

The Brighton Light

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MARCH 2011: A work in progress. "For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given me, as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation and another builds on it. But let each take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Corinthians 3:9-11)

There is a small college in Gaffney, S.C. called Limestone College. It is called that name because of the limestone deposits in that area where the college is located. One morning about 20 or so years ago people starting noticing large, gaping holes which were much too close to some of the campus buildings. They suddenly realized that limestone deposits ran under some of their buildings.

Over time, ground water began to erode the limestone which is a soft, porous stone. Sink-holes began to appear. This process over the years, in turn, began to threaten the very foundation of some of the buildings.

You see, so often, it is the unseen things which can do the most damage in a person's life. One may have attended church for years, but Jesus was never the foundation of that person's life. When the waves and storms of life come, that house will surely fall because it is not built on the solid Rock, Jesus.

For the son or daughter of the most High we are kept by those tender, most strong, nailed scared hands. Those very hands are molding and shaping us even now, into His chosen vessels.

Each believer is called to be a vital, functioning member in the body of Christ. The place where the Holy Spirit has gifted you to serve, serve with all your heart unto the Lord. Remember what Paul told the Corinthian Christians; "According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation and another builds on it." (1 Corin. 3:10) Paul though wants the Christian to always remember that it is God Who gives the increase. It is the Holy Spirit Who convicts of sin, Who calls the person to repentance and Who equips each in the body of Christ for this great work.

We must never take the credit for what we could never do as a human, but rather give credit where credit is due. When one writes a paper or gives a speech and uses someone's words without giving that person or book credit, it is called plagiarism. Spiritual plagiarism is deadly to the soul, for at the heart of it is self-centeredness, a haughty spirit or pride.

Paul wants us to understand that no person should be lifted so high, be praised so much as to take what should be given to our Lord. If this is the case, Paul would tell us that we are; "still yet carnal". (1 Corin. 3:3a)

My fellow Christian brother or sister, no matter how far one may think he has fallen or how far one feels he has to go, know that our Lord is not through with us nor will He let us go, for indeed, we are all works under progress. May we always be careful to give the Architect of our faith and life glory, honor and praise! Our Lord is truly amazing and wonderful.

Yours in Christ,
Meredith

SERMON SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS FOR THE MONTH:

March 6	Mr. Paul Bell Executive Director of General Synod
March 13	Corinthians 3:1-11 "Give Credit Where Credit is Due"
March 20	REVIVAL Rev. Ken Van Kampen
March 27	Philippians 1:3-7; Revelations 22:12-13 "Only In Jesus Is There Completeness"

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

March 15	Mr. and Mrs. Brad Templeton
March 17	Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hill
March 28	Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Yarbro

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

March 6	Margarette Alsbrook
March 13	Amanda Heath
March 20	Sarah Cavin
March 27	Rhonda Goulder

FLOWERS FOR THE MONTH

Harriet Linderman

March 6	Molly Ann Heath In Honor of Ms. Molly Huffman
March 13	Larry & Beth Crum In Honor of Mr. Floyd Columbus
March 20	Boswell Family In Memory of Mr. Woodrow Smith

Sick and Shut-Ins:

Joe Anne Alsbrook	Doris Hodges
Mary Frances Bennett	Linda Huffman
Mel Billings Sr.	Swayne Huffman
Mike Boswell	Adam Lewis
Rick Boswell	Racheal Lineberger
Don Brown	Ann Locke
Pam Bundy	Logan Lupinsky
Cov. ARP Church	Julia McCormick
Cooper Curtis	Luke Moncla
Louise Dungy	Martha Lou Moore
John Fletcher	Mike Otis
Cathy Fowler	Ricky Pannell
Betty Frazier	Carolyn Patrick
Helen Goulder	Geraldine Rhodes
Kim Gray	Sarah Smith
Melanie Griffin	Cecil Starnes
Jeff Hicks	Joshlin Walter
Dana Hill	Tom Hoover
Joy Hill	Matt Hoover
Laura Sanders	Don Legler

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THE DEACON OF THE MONTH is Dwayne Cranford. If you have any requests for the deacons, please contact Dwayne at 901-389-0453.

WINTER JAM 2011: Winter Jam is coming to Memphis Fed Ex Forum on Sunday March 6. The cost is \$10.00 at the door and you will need extra money for food and souvenirs. For those interested in attending please see John or Nick. Ages are Middle school to Adults.

REVIVAL: Revival is March 20 – 23. Let each of us continue to pray for Rev. Ken Van Kampen who will be preaching our Revival services.

Revival Services Topics

"Our Pilgrimage to the True Temple is Marked By..."

Sunday Morning	"...is Marked By Confidence" – Psalm 121
Sunday Evening	"...is Marked By Understanding" – Psalm 127
Monday Devotional (Lunch)	"...is Marked By Humility" – Psalm 123
Monday Evening	"...is Marked By Longing" – Psalm 130
Tuesday Devotional (Lunch)	"...is Marked By Hope" – Psalm 125
Tuesday Evening	"...is Marked By Hard Work" – Psalm 131
Wednesday Devotional (Lunch)	"...is Marked By Joy" – Psalm 126
Wednesday Evening	"...is Marked By Unity" – Psalm 133