister
Tami Humphries & Family	Death of Father

Minister on Call				
March 31 - April 6	April 7 - 13			
Kevin Anderson(256) 283-5580 Don	n Gober(256) 283-6156			
April 14 - 20	April 21 - 27			
Bro. Derrick(615) 556-7921 Bro.	. Mack(256) 454-3049			
April 28 - May 4				
Kevin Anderson(256) 283-5580				

DEARMANVILLE CAMPUS BRO. JOEY & BRO. NICK

THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION... I am often amazed at how the Easter season energizes the church. Convictionally, we know the Resurrection to be central to redemption. It is for this reason that the Easter season naturally invites people to follow Jesus. The season provides the setting for gospel conversations! However, for the Church, it is also true to say that the Resurrection brings a sense of power and enthusiasm as we are reminded again that Christ is the victor over sin and death. Resultingly, we have victory through Christ! Let us walk in this truth this April. Because He lives, we can face tomorrow!

- UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS -

COMMUNITY EGG HUNT '25... Saturday, April 12th | 12:00 - 2:30 PM Help us get the word out, volunteer to help, and donate candy. This is a huge opportunity to love our community and invite outsiders in. AOM DATE NIGHT... Sunday, April 27th | 5:30 - 7:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Make plans NOW to attend our second DATE NIGHT featuring resources from The Art of Marriage by FamilyLife. Reservations open online on April 1st. Cost is \$40 per couple (\$25 if you attended in February). The cost includes dinner, resources, and more.

PIERRE'S PIZZERIA VBS... June 17-20, 2025 (Tuesday-Friday) | 8:30 - 11:30 AM - It is almost time again for our VBS Experience. Volunteer NOW by seeing Mrs. Meagan. Child registration begins on May 1st. Pierre's Pizzeria VBS is for kids, K4 -6th gr.

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP... June 28 - July 5 | One Way Ministries Interested in going to serve the LORD and assist a local church near Guatemala City? Cost is \$900 plus airfare. See Jerry Flummer or Pastor Joey for details.

MAY SABBATICAL... This May, I (Joey) will be on sabbatical, an intentional time of refresh, rest, and refocus. I will be out of the pulpit and office during the month. Please commit to pray for me and my family AND commit to attending and supporting in May as we will have guest speakers all month.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CAROLYN CLIFTON

Women On Mission will meet Monday April 14 @ 10:00 am in the CLC Fireside Room. Our Speaker: Kim Sonnberger - Her topic is "Come get your hands dirty." April Mission Action Project: Bring snacks for Diane Smith to give to the homeless. Please mark your calendar and make plans to join us!

Ladies Bible Study will complete our study on Jesus: Understanding His Death and *Resurrection* on April 16th. We are enjoying this study! On April 23rd we will begin the six-week no homework ladies Bible study: How Do You Walk the Walk You Talk? by Kay Arthur and facilitated by Katie Edwards. Cost of this book will be \$5.00 Ladies Bible Study meets on Wednesday of each week, on the 2^{nd} floor of the Martin Building in Room 201 6pm – 7pm. Come enjoy the fellowship of other ladies studying God's word and getting to know each other better! We have such a sweet sisterhood; come be a part!



10:30 am Joint Worship Service - Sanctuary

Easter Library Open House Sunday, April 6 Before and After Sunday School



We are planning for an amazing time at our Easter Eggstravaganza on April 12th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be opportunities to share the Gospel and testimonies of the goodness of God with thousands of people as they join us! We will have midway games, cotton candy, popcorn, hot dogs, 10,000 candy filled eggs, train rides, petting zoo, face painting, inflatables, a Prayer Tent, and 100 prize baskets to give away. As guests come to Parker Memorial Baptist Church, we all can play a part in loving on them. There is an opportunity for each one of us to serve our neighbor at this event. Contact Candice at 256-238-3340 to sign up to help!

We will have a playground egg hunt during Children's Church on Palm Sunday, April 13th. We will share the story of Jesus with resurrection eggs, have group worship, then hunt eggs together.

Our weekday education ministries, Loving Kids Learning Center and Parker Preparatory Academy, are also having an amazing Spring. All our students are progressing academically, socially and spiritually. They are learning about Jesus daily, excelling in academic curriculum, and having daily worship opportunities. What a blessing it is for our church to have Christian influence to these incredible children and families each day! We have 170 children who are loved on, taught and discipled daily. God has been so incredibly good in this ministry of Parker Memorial Baptist Church. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of this ministry. You are invited to join us for the end-of-vear program and graduation on May 6th (a) 5:30 p.m. - which will also be streamed live on our Parker YouTube channel. This is always such a precious program and blessing to witness some of what these children have learned this year.

"He is Risen" Come celebrate and enjoy music by soloist Cameron Greenwood • Pacesetter April 15 luncheon at 11:00 am in our freshly renovated Chapel & Cost: \$6 per person (includes lunch) • For reservations, call the church office by noon Friday, April 11.

April's Mission Project: Janice Scheitlin from Calhoun County Baptist Association needs the Senior Adults at Parker to prepare evangelism packets for the Talladega Spring NASCAR Weekend on April 25 - 27. If you can assist with this mission project, please meet Kim in the Coffee Corner on Wednesday, April 9, at 10:00 am to help get 200 packets ready for the race.

