GBC

STAYING IN TOUCH... HAPPENINGS WITHIN OUR

Steve's Corner

This Sunday will be Palm Sunday and next week Easter. We will be in our homes. Here is a beautiful idea I saw that Sue and I will do. On Palm Sunday morning, place a green branch on your front door to commemorate this day. Then on Easter Sunday, place some blooming branch or flower on your door. In this way we welcome Jesus into our city and the Risen Christ into our lives.

We are going through a time like I never imagined. I pray for you daily. Some of you are overwhelmed with your responsibilities at work as you try to care for those in your sphere of work. Some of you are suffering elevated anxiety. I pray for you that peace of Christ that is deeper than the

understanding of our minds, deeper than the feelings which race through our hearts. This week's sermon is the last of the Lenten series on Baptism. This week is, Baptism: Dying and Rising. There are three texts I would point you to: Mark 8:34-

36; I Corinthians 15:20-22; and Romans 6:4. I am talking about dying and rising in this life and in the Resurrection life to come.

Also, I add my encouragement to you to participate in the Mission Project this Friday, 9:30-11:30. To come to the church parking lot and drop off bags of food for ICM and cleaning

supplies for 5th Street. Tom and Susie will be there with Tom's truck to put them in. We do not want you making special trips to the store, but as you go for yourself, we'd love you to by somethings for others in most need.

<u>Calendar</u>

No meetings or services this week.

Contact us at gracestatesville@gmail.com or visit us at www.gracestatesville.org. Steve can be reached at 704-591-0192 or shoe1948@yahoo.com

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our friends on homebound: Tressie Starrette. Barbara Robinson. Mary Jean Grose. Those issues close to us: Carolyn Lunsford, Bernard Beck, Vera Webster, Tim Alexander, Spencer Cox, Virginia Carter, Kim Osucha, Sandy Gordon, Phyllis Rogers' parents, The African Baptist Churches of Zimbabwe, Parlier family, Linda Sample, Karen Marlowe, Casey Leslie, caregivers, and healthcare workers, homeless children, our nations immigrants.

Those facing tough times, those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by violence, those who are incarcerated.

In our community and in our world, children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters.

Those in the military: Molly Murphy, Greg West, Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Anthony Corcoran Mary Jane Johnson, Caleb Sisk, Brian Saxton, Jacob, Taylor and Ethan Dowden, 30th Brigade. NEW PRAYER REQUESTS Celebrations: Birthdays

April 4 - Barbara Robinson

The teacher that Leigh mentioned back in February with pre mature twins, got to take them home this week.

Concerns:

Kim's cousin with the coronavirus in Wales.

All those with the coronavirus.

Brandon's dad is still in the hospital in Winston.

Chris's dad's surgery has been postponed

Solomon's grandfather is awaiting cancer screening results..

Kim Osuchua had a set back this week with Meningitis and gas on the brain.

LeAnn Allison having medical tests.

Gun Violence.

All those affected by tornados in Nashville.

Immigrants in the community and around the nation.

Budget

Needed year to date: \$25,692.94 Received year to date: 24,318.00 **UNDER** budget: \$1374.94 Weekly needs: \$1976.38



SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION AND THE WORLD

PARENTS WITH CHILDREN HOME FROM SCHOOLS.

LEADERS TO HAVE UNCOMMON WISDOM.

CORPORATE LEADER.S

HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS.

THOSE WITHOUT INCOME.

HIGH RISK GROUPS.

OTHER COUNTRIES.

Small local businesses.

ANYBODY IS CHARGE OF A GROUP OF PEOPLE.

FACILITY RESIDENTS WITH NO FAMILY VISITS.

THOSE WITH ANXIETY ISSUES.

THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY LOST LOVED ONES DUE TO THE VIRUS.

STILL BEING MINDFUL OF THE WORLD EVEN AFTER THIS ISSUE HAS PASSED.