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Date:	Family to Pray For:	Scripture Reading
1	Daniel, Liana & Raylan Sorrels	Matthew 24:1-28
2	Brad & Kandace Speer	Matthew 24:29-51
3	Larry & LaDonna Stevenson	Matthew 25:1-30
4	Mitchell & Whitney Stinespring	Matthew 25:31-46
5	Paul & Joan Strausbaugh	Matthew 26:1-35
6	Donna Talbert	Matthew 26:36-56
7	Alan & Beverly Taylor, Cameron Tucker	Matthew 26:57-75
8	Robie Tucker	Matthew 27:1-31
9	Bill, Irene & Becki Wade	Matthew 27:32-66
10	Wilson & Pam Webb	Matthew 28
11	Margaret Whiting	Mark 11
12	Erick, Christina, Morgan, Georgia, Ellis & Wesley Williams	Mark 12:1-27
13	Juanita Williams	Mark 12:28-44
14	Fisher, Tabitha, Jaxson & Knox Abbott	Mark 13
15	Robert & Shirley Anderson	Mark 14:1-31
16	W.G. & Maxine Anderson	Mark 14:32-52
17	Johnny Arbogast	Mark 14:53-72
18	Larry & Betty Arthur	Mark 15:1-24
19	Wendy & Emma Austin	Mark 15:25-47
20	Danny & Barbara Black	Mark 16
21	Gerald & Melissa Black	Luke 21:1-19
22	Ricky & Lisa Black	Luke 21:20-38
23	Tim & Sam Black	Luke 22:1-46
24	Don & Nancy Blanchard	Luke 22:46-71
25	Philip Brooks	Luke 23:1-25
26	George & Kathy Broughman	Luke 23:26-56
27	Ricky & Lisa Brown	Luke 24
28	Roy, Jennifer, Bailee, Case, Carter & Dylan Brown	John 18
29	Eddie & Melinda Bryan	John 19
30	Ronnie Carpenter	John 20
31	Chad, Marglen, Canaan & Rylee Clark	John 21

March Birthdays

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4	Mary Ryan	20	Savana Tomblin
4	Micah Layman	20	Minnie Slayton
6	Caylin Kern	21	Kae Lacy
10	Pam Webb	21	Ronnie Liptrap, Sr.
14	Tracy Rollins	21	Emmalyn Prior
14	George Broughman	22	Mitchell Stinespring
14	Joanne Hayslett	23	Alan Taylor
17	Frannie Simmons	24	Jared Hayslett
		29	Maxine Anderson

<u>March Anniversaries</u>

Paul & Joan Strausbaugh
 Fred & Lucille Johnson
 Jared & Cassie Hayslett
 Leonard & Beverley Clark



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Dear Family,

As I write this, it has been less than 2 months since we celebrated the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and in a little over 1 month we will celebrate His resurrection. Easter falls on March 31st this year.

Truthfully, we celebrate the resurrection every Sunday when we gather for worship. Before Christ's resurrection they worshiped on Saturday, the 7th day of the week. Following the resurrection they started worshiping on Sunday, the 1st day of the week. *Luke 24:1-6, Acts 20:7*

The resurrection of the Lord Jesus is the cornerstone of the Christian faith. If those who opposed Christ could have demonstrated the resurrection was a hoax, I wouldn't be writing this, we wouldn't be gathering for worship each week, and the title of the Lord Jesus Christ wouldn't have any meaning. However, as hard as they tried, they couldn't disprove the resurrection. The evidence and power of it changed cowardly disciples into people willing to die for the message that Jesus Christ is the resurrected Lord of all. His resurrection proved He is the Saviour of all mankind and will rule and reign as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Some, when speaking of the resurrection, focus almost exclusively on its effect when a Christian dies. However, the message of the cross is just as much about the power to change how we live our daily lives. As we move closer to Easter Sunday, meditate on what these Scriptures have to say about how the resurrection should affect our lives today.

Therefore, we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4

[32] This Jesus, God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. [33] Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. Acts 2:32-33 [His death, burial, and resurrection made the way for us to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.]

Ephesians 1:19-20 [19] and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power [20] which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places.

[13] But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. [14] For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

I encourage you to spend the coming month focusing on the work and power of the cross. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you the resurrection power within you that you may live for His glory.

l loye you,

Pastor Mike

Please pray about who to invite for Easter Sunday.

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An Additional Note from Pastor Mike ~ When the newsletter is given out, I don't plan to be at church. I'm very excited about Vernon Brewer, Founder and President of World Help, being with us on Sunday morning, March 3rd. I consider this a great privilege. Vernon has ministered in places very few American Christians have ever thought of going - including North Korea. Several years ago, we, as a church, donated several thousand dollars for bibles that Vernon's team smuggled into North Korea.

LSM supports World*Help* each month, and we plan to receive our March Communion offering for that ministry. Because I knew that other believers would be in their own churches on Sunday nights, I decided for us to host a Dessert/Q&A event at the Life House on Saturday evening so they could have an opportunity to be encouraged and challenged by hearing Vernon. It's not too late to invite others. If they attend, I think they'll be glad you invited them.

Several years ago, the Lord called and enabled Kae Lacy to write a curriculum for preschool age children. Later she had the vision of putting 22 stories from the life of Jesus into a coloring book. Her daughter, Lori, created the pictures for the coloring book. Since that time, thousands have been given away at home and abroad. Now the coloring books have been added online at a site called Sunday-school-center.com. We rejoice for Kae's obedience to the Lord and for how the Lord is using these coloring books to touch children and their parents.

<u>Church Group Texts</u>: This has been a great tool to help us be more effective in getting messages out. We are all on a learning curve with this, so I'm listing a few things to help us out.

- We are limited to a total of 320 spaces per text. Therefore, we can't always be as detailed as we would like. If the message can't fit in 320 spaces, we will have to use email and FB.
- If you have questions after the text, or info you want to pass along to the staff, <u>please text</u> <u>them directly</u>. If space allows, whichever staff member sends the text, they will put their name at the end.
- If the time comes when you don't want to receive the text, respond with the word stop and it will remove you from the list.
- If people can't receive texts, we email them the messages if we have an address. If you want to be added to text, and/or email, please share the info with us.

March Events:

Saturday, March 2nd: Dessert/Q&A with Vernon Brewer at the Life House 6-7:30PM Sunday, March 3rd: Vernon Brewer will be with us for the morning worship service

Wednesday, March 6th: We will host a meal for the students from St. Joseph's.

Sunday, March 10th: Daylight Savings Time begins. Please remember to set your clocks

forward on Saturday night.

Saturday, March 16th: Homeschool Daddy/Daughter Dance, 6-8:30PM, Life House

Tuesday, March 19th: Spring begins!

Sunday, March 31st: Easter!

Mondays, March 11th-25th: Homeschool Co-Op, 9:00AM-3:00PM, Life House Tuesdays: Bible Study, 10-11:30AM, Life House, STARS Practice, 6:15-8:30 PM

Wednesdays: Youth Group, 6:00-8:00PM, Life House

Easter Word Search

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