Be praying about upcoming events in the church and how you can serve: "Send a Kid to Camp," "Send a Kid to School in Uganda," youth camp, Vacation Bible School, and Music Day Camp.

MUSIC NOTES DON GOBER

Come celebrate the Easter Season on Palm Sunday, April 13 & Easter Sunday, April 20 with special music led by the Parker Memorial Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY & LEARNING CENTER CANDICE FEAZELL

The Children's Ministry Team is super busy gearing up for an amazing Easter season in Sunday School, Children's Church and in our Wednesday night discipleship groups. This is such an amazing opportunity to share the Gospel with our children and give them the foundation to share the Good News of Jesus with others.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY & CLC KIM SONNBERGER

send a kid to school in GAN

Uganda Children's Education Fund

GOAL: \$14,400 - 40 Students Annual Cost Per Child: \$ 360 Total Cost Per Year: \$14,400



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE 2025 - 2026 YEAR WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE MAIN CAMPUS OFFICE - REQUEST AN E-MAIL COPY, jmccabe@parkermemorial.com -

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

March

MAIN CAMPUS:

Main Campus 249

DeArmanville 93

Total

...342

And God's People Gave ...

Total Approved Budget FY 2025\$ 1,354,949.00 Weekly Budget Requirements\$ 26,056.71 Given March\$ 97,781.59 Budget Requirements Y-T-D\$ 451,649.64 Budget Receipts Y-T-D\$ 511,703.13 <i>Fifth Sundays to Finish</i> \$ 22,228.00 Carillon Fund\$ 9,060.00	DeARMANVILLE CAMPUS:Total Approved Budget FY 2025\$ 330,492.00Weekly Budget Requirements\$ 6,355.62Given March\$ 28,012.78Budget Requirements Y-T-D\$ 110,164.00Budget Receipts Y-T-D\$ 109,451.43
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Sundays 8:30 am - Casual Worship - CLC Gym - Children's Church - Chapel 9:00 am - Library Open until 10:00 am 9:50 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Classic Worship - Sanctuary - Children's Church - Chapel - Library Open until 12:00 pm Monday thru Friday 7:00 am - Intercessory Prayer Ministry - CLC Mondays 10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym 6:30 pm - Handbells - Rm 214 Martin Building Tuesdays 9:00 am - Staff Meeting - Main Campus 10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym 2:00 pm - Flexibility Class - CLC Wednesdays 10:00 am - Learning Center Service - Chapel 4:45 pm - Library Open until 5:00 pm 5:00 pm - Family Night Supper - Fellowship Hall

MAIN CAMPUS

Weekly Schedule

Calendar

April 4 - May 4

Friday, April 4 10:00 AM - Parker Serving at Baptist Svc Ctr

Saturday, April 5 9:00 AM - DC Community Canvass Day 4:30 PM - MC "Boston Butt" Pickup

Sunday, April 6

MC Library Open House Before & After SS 11:45 AM - DC Women's Lunch & Paint - FH Wednesday, April 9

4:30 PM - Missions Committee - Library Saturday, April 12

11:00 AM - MC Easter Extravaganza 12:00 PM - DC Community Egg Hunt Sunday, April 13 - Palm Sunday

12:00 PM - DC Connect Lunch

12:00 PM - MC Stewardship Cmte - Conf Rm

4:00 PM - MC Deacons Meeting - Conf Rm Monday, April 14

10:00 AM - WOM Meeting - Fireside Room Tuesday, April 15 11:00 AM - Pacesetters Luncheon - CC Friday, April 18 - Good Friday Learning Center & Prep Academy Closed Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday

Resurrection

Monday, April 21 11:00 AM - Parker Serving at Soup Bowl Sunday, April 27 9:45 AM - MC Membership Class - Conf Rm Thursday, May 1 - National Day of Prayer Tuesday, May 6 5:30 PM - LKLC Graduation & Program - Gym

CHURCH WEBSITES www.parkermemorial.com www.dclivelove.com SUNDAY SERVICES TELECAST

Parker Memorial TV on YouTube Worship Services Streamed Live

at www.parkermemorial.com

- Wednesdays (Cont'd) 5:45 pm - Children's Activities 6:00 pm - Pastor's Bible Study/Prayer Time - FH - Men's Discipleship - Martin Bldg Rm 315 - Ladies' Discipleship - Martin Bldg Rm 201 - Youth Discipleship - 3rd Fl, CLC 7:00 pm - Praise Team Rehearsal 7:10 pm - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Thursdays 8:00 am - Woodcarvers - CLC 9:30 am - Sounds of Jov - Chapel 10:00 am - Pickleball - Gym 2:00 pm - Flexibility Class - CLC **DEARMANVILLE CAMPUS**
- Sundays 9:00 am - Sunday School Small Groups
- 10:30 am Worship Celebration
- Wednesdays
- 5:00 pm Family Night Supper 6:00 pm - Adult Bible Study - Children/Youth Activities

PARKER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH Main Church Office Prayer Room CLC 256-419-2120 256-236-5628 256-236-1515 Parker Counseling Center **DeArmanville Campus** 256-770-7337 256-831-9200 Loving Kids Learning Center 256-419-2845

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